

Holy Family Como Bulletin



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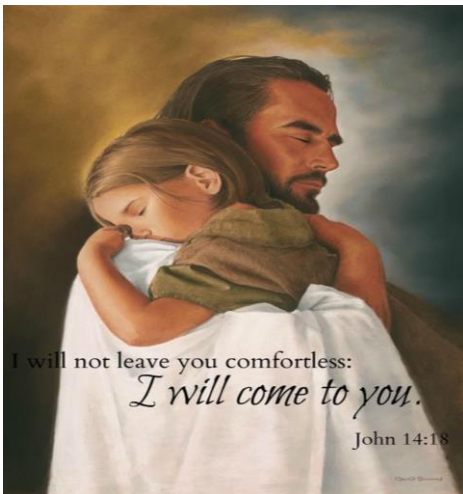
Reconciliation: 5.30pm Saturday **Baptisms, Marriage & Funerals:** By appointment Only

Adoration: Thursday 9.30am-11.30am **Safeguarding Officers:** Mark Ferroa 0425454763 & Breda Pires 0422237261

6th Sunday of Easter – Year A

Sunday 14th May 2023

Thank You, Lord, for keeping us in Your love, for letting us know Your greatness, and for offering us hope of new life in abundance!



Jesus is giving you the best partner ever

In this Sunday's Gospel reading, Jesus tells us that the Holy Spirit is our "Advocate". Some scholars translate the word to "Counselor". In the original Greek, it means "called alongside". It's closely related to the verb "parakaleo" ("to call" or "summon") from which we get "Paraclete" as a name for the Holy Spirit. It referred to a legal assistant, a courtroom advocate. Jesus is telling us that the Holy Spirit is our legal assistant when we're falsely accused, misjudged, or wrongly condemned.

Notice that Jesus refers to our Advocate as the "Spirit of Truth". No matter what other people think about us, no matter what wrong things they say about us, no matter what opinions they have of us, God always knows the truth. And the truth that sets us free from their bad attitudes is this: It's only God's opinion that really matters. And his opinion of us is better than we think it is!

We judge ourselves more harshly than we should, and this is why we worry so much about how others are judging us. If we honestly examine our consciences, seek reconciliation with God for our sins during the Penance Rite at Mass or in the Sacrament of Confession, and strive to improve, then Jesus says to us what he said to other sinners: "I do not condemn you; go and sin no more."

Don't you sometimes wish that Jesus would come physically to your rescue when you're misjudged? He said that he will not leave us orphans -- his Holy Spirit will always be with us when we need to be defended, telling us the truth about our goodness. Even when we sin, the Spirit of Truth defends us to our heavenly Judge: "Look, this precious child really does want to be holy." To us, the Spirit says, "Let me teach you how to grow in holiness and avoid this sin." And to others, the Spirit says: "If you love me, love this good friend of mine."

Questions for Personal Reflection:

How have you been unjustly accused and unfairly judged? Imagine what the Holy Spirit is saying to the Father about that. And to those who condemned you. What is he saying to you about you?

Questions for Community Faith Sharing:

Describe a time when God defended you. How did the Advocate manifest his help? Who learned more from it: you or your accusers?



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

HOLY FAMILY DIARY

15th – 21st May 2023



Monday 15th May

No Mass

Tuesday 16th May

8.30am Rosary

9.00am **Communion Service Only**

Wednesday 17th May

8.30am Rosary

9.00am Mass

Thursday 18th May

8.30am Rosary

9.00am **Communion Service Only**

9.30am **NO** Adoration

Friday 19th May

8.30am Rosary

9.00am Mass (Change of time)

Saturday 20th May

6.00pm Mass

Sunday 21st May

The Ascension

8.00am Rosary

8.30am Mass

10.00am Children's Mass

Wedding Anniversaries May 2023

We congratulate the following parishioners celebrating their anniversaries this month:

John & Jan **Spencer**,
Monica & Gerald **Molt**,
David & Julie **Yeow**
Richard & Judy **Priestley**,
Rosemary & Bruno **Celedin**,
Mary-Jo & Phil **Sieber**,
Jonathan & Colette **Shack**,
Armando & Mariola **Da Rocha**,
Xianjin **Chen** & Fang **Lin**,
George & Irene **Tan**,
Phillip & Josephine **Ong**
Vincent & Teresa **Thio**
Sandy & Shay **Noronha**
Matthew & Michelle **Yang**



ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

For news about what's happening around the Archdiocese or Employment, please see the Notice board in the foyer

A Mother's Day Prayer

Dear Lord,

Please watch over
and support all mothers
on earth and in heaven...

and help them to know how much
they are loved and appreciated
on Mother's Day and every day.



MOTHERS DAY RAFFLE HAS BEEN DRAWN LAST SUNDAY

and the winners are:

1st Prize **Orange C64** Anne Marie

2nd Prize **Orange C88** Morgan

3rd Prize **Purple D31** Evelyn Newman

4th Prize **Green D92** Silvia

All winners have been notified.

Total raised was \$1,545.

A big thank you to the fundraising team and all who helped selling items on the Stall. Your support is greatly appreciated.



