St Joseph's Como-Oyster Bay Catholic Church; Fr. Jerzy Chrzczonowicz PP Email: jerzy1junior@hotmail.com, m: 0411 125 357; Parish Secretary: Anne McMaster Mon. 12noon – 3pm; Thur. 8am – 3pm; Bookkeeper Patricia Low: Financial enquiries Tues 9am-2pm & Friday 9am-2pm; 210 Oyster Bay Road, Como, 2226; Ph: 9528 0205 Web: www.stjosephscomo.org.au; Email: stjoscomo@ bigpond.com, St. Joseph's Primary School; Principal Allan Fagerstrom PO Box 447, Jannali 2226. Ph. 9528 8716 Email: info@stjcomo.catholic.edu.au

Mass Intentions (29th Oct –4th Nov.)

Vigil 5pm: +Dr Patrick Lim Snr; Sun.; 8am: 9.30am: Pro Populo; Mon: + Holy Souls; Tues. +Adrain Han; Wed.: Nov. Masses; Thurs: Nov. Masses.; Fri. +Nov .Masses Sat.: 7.30am +Nov. Masses

Catholic news: The Catholic Thing, National Catholic Reporter; EWTN; Crux, L'Osservatore Romano Vatican News. Pope Francis@Pontifex

On Sundays after 8am Mass there is cuppa.

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

<u>Daily Masses:</u> 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 2nd 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 <u>safeguardingen-guiries@sydneycatholic.org.</u>

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, 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, 1st Nov. 2023.

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Pope Francis declared that Friday 27th October 2023 as a **day of fasting**, **penance**, **and prayer for peace**. He invited the various other Christian confessions, members of other religions, and all who hold the cause of peace in the world at heart to participate. We are encouraged to pray for a divine gift of peace in the Middle East and other parts of the world.

1st Nov.: Solemnity All Saints,

Masses: 7:30am; 9:15am (school) and 10:45am Mildred Symons House.

2nd Nov.: Commemoration of All Souls Masses: 7:30am and 6pm

Please contribute to non-perishable goods / food for **Christmas Hampers** Appeal. A collection box will be placed at the church entrance. Thank you so much for your generosity. Tax-deductable financial Christmas Season Appeal will be on 6th&7th Jan. 2024.

November Mass Intentions envelopes are available from this weekend. Please return them and place in the collection box at the altar. Next month we will offer our prayers exclusively for our Departed Members of our Families and Friends.



Our Lord is with us, walks beside us, and never forsakes us. With such a loving Presence by our side, we have all the strength we need.

Trust God, and be brave.



1st \$401 2nd \$268 P.Giv.\$350 CWF \$200 Mission: \$130 Patricia & Gennie arranging our Piety Store.

Claude diligently Inspects and fixes the broken kneelers.

Sean is a marvellous shelves installer. Next CWF Appeal will be held on 4th & 5th November. We are invited to raise \$10,200 for charities. This is our compulsory amount for this appeal. Thank you for your support. God bless.

Years 1, 2 and 4 Grade join the Vigil Mass on Saturday 4th Nov. at 5pm followed by a Sausage Sizzle for a Gold Coin donation outside the church office. All welcome.

The Liturgy Office has prepared a policy for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion in the Archdiocese of Sydney. It can be found on our web-page at https://liturgy.sydneycatholic.org/wp-content/up-loads/2023/10/EMHC-in-Sydney-final-and-approved-5-Oct-2023.pdf.

With a great sadness Liz Ryall informed us of Mary Coulter's, her mum's passing. Mary and Geoff lived most of the time in our parish. They moved to Balina 6 years ago. Mary passed away on 16th Oct. after long years of physical disabilities. Geoff was her wonderful carer as well very much appreciated supporter of our Church. Funeral for Mary will be held at Our Lady of the Rosary Alstonville (near Ballina) on 27th October.

May Mary Rest in Peace.

Archdiocesan Newsletter of the Parish Renewal Team

Please scan this QR code for more information and registration to the workshops.



Myriam, Ida Melis's daughter shared with us her sadness at the passing of her mum Ida. Requiem Mass will be on Tuesday 31st
October at 10:30am followed by graveside burial at Woronora
Cemetery. May She Rest in Peace.

Thank you to our Ministers from the Parish visiting Ida and sharing Holy Communion with her for many years.

Time flows very fast, indeed. Another week has gone leaving behind traces of rejoicing and disturbing memories alike. Certainly, news coming from overseas worried us all. We don't agree with peoples' suffering. So, we have our duty, according to status and ability, to stand for truth and wellbeing of those who are in pain and sorrow. Simultaneously, we experienced wonderful happenings even in our little community such as praising the Lord together, supporting each other, sharing joy originating from our achievements, thanking God for His providence and blessings bestowed upon us all.

The Ordinations of Rev. Ronny Jose D'Cruz and Rev. Zelijko Evetovic to the Priesthood. Saturday 4 November 2023 10.30am St Mary's Cathedral.

"Proclaiming Jesus to the world is the Church's greatest urgency, the truest reform", the archbishop Sorrentino of Assisi, said in a letter to the Synod on Synodality. He recalled some of the places related to St. Francis in the town of Assisi, especially the "Sanctuary of the Renunciation". That place, he said, recalls "the prophetic gesture by which [St. Francis] stripped to the point of nakedness to say that Jesus was his only love, and for him, he made himself poor with the poor, to build a world under the sign of love." Sorrentino reminded that 10 years ago, in October 2013, Pope Francis stood in the room of the renunciation and said "the Church must strip herself of spiritual worldliness in order to be clothed with Christ and his Gospel. "It was a way to translate in our times what, eight centuries earlier, the crucifix of San Damiano asked of the saint of Assisi: 'Francis, go, repair my house," the archbishop said.