

# Holy Family Como Bulletin



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5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent- Year B

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2024



## The Liturgy of the Word

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Give me justice, O God, and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless. From the deceitful and cunning rescue me, for you, O God, are my strength.

### FIRST READING

*Jeremiah 31:31-44*

See, the days are coming - it is the Lord who speaks - when I will make a new covenant with the House of Israel and the House of Judah, but not a covenant like the one I made with their ancestors on the day I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt. They broke that covenant of mine, so I had to show them who was master. It is the Lord who speaks. No, this is the covenant I will make with the House of Israel when those days arrive - it is the Lord who speaks. Deep within them I will plant my Law, writing it on their hearts. Then I will be their God and they shall be my people. There will be no further need for neighbour to try to teach neighbour, or brother to say to brother, 'Learn to know the Lord!' No, they will all know me, the least no less than the greatest - it is the Lord who speaks - since I will forgive their iniquity and never call their sin to mind.

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. Create a clean heart in me, O God

### SECOND READING

*Hebrews 5:7-9*

During his life on earth, Christ offered up prayer and entreaty, aloud and in silent tears, to the one who had the power to save him out of death, and he submitted so humbly that his prayer was heard. Although he was Son, he learnt to obey through suffering; but having been made perfect, he became for all who obey him the source of eternal salvation.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!**

If you serve me, follow me, says the Lord; and where I am, my servant will also be.

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### GOSPEL

*John 12:20-30*

Among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. These approached Philip, who came from Bethsaida in Galilee, and put this request to him, 'Sir, we should like to see Jesus'. Philip went to tell Andrew, and Andrew and Philip together went to tell Jesus. Jesus replied to them:

'Now the hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. I tell you, most solemnly, unless a grain of wheat falls on the ground and dies, it remains only a single grain; but if it dies, it yields a rich harvest.

Anyone who loves his life loses it; anyone who hates his life in this world will keep it for the eternal life. If a man serves me, he must follow me, wherever I am, my servant will be there too. If anyone serves me, my Father will honour him. Now my soul is troubled. What shall I say: Father, save me from this hour? But it was for this very reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name!'

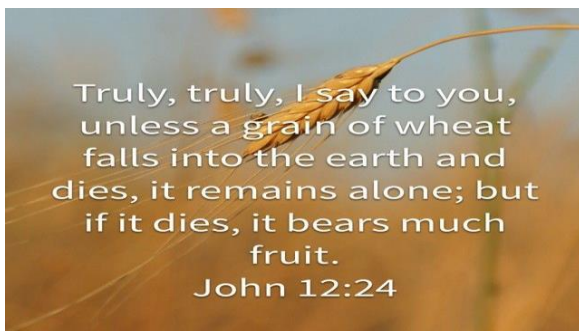
A voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again!'

People standing by, who heard this, said it was a clap of thunder; others said, 'It was an angel speaking to him'. Jesus answered, 'It was not for my sake that this voice came, but for yours.

'Now sentence is being passed on this world; now the prince of this world is to be overthrown. And when I am lifted up from the earth, I shall draw all people to myself.' By these words he indicated the kind of death he would die.

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Amen, Amen I say to you: Unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains a single grain. But if it dies, it bears much fruit.



Truly, truly, I say to you,  
unless a grain of wheat  
falls into the earth and  
dies, it remains alone; but  
if it dies, it bears much  
fruit.  
John 12:24

### NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

#### Fifth Sunday of Lent Yr B

Jeremiah 31:31-34

Psalm 50:3-4,12-15

Hebrews 5:7-9

John 12:20-30

# HOLY FAMILY DIARY

18<sup>th</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2024

## Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March

No Mass

## Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March

9.00am Mass

## Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March

9.00am Mass

9.30am Craft Group – MR1

6.00-8.30pm **be.love**d Youth Group – Hall

7pm-8pm Liturgy Comm Mtg – MR1

## Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March

9.00am Mass

### No Adoration

9.30-11.30am MSWA Meeting – MR1

## Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March

9.00am Mass

7.00pm Stations of the Cross

## Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> March

10am-12pm – ACPEWA - Hall

1pm-4pm – Ukulele Group – Hall

6.00pm Mass

## Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March

### Palm Sunday

8.30am Mass

10.00am Mass

10am-11.00am – Reconciliation lessons – MR2

10.30am-12noon – RCIA Group MR1



## UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

\* **Annual Chrism Mass – Blessings of the Holy Oils** - 26<sup>th</sup> March 7pm – St Mary's Cathedral

\* **Holy Thursday** – 28<sup>th</sup> March 7pm

\* **Good Friday** – 29<sup>th</sup> March

Stations of the Cross – 10.00am

Passion of the Lord – 3.00pm

\* **Easter Vigil Mass** – 30<sup>th</sup> March 7pm

\* **Easter Sunday** – 31<sup>st</sup> March

8.30am & 10.00am

## Be.loved PARISH YOUTH GROUP

Inviting all Como youth (ages 18-30) to **be.love**d and come along to your very own parish group this Wednesday in the Parish hall 6pm-8.30pm for fun, formation, fellowship and food with Christ-centred individuals!



