

# Holy Family Como Bulletin



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**Weekend Masses** Saturday 6pm, Sunday 8.30am & 10.00am

**Weekday Masses:** Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 9am, Friday 7pm,

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

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

**16<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A**

**Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2023**

Dear Lord, grant me the grace to be obedient to Your Word so that I may be the instrument of evangelization that You desire

## Three layers of evangelization

Three important layers of Evangelization:

- (1) Nurture your own faith-growth,
- (2) Invite others to conversion, and
- (3) Transform society through true Christian living.

In this Sunday's Gospel reading, Jesus teaches us these same three strategies, using parables.



**(1) Nurture your own faith-growth:** In the kingdom of God, we are like good wheat growing amidst weeds. This takes effort; the weeds will take over if we're not working daily at growing in holiness. What have you been doing to prevent the weeds around you from taking over and strangling your holiness? How is your faith life benefiting from living in the midst of non-believers and evil? Your Father-Creator is empowering you to grow.

**(2) Invite others to conversion:** In the kingdom of God, we are like the tiniest of seeds that grow into a bush so large that others benefit from our growth. Who is benefiting from your faith? How is your spiritual growth inviting them into a closer relationship with Jesus? The Holy Spirit is empowering you to evangelize others if you're willing to minister to them using what you've learned from your experiences.

**(3) Transform society:** In the kingdom of God, we are like yeast that helps the whole batch swell up and mature into the bread of life that nourishes others. What are you involved in, as a Christian, that improves the world? Is your faith making a difference in your workplace, your community, and your parish? During Mass, as you receive the nourishment of the Eucharist, you are empowered to become Eucharist for the world. Mass ends with Christ commissioning you, through the presider, to be the yeast of goodness that affects those around you.



### Questions for Personal Reflection:

Maybe you never saw yourself as an "evangelist", but you are! This is your calling as a baptized Christian. Which of the above three areas of evangelization are you most actively doing? Which needs more of your attention?

### Questions for Community Faith Sharing:

Give an example from your own life (or from the life of someone you know or have heard about) that illustrates one of the three goals above. What about the other goals? Make sure that, in your discussion as a faith sharing group, examples are given for all three goals of evangelization.

## 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

24<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> July 2023

**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> July**

No Mass

**Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> July**

9.00am Mass

**Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> July**

9.00am Mass

**Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> July**

9.00am Mass

9.30am Adoration

**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> July**

7.00pm Mass

**Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> July**

6.00pm Mass

**Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> July**

**17<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ord**

8.30am Mass

10.00am Mass



### Wedding Anniversaries July 2023

We congratulate the following parishioners celebrating their anniversaries this month:

Joan & Evans Barnabas,

Kiki & Nancy Susanto,

Peter & Heather Jordan,

Bernard & Joanne Sloan,

Christina & Hasan Sidi,

Lee & Katrina Bolden,

Anthony & Cheri-Rosalyn Tan,

Gerard & Yola Sierro,

Joe Powers & Kate Roff,

Colin & Therese Howarth

**God bless you all on your special day**



Holy Family would like to warmly welcome Sam & Violet Viewing who were baptised into the Catholic faith and our parish last weekend. God bless you both on your Baptism and this new step in your journey of faith.

### Rosary

Special devotion of the rosary will be recited every 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday before 8.30am & 10am Mass

### 2023 SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

The email address of the Sacramental Program coordinator is:

[comocath.sacramental@ymail.com](mailto:comocath.sacramental@ymail.com)

### ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

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

## FATHER'S DAY IS COMING...

**Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> September**

**Raffle tickets are now available**

**1 for \$2      3 for \$5**

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**Get in quick to win 1 of 4 hampers.**

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**Mass 27<sup>th</sup> August**

### TODAY is World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly

The theme this year, as selected by the Pope is: **"His mercy is from age to age" Luke 1:50**

Pope Francis, who is 86 years old, has been an advocate for the dignity of the ageing and has often emphasised the important role of grandparents in passing on the Catholic faith. Bless all grandparents and the elderly today.



