

Holy Family Como Bulletin



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Office Hours Monday - Friday 9am - 12pm - Website: www.holyfamilycomo.com

Weekend Masses Saturday 6pm, Sunday 8.30am & 10.00am **Weekday Masses:** Tuesday – Friday 9am
Reconciliation: Saturday 5.00pm-5.30pm **Baptisms, Marriage & Funerals:** By appointment Only
Adoration: Thursday 9.30am-11.30am **Safeguarding Officers:** Mark Ferroa 0425454763 & Breda Pires 0422237261
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Fourth Sunday of Advent - Year B Sunday 24th December 2023 The Liturgy of the Word

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Drop down dew from above, you heavens, and let the clouds rain down the Just One; let the earth be opened and bring forth a Saviour.

FIRST READING

Samuel 7:1-5,8-12,14-16

Once David had settled into his house and the Lord had given him rest from all the enemies surrounding him, the king said to the prophet Nathan, 'Look, I am living in a house of cedar while the ark of God dwells in a tent.' Nathan said to the king, 'Go and do all that is in your mind, for the Lord is with you.' But that very night the word of the Lord came to Nathan: 'Go and tell my servant David, 'Thus the Lord speaks: Are you the man to build me a house to dwell in; I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep, to be leader of my people Israel; I have been with you on all your expeditions; I have cut off all your enemies before you. I will give you fame as great as the fame of the greatest on earth. I will provide a place for my people Israel; I will plant them there and they shall dwell in the place and never be disturbed again; nor shall the wicked continue to oppress them as they did, in the days when I appointed judges over my people Israel; I will give them rest from all their enemies. The Lord will make you great; the Lord will make you a House. And when your days are ended and you are laid to rest with your ancestors, I will preserve the offspring of your body after you and make his sovereignty secure. I will be a father to him and he a son to me. Your House and your sovereignty will always stand secure before me and your throne be established for ever.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord

SECOND READING

Romans 16:25-27

Glory to him who is able to give you strength to live according to the Good News I preach, and in which I proclaim Jesus Christ, the revelation of a mystery kept secret for endless ages, but now so clear that it must be broadcast to pagans everywhere to bring them to the obedience of faith. This is only what scripture has predicted, and it is all part of the way the eternal God wants things to be. He alone is wisdom; give glory therefore to him through Jesus Christ for ever and ever. Amen

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the servant of the Lord: may his will for me be done. **Alleluia!**

GOSPEL

Luke 1: 26-38

The angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man named Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Mary. He went in and said to her, 'Rejoice, so highly favoured! The Lord is with you.' She was deeply disturbed by these words and asked herself what this greeting could mean, but the angel said to her, 'Mary, do not be afraid; you have won God's favour. Listen! You are to conceive and bear a son, and you must name him Jesus. He will be great and will be called Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his ancestor David; he will rule over the house of Jacob for ever and his reign will have no end.' Mary said to the angel, 'But how can this come about, since I am a virgin?' 'The Holy Spirit will come upon you,' the angel answered, 'and the power of the Most High will cover you with its shadow. And so the child will be holy and will be called the Son of God. Know this too: your kinswoman Elizabeth has, in her old age, herself conceived a son, and she whom people called barren is now in the sixth month, for nothing is impossible to God.' 'I am the handmaid of the Lord,' said Mary, 'let what you have said be done to me.' And the angel left her.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Behold, a Virgin shall conceive and bear a son; and his name will be called Emmanuel.

Next Sunday's Readings

Feast of the Holy Family Yr B

Isaiah 61:1-2a, 10-11

Luke 1:46-50, 53-54

Thessalonians 5:16-24

John 1:6-8, 19-28



HOLY FAMILY DIARY

25th Dec 2023 – 1st January 2024

Monday 25th December (Christmas Day)

8.30am Christmas Day Mass
10.00am Christmas Day Mass

Tuesday 26th December (Boxing Day)

9.00am Mass

Wednesday 27th December

9.00am Mass

Thursday 28th December

9.00am Mass

No Adoration

Friday 29th December

9.00am Mass

Saturday 30th December

6.00pm Mass

Sunday 31st December

Feast of the Holy Family

8.30am Mass

10.00am Mass

11.00am Holy Family Feast Day Lunch

Monday 1st January 2024

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

9.00am Mass



ADVENT WREATH WEEKLY PRAYER Fourth Week of Advent: (PEACE)

Jesus, your mother, Mary, is "blessed among women." We are happy that she said "Yes!" to being your mother. As we light this candle, we remember that you bring the light of love into our lives. May your Word be always in our minds, on our lips, and in our hearts.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE WINNERS

Congratulations to the following winners of the Christmas hampers & Line Draw:

1st Prize – Purple F59 Astrid

2nd Prize – Red F29 Carmel

3rd Prize – Blue D35 Lois

4th Prize – Black E04 Lois

Line Draw – No.13 Sean

Thank you to all those who supported this Christmas fundraiser.

