

# Holy Family Parish Bulletin

## Como - Kensington



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**Weekend Masses** Saturday 6pm, Sunday 8.30am & 10.00am **Weekday Masses:** Tuesday – Friday 9am

**Reconciliation:** Saturday 5.00pm-5.30pm **Baptisms and Marriage:** Email: [holyfamilycomocatholic@gmail.com](mailto:holyfamilycomocatholic@gmail.com)

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### 31<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time- Year B

### Sunday 3rd November 2024



## The Liturgy of the Word

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Forsake me not, O Lord, my God; be not far from me!  
Make haste and come to my help, O Lord, my strong  
salvation!

### FIRST READING

*Deuteronomy 6:2-6*

Moses said to the people: "If you fear the Lord your God all the days of your life and if you keep all his laws and commandments which I lay on you, you will have a long life, you and your son and your grandson. Listen then, Israel, keep and observe what will make you prosper and give you great increase, as the Lord of your fathers has promised you, giving you a land where milk and honey flow. Listen Israel: The Lord our God is the one Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength. Let these words I urge on you today be written on your heart."

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**R. I love you, Lord, my strength.**

### SECOND READING

*Hebrews 7:23-28*

Then there used to be a great number of those other priests, because death put an end to each one of them; but this one, because he remains for ever, can never lose his priesthood. It follows, then, that his power to save is utterly certain, since he is living for ever to intercede for all who come to God through him. To suit us, the ideal high priest would have to be holy, innocent and uncontaminated, beyond the influence of sinners, and raised above the heavens; one who would not need to offer sacrifices every day, as the other high priests do for their own sins and for those of the people, because he has done this once and for all by offering himself. The Law appoints high priests who are men subject to weakness; but the promise on oath, which came after the Law, appointed the Son who is made perfect for ever.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them.

**Alleluia!**

### GOSPEL

*Mark 12:28-34*

One of the scribes who had listened to them debating and had observed how well Jesus had answered them, now came up and put a question to him, 'Which is the first of all the commandments?' Jesus replied, 'This is the first: Listen, Israel, the Lord our God is the one Lord, and you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind and with all your strength. The second is this: You must love your neighbour as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these.' The scribe said to him, 'Well spoken, Master; what you have said is true: that he is one and there is no other. To love him with all your heart, with all your understanding and strength, and to love your neighbour as yourself, this is far more important than any holocaust or sacrifice.' Jesus, seeing how wisely he had spoken, said, 'You are not far from the kingdom of God'. And after that no one dared to question him anymore.

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, O Lord.



**Next Sunday's Readings**  
**32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Kings 17: 10-16**

**Psalm 145: 7-10**

**Hebrews 9: 24-28**

**Mark 12: 38-44**



**PARISH DIARY**  
**4<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER**

**MONDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER**  
No Mass

**TUESDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER**  
9.00am Mass

**WEDNESDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER**  
9.00am Mass

**THURSDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER**  
9.00am Mass  
9.30am-10.30am Adoration

**FRIDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER**  
9.00am Mass  
7.00pm Mass

**SATURDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER**  
9.30am Adsumus Meeting – MR1  
5.00-5.30pm Reconciliation  
6.00pm Mass

**SUNDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER**  
**MORNING TEA**  
*32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
8.30am Mass (*Children's Liturgy*)  
10.00am Mass (*Children's Liturgy*)

**WEEKLY MORNING TEA**

There will be morning tea every Sunday after both 8.30am and 10am mass. We need helpers. If you can help, please put your name on the sign up list in the foyer.

**MUSICIANS WORKSHOP**

Free beginner and intermediate guitar and piano lessons. If you are interested in learning either of these instruments, please email Father Dat at [dat.vuong@perthcatholic.org.au](mailto:dat.vuong@perthcatholic.org.au)

*Do you have a spare guitar lying around at home not being used. We are looking for guitars for students to take home and practice with. Please contact Father or the office to drop off.*



**1<sup>ST</sup> AND 2<sup>ND</sup> COLLECTION**

Tap each machine selecting the amount you wish to offer OR insert cash into the 2 cash chutes next to each machine.

