Holy Family Como Bulletin

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1st Sunday of Advent – Year A

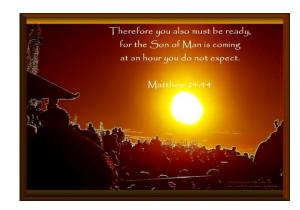
Sunday 27 November 2022

The hope that comes from heaven

Hope is the theme of the First Sunday of Advent. In the readings for Mass, Isaiah describes a future in which all is well because

- (1) God is recognized as the highest authority and
- (2) (2) obeying him is the people's highest priority.
- This vision gave great hope to the oppressed Israelites.

Today if we look at this as a description of heaven, it gives great hope to us, too. When we die, "terms" will be "imposed" upon us because we did not stay entirely on the paths of God (a good reason for purgatory), but we will be living in the light of the Lord after death and there will be no more wars to battle.



Knowing that this is our future, we can look at our present trials as preparations for heaven. The weapons that we use now to defeat and overcome the powers of darkness can be used as plowshares for enriching our soil (our earthly life), bringing us into new growth and producing a harvest in ministry. Sufferings that are turned into ministries to help others make hardships very valuable.

Although Isaiah was speaking of the coming of the world's Messiah through the Jews, these verses remind us that when we respect God's authority and make imitating Christ our highest priority, all is well for us. Our battles against evil aren't over yet, but Jesus has already won the victory for us. Our hope is not based on a wish for peace; our hope comes from the reality of what Jesus has already done and what he will do. So, "let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord!" (Psalm 122).

The Gospel reading tells us that our hope is realized only if we stay awake and alert to the activities of Christ. What are you despairing about? Despair and worry are merely distractions that make us forget that Christ has already won the battle. If we stay alert to the presence of Christ, recognizing his authority and following his ways, we live in hope --not wishful thinking, but a hope that's based firmly on reality.

Questions for Personal Reflection:

What are you despairing about? What would it take for you to feel hopeful? In what way do you need Jesus to come to you now? What can you do to become more aware of his presence at your side?

Questions for Community Faith Sharing:

How do you find hope in difficulties? Describe a time when you nearly lost all hope. How did Jesus rescue you from this?

Covid Prayer

Lord Jesus when you walked with us on earth you spread your healing power. We entrust to you the families and communities affected by Coronavirus, wherever they may be. We pray especially for health care workers, that you may guide and protect them. We pray that your spirit might inspire those researching new medicines and treatments. Grant us the courage not to rush back to our old ways, but to rebuild our world together, creating foundations of justice, with equality and peace for all. And in the midst of this, keep us strong in faith, hope and love. We lift our prayer to you Lord, and trust in your infinite mercy, as we wait for the daybreak. Amen

Please bring this bulletin home



Monday 28th November No Mass

Tuesday 29th November

9.00am Mass Bethany prayer group

Wednesday 30th November 9.00am Mass

9.30am Craft Group - Meeting rm 1

Thursday 1st December 9.00am Mass followed by adoration

of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday 2nd December 7.00 pm Mass

Saturday 3rd December 6.00pm Mass 7.00pm Christmas Carols

Sunday 4th December

2nd Sunday of Advent - Year A 8.30am Mass 10.00am Mass



We congratulate the following parishioners celebrating their anniversaries this month: Tinnie & Norm Bickley, Peter & Audrey Ochman, Lloyd & Evadne, Ping Soon & Teresa Lau, Eugene & Jill Browne Carl Brettig & Michel Hung God bless you on your special day



Heart of the Disciple –a 28day reflection resource for Advent or anytime in the year - is now on sale for \$8

Archdiocesan News

For any news about what is happening around the Archdiocese and for Employment within the Archdiocese, please see the Notice board in the foyer

"At this Christmas, when Christ Comes, will He find a warm heart? Mark the season of Advent by loving and serving the others with God's own love and concern."