Total raised was \$1479.50.

All winners have been notified.



CHRISTMAS SEASON

Children's Christmas Mass

Sunday 24th December 5pm



Midnight Mass

Sunday 24th December

Midnight

Christmas Day Masses

Monday 25th Dec 8.30am and 10am



Feast of the Holy Family Masses

Sunday 31st December

8.30am & 10.00am

followed by Parish Lunch

11.00am Holy Family Feast Day

Parish Lunch

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God Mass

Monday 1st January 2024 9am



CHRISTMAS OFFICE HOURS

The Parish office will be closed from 23rd December 2023 to 2nd Jan 2024

If the matter is urgent, please email

como@perthcatholic.org.au

Father Dat's Installation Mass

Saturday 10th February 2024 - 10am

Mass to be celebrated by Bishop Don Sproston

Lunch will follow. The celebration will coincide Lunar New Year of the Dragon. All invited to officially welcome Father Dat into our Parish.

ADORATION

There will be no Adoration on 28th December 2023.

Adoration will return on the 4th of January 2024 from 9.30am-10.30am



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.

JOSEPHITE SISTERS STALL

This weekend the Josephite Sisters will be here selling handmade items made by ladies in Peru. The funds raised will be used to help the poor people in Peru.



MASS OFFERINGS

Recently Deceased: Betty Leggett

Anniversary: Betty Jones

Wedding Anniversaries December 2023

Congratulations to the following couples who are celebrating their anniversaries in December:

Dorothy & Bill Chin,
David & Katherine Gan,
June & Malcolm Young,
Bob & Pascale Tin,
Dot & Greg Oliver,
Wendy & Leo Burke,
Michael & Stella Pang,
Alvin & Jacqueline Kang,
Roland & Cathy Ordenez,
Shehani Alles & Don Dixon
Eleanor & Julius Fernandez,
Astrid & Coilles Ducarme,
Brian & Sheila Walker,
Jessica & Don Wall,
Marisa & Colin Kwok
Mareen & Ishan Peries



God bless you on your special day

HOLY FAMILY FEAST DAY PARISH LUNCH

Sunday, 31st December at 11am
in the Parish Hall

Please bring a plate to share and your own drinks. All parishioners welcome to come along and celebrate the Feast day of our Parish.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

The Children's Liturgy will be in recess during the school holidays, returning on Sunday 4th February 2024.



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.

1 of 12 Safeguarding Messages:
Parents, teach your children the correct names for their private body parts.

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

CHRISTMAS DAY MASS READINGS

VIGIL MASS – 5PM CHILDREN'S MASS

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

The Lord said to me: You are my Son. It is I who have begotten you this day.

FIRST READING Isaiah 62:1-5

The Lord takes delight in you.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 88:4-5,16-17,27,29

R. Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord

SECOND READING Acts 13:16-17,22-25

Paul spoke of Christ, the son of David.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia! Tomorrow the wickedness of the earth will be destroyed: the Saviour of the world will be our king. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Mt 1:18-25 (Shorter form)

A genealogy of Jesus Christ, son of David.

This is how Jesus Christ came to be born. His mother Mary was betrothed to Joseph; but before they came to live together she was found to be with child through the Holy Spirit. Her husband Joseph, being a man of honour and wanting to spare her publicity, decided to divorce her informally. He had made up his mind to do this when the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, 'Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because he is the one who is to save his people from their sins.' Now all this took place to fulfill the words spoken by the Lord through the prophet. The Virgin will conceive and give birth to a son and they will call him Emmanuel, a name which means 'God-is-with-us'. When Joseph woke up he did what the angel of the Lord told him to do: he took his wife to his home and, thought he had not had intercourse with her, she gave birth to a son: and he named him Jesus.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The glory of the Lord will be revealed, and all flesh will see the salvation of our God.