## DIGITAL DIARY

The parish office now has a digital google diary/ calendar. If you would like to book an appointment with Father, book the hall or one of the meeting rooms please contact Joanne or Mareen in the office on 94505921 or via email on [como@perthcatholic.org.au](mailto:como@perthcatholic.org.au)



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**1<sup>ST</sup> AND 2<sup>ND</sup> COLLECTION NEW TAP AND GO MACHINES IN THE FOYER**



The Parish now have two (2) Tap and Go machines in the foyer. This is a new option for the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> collection as many people no longer carry cash and prefer the cashless option of planned giving. Each machine is marked as 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> collection and you need to tap each machine, selecting the amount you wish to offer. These machines can be used at any time.

**There is also two (2) cash chutes** next to each machine which can be used as cash drops for each collection.

### **PLEASE NOTE:**

**These tap and go machines do not replace the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> collections taken during the weekend mass.**

If you have any questions or concerns regarding these machines, please contact Joanne or Mareen in the office via email at:

[como@perthcatholic.org.au](mailto:como@perthcatholic.org.au)

## PLANNED GIVING CONTRIBUTIONS via DIRECT DEBIT

We still offer the option of direct debit for both 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> collection:

**1<sup>ST</sup> Collection supports the priest**

BSB 086 006

A/C number 181363301

**2<sup>ND</sup> 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.

## THE MASS OFFERINGS LIST WILL NOW BE IN THE CHURCH FOYER



If you would like a mass offered, please pass your offering envelope to the priest before mass **on the day, Father will then read out the name at the beginning of Mass**. Write the name on the Mass Offering list in the foyer and this list will be put on the noticeboard near the Power of Prayer List for a week.

**THE POWER OF PRAYER LIST** is on the noticeboard and will be refreshed at the end of each Month. If you would like to add someone to the list, please write their name on the form in the church foyer. The names will be added to the list for one month.

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Congratulations to all couples who are celebrating their anniversaries in March. The list of names are on the noticeboard in the foyer.

## EASTER HAMPER RAFFLE

Tickets on sale

1 for \$2.00

3 for \$5.00

8 for \$10.00

20 for \$20.00

Drawn Palm Sunday



## CATHOLIC OUTREACH (Holy Family Care)



This weekend before each mass Marietta Russo from Catholic Outreach will be inviting parishioners to join Holy Family Care and be part of this program as a volunteer. If you are interested, please write your name on the sign-up list in the foyer.

## 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 name for their private body parts. *This message is placed at the request of the Safeguarding Office of the Perth Archdiocese.*

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT



Jeremiah 31:31-34, Ps 50:3-4. 12-5, Hebrews 5:7-9, John 12:20-33

The word 'heart' occurs almost a thousand times in the Bible, more than three times as often as the word 'soul.' Perhaps this is just another item of trivia but surely it gives us a clue about Christianity. It is a religion of the heart. It gets our blood pumping.

As we approach the climax of our Lenten journey, this week's readings ask questions about our hearts. The psalm begs 'a pure heart create for me, O God.' Those words invite the Lord to come right inside us, into the very core of our being. The prophet Jeremiah quotes the Lord as saying, 'deep within them I will plant my Law, writing it on their hearts.' In other words, we won't find God's most intimate whisperings to us just in books or lectures. We will find it when we are genuinely in touch with our core, our most intimate space. God's love is inscribed on our hearts.

In his letter *Fratelli Tutti*, Pope Francis speaks against 'a culture of walls.' He asks us to treasure the hope found in every heart: Hope 'speaks to us of something deeply rooted in every human heart, independently of our circumstances and historical conditioning. Hope speaks to us of a thirst, an aspiration, a longing for a life of fulfillment, a desire to achieve great things, things that fill our heart and lift our spirit to lofty realities like truth, goodness and beauty, justice and love... Hope is bold.'

