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 (7th – 13th April).

Vigil 5pm.: +Han Family; Sun.: 8am Pro Populo; 9.30am.: +Maria Suszycka-Zapal & Stanislaw Suszycki; Mon.: +Han Family; Tues.: +Reg Cunich; Wed.: +Lim Family; Thurs.: +Low Family; Fri.: +Deceased Priests; Sat.: + Lesley & May Ellesmore

To support our church; https://www.bpoint.com.au/pay/comooysterbayparish

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

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

St. Joseph's Como *cares* for safeguarding children. Safeguarding Office at 9390 5810 or safeguardingenguiries@sydneycatholic.org.

Daily Masses: 7:30am Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday (Saturday: Mass, Cenacle, Confession & Benediction); Tuesday 5:30pm: Adoration, Novena, Confession, Benediction and 6pm Mass. Friday 9:15am,First Fridays 7:30am Devotions @ 9:15am Mass.

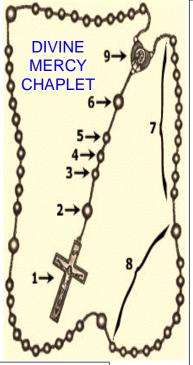
Weekend Mass times: Saturday: Vigil 5pm Sunday: 8am, 9:30am and 2nd Sunday of the month at 3pm: Divine Mercy Chaplet with Benediction and Mass.

Baptisms at 9:30 Mass(1st & 3rd Sunday) Other inquiries please contact Parish Office.

Our sick: Sophia May Hudson, Nerida Tullio, Eileen Ellsmore, Elizabeth Mercieca, Steven Leeke, Helen Cramer, Max McLeod, 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, 17th April.

DIVINE MERCY. The devotion was promoted by Pope John Paul II. On April 30, 2000, the Canonization of Faustina Kowalska took place and the second Sunday of Easter was officially designated as the Sunday of the Divine Mercy in the General Roman Calendar. On April 22, 2001, which was one year after establishing Divine Mercy Sunday, Pope John Paul II re-emphasized its message in the resurrection context of Easter: Jesus said to St. Faustina one day: "Humanity will never find peace until it turns with trust to Divine Mercy". Divine Mercy! This is the Easter gift that the Church receives from the risen Christ and offers to humanity.



1. Sign of the Cross. You expired, Jesus, but the source of life aushed forth for souls, and the ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world. O Fount of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelop the whole world and empty Yourself out upon us. (Repeat three times) O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fount of mercy for us, I trust in You! 2. Our Father...3-5. Hail Mary, full of grace... 6. I believe in God, the Father almighty, 7. Eternal Father, I offer you the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your Dearly Beloved Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world. 8. On the 10 Small Beads of Each Decade For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world. 7. Repeat for the remaining decades. 8. Conclude (Repeat three times) Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world. 9. Closing Prayer: Eternal God, in whom mercy is endless and the treasury of compassion — inexhaustible, look kindly upon us and increase Your mercy in us, that in difficult moments we might not despair nor become despondent, but with great confidence submit ourselves to Your holy will, which is Love and Mercy itself.

The final period (of the RCIA) extends through the whole Easter season (50 days) is devoted to the postbaptismal catechesis or mystagogy. It is a time for deepening the Christian experience, for spiritual growth, and for entering more fully into the life and unity of the community. It is a journey of becoming progressively aware of mystery of Resurrection. Mystagogy is not an academic process, but rather is a spiritual process, more specifically, is an initiation into God's self-revelation. There is a distinct process to follow, but there is not a definitive answer that we can expect to arrive at. Rather, we trust the Holy Spirit to guide us to a deeper relationship with God and a progressively deeper awareness of mystery. Mystagogy is not about providing easy answers to life, but rather teaches an approach to life.



Safeguarding, Child Protection and Ministerial Integrity. "From everyone who has been given much, much will be demanded" Lk 13:48 The Annunciation of the Lord celebrates the angel Gabriel's appearance

to the Virgin Mary, announcing that she had been chosen to be the Mother of Our Lord. The Annunciation always falls on March 25, exactly nine months before the birth of Jesus Christ at Christmas. However, the celebra tion of the feast is transferred to a different date if it falls on a Sunday of Lent, during Holy Week, or during the octave of Easter. The Church considers Masses for the Sun

days of Lent, any time in Holy Week, and any time from Easter through the Sunday after Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday) to be so important

that even this Marian feast cannot replace one of them. So, when the Annunciation falls on a Sunday in Lent (before Palm Sunday), it is transferred to the following Monday. If it falls on Palm Sunday or on any day in Holy Week, it is transferred to Low Monday, the Monday after the Sunday after Easter. This year the Feast of Annunciation falls on Monday 8th April.