

Holy Family Parish Como - Kensington

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Weekend Masses Saturday 6.00pm, Sunday 8.30am & 10.00am **Weekday Masses:** Tuesday – Friday 9.00am

Reconciliation: Saturday 5.00pm - 5.30pm

Adoration: Thursdays 9.30am-10.30am



29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

SUNDAY, 18TH OCTOBER 2026

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

To you I call; for you will surely heed me, O God; turn your ear to me; hear my words. Guard me as the apple of your eye; in the shadow of your wings protect me.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 45:1, 4-6

Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus whom he has taken by his right hand to subdue nations before him and strip the loins of kings, to force gateways before him that their gates be closed no more: It is for the sake of my servant Jacob, of Israel my chosen one, that I have called you by your name, conferring a title though you do not know me. I am the Lord, unrivalled; there is no other God besides me. Though you do not know me, I arm you that men may know you from the rising to the setting of the sun that, apart from me, all is nothing.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. Give the Lord glory and honour.

1. O sing a new song to the Lord, sing to the Lord all the earth. Tell among the nations his glory and his wonders among all the peoples.
2. The Lord is great and worthy of praise, to be feared above all gods; the gods of the heathens are naught. It was the Lord who made the heavens.
3. Give the Lord, you families of peoples, give the Lord glory and power, give the Lord the glory of his name. Bring him an offering and enter his courts.
4. Worship the Lord in his temple. O earth, tremble before him. Proclaim to the nations: 'God is King.' He will judge the people in fairness.

SECOND READING

Thessalonians 1:1-5

From Paul, Silvanus and Timothy, to the Church in Thessalonika which is in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ; wishing you grace and peace from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. We always mention you in our prayers and thank God for you all and constantly remember before God our Father how you have shown your faith in action, worked for love and persevered through hope, in our Lord Jesus Christ. We know, brothers, that God loves you and that you have been chosen, because when we brought the Good News to you, it came to you not only as words, but as power and as the Holy Spirit and as utter conviction.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Shine on the world like bright stars; you are offering it the word of life.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

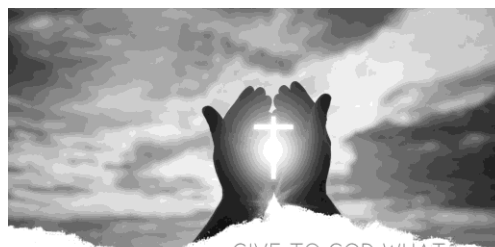
Matthew 22:15-21

The Pharisees went away to work out between them how to trap Jesus in what he said. And they sent their disciples to him, together with the Herodians, to say, 'Master, we know that you are an honest man and teach the way of God in an honest way, and that you are not afraid of anyone, because a man's rank means nothing to you. Tell us your opinion, then. Is it permissible to pay taxes to Caesar or not?' But Jesus was aware of their malice and replied, 'You hypocrites! Why do you set this trap for me? Let me see the money you pay the tax with.' They handed him a denarius, and he said, 'Whose head is this? Whose name?' 'Caesar's' they replied. He then said to them, 'Very well, give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar - and to God what belongs to God.'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Behold, the eyes of the Lord are on those who fear him, who hope in his merciful love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine.

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GIVE TO GOD WHAT
BELONGS TO GOD.

MATTHEW 22:21.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

Exodus 22:20-26

Psalm 18:2-4, 47, 51

1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10

Matthew 22:34-40

PLEASE TAKE BULLETIN HOME TO READ

Parish Priest:
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THE PARISH WEEK AHEAD

Monday 19th October

9.00am No Mass

Tuesday 20th October

9.00am Mass

Wednesday 21st October

9.00am Mass

Thursday 22nd October

9.00am Mass

9.30am-10.30am Adoration

Friday 23rd October

9.00am Mass

Saturday 24th October

5.00-5.30pm Reconciliation

6.00pm Confirmation Ceremony

7.00pm Laying on of hands

Sunday 25th October

30th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8.30am Mass (Morning Tea)

10.00am Mass (Morning Tea)

Next Saturday, six (6) children will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation at the 6pm Mass. Please keep these children and their families in your prayers.