Mother Teresa

Rosary

Special devotion rosary will be recited every 3rd Sunday of the month, before the 8.30 Mass Everyone is welcome to join.

SAVE THE DATE

Burmese Food Fair – 27th Nov, 8am Christmas Carols – 3rd Dec, 7pm 2nd Rite of reconciliation 14th Dec 7pm Holy Family Feast Date Lunch 8th Jan 2023 11am

Christmas Raffle is on sale now



\$2 each 3 for \$5 8 for \$10

20 for \$20 Prizes will be drawn on 18th Dec

Line draw is also available to win a bottle of Ned Australian Whisky (700ml)

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES



Sunday 25th December Midnight **Christmas Day Masses** Sunday 25th Dec 8.30am & 10am

CHRISTMAS CAROLS Saturday 3rd December 7pm

Please come along and join in the singing of Christmas Carols.

There will be a sausage sizzle and Father Christmas may also make an appearance



NOVEMBER MASS INTENTIONS

During the month of November, we pray for the deceased, trusting them to the mercy of God. Envelopes for all Mass Intentions in November are available in the church fover.

Place your envelopes in the box, which will then be placed on the commemorative curtain on the Altar

during November. All proceeds will be sent to Burma for the support of their priests, who are struggling financially due to ongoing civil unrest & coronavirus.

Our November Mass stipend will be sent to them at the end of the month

Morning Tea

Anyone interested in helping with the morning tea, please add your name to the list in the foyer



Burmese Food Fair

Burmese Food Fair is back! The Burmese community will be holding a food fair Today 8am



MASS OFFERING

Death anniversary of Fay Della and John Goi

The Soul of Maureen Menagh (recently passed) and Holly Kyte

Wellbeing of Magda, Mariusz, Sabina, Adam and Mia. Also for the people of Ukraine and Poland



POWER OF PRAYER

Maureen, David, Fitzgerald Family Elena Bettie, Norah Langshaw, Watson Family, Waminda Residents, Stella & Family, Reamae David, Mary Colladel, Deb, Pam, Grace McGlynn Marie Lacy, Dragutin Markovic, Maureen Galligan, Daisy Givens, Nadia O'Brien, Mary & Ben Bianchini, John & Mary Hippolite, Jov & Rea Groutsch, Ed Devereux. Maria & Frank O'Connor, David, Rhys, Luke, Margaret & Brian Short, Marion, Heather Jordan, Jeremy & Stephanie, Ali MacPherson, Louise Wynne, Ng Choon Bee, Ng Chai Hong, Ng Choon Poh, Andy Lubke, Gary Caulfield, Rebecca, Howard Evans, Paul Reed, Anne Hickey, Serafini Family, Mekalya, Theo & Oscar, Gunawan Sumana, Carmencita Barrios, Francisco Flores, Marcela, Jonathon, Giorgina, Arthur, Ethan, Gwen & Eardley, Elizabeth and Kevin, Dorothy Healy, Michael & Nadia, Kate Bonner, Tom Core, Angela Hale, Wendy Burke, Fred & Catherine, Almonte Family, Caroline & Wayne Family, Armando Robles, Helen Abbott & family, David Barnes, Declan & Family

SAFEGUARDING COMMITMENT STATEMENT

Holy Family Parish Como is committed to providing a safe & secure environment for all its members, leaders, especially its children & vulnerable adults. The care, safety & welfare of children & vulnerable adults is a collective responsibility embedded in policies & practices of the Parish which reflect a commitment to a

zero tolerance to abuse 7 of 12 Safeguarding Messages: You can shout, STOP or NO! if

someone tries to touch your private body parts. Then go and tell a trusted adult.

This message is placed at the request of the Safeguarding Office of the Perth Archdiocese.

