

**Mass Intentions** (1<sup>st</sup> Oct –7<sup>th</sup> Oct.)  
**Vigil 5pm: +Dantis; Sun.:** 8am: +Dantis;  
 9.30am: Pro Populo; **Mon:** + Holy Souls;  
**Tues.** Dantis ; **Wed.:** Dantis ; **Thurs.**  
 Dantis; **Fri.** Dantis; 6pm  
 +Adrian Han; **Sat.:** 7.30am Dantis

Catholic news: [The Catholic Thing](#), [National Catholic Reporter](#); [EWTN](#); [Crux](#), [L'Osservatore Romano](#) [Vatican News](#). [Pope Francis@Pontifex](mailto:PopeFrancis@Pontifex)

On Sundays after 8am Mass there is cuppa.

We acknowledge the Gweagal People, the traditional Custodians of this land.

**Daily Masses:** 7:30am **Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday** (Saturday: Mass, Cenacle, Confession & Benediction); **Tuesday** 5:30pm: Adoration, Novena, Confession, Benediction and 6pm Mass. **First Fridays** 5:30pm Devotions & 6pm Mass.

**Weekend Mass times: Saturday:** Vigil 5pm **Sunday:** 8am, 9:30am and **2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday** of the month at 3pm: Divine Mercy Chaplet with Benediction and Mass.  
**Baptisms at 9:30 Mass.**  
 Marriage and Baptism inquiries please contact Parish Office.

St. Joseph's Como cares for safeguarding children. Safeguarding Office at 9390 5810 or [safeguarding-enquiries@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:safeguarding-enquiries@sydneycatholic.org).

**Our sick:** Nerida Tullio, Steven Leeke, Helen Cramer, Max McLeod, Philip Andrew Romanow, Richard Davis, Michele McQuillan, Joan & Vince Fernandez, Drago Mikan, Therese Dorff, Steve Smith, Barbara Moore, Albert McMaster, Elizabeth Kinsela, Ida Melis, Katrina Marinilli, Rita Shah, Julia Lock, Marie Lawsen, Ian Duffey, Eliette Majdandzic; Dragica Furda, Mary Carmen Borg, Josefa Dabu, Josie Lay, Christine Woodard, Urszula Kaminska, Josephine and Steven Marinilli, Nicholas Mircevski and all Dear Friends from

**Mildred Symons House:**  
 Next Mass 10.45am, 1<sup>st</sup> Nov. 2023.

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**If we focus** more on loving one another in the Catholic community, making tangible our belief in the centrality of Christian charity, others may notice and want to join in. Fresco of an early Christian agape meal at a tomb in the Catacomb of Saints Marcellinus and Peter, Via Labicana, Rome. We believe that the Eucharist draws us into communion not only with Jesus, as we receive his body, but also with our fellow Catholics, who are members of his body. Nonetheless, most Catholics feel disconnected from one another, coming to their parish for Mass and leaving quickly afterward. It's hard for the Eucharist to become the center of our lives that way, let alone to build a vibrant culture through the parish. In any age, a community will be strong when its members depend upon one another and build a common life together. Charity, above all else, characterised the early Christian community and caught the attention of pagans. Christians cared for one another and also did what they could to care for anyone in need. This charity became expressed in what was known as an "agape", a meal or feast to express the love of the community. Early Christian meals were prone to abuse, as we see in Paul's first letter to the Corinthians, where he said that rather than caring for the needy, some Christians indulged in excess. Likewise, Jude, in the 12<sup>th</sup> verse of his letter, spoke explicitly about the agape meal, telling Christians that their love feasts were blemished by looking first after themselves. These dynamics haven't changed much. (From The Catholic Reporter.)

**October, the month of the Holy Rosary.**

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**The Pope said** there are already many first fruits from the ongoing Synod, but added that more time is needed in order for them to become fully mature. "In order to provide more time for extended discernment, I have established that this Synodal Assembly will take place in two sessions: The first on 4-29 October 2023 and the second in October 2024." Pope Francis said he hoped this decision will "favour the comprehension of synodality as a constitutive element of the Church, and help everyone to live it as a journey of brothers and sisters who bear witness to the joy of the Gospel."

**The XVI Ordinary General Assembly** of the Synod of Bishops, will be extend to "non-bishops" (priests, deacons, consecrated men and women, laity). This choice is in continuity with the progressive appropriation of the constitutive synodal dimension of the Church and the consequent understanding of the institutions through which it is exercised.



**Fr Jan on a weekly duty at St. Joseph's**



**Juliana brings light to our premises.**



**Rosa and Steve -music from the heart**



**Walter and Sean mounting shelves the storage room**



**Patricia & Gennie sorting the items and Claude removing stuff for the clean-up day**



**I am Eliza, one year old**



**I am Ebony one year old**



**Sean, Tony & Gennie given hand in installation two shelves in the kitchen**

On Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> Sep. Pope Francis presided over a consistory ceremony to create 21 new cardinals, including 18 under the age of 80 and therefore eligible to participate in the next papal election.

**4<sup>th</sup> October, St Francis of Assisi, Patron of fauna and flora.**  
**Pope Francis Encyclical "Laudato Si"**

**Ad Maiorem Dei Gloriam**



1<sup>st</sup> coll. \$628  
 2<sup>nd</sup> coll. \$252  
 P. Giv. \$385  
 CWF \$200

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YouTube: [https://youtu.be/zdj\\_sq-lylw](https://youtu.be/zdj_sq-lylw) **Sisters of the Immaculata** [www.immaculata.org.au](http://www.immaculata.org.au)

Please pray for the Synod of Bishops in Rome.

The synod in Rome is a special event that involves the whole Catholic Church in a process of listening and dialogue. It is called the Synod on Synodality, and it aims to explore how the Church can be more synodal, which means "walking together" as the People of God.