

Holy Family Como Bulletin



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1st Sunday of Lent- Year B



The Liturgy of the Word

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

When he calls on me, I will answer him; I will deliver him and give him glory, I will grant him length of days.

FIRST READING

Genesis 9:8-15

God spoke to Noah and his sons, 'See, I establish my Covenant with you, and with our descendants after you; also with every living creature to be found with you, birds, cattle and every wild beast with you: everything that came out of the ark, everything that lives on the earth. I establish my Covenant with you: no thing of flesh shall be swept away again by the waters of the flood. There shall be no flood to destroy the earth again.' God said, 'Here is the sign of the Covenant I make between myself and you and every living creature with you for all generations: I set my bow in the clouds and it shall be a sign of the Covenant between me and the earth and the bow appears in the clouds, I will recall the Covenant between myself and you and every living creature of every kind. And so the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy everything of flesh.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth, to those who keep your covenant.

SECOND READING

Peter 3:18-22

Christ himself, innocent though he was, 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, and, in the spirit, he went to preach to the spirits in prison. Now it was long ago, when Noah was still building the ark which saved only a small group of eight people 'by water', and when God was still waiting patiently, that these spirits refused to believe. That water is a type of the baptism which saves you now, and which is not the washing off of physical dirt but a pledge made to God from a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has entered heaven and is at God's right hand, now that he has made the angels and Dominations and Powers his subjects.

Sunday 18th February 2024

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

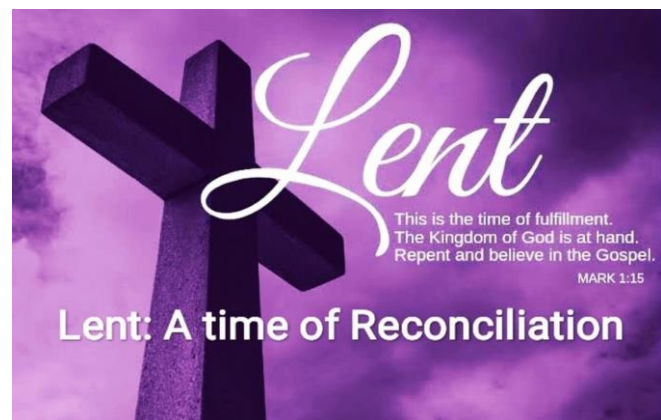
GOSPEL

Mark 1: 12-15

The Spirit drove Jesus out into the wilderness and he remained there for forty days, and was tempted by Satan. He was with the wild beasts, and the angels looked after him. After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come' he said and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.



Next Sunday's Readings

2nd Sunday of Lent

Genesis 22:1-2,9-13,15-18

Psalms 115:10, 15-19

Romans 8:31-34

Mark 9:2-10

HOLY FAMILY DIARY

19th – 25th FEBRUARY 2024

Monday 19th February

No Mass

Tuesday 20th February

9.00am Mass

Wednesday 21st February

9.00am Mass

9.30am Craft Group – MR1

6.00-8.30pm Youth Group - Hall

7.00pm Liturgy Meeting – MR1

Thursday 22nd February

9.00am Mass

No Adoration

10.30am – Funeral (Margaret Capp)

Friday 23rd February

9.00am Mass

7.00pm Stations of the Cross

Saturday 24th February

6.00pm Mass (Sacrament Enrolment)

7.00pm Sacramental Info Evening

(Hall)

Sunday 25th February

2nd Sunday of Lent

8.30am Mass

10.00am Mass

10.30am RCIA Sessions – MR1

11.00am Quiz Night Planning

meeting - Hall



UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

February

* Stations of the Cross

Every Friday during Lent at 7pm.

* Parish Youth Group (Be.Loved)

Wednesday 21st February 6pm – Hall

March

* 2nd Rite of Reconciliation

Wednesday 13th March 7.00pm

* Parish Youth Group (Be.Loved)

Wednesday 20th March 6pm – Hall

* Palm Sunday – 24th March

* Holy Thursday – 28th March 7pm

* Good Friday – 29th March

Stations of the Cross – 10.00am

Passion of the Lord – 3.00pm

* Easter Vigil Mass – 30th March

7pm

* Easter Sunday – 31st March

8.30am & 10.00am

PLANNED GIVING CONTRIBUTIONS

We offer the option for EFT for both the 1st & 2nd collection:

1st Collection supports the priest

BSB 086 006 A/C number 181363301

2nd Collection supports the parish

BSB 036 050 A/C number 790041

Reference: Your Initial and Surname

Any queries related to Planned Giving should be directed to the Parish Office.