THE LAYING ON OF HANDS

Keith and Colleen Morgan continue to offer their Laying on of Hands at the end of the Vigil Mass on the 4th Saturday of each month. This month, it will be held on Saturday, 24th October. Parishioners who would like to receive this ministry before this date are welcome to contact Keith on 0408 134 935.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Every Thursday 9:30 -10:30AM

Come and spend a quiet hour in the loving presence of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. All are welcome to come, pray, and simply rest in His presence.

HOLY FAMILY CARE

To be involved or seeking more information about this outreach ministry or know anyone who may need some care, please contact Rose on 0451 191 944 or the office staff.

PARISH SECURITY

As previously advised, CCTV cameras have been installed to improve safety. Cameras cover the entry courtyard, foyer, church, and Thelma Street entry. Signage is in place and recordings securely stored according to the Archdiocese Safeguarding guidelines.



AFTER HOURS ACCESS

Our Parish is now implementing electronic door locks for after-hours access to the Parish building. New locks have been installed on the 'front door' and on the Church 'side door'. If you require after-hours access, please email the office advising:

1. Why you require access
2. A personal 4-digit passcode you will use to access the building.
3. If access is required to front door, side door or both.

The new system will be implemented by the end of October, at which time the current keys and lock boxes will be removed. For any questions or queries, please contact the office.

WYD 2027 MEET & GREET

We warmly invite anyone preparing for World Youth Day 2027 in South Korea, or anyone seeking more information to come along to share ideas on

Wednesday, 28 October, at 7:00 pm in the parish hall.

Those wishing to offer sponsorship or donations, please contact Fr Dat.

SMALL CHRISTIAN FAITH COMMUNITY

Would you be interested in:

- * Asking questions and discussing Sunday's Gospel reading?
- * Praying with others for those in special need?
- * Learning a little more about our faith?
- * Sharing time with church friends?

A small parish group meet every Wednesday fortnight 7.30-9.30pm at a home in Kensington.

Faith, Friendship, Discussion, food and humour in abundance

If you would like to know more OR even start a similar group in your area. Contact Tony on 0418 900 046

MASS INTENTIONS:

Recently deceased: Angela Palumbo

For all those who are mentioned in the "Names of the Book of the Dead"

CONDOLENCES

Our prayers and condolences to the Palumbo family on the recent passing of Angela. May she rest in peace

MASS INTENTION REQUESTS

Parishioners who wish to offer Mass for special intentions, such as the anniversary of a loved one's passing, prayers for the recently deceased, or other personal intentions, are warmly invited to contact Yunita Lay - Pastoral assistant.

THE POWER OF PRAYER LIST

Please keep the following people in your prayers:

Norah Langshaw, Waminda Residents, Dragutin Markovic, Daisy Givens, Nadia O'Brien, Mary Hippolite, Ed Devereux, Heather Jordan, Ng Choon Bee, Ng Chai Hong, Caroline, Wayne, Ethan, Liam & Scarlett, Sonali, Sachini, Fe Fontanini, Michael, Nadia, Annie, Reg & May, Margaret & Arthur, Rhys, Brit, David, Anne Armstrong, Elaine Newman, Helen Peters, Canada family, Sarah, Molly, Fred, Patrick, Louise, Chris, Aria, David Rowe, Familia Becerra, Famia Cerinca, Annemarie, Jessie Amphlett, Barbara Kenny, Margaret Abbott, Serafini Family, Cain Family, Regina, Linda, Beverley Loraine, Fr Carroll, Maria O'Connor, Chris Lowry, Aldrin & Adrian Ong, Troisi family, Jean, Antonette, George, Declan & Family, John Joyce, Richard Newman, Kelley Mark, Eduardo & Mario Gomez, Anderson family, Vincent Scanlan, Sanderson family, Anna Alfonso, Samantha Wylie, Troy Skopelitis, Eliora Wijaya, Sophie, James, Toczylowski family, Lynne Klomp, Rena Widita, Stonowski family, Tan Ay Lian, Pam O'Connell, Beatrice & Nora Johnson, Jono, Darren, Michael R, Mitch Leonardo, Maria Ho, April Latoja, David Ford, Ced DeSouza, Darryn, Sean Crosby, Yik Hu Wei, Jason Hiew, Katherine, Erica Fonseca, Valerie, Bony Limas, Mary N, Theresa, Samantha Grace, Philomee Noronha, Abin Davis, Tom Core, Irene Winch, Winnie So, Elaine, Vera, Shien, Marie, Shauna, Jem Robin, Raven & A'Tei Carinan, Joan Mason, Nicole Yardley, Lachlan, Jason Hiew, Noah Hiew Birgita, Cecilia, Michael L&D