The word 'caritas' means love. The work of Caritas Australia is a heartfelt response to the needs of the world, one that gives expression to our shared hope. Caritas always works in partnership with others. During Lent, as we have listened to the experience of people we have helped through our support of Project Compassion, we will have noticed that life-giving partnerships with groups on the ground in many countries make this possible.

In today's Gospel, Jesus speaks of the grain of wheat that must die to create a rich harvest. Of course, he is referring to his own passion. But there is a message here for us all. 'Anyone who loves their life will lose it.' We are called to wear our hearts on our sleeves. To be led by love for others.

*Written by Michael McGirr*

MEDITATIVE PRAYER IN THE STYLE OF TAIZE

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March 7pm-8pm Chapel doors open at 6.30pm and then the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the following months. Invite your friends and pray in a relaxing, meditative way (bring a torch & a friend!) 16 York Street South Perth Enquiries: Sr Maree Riddler rsj Ph: 0414683926 E: [maree.riddler@sosj.org.au](mailto:maree.riddler@sosj.org.au)

FEAST OF ST JOSEPH: LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR

Please join us for the Mass to celebrate St Joseph. LSP Foundress, St Jeanne Jugan had a deep devotion to St Joseph confiding all her undertakings and cares to his powerful protection. Still St. Joseph remains the great protector and provider of the Congregation as we continue the Mission of caring for the elderly poor. **Tuesday 19 March 10.30am, 2 Rawlins Street, Glendalough.** To register or for more information, please contact Sr Mary Lourdes on 0404610773 or [srmarylourdes11@gmail.com](mailto:srmarylourdes11@gmail.com)



Chrism Mass

Most Reverend Archbishop Timothy Costelloe invites you to attend the

Annual Archdiocesan Chrism Mass

which he will concelebrate with the Priests of the Archdiocese of Perth at St Mary's Cathedral on

Tuesday 26 March at 7.00pm

During this Mass, the Holy Oils will be blessed and the Oil of Chrism consecrated. The Priests will also renew their Ordination commitment.

Most Reverend T Costelloe SDB, Archbishop of Perth

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Jesus Died to Give Life (John 12:20-30)

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5TH SUNDAY OF LENT

After his triumphant ride into Jerusalem and before celebrating the Passover, Jesus spoke to his disciples about his approaching suffering and death.

LET US PRAY

Lord Jesus, you willingly gave up your life so that you could share your everlasting life with all of mankind. Thank you for your courage and love and for dying to save us all.



## WEEKEND ROSTER

		Saturday 6:00 pm	Sunday 8:30 am	Sunday 10:00 am
<b>COMMENTATOR/READER</b>				
16 <sup>th</sup> /17 <sup>th</sup> March	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent	C. Frank Giannini R. Tony Pires <b>EME.</b> Breda Pires	C. Alex Wu R. Geraldine Taylor	C. Jennifer Low R. Anne Armstrong <b>EME.</b> Cecilia Bray
23 <sup>rd</sup> /24 <sup>th</sup> March	Palm Sunday	C. Amanda Johnson R. Dimitrio Sidi <b>EME.</b> Marie Tiley	C. Ralph Newton R. Lynne Newton	C. Pascale Tin R. Cecilia Bray <b>EME.</b> Geraldine Taylor
<b>ACOLYTE</b>				
16 <sup>th</sup> /17 <sup>th</sup> March	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent	Hasan Sidi	Shajy Vandukoot	Dimitrio Sidi
23 <sup>rd</sup> /24 <sup>th</sup> March	Palm Sunday	Daniel Bianchini Hasan Sidi	Bill Staude Michael Taylor	Leo Burke Tony Bray
<b>ALTAR SERVER</b>				
16 <sup>th</sup> /17 <sup>th</sup> March	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent	Hugh Morris Isabelle Chiew	Lilyanna Bell Palak Vandukoot	Martina Teran-Carrasco Ethan George
23 <sup>rd</sup> /24 <sup>th</sup> March	Palm Sunday	Raegan Tanuwijaja Gabriella Jakowetz Vasana Boonyothayan	Evelyn Newman Claudia Taylor-Beard Dominic Newman	Mary-Jane Yip Delena Tran April Hadiyanto
<b>CHOIR</b>				
16 <sup>th</sup> /17 <sup>th</sup> March	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent	St Pio Choir	Holy Family Choir	Sanctus Choir
23 <sup>rd</sup> /24 <sup>th</sup> March	Palm Sunday	St Cecilia Choir	Holy Family Choir	Sanctus Choir

### 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.

### CHURCH NOTICEBOARD

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

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