May is the Month of the Rosary

Please come and pray the Rosary before each mass in May. Weekday Rosary at 8.30am and Sunday Rosary at 8.00am. This will continue throughout the month of May

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed for those who are **Ministers of the Eucharist** to take Communion to Nursing home residents once a month, it takes less than an hour. For more information, please contact Mary McMahon on 0419472856

Volunteers are still needed in the Music ministry (singers as well as pianists/organists), participating in the commentator/reader roster, serving as Acolytes and altar servers, as well as giving time to the many volunteer roles that assist the Parish to run smoothly and harmoniously. Please indicate your interest by calling the Parish office on 94505921 or emailing at como@perthcatholic.org.au

Serving the Parish is serving the Lord! God of love help us to use the gifts you gave us for the people who need us.

MASS OFFERING



Mass Intentions – Audrey Lee, Maria Tan, Bernadette Pang, Maria Ah Mee Lim, Jill McGimpsey-Evans
Recently passed - Effendy Tanuwidjaja
Wellbeing of – David Hwee, Rachel Tan



POWER OF PRAYER

The Power of Prayer List is available to read in the church foyer. Please write the name on the Power of Prayer Form and they will be added to the list each week.

LAUDATO SI' WEEK

Hope for the Earth. Hope for Humanity

MAY 16 - 24 2023

This week is a celebration of Pope Francis' encyclical Laudato Si' a call to action for Catholics around the world. Throughout this week, you and your community are encouraged to join us in reflecting and acting to bring Laudato Si' to life. To highlight this theme, you can explore the human impacts on our Australian ecosystem and environment here:

[https:// soe.dcceew.gov.au](https://soe.dcceew.gov.au)

NATIONAL 15-21 MAY 2023 VOLUNTEER THE CHANGE MAKERS WEEK

This week is National Volunteer week & the theme is "The Change Makers." Thank you to **ALL** our volunteers for your commitment & dedication. Without your enthusiasm & support we could not do all the wonderful things we do in our parish. Thank you for being our Change Makers

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.



Please refrain from sitting on the steps leading into the church during Mass. This is a safety hazard in accordance

With Council guidelines in case of an emergency. Please use the pews or spare seats provided. Thank you

2023 SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

The email address of the Sacramental Program coordinator is: comocath.sacramental@gmail.com

6th SUNDAY OF EASTER - Year A

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard; proclaim to the ends of the earth; The Lord has freed his people, alleluia..

FIRST READING

Acts 8:5-8. 14-17

Philip went to a Samaritan town and proclaimed the Christ to them. The people united in welcoming the message Philip preached, either because they had heard of the miracles he worked or because they saw them for themselves. There were, for example, unclean spirits that came shrieking out of many who were possessed, and several paralytics and cripples were cured. As a result, there was great rejoicing in that town. When the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them, and they went down there, and prayed for the Samaritans to receive the Holy Spirit, for as yet he had not come down on any of them: they had only been baptised in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

SECOND READING

1 Peter 3:15-18

Reverence the Lord Christ in your hearts, and always have your answer ready for people who ask you the reason for the hope that you all have. But give it with courtesy and respect and with a clear conscience, so that those who slander you when you are living a good life in Christ may be proved wrong in the accusations that they bring. And if it is the will of God that you should suffer, it is better to suffer for doing right than for doing wrong. Why, Christ himself, innocent though he was, had died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! All who live me will keep my words, and my Father will love them and we will come to them. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John 14:15-21

Jesus said to his disciples: "If you love me you will keep my commandments. I shall ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you for ever, that Spirit of truth whom the world can never receive since it neither sees nor knows him; but you know him, because he is with you, he is in you. I will not leave you orphans; I will come back to you. In a short time the world will no longer see me; but you will see me, because I live and you will live. On that day you will understand that I am in my Father and you in me and I in you. Anybody who receives my commandments and keeps them will be one who loves me; and anybody who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I shall love him and show myself to him.'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord, and I will ask the Father and he will send you another Paraclete, to abide with you for ever, alleluia.

Next Sunday's Readings

The Ascension of the Lord Yr A

Acts 1:1-11

Psalm: 46:2-3, 6-9

Ephesians 1:17-23

Matthew 28:16-20

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6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

As Jesus shared the last supper with his apostles, he told them that soon he would be leaving them. They were frightened and upset by his words, but he promised to send someone to help them. He would not leave them on their own.

LET US PRAY

Come, Holy Spirit, and breathe your life into us, so that we can bring Christ into the world and touch the lives of others with his love.

ROSTERS

		Saturday 6:00 pm	Sunday 8:30 am	Sunday 10:00 am
COMMENTATOR/READER				
13 th /14 th May	6 th Sunday of Easter	Helen Mason	Alex Wu	Henry D'Silva
20 th /21 st May	Ascension of the Lord	Rebecca Machado	Susannah Robinson	Children's Mass Yip Family
ACOLYTE				
13 th /14 th May	6 th Sunday of Easter	Peter Quinn	John Newman	Dimitrio Sidi
20 th /21 st May	Ascension of the Lord	Carl Celedin	Bill Staude	James Chong
ALTAR SERVER				
13 th /14 th May	6 th Sunday of Easter	Edith Johnston Raegan Tanuwidjaja	Patrick Newman Dinuli Kariyakarawana	Jovan Halim Mary-Jane Yip
20 th /21 st May	Ascension of the Lord	Elizabeth Morris Dinuli Kariyakarawana	Evelyn Newman Dominic Newman	K Don Shenehan Brian Chong
CHOIR				
13 th /14 th May	6 th Sunday of Easter	Samuel Yeow (Organist)	Holy Family Choir	Burmese Choir
20 th /21 st May	Ascension of the Lord	Annalise (Pianist)	Holy Family Choir	Sanctus Choir

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