

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

Funerals, Baptisms and Marriages: By appointment – Please contact the office

2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time – Year A

Sunday, 18th January 2026

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

All the earth shall bow down before you, O God, and shall sing to you, shall sing to your name, I most high!

FIRST READING

Isaiah 49:3.5-6

The Lord said to me, 'You are my servant, Israel in whom I shall be glorified'; I was honoured in the eyes of the Lord, my god was my strength. And now the Lord has spoken, he who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, to gather Israel to him; 'It is not enough for you to be my servant, to restore the tribes of Jacob and bring back the survivors of Israel; I will make you the light of the nations so that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. Here I am Lord, I come to do your will.

SECOND READING

Corinthians 1:1-3

I, Paul, appointed by God to be an apostle, together with brother Sosthenes, send greetings to the church of God in Corinth, to the holy people of Jesus Christ, who are called to take their place among all the saints everywhere who pray to our Lord Jesus Christ; for he is their Lord no less than ours. May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ send you grace and peace.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia, The Word of God became flesh and dwelt among us. He enabled those who accepted him to become the children of God, Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John 1:29-34

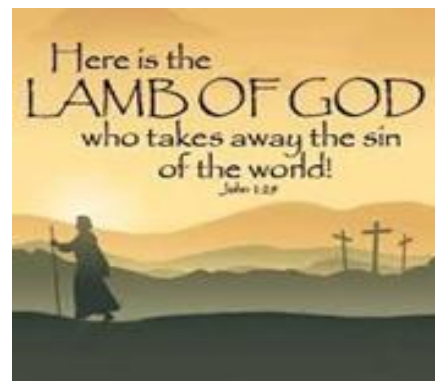
The next day, seeing Jesus coming towards him, John said, 'Look, there is the lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world. This is the one I spoke of when I said: A man is coming after me who ranks before me because he existed before me. I did not know him myself, and yet it was to reveal him to Israel that I came baptising with water. John also declared, 'I saw the Spirit coming down on him from heaven like a dove and resting on him. I did not know him myself, but he who sent me to baptise with water had said to me, "The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and rest is the one who is going to baptise with the Holy Spirit". Yes, I have seen and I am the witness that he is the Chosen One of God.'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

You have prepared a table before me, and how precious is the chalice that quenches my thirst.

St Paul's Sunday Missal
St Paul's Publications –
2012 Popular Edition

Next Sunday's Readings:
3rd Sunday in Ord Time Yr A
Isaiah 8:23 – 9:3
Psalms: 26:1, 4, 13-14
1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17
Matthew 4:12-23



**PARISH WEEK AHEAD
19TH – 25TH JANUARY 2026**

Monday 19th January
9.00am No Mass

Tuesday 20th January
9.00am Mass

Wednesday 21st January
9.00am Mass

Thursday 22nd January
9.00am Mass
9.30am -10.30am Adoration

Friday 23rd January
9.00am Mass

Saturday 24th January
11.00am Baptism
5.00-5.30pm Reconciliation
6.00pm Mass
7.00pm-8.00pm Healing Prayers

Sunday 25th January
3rd Sunday in Ordinary time
8.30am Mass (Morning Tea)
10.00am Mass (Morning Tea)

Monday, 26th January
Australia Day
9.00am Mass



We extend a very warm welcome to visitors and new parishioners to our Parish in 2026. Please introduce yourself to Father Dat after Mass. If you are joining our Parish, please complete a Parishioner Information Form available in the foyer.

**CAR PARK REMARKING OF LINES
Monday, 19th January**

Please be advised that the parish car park will be having new lines marked this Monday, 19th January.

The car park will be closed from 12noon Sunday 18th January and not open again until Tuesday 20th January.

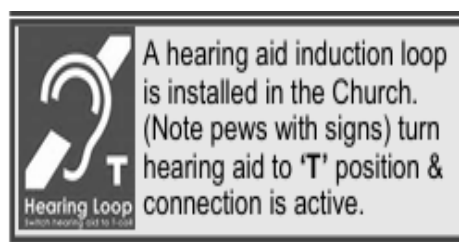
SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2026

Parents are invited to enrol their children in our Sacramental Program for 2026. Enrolment forms are in the foyer and when complete, can be placed in the collection. Please submit your forms by 1st February 2026.

**THE NEXT HEALING PRAYERS
24th JANUARY 2026**

As previously announced, another Healing Prayer session will take place on Saturday, 24TH of this month, following the 6 pm Vigil Mass. Keith and Colleen Morgan will be available to offer short private prayer sessions (about 5–15 minutes each) for anyone seeking comfort, hope, or healing. These will be held in the Divine Mercy Chapel (Crying Room). Healing Prayer sessions will continue to be offered on the fourth Saturday of every month.

