

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



15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

SUNDAY, 12TH JULY 2026

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

As for me, in justice I shall behold your face; I shall be filled with the vision of your glory.

FIRST READING

Isaiah 55:10-11

Thus says the Lord: 'As the rain and the snow come down from the heavens and do not return without watering the earth, making it yield and giving growth to provide seed for the sower and bread for the eating, so the word that goes from my mouth does not return to me empty, without carrying out my will and succeeding in what it was sent to do.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest.

1. Your care for the earth, give it water, you fill it with riches. Your river in heaven brims over to provide its grain. **R**
2. And thus you provide for the earth; you drench its furrows, you level it, soften it with showers, you bless its growth. **R**
3. You crown the year with your goodness. Abundance flows in your steps, in the pastures of the wilderness it flows. **R**
4. The hills are girded with joy, the meadows covered with flocks, the valleys are decked with wheat. They shout for joy, yes, they sing. **R**

SECOND READING

Romans 8:18-23

I think that what we suffer in this life can never be compared to the glory, as yet unrevealed, which is waiting for us. The whole creation is eagerly waiting for God to reveal his sons. It was not for any fault on the part of creation that it was made unable to attain its purpose, it was made so by God; but creation still retains the hope of being freed, like us, from its slavery to decadence, to enjoy the same freedom and glory as the children of God. From the beginning till now the entire creation, as we know, has been groaning in one great act of giving birth; and not only creation, but all of us who possess the first-fruits of the Spirit, we too groan inwardly as we wait for our bodies to be set free.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower; all who come to him will live for ever. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

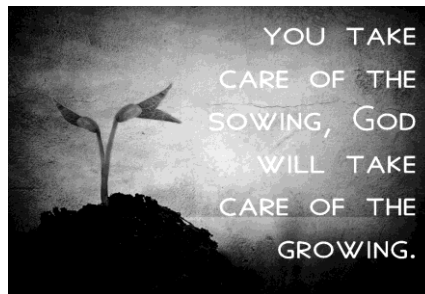
Matthew 13:1-23

Jesus left the house and sat by the lakeside, but such crowds gathered round him that he got into a boat and sat there. The people all stood on the beach, and he told them many things in parables. He said, 'Imagine a sower going out to sow. As he sowed, some seeds fell on the edge of the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Others fell on patches of rock where they found little soil and sprang up straight away, because there was no depth of earth; but as soon as the sun came up they were scorched and, not having any roots, they withered away. Others fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Others fell on rich soil and produced their crop, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty, Listen, anyone who has ears!'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.

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NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A

Wisdom 12:13, 16-19

Psalms: 85:5-6, 9-10, 15-16

Romans 8:26-27

Matthew 13:24-43

PLEASE TAKE BULLETIN HOME TO READ

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THE PARISH WEEK AHEAD

Monday 13th July

9.00am No Mass

Tuesday 14th July

9.00am Mass

Wednesday 15th July

9.00am Mass



Thursday 16th July

9.00am Mass

9.30am-10.30am Adoration

Friday 17th July

9.00am Mass

Saturday 18th July

9.30-11.30am CCR History of the Bible series (m1)

5.00-5.30pm Reconciliation

6.00pm Mass

Sunday 19th July

16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8.30am Mass (Morning Tea)

10.00am Mass (Morning Tea)

SCHOOL REFERENCES

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

(RCIA) FAITH JOURNEY

What do Catholics believe? Why do they attend Mass? Interested or curious about becoming Catholic? Holy Family Como invites you to join us. For more information, please contact Geraldine Taylor on 0408 093 434

WESTPAC ACCOUNT CLOSURE

The parish banking has been transferred to NAB. Soon the Westpac account will be discontinued. Please update your details below.

PARISH BANKING DETAILS

1st Collection Account

Bank: NAB BSB: 086-006

Account Number: 331 331 103

2nd Collection Account

Bank: NAB BSB: 086-006

Account Number: 839 893 940

For further information refer to the noticeboard in the church foyer.

CCR: HISTORY OF THE BIBLE

Have you ever wondered how the Bible came to be?

Who wrote it? Why are there different versions? How did God inspire human authors over many centuries? Come and discover the fascinating story behind Sacred Scripture in this 3-part series presented by Dan Hewitt, Chairman of Catholic Charismatic Renewal (CCR) Perth, together with the CCR team.

Through engaging presentations and discussion, you'll gain a deeper appreciation of the Bible's origin, history, inspiration, and its relevance for our lives today.

Dates: Saturdays 11, 18 & 25 July

Time: 9.30 am – 11.30 am

Venue: Holy Family Parish Hall.