**TAP AND GO MACHINE**  
**PLANNED GIVING CONTRIBUTIONS**  
**via DIRECT DEBIT**

We offer the option of direct debit for the 1<sup>st</sup> collection (supports the Priest) and 2<sup>nd</sup> collection (supports the parish upkeep)

**1<sup>ST</sup> Collection Account** BSB 086 006  
A/C number 331331103

**2nd Collection Account** BSB 036 050  
A/C number 790041 Reference: Your Initial and Surname.

**REMINDER**

Please do not forget to use the QR Code below or evaluation forms handed out last week and return to the office.

These forms will help the team foster growth in our parish community.



**PARISH MEGA LUNCH**  
**SUNDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER**  
**from 11am**

Come along to support your parish and enjoy lunch with your fellow parishioners! Please put your name and food you are bringing on the list in the foyer

Tickets: Adults \$25 Children \$5  
**BYO DRINKS**

Tickets available on the day, and all money raised will go to the upkeep of the parish.



**Christmas Appeal 2024**

The Archbishops Christmas Appeal for LifeLink is being held NEXT weekend 9/10 November. Please collect your copy of the Archbishop's Appeal letter after mass, read his message and please give generously to support the valuable work of the Church's social service agencies. You may mail your gift in the reply-paid envelope provided or return your envelope and donation for a special collection which will be held at Mass next weekend. You may also donate (securely) online by credit card:-

[www.lifelink.com.au](http://www.lifelink.com.au)

**THE NEXT RCIA JOURNEY IS TO START SOON**

Anyone wishing to join the Catholic Church / or receive the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation are welcome to speak with, or contact Fr Dat.



**2025 COLUMBAN ART CALENDAR**  
**and 2025 JOSEPHITE CALENDAR**

**Both available to buy in the Church foyer.**

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**MASS INTENTIONS:**

Members of the Sacred Heart Sodality Past and Present

Recent Passing: Martin Lowry

If you would like a mass offered, please pass your offering envelope to Father before mass on the day. *Father will read out the names at the beginning of Mass.*

**THE POWER OF PRAYER**

Norah Langshaw, Waminda Residents, Stella & Family, Reamae David, Dragutin Markovic, Maureen Galligan, Daisy Givens, Nadia O'Brien, Mary & Ben Bianchini, Mary Hippolite, Reg & Joyce Groutsch, Ed Devereux, Heather Jordan, Serafini Family, Josie Staude, Ng Choon Bee, Ng Chai Hong, Bridget Lewis, Paddy & Jackie Embry, Caroline, Wayne, Ethan, Liam & Scarlett, Sonali, Sachini, Norman Bickley, Amondo Robels & Fe Fontanini, Eric, Anthony, Kerry & John Hardwick, Declan & Family, Jake Murricks, Michael, Nadia, Adrian, Annie, Joe, Sarah, Yolanda, Reg & May, Margaret & Arthur, Margaret Harrington, Edith Johnson, Jessie Amphlett, Rita Anderson, Femia Family, Loe Tjoe Liang, NusKita Djajadi, Raphael Masbate, Brendan, Nerita, John Lucas, Joshua, Paul Sanderson, Barry O'Malley, Janet, Jono, John Gizza, Rhys, Brit, Roy Camille, Charity & Lyla Black, David, Sam & Elisabeth Palermo, Janelle, Molly, Marlene Bissett, Brian Schofield, Ross Muir

**NOVEMBER MASS INTENTIONS**

During the month of November, we pray for the deceased, trusting them to the mercy of God. Mass intention envelopes will be **available in the church foyer from 1<sup>st</sup> November**. You can place your envelope in the box in front of the Baptismal Font. The envelope will be placed on the Commemorative Curtain on the altar. Cost of Mass \$20. Funds collected will also support the country priests.

