

<p>We acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land of the Gweagal People of the Dharawal Nation.</p>	<p>Welcome Liturgical Year C; Sundays Cycle C, Weekdays Cycle 2</p>		<p>Euthanasia? We don't need to give some people a 'license to kill'. We shouldn't be telling sick people that we think they would be better off dead or that we would be better off if they were dead. We have to be cautious about introducing the idea of killing the burdensome or 'volunteering'. There have been attempts to silence Catholics and other believers on euthanasia and other debates. We need a serious and respectful discussion where all sides are heard ... A just and compassionate society can surely find more respectful and loving ways of dealing with suffering at the end-of-life other than killing the suffering person.</p>			
<p>COVID-19 Safety Plan: 1) those with flu symptoms must not enter the church; 2) register via QR code on entry or sign in; 3) sanitise hands on entry; 4) sanitise seats after each service; 5) social distancing 2m apart. 6) vaccination advisable.</p> <p>Masses can be viewed on YouTube: Streaming: stjosephcomo</p>	<p>Mass Intentions (27th Nov-3rd Dec) Sat. 7.30am + Vigil 5pm + Sun.8am + Sun. 9.30am. +Mon. +Tue. + Holy Souls Wed. +Deceased Members of FOSS Thurs. For non-believers Fri. +The Relief and deliverance of Holy Souls 6pm +Adrian Han</p>	<p>Pope Francis has appointed Sydney priest Fr Danny Meagher, former rector of Good Shepherd Seminary, as an auxiliary bishop for the Archdiocese of Sydney.</p>  <p>Fr Meagher's ordination Mass will be on December 8th at 7pm, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception</p>	<table border="1"> <tr> <td data-bbox="1458 422 1758 635"> <p>Dear Irene, You are an inspiration to us all and we are so glad to be able to wish You a Blessed and Happy Birthday. Thank you for your devoted help in our community life.</p> </td> <td data-bbox="1758 422 1926 635">  </td> <td data-bbox="1926 422 2195 635"> <p>Dear Catechists, Teachers, Parents, Parish and School Staff, thank you for your valuable contribution in the preparation for our First Holy Communion</p> </td> </tr> </table>	<p>Dear Irene, You are an inspiration to us all and we are so glad to be able to wish You a Blessed and Happy Birthday. Thank you for your devoted help in our community life.</p>		<p>Dear Catechists, Teachers, Parents, Parish and School Staff, thank you for your valuable contribution in the preparation for our First Holy Communion</p>
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<p>Daily Masses: 7:30am Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday (Saturday: Holy Hour, Confession and Mass); Tuesday 5:30pm: Adoration, Novena, Confession, Benediction and 6pm Mass. First Friday of the month: 5:30pm Holy Hour and 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 after 9:30 Mass Marriage and Baptism inquiries please contact Parish Office.</p>	<p>Pope Francis proclaimed 2021 "Year of Saint Joseph." As December 8th is drawing near (<i>end of the Year of St. Joseph</i>), it is an excellent time to reflect once again on the Saint and what is known of him. Many of us have prayed the Litany of St. Joseph to celebrate the year. This prayer, formally approved by Pope Pius X 112 years ago, offers a number of titles for St. Joseph. Many of these titles reveal the responsibilities he accepted and serve as an example for us. Although very little is revealed in the Gospels about St. Joseph, he was a carpenter (Mt 13:55). Many today claim that St. Joseph lived in poverty. By the prosperous standards of our time, such a claim does not consider conditions common in the 1st century. St. Joseph was a skilled worker. He was not rich, nor was in poverty, just like carpenters today. Being a carpenter also meant being a businessman. This profession earned St. Joseph two titles. He is the Provider for the Son of God. He is also the Model for Workers.