VATICAN NEWS

Pope Leo XIV announcement on Sunday:

"Dear friends, during some recent medical examinations, the doctors found a small, localized nodule in my lung. It was detected at a very early stage and is well-localized. The doctors believe that it is best to intervene, so, following their advice, I have decided to undergo surgery to remove it. The operation is already scheduled to take place in the coming days. I thank you for your spiritual closeness and entrust myself to your prayers. Thank you, and happy Sunday!"

The operation took place at the Agostino Gemelli Hospital in Rome on Tuesday morning where he will stay for one week. For updates on Pope Leo's progress please visit the link www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/

GOSPEL REFLECTION

The Gospel of today's Liturgy tells us about some pharisees who join with the Herodians to set a trap for Jesus. They were always trying to set traps for Him. They go to Him and ask: "Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?". It is a ruse a trap: if Jesus legitimizes the tax, He places Himself on the side of a political power that is ill-supported by the people, whereas if He says not to pay it, He can be accused of rebellion against the empire. He escapes this snare. He asks them to show Him a coin, which bears the image of Caesar, and says to them: "Render therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's". What does this mean? These words of Jesus have become commonplace, but at times they have been used incorrectly to talk about the relations between Church and State, Christians and politics. At times we too think in this way: faith with its practices is one thing, and daily life is another. And this will not do. This is a form of "schizophrenia", as if faith had nothing to do with real life, with the challenges of society, with social justice, with politics and so forth. Jesus wants to help us place "Caesar" and "God" each in their proper place. The care for earthly order belongs to Caesar – that is, to politics, to civil institutions, we who are immersed in this reality must give back to society, through our contribution as responsible citizens, paying our taxes honestly, committing ourselves to the common good.

At the same time, Jesus affirms the fundamental reality: that man belongs to God, and this means that we do not belong to any earthly reality, to any "Caesar". We are the Lord's. On the coin, there is the image of the emperor, but Jesus reminds us that our lives are imprinted with the image of God, which nothing and no-one can obscure.

The things belong to Caesar, but man and the world belong to God: do not forget this! Let us ask ourselves this question: what image do I carry inside myself? Whose is the image of your life? Do we remember that we belong to the Lord, or do we let make work, politics and money our idols to be worshipped?

Pope Francis, 22.10.2023, Angelus, St Peter's Square (Part thereof)

PARISH FINANCE

WESTPAC ACCOUNT CLOSURE

The parish banking has been transferred to NAB. Please update your details below.

PARISH BANKING DETAILS

1st Collection Account

Bank: NAB **BSB:** 086-006 **Account Number:** 331 331 103

2nd Collection Account

Bank: NAB **BSB:** 086-006 **Account Number:** 839 893 940

For further information see noticeboard in the church foyer.

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

CHRIST THE KING YOUTH FESTIVAL

OFFICIAL LAUNCH OF WORLD YOUTH DAY SEOUL 2027

Catholic Youth Ministry warmly invites you to join us at St Mary's Cathedral for Christ the King Youth Festival and the **official archdiocesan launch of our journey to World Youth Day Seoul 2027!**

This annual diocesan celebration is a chance for our community to come together in faith and friendship and It's completely FREE!

The night begins with a Youth Mass, followed by a Youth Festival on the Cathedral grounds. Live music, expo stalls, laser tag and food trucks. Everyone is invited! Join us as we celebrate Christ the King, enjoy an unforgettable night together as we officially begin our journey towards World Youth Day Seoul 2027!