**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.

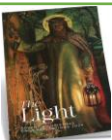
**3 of 12 Safeguarding Messages:**

Parents, talk to your children about safe and unsafe secrets.

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

**ADVENT DAILY REFLECTION BOOKLET**

Available to buy  
**ONLY \$10 EACH**



## POPE FRANCIS GOSPEL REFLECTON

Today's Gospel presents a scribe who approaches Jesus and asks him: "Which commandment is the first of all?". Jesus responds by citing Scripture and confirms that the first commandment is to love God; from this one then derives the second, as a natural consequence: to love one's neighbour as oneself. Hearing this response, the scribe not only recognises that he is right, but in doing so, he repeats the same words Jesus had said: "You are right, Teacher; you have truly said that, to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the strength, and to love one's neighbour as oneself is more than a whole burnt offering and sacrifices".


But we can ask ourselves, in giving his assent, why did that scribe feel the need to repeat Jesus' same words? This repetition seems to be more surprising if we think that this is the Gospel of Mark, who has a very concise style. So, what could this repetition mean? This repetition is a teaching for all of us who are listening. For the Word of the Lord cannot be received as any other type of news. The Word of the Lord must be repeated, made one's own, safeguarded. The Word of the Lord must resound, echo and re-echo within us. When there is this interior echo that repeats itself, it means that the Lord dwells in the heart. And he says to us, just as he did to that excellent scribe in the Gospel: "You are not far from the kingdom of God".

The Lord is not so much looking for skilled Scripture commentators, as he is looking for docile hearts which, welcoming his Word, allow themselves to be changed inside. This is why it is so important to be familiar with the Gospel, to always have it at hand, even a pocket-size Gospel in our pockets, in our purses to read and reread, to be passionate about it. When we do this, Jesus, the Word of the Father, enters into our hearts, he becomes intimate with us, and we bear fruit in Him. Let's take for example today's Gospel: it is not enough to read it and understand that we need to love God and our neighbour. It is necessary that this commandment, which is the "great commandment", resound in us, that it become the voice of our conscience. This way, it does not remain a dead letter, in the drawer of the heart, because the Holy Spirit makes the seed of that Word germinate in us. And the Word of God works, it is always in motion, it is alive and effective. So, each one of us can become a living, different and original "translation", not a repetition but a living, different and original "translation" of the one Word of love that God gives us.

Today, therefore, let us take the example of this scribe. Let us repeat Jesus' words, making them resound in us: "To love God with all our heart, with all our soul, with all our mind and with all our strength and my neighbour as myself". And let us ask ourselves: does this commandment truly orient my life? Does this commandment resonate in my daily life? It would be good this evening, before going to sleep, to make an examination of conscience on this Word, to see if we have loved the Lord today and if we have done a little good to those we happened to meet. May every encounter bring about a little bit of good, a little bit of love that comes from this Word.

*Pope Francis 31.10.2021 Holy Mass, Angelus, St Peter's Square (part thereof)*

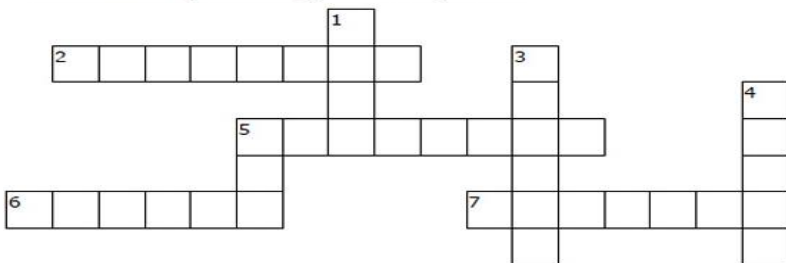
### ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

 **Catholic Mission & the Centre for Liturgy invites us all to the 2024 Advent Reflection on Modern Slavery.** Titled, 'A Season for Hope', at **St Mary's Cathedral on Monday 25 November**. Gathering at 6.30pm for a **7pm start**, this concert will shine a light on the problem of modern slavery and on what we can do to eradicate its impact on the lives of vulnerable people. So please book a ticket to this inspirational musical experience by going online to <https://www.trybooking.com/CVWHK>. We look forward to seeing you there to celebrate the season of Hope that is Advent.