The Columban and Josephite Calendars 2026 are still available for sale in the church foyer for \$10.00 each. Money can be placed in the box provided or via Tap n Go machine



MASS INTENTIONS:
All Holy Family Parishioners

**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, Reg & Joyce Groutsch, Ed Devereux, Heather Jordan, Ng Choon Bee, Ng Chai Hong, Paddy Embry, Caroline, Wayne, Ethan, Liam & Scarlett, Sonali, Sachini, Fe Fontanini, Michael, Nadia, Annie, Reg & May, Margaret & Arthur, Edith Johnson, Rhys, Brit, David, Anne Armstrong, Elaine Newman, Helen Peters, Carmel, Msgr Brian O'Loughlin, Rosa Canada, Sarah, Molly, Fred, Patrick, Louise, Chris, Sanjana & family, Andrew, Aura Diego, Familia Becerra, Famia Cerinca, Annemarie MacPherson, Barbara Kenny, David Tiley, Margaret Abbott, Joshua, Serafini Family, Jessie Amphlett, Cain Family, Howard Evans, Regina & Linda, Beverley Loraine, Jono, Gina & Brian, Fr Carroll, Maria O'Connor, Albert, Carmel, Julie, Anna Alfonso, Jessie S, Mario Gomez, Caitlin Von Witt, Melissa Arthena, Chris Lowry, Aldrin Ong, Adrian Ong, Kaye, Anastasia, Ashot, Tamara, Rita Anderson, Melissa Arthena, Mervin & Jenni Yap, Wang Ming Wei, Lachlan, James Chandler, Lachlan, Sucich family, Maureen & Beiam McCormack, Enzo Troisi, Natasha, Marie H, Jean, Antonette & George, Declan & Family, Eric Granucci, Trevor Fonty, Steve Ford, Aiden Cooper, Ian Wood, Rosina Renzullo, John Joyce, Richard Newman, Beryl Northey, John Cowell, Liz Mulcahy, Kelley H

**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.

SAFEGUARDING OFFICERS

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GENERAL PARISH DROP BOX

This is located in the foyer area. For all ministry related inquiries or feedback forms, please fill in the slip/forms and place in the drop box. All slips/forms received will be passed on to the respective ministry coordinator.

SCHOOL REFERENCES

If you are requiring a school reference signed, please see Father Dat after the Mass.

HOUSE BLESSINGS

If you are requesting a house blessing, please email Father Dat direct at:

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The Gospel of today relates the testimony of John the Baptist on Jesus, after having baptized him in the river Jordan. He says: "After me comes a man who ranks before me, for he was before me"

This declaration, this witness, reveals John's spirit of service. He was sent to prepare the way for the Messiah and had done so without sparing himself. Humanly speaking, one would think that he would be given a "prize", a prominent place in Jesus' public life. But no. John, having accomplished his mission, knows how to step aside, he withdraws from the scene to make way for Jesus. He has seen the Spirit descend upon him, he has indicated him as the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, and now he in turn humbly listens. He goes from prophet to disciple.

With this spirit of service, with his capacity to give way to Jesus, John the Baptist teaches us an important thing: freedom from attachments. Yes, because it is easy to become attached to roles and positions, to the need to be esteemed, recognized and rewarded. And this, although natural, is not a good thing, because service involves gratuitousness, taking care of others without benefit for oneself, without ulterior motives, without expecting something in return.

To step aside, to learn to take one's leave: I have completed this mission, I have had this meeting, I will step aside and leave room to the Lord. Think of how important this is for parents, to raise their children with many sacrifices, but then they have to leave them free to take their own path in work, in marriage, in life. It is good and right that parents continue to assure their presence, saying to their children, "We will not leave you by yourselves", but with discretion, without intrusiveness. The freedom to grow. And the same applies to other spheres, such as friendships, life as a couple, community life. Let us try to ask ourselves: are we capable of making space for others? Of listening to them, of leaving them free, of not binding them to ourselves, demanding recognition?

Pope Francis 15.1.23 Angelus, St Peter's Square

MAZENOD COLLEGE 60TH ANNIVERSARY

Friends of Mazenod College past and present are warmly invited to participate in the College's 60th year of mission as a Catholic School within the Oblate Tradition. A range of celebrations will be held throughout 2026. The first is a Community and Family Mass that will be held at the College, 55 Gladys Road in Lesmurdie, on Saturday 14 February, at 10am. If attending, RSVP by Sunday 1st February 2026 and indicate your years of connection to the College.