You are invited to take a set of Envelopes or a Box home for your donation during Lent.

The Theme for this year For All Future Generations

You can help better the lives of people in some of the most vulnerable communities on earth by making a donation through Project Compassion boxes and envelopes, visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion or phoning 1800 024 413



SENIOR MINISTER OF THE ALTAR



Do you have a desire to help and serve our sacred environment, the Altar. Our parish is looking for a Senior Minister of the Altar for our WEEKDAY masses. If you are interested, please put your name, phone number and days available on the signup sheet in the foyer.

Mary Haydock's 100th Birthday Mass and celebration



Wednesday 6th March 2024
Mass at 12noon

followed by Lunch in the Hall.

If you would like to attend, please put your name on the sheet provided in the foyer.

HELPERS FOR OUR QUIZ NIGHT Planning Meeting 25th Feb at 11am

Our quiz night committee will be holding a planning meeting at 11am, Sunday 25th February in the Hall. If you are interested in helping on the quiz night committee, please come along.

SAVE THE DATE QUIZ NIGHT 3rd MAY

VOLUNTEERS FOR GARDENING

The gardening group *urgently need* help keep our parish gardens.

VOLUNTEER FOR CLEANING

Our parish also needs help with the cleaning of the parish.

If you can help with any of the above please contact the office thank you.

MASS OFFERINGS

Recently Passed away:

Margaret Capp, Margaret Gunson
Ana Sasek



Souls of: Winifred Klomp, Jill Bray
James Jones, Luisa Serafini & Victor
Emilio Pinilla

The Power of Prayer list is now on the noticeboard. If you would like to add someone on to the list, please write their name on the form in the church foyer. The list will be updated each week.

MASS OFFERINGS

If you want a mass offered during the week or on the weekend, please pass your offering envelope to Father Dat prior to mass **on the day.**

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Congratulations to all couples who are celebrating their anniversaries in February. Please refer to the list of names on the notice board.

2024 SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

The Sacramental program commences Saturday, 24th February with an Enrolment Mass for all children at 6.00pm, followed by an Information Evening event from 7.00pm to 7.50pm.

At the meeting, parents will be given briefings by Fr Dat, Tony Pires and Mark Ferroa. Timetables, details of workshops, ceremonies and other documents will be distributed.

If you have any questions, please email Mark at:

comocath.sacramental@ymail.com

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.

9 of 12 Safeguarding Messages:

Parents, create a 'safe word' for your family. When they are away from home, they can phone you, say the word, and you know you need to go and pick them up.

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

On Wednesday, with the penitential rite of the ashes, we began our [Lenten](#) journey. Today, the first Sunday of this liturgical season, the Word of God shows us the path to living fruitfully the forty days that lead to the annual celebration of Easter. It is the way [Jesus](#) trod, which the Gospel, with Mark's essential style, summarises by saying that before He began His preaching, He withdrew into the desert for forty days, where He was tempted by [Satan](#). Think of the desert. Let us pause for a moment on this natural and symbolic environment, so important in the Bible. The desert is the place where God speaks to the heart of the human person, and where prayer is the answer, that is, the desert of solitude, and which only in that solitude opens itself to the Word of God. It is also the place of trial and [temptation](#), where the Tempter, taking advantage of human frailty and needs, insinuates his lying voice, as an alternative to God's, an alternative voice that makes you see another road, another road of deception. Indeed, during the forty days that Jesus spent in the desert, the "duel" between Jesus and the devil begins, which will end with the Passion and the Cross. It is a struggle. Looks like the winner is the devil. In reality, death was the last "desert" to cross in order to finally defeat Satan and free us all from his power. And in this way Jesus won in the desert of death, so as to win in the Resurrection. Every year, at the beginning of Lent, this Gospel of the temptations of Jesus in the desert reminds us that the life of the Christian, in the footsteps of the Lord, is a battle against the spirit of evil. We must be aware of the presence of this astute enemy, and prepare to defend ourselves against him, you can never enter into dialogue with the devil, no dialogue is possible. Only the Word of God. The grace of God assures us, with faith, prayer and penance, of our victory over the enemy. Do not be afraid of the desert, seek out more moments of prayer, of silence, to enter into ourselves. Do not be afraid. We are called to walk in God's footsteps, renewing our Baptismal promises: renouncing Satan, and all his works and all his seductions.