</p>	<p><i>Rejoice! Receiving and Sharing the Gift of the Good News</i> is the Advent companion produced by the Parish Renewal Team at the Sydney Centre for Evangelisation and designed for individual or group prayer, either in person or online. It includes Gospel readings for Sundays and Christmas Day and spiritual reflections. The resource will be available for download on the Go Make Disciples website; (gomakedisciples.org.au) and training on how to facilitate an Advent group, online or in person, is also available.</p> <p>During this Advent we are invited to support our retired priests by placing our gifts into the provided Christmas Offering envelopes. God bless, for your kindness.</p>	 <p>Advent in history had a twin focus. The Latin word <i>adventus</i> was the translation of the Greek <i>parousia</i> a word used for both the coming of Christ in human flesh and his Second Coming. For the first two weeks of Advent, the church would reflect on the Second Coming. The last two weeks of Advent would then transition to focus on the first <i>parousia</i>, Christ in the manger. The Advent wreath first appeared in Germany in 1839. The Advent wreath was created out of evergreens, symbolizing everlasting life in the midst of winter and death. The circle reminds us of God's unending love and the eternal life He makes possible. Advent candles are often nestled in the evergreen wreath. The common Advent candle tradition involves four candles. A new candle is lit on each of the four Sundays before Christmas. Each candle represents something different, although traditions vary. The four candles traditionally represent hope, faith, joy, and peace. Often, the first, second, and fourth candles are purple; the third candle is rose-colored. Occasionally, a fifth white candle is placed in the middle and is lit on Christmas Day to celebrate Jesus' birth.</p>			
<p>Google: Sydney Centre for Evangelisation</p>	<p>"Catholic SRE Learning from Home" materials, https://www.cress.org.au/learnin-g-from-home-sre-lessons/</p>	<p>Advent Companion, 'Rejoice! Receiving and Sharing the Gift of the Good News' is now available for download on the Go Make Disciples website. It contains Gospel readings for Sundays and Christmas Day, spiritual reflections, and other resources for Advent, and can be used for either individual or group prayer, in-person or online gatherings. Helen Wagner www.sydneycatholic.org</p>	<p>FIRST WEEK OF ADVENT: Leader: <i>Our response is "O God, we place our hope in you."</i> (R). L/: God of our mothers and fathers, R L/: Give life to people who are weary; fill us with hope in You. R L/: Healer of souls, renew our joy in you. Turn to us again, O God of Hosts. R L/: Make your dwelling among us, Giver of Life; Hear our cries; we call out to you in hope. R L/: We eagerly hope for the joy you alone can bring us. R O God, we place our hope in you.</p> <p>PRAYER "God of light, as we wait for the birth of Christ, help us to keep watch. Help us to tend the tiny flame of hope. Make us alert until your gift of joy arrives. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen."</p>			
<p>St. Joseph's Como is a <i>Community that cares</i> for safeguarding children. Safeguarding Office at (02) 9390 5810 or safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org.</p>	 <p>Mary and Bob. Stop. Revive. Survive</p>	 <p>Thank you, Celine, for the flowers.</p>				
<p>Our sick Drago Mikan.; Steve Smith, Barbara Moore, Jimmy Chandra, David Low, Roger Minshall, Jim Hagley, Elizabeth Kinsela, Ida Melis, Katrina Marinilli, Rita Shah, Julia Lock, Marie Lawsen, Ian Duffey, Glennise Hall, Eliette Majdandzic; Dragica Furda, May Kenny, Carmen Camilleri, Mary Carmen Borg, Norma Cook, Josefa Dabu, Josie Lay, Christine Woodard, Maria Suszycka, Urszula Kaminska, Thea Van Gastel, Josephine Marinilli, Steven Marinilli and all homebound and dear friends from Mildred Symons House.</p>	 <p>Scan the barcode on the left with your mobile phone camera and follow the instructions therein. https://www.bpoint.com.au/pay/COMOOYSTERBAYPARISH</p>	<p>Lectio Divina at 10am – 10:30am in the on Tuesdays in December. Prayer and reflection on the coming Sunday's Gospel. Venue: Parish Meeting room (library).</p>				