Everyone is welcome. There is no charge, no prior knowledge is required, and nothing to bring except an open heart and a desire to know God's Word more deeply.

For enquiries, contact Dan Hewitt on 0409 849 049 or the Holy Family Parish Office.

CHRISTMAS PREPARATION TEAM

If you would like to be a part of Christmas preparations in December, please join us for a shared meal at our Christmas in July Sundowner on Saturday, 25 July from 7pm onwards. Please fill in a slip and place in the drop box.

SPECIAL MORNING TEA

All parishioners are warmly invited to a Special Morning Tea on Sunday, 26 July, following the 10.00 am Mass, to celebrate Fr Dat's 50th Birthday. If you're able to, please bring a plate to share and wear something gold to help make the occasion extra special. We look forward to celebrating this special milestone together as a parish community!

COUNTING MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Our counting ministry, led by Alan meets every 2nd Wednesday at 9.30am to count the parish collections. The ministry is in need of 2 volunteers who are available to help with the counting. If you are interested, please contact Alan at finance.como@perthcatholic.org.au for more information.

MASS INTENTIONS:

For all those who are mentioned in the "Names of the Book of the Dead"

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, 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, Canada family, Sarah, Molly, Fred, Patrick, Louise, Chris, Aria, David Rowe, Andrew Hammond, Aura Diego, Familia Becerra, Famia Cerinca, Annemarie, Jessie Amphlett, Barbara Kenny, Margaret Abbott, Serafini Family, Cain Family, Regina & Linda, Beverley Loraine, Fr Carroll, Maria O'Connor, Chris Lowry, Aldrin Ong, Adrian Ong, Troisi family, Jean, Antonette & George, Declan & Family, John Joyce, Richard Newman, Kelley H, Mark, Eduardo & Mario Gomez, Tom Core, Abin Davis, Aurelius Daniel, Anderson family, Vicki Sheppard, Cedric DeSouza, Lisa, Vincent Scanlan, Sanderson family, Anna Alfonso, Steve Ford, Samantha Wylie, Vanessa Moore, Troy Skopelitis, Eliora Wijaya, Sophie and James, Toczylowski family, Jem, Carivan, Mary The, Marie and Shien Caguiat, Jasmin Cerillo, Michelle, Mason family, T Briggs, Liz Mulcahy, Lynne Klomp, Rena Widita, Stonowski family, Tan Ay Lian, Nancy Yeow, Pam O'Connell, Beatrice & Nora Johnson, Jono, Darren, Michael R, Mitch Leonardo, Maria Ho, Shauna Jem, April Latoja

GLUTEN FREE HOSTS

If you would like to receive a gluten free host, please contact the office staff.

PARISH SECURITY

The parish has experienced some incidents in the last 12 months with unidentified persons on the property. Like other parishes, Holy Family has installed a CCTV security system to improve safety. Cameras cover the entry courtyard, foyer, church, and Thelma Street entry, with signage in place and recordings securely stored. Access to footage will follow Archdiocese Safeguarding guidelines. If any parishioner has concerns or queries about the system, please contact Michael Taylor (Finance Committee) on 0487 931 481.



Today, the Gospel presents us with the parable of the sower. "Sowing" is a very beautiful image, and Jesus uses it to describe the gift of his Word. Let us imagine a seed: it is tiny, barely visible, but it makes fruit-bearing plants grow. The Word of God is like this: think of the Gospel, a small book, simple and within everyone's reach, that produces new life in those who receive it. Thus, if the Word is the seed, we are the soil: we can receive it or not. But Jesus, the "good sower", does not tire of sowing it generously. He knows our terrain, he knows that the stones of our inconstancy and the thorns of our vices can suffocate the Word, yet he hopes, he always hopes that we can bear abundant fruit. This is what the Lord does, and this is what we too are called to do: to sow tirelessly. But how can one do this, sow continually without tiring? Let us take some examples.

Firstly, parents: they sow goodness and faith in their children, and they are called to do so without being discouraged if at times they seem not to understand or to appreciate their teachings, or if the mentality of the world is against them. The good seed remains. This is what counts, and it will take root in due time. But if, giving in to mistrust, they give up sowing and leave their children at the mercy of trends and mobile phones, without dedicating time to them, without educating them, then the fertile soil will be filled with weeds. Parents, never grow tired of sowing in your children!

Let us look at the sowers of the Gospel: many good priests, religious and laypeople engaged in proclamation, who live and preach the Word of God, often without immediate success. Let us never forget when we proclaim the Word, that even where it seems that nothing is happening, in reality the Holy Spirit is at work, and the Kingdom of God is already growing, through and beyond our efforts. Therefore, go ahead joyfully! Let us remember the people who placed the seed of the Word of God in our life: each one of us, let us think: "How did my faith begin"? Perhaps it germinated years after we encountered their examples, but it happened thanks to them!