Pope Francis 21.02.21 Angelus, St Peter's Square (Part)



PROJECT COMPASSION PRAYER 2024

God of all hope, we pray for our world with all its beauty and need. We thank you for the love in our lives that is a mirror of your unending love. May all creation know your compassion this Lent and may we take courage to share it, especially with those who don't have what they need. In our time, we hear the same words you spoke to Moses: 'I will be with you,' when you ask us to do courageous things. Through our prayer, fasting and almsgiving, move us to act in the company of your Spirit, showing compassion and acting for justice to renew the face of the Earth, now and for all future generations. We ask this in the name of Christ. Amen

"Jesus keeps knocking on our door in the faces of our brothers and sisters, in the faces of our neighbours, in the faces of those at our side." – Pope Francis

CATHEDRAL TOUR GUIDES

On Tuesday 20th February at 10.30am we will be conducting an "Open Day" tour followed by a light morning tea in the Cathedral's Parish Centre with the aim of find volunteers, perhaps retired or available during the week to come along and be involved. Your commitment would only be your availability. All training and resources provided. To register, please call Carol Wright, Tour Guide Co Ordinator on 0419 948 411 or email: clwwright@bigpond.net.au.

BREAKFAST IN THE GARDEN

Saturday 9th March at 8am Garden Venue, Mary MacKillop Centre, 16 York Street, South Perth. Bring \$20 for brekkie. BYO chairs. Free raffle ticket on entry. Assorted range of pot plants and chrysanthemums in time for Mother's Day. For catering RSVP before 5 March to Roberta Scanlan, robscans52@icloud.com or 0459 364 872.

KIDS' CORNER

Lent Word Search

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Jesus
Follow
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Ashes
Season
Lent

Fasting
Easter
Forgiveness
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Palm

THE SEASON OF Lent



PRAY



FAST



GIVE

1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

Today we begin the season of Lent, a time to prepare our hearts for the new life which Jesus brings at Easter. Lent lasts for forty days, just as Jesus spent forty days in the desert before going out to share the Good News. It is a season of hope and new life, as days lengthen and spring approaches.

LET US PRAY

when we look at a rainbow, we are reminded of your promise to the world. Help us to keep any promises we have made because of our love for you.



WEEKEND ROSTER

		Saturday 6:00 pm	Sunday 8:30 am	Sunday 10:00 am
COMMENTATOR/READER				
17th/18th February	1st Sunday of Lent	C. Frank Giannini R. Rudy Llanos	C. Ralph Newton R. Lynne Newton	C. Rebecca Machado R. Breda Pires
24th/25th February	2nd Sunday of Lent	C. Dimitrio Sidi R. Frank Giannini	C. Lyn Hope-Hume R. Geraldine Taylor	C. Cyril D'Silva R. Pascale Tin
ACOLYTE				
17th/18th February	1st Sunday of Lent	Peter Quinn	Michael Taylor	Dimitrio Sidi
24th/25th February	2nd Sunday of Lent	Hasan Sidi	John Newman	Leo Burke
ALTAR SERVER				
17th/18th February	1st Sunday of Lent	Edith Johnson Isabelle Chiew (a)	Lilyanna Bell Palak Vadukoot	Samantha Teran-Carrasco (a) Jovan Halim
24th/25th February	2nd Sunday of Lent	Elizabeth Morris Gabriella Jakowetz (a)	Evelyn Newman Dominic Newman	Andy Yip (a) Delena Tran
CHOIR				
17th/18th February	1st Sunday of Lent	St Pio Choir	Holy Family Choir	Sanctus Choir
24th/25th February	2nd Sunday of Lent	Yunitha	Holy Family Choir	Sanctus Choir

CHURCH NOTICEBOARD

For more of what's happening in the Archdiocese or Employment Opportunities, please see the Notice board in the Church foyer.

LOST PROPERTY BOX

If you have lost something, the lost property box is in the office

RETURN OF PYX PLEASE

If you have taken a Pyx, could you please return them as soon as possible as we currently have none available. Thank you.



CHILDREN'S ROOM (Back of the church)

Parents using the children's room, could you please vacate the room as soon as possible after Mass. This room will be used as a Chapel after Mass for people wishing to pray privately in silence. Thank you for your consideration of this request.
Father Dat

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