## KIDS' CORNER

### The Greatest Commandment

"Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength." The second is this: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'" Mark 12:30-31 (NIV)



**FIND THE ANSWER HERE**



#### 31ST SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

The scribes were very religious and carefully obeyed every commandment of the Jewish law. They also spent much of their time studying the scriptures. One day a scribe came to Jesus and asked him an important question.

#### LET US PRAY

Heavenly father, you know each one of us and generously pour your love into our lives. Teach us not to be selfish or greedy, by returning your love and sharing it willingly with everyone we meet.

**NEIGHBOR  
ANSWER  
TEACHER  
HEART  
SECOND  
GREATEST  
GOD  
LOVE**

#### ACROSS

2. A person who lives near or next to another
5. The most important; better than all others of the same kind
6. Coming next in order after the first one
7. Someone who educates or trains others

#### DOWN

1. To have a deep feeling of affection or attraction for someone
3. A spoken or written reply to a question
4. The center and source of a person's emotions or feelings
5. The creator of heaven and earth; The One we worship

# WEEKEND ROSTER

|  |                                | Saturday<br>6:00 pm  | Sunday<br>8:30 am  | Sunday<br>10:00 am   |
|--|--------------------------------|--|--|--|
| <b>COMMENTATOR/READER</b>                  |                                |  |  |  |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> /3 <sup>rd</sup> November  | 31 <sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ord | C. Amanda Johnson<br>R. Michelle Teo<br><b>EME. Rose Hart</b>    | C. Jill Browne<br>R. Lyn Hope-Hume<br><b>EME. Geraldine Taylor</b> | C. Henry D'Silva<br>R. Cecilia Bray<br><b>EME. Grace Toczykowski</b> |
| 9 <sup>th</sup> /10 <sup>th</sup> November | 32 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ord | C. Helen Mason<br>R. Dimitrio Sidi<br><b>EME. Christina Sidi</b> | C. Alex Wu<br>R. Susannah Robinson<br><b>EME. Murray Rosenberg</b> | C. Fiona Wee<br>R. Ann Armstrong<br><b>EME. Vicki Ha</b>             |
| <b>ACOLYTES</b>                            |                                |  |  |  |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> /3 <sup>rd</sup> November  | 31 <sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ord | Dimitrio Sidi  | John Newman  | James Chong  |
| 9 <sup>th</sup> /10 <sup>th</sup> November | 32 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ord | Hasan Sidi   | Shajy Vadukoot   | Tony Bray  |
| <b>ALTAR SERVER</b>                        |                                |  |  |  |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> /3 <sup>rd</sup> November  | 31 <sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ord | Patrick Newman<br>Hugh Morris                                    | Evelyn Newman<br>Palak Vadukoot                                    | April Hadiyanto<br>Mary-Jane Yip                                     |
| 9 <sup>th</sup> /10 <sup>th</sup> November | 32 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ord | Leo Newman<br>Elizabeth Morris                                   | Lilyanna Bell<br>Palak Vadukoot                                    | Samantha Teran-Carrasco<br>Delena Tran                               |

### CHURCH NOTICEBOARD

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

### LOST PROPERTY BOX

Any lost property? The lost property box is in the office.

### DO YOU LIKE GARDENING

If you can spare an hour or so on a Saturday from 8am the gardening group would love to hear from you. The Parish needs help to keep the parish gardens looking beautiful. Please bring along your gardening tools and your gloves and enjoy the great outdoors. If you can help, please contact the office, thank you.

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