### REMEMBERING MARY MACKILLOP - MEMORIES, and MORNING TEA

A time to gather and pray with St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, **Tuesday 8 August 10am, Kilmoree at Safety Bay, 182 Arcadia Drive, Safety Bay.**

Donation \$5.00. Please bring a plate of food to share. **RSVP by 1<sup>st</sup> Aug** Dianne Colborne rsj on 95273240 or [safety.bay@sosj.org.au](mailto:safety.bay@sosj.org.au)

### Archdiocesan Marriage Mass, Saturday, August 19 @ 10am, St Mary's Cathedral.

All parishioners are warmly invited to attend this special Mass. A blessing will be bestowed on ALL married couples who attend. In addition, do you know a couple celebrating a milestone anniversary 10, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45 or 50+ years of marriage? The bishops would like to give these couples a special commemorative certificate as part of the celebration. Couples can register for a milestone anniversary certificate at <https://bit.ly/marriagemass2023>

### Children's Liturgy



Returns Today

## MASS OFFERING



**Mass Intentions** – For all Grandparents and the Elderly in our Parish and community

**Wellbeing of** – Brad, Brother Leonard, Anna Alfonso



*Bless all Grandparents and the elderly and keep them in your care. Bless them with peace, health, and healing. Reward them for their Faith and fidelity, for their work and goodness, for their love and thoughtfulness, for their gifts and prayers. Give them a long and happy life.*

### WEEK 3 OF THE #PlasticFreeJuly challenge

Don't waste glass containers, it's time to give them a second life and use them again



Week 3 of the #PlasticFreeJuly challenge! It's time to reuse glass containers and reduce our plastic consumption! During this week, focus on giving glass containers a second life instead of opting for disposable plastic containers.

### 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.

**5 of 12 Safeguarding Messages:**  
*You must never touch another person's private body parts, even if an older child or adult asks you to. Say no, then go and tell a trusted adult.* This message is placed at the request of the Safeguarding Office of the Perth Archdiocese.

# 16<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart, and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.

## FIRST READING

*Wisdom 12:13, 16-19*

There is no god, other than you, who cares for everything, to whom you might have to prove that you never judged unjustly. Your justice has its source in strength, your sovereignty over all makes you lenient to all. You show your strength when your sovereign power is questioned and you expose the insolence of those who know it; but, disposing of such strength, you are mild in judgement, you govern us with great lenience, for you have only to will, and your power is there. By acting thus you have taught a lesson to your people how the virtuous man must be kindly to his fellow men, and you have given your sons the good hope and after sin you grant repentance.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. Lord, you are good and forgiving.

## SECOND READING

*Romans 8:26:27*

The Spirit comes to help us in our weakness. For when we cannot choose words in order to pray properly, the Spirit himself expresses our plea in a way that could never be put into words, and God who knows everything in our hearts knows perfectly well what he means, and that the pleas of the saints expressed by the Spirit are according to the mind of God.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom. **Alleluia!**

## GOSPEL

*Matthew 13:24-30*

Jesus put a parable before the crowds, 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field. While everybody was asleep his enemy came, sowed darnel all among the wheat, and made off. When the new wheat sprouted and ripened, the darnel appeared as well. The owner's servants went to him and said, "Sir, was it not good seed that you sowed in your field? If so, where does the darnel come from?" "Some enemy has done this" he answered. And the servants said, "Do you want us to go and weed it out?" But he said, "No, because when you weed out the darnel you might pull up the wheat with it. Let them both grow till the harvest; and at harvest time I shall say to the reapers: First collect the darnel and tie it in bundles to be burnt, then gather the wheat into my barn."

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The Lord, the gracious, the merciful, has made a memorial of his wonders; he gives good to those who fear him.