In light of all this, we can ask ourselves: do I sow goodness? Do I only care about reaping for myself, or do I also sow for others? Do I sow some seeds of the Gospel in everyday life: study, work, free time? Do I get discouraged or, like Jesus, do I continue to sow, even if I do not see immediate results?

Pope Francis 16.7.23 Angelus, St Peter's Square

NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK – VOCATIONS EXPO, 7 AUGUST 2026, 6PM – 8PM

Have you ever wondered where God might be calling you? As part of National Vocations Awareness Week, all are invited to the Vocations Expo on Friday, 7th August at the Cathedral Parish Centre. Meet priests, seminarians, religious sisters and brothers, married couples and Catholic organisations, enjoy interactive displays, conversation, wine and cheese, refreshments, and discover the many ways God calls us to serve.

Friday 7 August 6:00pm – 8:00pm St Mary's Cathedral Parish Centre, Perth Free event with a registration.

Register at: <https://www.trybooking.com/DNHOH>

WOMEN'S DISCERNMENT DAY – CALLED TO BE MORE?

Women aged 17–35+ are warmly invited to a day of prayer, reflection and conversation exploring God's call in their lives. Join other young women for inspiring talks by Sr Margaret Scharf, Dr Pina Ford and Tara Peters, Mass, quiet reflection and the opportunity to ask questions in a welcoming environment.

Saturday 15 August, 9.30am – 4pm Trinity College, East Perth Free event with a registration. Register at:

<https://www.trybooking.com/DNFMQ>

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES - CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF PERTH

The Catholic Archdiocese of Perth has employment opportunities for suitably qualified persons to join its team and continue the good work of the Church. For details on how to apply online, please see the noticeboard in the foyer or visit the Archdiocese website www.perthcatholic.org.au/Employment.htm

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2027 SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA

Get ready for the adventure of a lifetime!

Join CYM as we journey to Seoul, South Korea for World Youth Day 2027 — a once in a lifetime opportunity to encounter faith, friendship, culture, and the global Church alongside millions of young people from around the world. Experience vibrant worship, inspiring speakers, unforgettable moments with pilgrims from every nation, and the excitement of discovering one of Asia's most dynamic cities.

Whether you're seeking deeper purpose, lifelong friendships, or an unforgettable travel experience, WYD Seoul 2027 with CYM will be a life-changing pilgrimage you'll never forget. EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST NOW OPEN

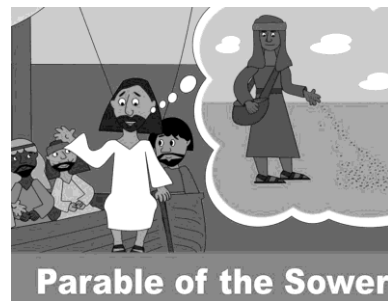
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The Parable of the Sower

But the one who received the seed that fell on good soil is the man who hears the word and understands it. Matthew 13:23a

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Parable of the Sower

Jesus often told stories called *parables* to help people understand something important. Today we hear the parable of the sower.

LET US PRAY

Jesus, help us to listen to and understand your message, so that our hearts and lives will be filled with God's love.

PLANTS	SCORCH	FARMER	THORNS	CROP
WITHER	BIRDS	ROOT	CHOKES	SOIL
FELL	PARABLE	SCATTER	SEED	GREW
ROCKY	SHALLOW	GOOD	SOW	PATH

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		SATURDAY 6.00PM	SUNDAY 8.30AM	SUNDAY 10.00AM
COMMENTATOR / READER				
11 th / 12 th July	15 th Sunday in Ordinary time	C. Dimitrio Sidi R. Michelle Teo EMHC Jacques Farla	C. Ralph Newton R. Lynne Newton EMHC Sible Rozario	C. Jennifer Low R. Pascal Yip EMHC Marek Toczylowski
18 th / 19 th July	16 th Sunday in Ordinary time	C. Frank Giannini R. Amanda Johnson EMHC Helen Mason	C. Susannah Robinson R. Jacinta Vu EMHC Rose Hart	C. Fiona Wee R. Henry De Silva EMHC Patricia Cowley
ACOLYTES				
11 th / 12 th July	15 th Sunday in Ordinary time	Hasan Sidi	Shajy Vadukoot	Tony Bray
18 th / 19 th July	16 th Sunday in Ordinary time	John Newman	Michael Taylor	Leo Burke

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