♥ Your marriage deserves this weekend ♥

Every marriage needs time to pause, reconnect, and grow. The **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Live-Out Weekend** (Bahasa Indonesia) offers couples a special opportunity to step away from daily routines and rediscover the joy, depth, and grace of married life. This weekend is not group therapy or counselling, it's a gentle, faith-based experience that helps couples listen more deeply, communicate more openly, and renew their commitment to one another. Many couples describe it as a chance to *reconnect, rediscover, and renew* their love. If you're married, whether you've been married several years or for many decades, this weekend is for you. Consider giving your marriage this gift of time, reflection, and grace.



14–15 March 2026



Mary MacKillop Centre, South Perth



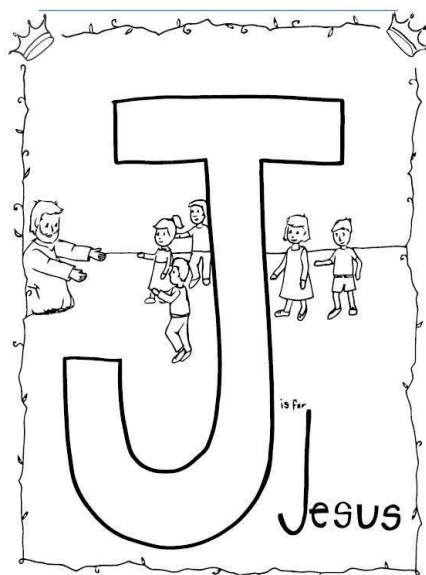
Register at: <https://tinyurl.com/wemeperthindoA3>

Start small, think big! A weekend that can make a lasting difference.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES - CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF PERTH

The Catholic Archdiocese of Perth has employment opportunities for suitably qualified persons to join its team. For details refer to our parish noticeboard or <https://www.perthcatholic.org.au/Employment.htm>

KIDS' CORNER



Mandy Price '12
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Word Search Puzzle: John 1

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THE CHILDREN'S LITURGY
IS IN RECESS UNTIL
THE START OF SCHOOL IN
FEBRUARY 2026.

2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

John the Baptist had been preaching to the crowds and baptising them in the River Jordan. God had told John that he would send him a sign. The Holy Spirit would appear like a dove and settle on the one he had chosen to send. John would then be ready to show the son of God to all.

LET US PRAY

When we see these doves, God, help us to remember that your spirit is with us in all that we do, helping to guide and protect us always

WEEKEND ROSTER

Saturday 6.00pm

Sunday 8.30am

Sunday 10.00am

COMMENTATOR/READER

17 th /18 th January	2 nd Sunday in Ord	C. Frank Giannini R. Amanda Johnson EMHC Graham Johnson	C. Lynne Newton R. Ralph Newton EMHC Rose Hart	C. Ben Dias R. Shanthi Dias EMHC Patricia Cowley
24 th /25 th January	3 rd Sunday in Ord	C. Imelda Loviyanti R. Carolyn Watson EMHC Margaret Loraine	C. Peter Messer R. Annette Newman EMHC Sible Rozario	C. Tony Pires R. Breda Pires EMHC Marek Toczylowski
31 st Jan/1 st Feb	4 th Sunday in Ord	C. Dimitri Sidi R. Helen Mason EMHC Christine Sidi	C. Geraldine Taylor R. Lyn Hope-Hume EMHC Jill Browne	C. Cecilia Yap R. Cecilia Bray EMHC Grace Toczylowski

ACOLYTES

17 th /18 th January	2 nd Sunday in Ord	Hasan Sidi	Shajy Vadukoot	Tony Bray
24 th /25 th January	3 rd Sunday in Ord	Dimitrio Sidi	Michael Taylor	James Chong
31 st Jan/1 st Feb	4 th Sunday in Ord	Dimitrio Sidi	John Newman	Leo Burke

ALTAR SERVER

17 th /18 th January	2 nd Sunday in Ord	Raegan Tanuwidjaja Elizabeth Morris	Claudia Taylor-Beard Leo Newman	Volunteers needed
24 th /25 th January	3 rd Sunday in Ord	Noah Farla Raegan Tanywidjaja	Patrick Newman Evelyn Newman	Bryan Bain Jovan Halim
31 st Jan/1 st Feb	4 th Sunday in Ord	Dinuli Kariyakarawana Lahan Kariyakarawana	Volunteers needed	Volunteers needed

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