1st Sunday of Advent - Year A

FIRST READING

Isaiah 2:1-5

The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, concerning Judah and Jerusalem. In the days to come the mountain of the Temple of the Lord shall tower above the mountains and be lifted higher than the hills. All the nations will stream to it, peoples without number will come to it; and they will say: `Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, that he may teach us his ways so that we may walk in his paths; since the Law will go out from Zion, and the oracle of the Lord from Jerusalem.' He will wield authority over the nations and adjudicate between many peoples; these will hammer their swords into ploughshares, their spears into sickles. Nation will not lift sword against nation, there will be no more training for war. O House of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord

SECOND READING Romans 13:11-14
You know `the time' has come: you must wake up now: our salvation is even nearer than it was when we were converted. The night is almost over, it will be daylight soon - let us give up all the things we prefer to do under cover of the dark; let us arm ourselves and appear in the light. Let us live decently as people do in the daytime: no drunken orgies, no promiscuity or licentiousness, and no wrangling or jealousy. Let your armour be the Lord Jesus Christ.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia! Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation. Alleluia.

GOSPEL Matthew 24: 37-44

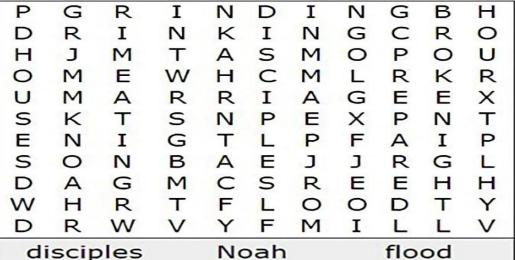
Jesus said to his disciples: `As it was in Noah's day, so will it be when the Son of Man comes. For in those days before the Flood people were eating, drinking, taking wives, taking husbands, right up to the day Noah went into the ark, and they suspected nothing till the flood came and swept all away. It will be like this when the Son of Man comes. Then of two men in the fields one is taken, one left; of two women at the millstone grinding, one is taken, one is left.

`So stay awake, because you do not know the day when your master is coming. You may be quite sure of this that if the householder had known at what time of the night the burglar would come, he would have stayed awake and would not have allowed anyone to break through the wall of his house. Therefore, you too must stand ready because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.

Next Sunday's Readings:

2nd Sunday of Advent Year A

Isaiah 11:1-10 Psalm: 71:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 Romans 15:4-9 Matthew 3:1-12



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1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

The word "Advent" means coming. During advent the readings tell us how God's people longed for the arrival of the Saviour promised by God. During the season we think about when Jesus will return & remember the first coming of Christ as a baby

Let us Pray

Our Friend Jesus, We ask you to send your spirit to guide us, so that we will lead good lives and be ready to greet you when you return. Amen

ROSTERS				
		Saturday 6:00 pm	Sunday 8:30 am	Sunday 10:00 am
COMMENTATOR/READER				
26 th /27 th November	1 st Sunday of Advent	Amanda Johnson	Peter Messer	Cecilia Bray
3 rd /4 th December	2 nd Sunday of Advent	Frank Giannini	Jill Browne	Pascale Tin
ACOLYTE				
26 th /27 th November	1 st Sunday of Advent	Hasan Sidi	Michael Taylor	Leo Burke
3 rd /4 th December	2 nd Sunday of Advent	Daniel Bianchini	John Newman	Dimitrio Sidi
ALTAR SERVER				
26 th /27 th November	1st Sunday of Advent	Raegan Tanuwidjaja Hugh Morris	Claudia Taylor- Beard Sam Le Febvre	K Don Shenehan Martina Teran- Carrasco
3 rd /4 th December	2 nd Sunday of Advent	Jackson Blake Vasana Boonyothayan	Patrick Newman Evelyn Newman	Saheli D'Silva Jovan Halim
CHOIR				
26 th /27 th November	1 st Sunday of Advent	Annalise (Pianist)	Holy Family Choir	D'Cantor Choir
3 rd /4 th December	2 nd Sunday of Advent	Sagrada Familia	Holy Family Choir	D'Cantor Choir

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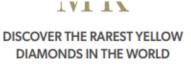
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