### Next Sunday's Readings

#### 17th Sunday in Ord Time Yr A

1 Kings 3:5, 7-12

Psalms 118:57, 72, 76-77, 127-130

Romans 8:28-30

Matthew 13:44-52



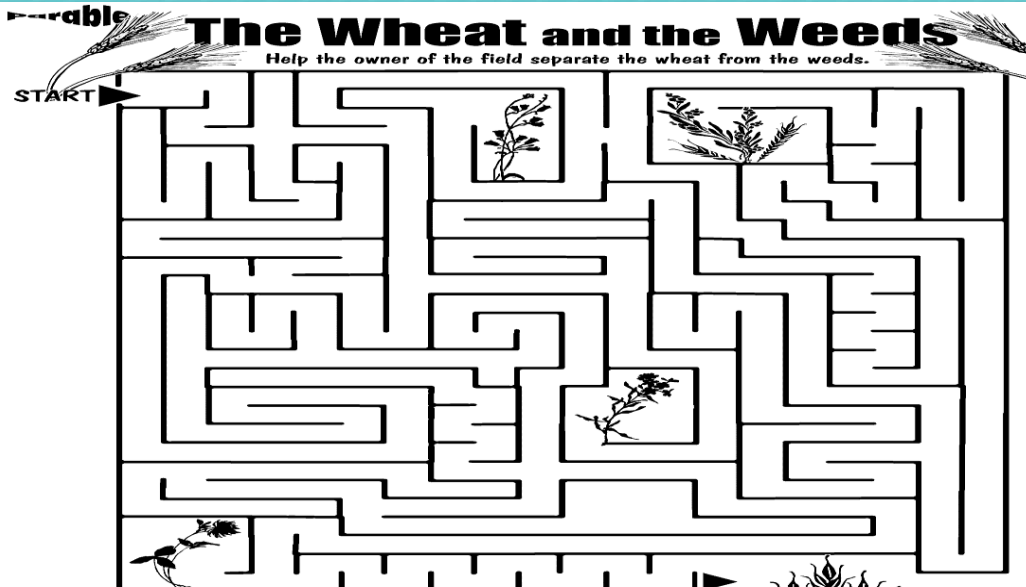
Friday 4<sup>th</sup> August at 7.30pm St John & Paul's Church in Willetton

CCR invite you to bring your family & friends to enjoy an evening of Songs of praise & prayer 7.30pm then thanksgiving Mass 8pm. Followed by a talk by Fr Greg Donovan on "Reconciliation and Why it Matters" & fellowship with light supper. For information email: [Catholicfaithrenewal@gmail.com](mailto:Catholicfaithrenewal@gmail.com) or call Charles 0413755799. Feel free to bring a plate.

## KIDS' CORNER

### The Wheat and the Weeds

Help the owner of the field separate the wheat from the weeds.



Jesus said that the Kingdom of God was like a man who sowed his field with quality wheat seed. While he was sleeping his enemy crept in and sowed weeds. Rather than risk hurting the wheat he chose to let them grow together until harvest time. Then the reapers gathered the weeds to be burnt and gathered the wheat into the barn.



## 16<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORD TIME

Today Jesus tells us another parable and warns us that just like the good wheat and the bad weeds there are good and bad people all around us. However, he assures us that He knows who his friends are and who are his enemies and that our job is not to judge people but to show the love of Jesus to everyone.

### LET US PRAY

Jesus, show us the way to eternal life. Walk beside us on our journey, until your angels lead us to share your everlasting happiness at the end of time.



## ROSTERS

		Saturday 6:00 pm	Sunday 8:30 am	Sunday 10:00 am
<b>COMMENTATOR/READER</b>				
22 <sup>nd</sup> /23 <sup>rd</sup> July	16 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ord	Dimitrio Sidi	Lynne/Ralph Newton	Cyril D'Silva
29 <sup>th</sup> /30 <sup>th</sup> July	17 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ord	Amanda Johnson	Alex Wu	Pascale Tin
<b>ACOLYTE</b>				
22 <sup>nd</sup> /23 <sup>rd</sup> July	16 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ord	Peter Quinn	Shajy Vadukoot	Leo Burke
29 <sup>th</sup> /30 <sup>th</sup> July	17 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ord	Hasan Sidi	Michael Taylor	Dimitrio Sidi
<b>ALTAR SERVER</b>				
22 <sup>nd</sup> /23 <sup>rd</sup> July	16 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ord	Vasana Boonyothayan Nicolas Willey	Palak Vadukoot Dinuli Kariyakarawana	Ethan Tsia K Don Shenehan
29 <sup>th</sup> /30 <sup>th</sup> July	17 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ord	Hugh Morris Vasana Boonyothayan	Claudia Taylor-Bear Dominic Newman	K Don Shannel K Don Shenehan
<b>CHOIR</b>				
22 <sup>nd</sup> /23 <sup>rd</sup> July	16 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ord	Annalise (Pianist)	Holy Family Choir	D'Cantor Choir
29 <sup>th</sup> /30 <sup>th</sup> July	17 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ord	Samuel Yeow (Organist)	Holy Family Choir	Burmese Choir

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