MASS DURING THE DAY – CHRISTMAS DAY

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

A child is born for us, and a son is given to us; his sceptre of power rests upon his shoulder, and his name will be called Messenger of great counsel.

FIRST READING Isaiah 52:7-10

All the ends of the earth shall see the saving power of our God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 97:1-6

R. All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God

SECOND READING Heb 1:1-6

In our own time, God speaks to us through his Son

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia! A holy day has dawned upon us. Come you nations and adore the Lord. Today a great light has come upon earth. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Jn 1:1-5,9-14 (Shorter form)

The Word of God became flesh and dwelt among us, and we saw his glory.

In the beginning was the Word: the Word was with God and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things came to be, not one thing had its being but through him. All that came to be had life in him and that life was the light of all people, a light that shines in the dark, a light that darkness could not over-power. The Word was the true light that enlightens all people; and he was coming into the world. He was in the world that had its being through him, and the world did not know him. He came to his own domain and his own people did not accept him. But to all who did accept him he gave power to become children of God, to all who believe in the name of him who was born not out of human stock or urge of the flesh or will of man but of God himself. The Word was made flesh, he lived among us, and we saw his glory, the glory that is his as the only Son of the Father, full of grace and truth.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

KIDS' CORNER



CHRISTMAS WORD SEARCH

Find the words of Christmas in the word search and have lots of fun!

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BETHLEHEM	BIRTH	CANDLE
CELEBRATE	CHRIST	CHRISTMAS
DONKEY	GIFTS	GOD
HOPE	JESUS	JOSEPH
JOY	KING	LOVE
MARY	PEACE	SAVIOUR
STAR	TREE	WISEMAN



WEEKEND ROSTER AND CHRISTMAS ROSTER

		Saturday 6:00 pm	Sunday 8:30 am	Sunday 10:00 am
COMMENTATOR/READER				
23 rd /24 th December	4 th Sunday of Advent	C. Dimitrio Sidi R. Carolyn Watson	C. Lyn Hope-Hume R. Alex Wu	C. Fiona Wee R. Cecelia Yap
24 th December Christmas Eve	Children's Mass 5pm	C. Dimitrio Sidi R. Tiana Sidi EME Marie Tiley Br Terry Casey	Midnight High Mass	C. & R. Amanda Johnson
25 th December Christmas Day	Parish Mass		C. Ralph Newton R. Lynne Newton EME Geraldine Taylor Adeline Bird	C. Tony Pires R. Cecelia Bray EME Rose Hart Tony Bray
30 th /31 st December	Feast of the Holy Family	C. Carolyn Watson R. Frank Giannini	C. Marianne Taylor- Beard R. Lyn Hope-Hume	C. Ben Dias R. Shanthi Dias
ACOLYTE				
23 rd /24 th December	4 th Sunday of Advent	Daniel Bianchini	Bill Staude	Dimitrio Sidi
24 th December Christmas Eve	Children's Mass 5pm	Peter Quinn	Midnight High Mass	Leo Burke
25 th December Christmas Day	Parish Mass		Michael Taylor	Leo Burke
30 th /31 st December	Feast of the Holy Family	Daniel Bianchini	John Newman	Leo Burke
ALTAR SERVER				
23 rd /24 th December	4 th Sunday of Advent	Edith Johnson Elizabeth Morris	Dinuli Kariyakarawana Patrick Newman	Andy Yip (a) Delena Tran
24 th December Christmas Eve	Children's Mass 5pm	Hugh Morris Isabelle Chiew (a)	Midnight High Mass	Dinuli Kariyakarawana
25 th December Christmas Day	Parish Masses		Evelyn Newman Claudia Taylor Beard	Jovan Halim Ethan George
30 th /31 st December	Feast of the Holy Family			
CHOIR				
23 rd /24 th December	4 th Sunday of Advent	St Cecilia's Choir	Holy Family Choir	D'Cantor Choir
24 th December Christmas Eve	Children's Mass 5pm	St Cecilia's Choir	Midnight High Mass	D'Cantor Choir
25 th December Christmas Day	Parish Mass		Holy Family Choir	Ukulele Choir
30 th /31 st December	Feast of the Holy Family	Loreto (Guitarist)	Holy Family Choir	Ukulele Choir

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