EVENT DETAILS

Sunday 22 November 2026 - Youth Mass 5.00pm followed by the Youth Festival 6pm-9pm

Register online at www.christtheking.cym.com.au

Please note: This is a public all ages event. Participants under the age of 18 must be accompanied by a parent, guardian, or designated adult, duty of care for minors will not be provided.

If you would like to get involved and volunteer for the event, please put in your expression of interest below:

<https://events.humanitix.com/christ-the-king-volunteer-eoi>

CYM PERFORMING ART'S MINISTRY

Got a talent for music, singing, drama or just happy to get involved? Put your faith into action and use your gifts and talents for a greater cause. Whether you sing, play an instrument, run sound or do media, this space is for you. Open to young adults 18+ years.

Every Monday, 7.00pm to 9.00pm, Catholic Pastoral Centre, 40a Mary Street, Highgate (entry via Harold St).

EVERY WEDNESDAY EVENING - COMMON GROUND FAITH EDUCATION FOR YOUNG ADULTS

Every Wednesday, 6pm to 8.30pm, Catholic Pastoral Centre, 40A Mary St, Highgate.

Through faith formation, prayer, mission, ministry and social activities, Common Ground provides opportunities to grow in faith, deepen your relationship with God and explore what it means to live a life of purpose and meaning. Ask questions, share your struggles, and receive encouragement and guidance. Come along! For more information contact <https://www.cym.com.au/>

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES - CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF PERTH

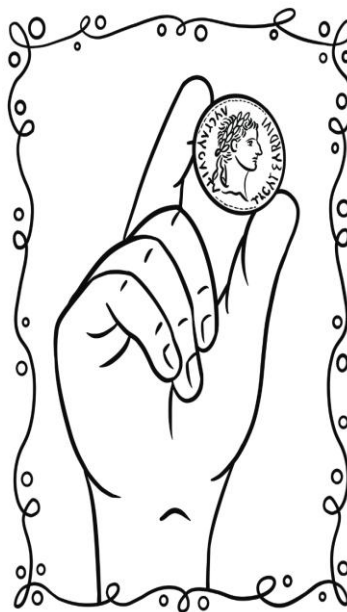
The Catholic Archdiocese of Perth has employment opportunities for suitably qualified persons to join its team and continue the good work of the Church. For details on how to apply online, please see the noticeboard in the foyer or visit the Archdiocese website www.perthcatholic.org.au/Employment.htm

Paying Taxes to Caesar

Then he said to them, "Give to Caesar what is Caesar's, and to God what is God's." Matthew 22:21
Based on Matthew 22:15-22 (NIV)



"Give to Caesar what is Caesar's, and to God what is God's."



Everything we have has been given to us by God, who gives us love with unending generosity. How often do we remember to say 'thank you' or to return just a little of what we have been given?

LET US PRAY

Father in heaven, I give you today all that I think and do and say, fill me with grace and make me strong with you at my side I won't go wrong.

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GOD	WORDS	DISCIPLES	OPINION
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SATURDAY 6.00PM

SUNDAY 8.30AM

SUNDAY 10.00AM

COMMENTATOR / READER

17th/18th
October

29th Sunday in
Ordinary Time

C. Frank Giannini
R. Helen Mason
EMHC Jacques Farla

C. Jacinta Wu
R. Susannah Robinson
EMHC Lyn Hope-Hume

C. Cecilia Bray
R. Fiona Wee
EMHC Grace
Toczyłowski

24th/25th
October

30th Sunday in
Ordinary Time

C. Amanda Johnon
R. Carolyn Watson
EMHC Christina Sidi

C. Annette Newman
R. Jacinta Vu
EMHC Sible Rozario

C. Pascal Yip
R. Connie Sapienza
EMHC Patricia Cowley

ACOLYTES

17th/18th
October

29th Sunday in
Ordinary Time

Dimitrio Sidi

Shajy Vadukoot

James Chong

24th/25th
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Dimitrio Sidi

Michael Taylor

Tony Bray

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