

Everything is included and contained in this prayer. .... [If we pray in this way] we shall see that God really answers our prayer, in one way or another. Then we shall no longer feel this "one way or the other" is a feeble excuse offered by the pious, and the Gospel, for unanswered prayer. No. Our prayer is answered, but precisely because it is prayer in Jesus' name; and what we ultimately pray for is for the Lord to grow in our lives, to fill our existence with himself, to triumph, to gather into one our scattered life, the thousand and one desires of which we are made. ... To pray in Jesus' name is to have one's prayer answered, to receive God and God's blessing, and then, even amid tears, even in pain, even in indigence, even when it seems that one has still not been heard, the heart rests in God, and that-while we are still here on pilgrimage, far from the Lord-is perfect joy.

Until we have prayed like this, Jesus can truthfully say to us: "Up to now, you have not asked for anything in my name. You may have tried to, you may have meant to, but you have not yet made me the strength and burden of your prayer."

FR RON ROLHEISER OMI

## September Parish Events

Sunday 3 September – Father's Day  
Thursday 7 September at 7.30pm - Madonna Tindari Triduum  
Friday 8 September at 7.30pm – Madonna Tindari Triduum  
Saturday 9 September at 7.30pm – Madonna Tindari Triduum  
Saturday 9 September at 6pm – Communion Candidates  
Sunday 10 September – Madonna Tindari Mass at 9.45am and Procession at 2pm  
Saturday 16 September at 6pm – Iona Youth Mass  
Sunday 17 September at 11am Mass – Communion Candidates  
Sunday 17 September at 2:30pm Mass – Pipe Organ Plus Concert (Dominic Perissinotto – organ)  
Sunday 17 September at 5pm Mass – Communion Candidates

## Sacred Heart Sodality

We wish to invite all friends of the Sacred Heart Sodality to join us at Mass every 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month at 8:30am. Next Mass will be held on **Sunday 24 September 2017**. New members are always welcome. For further information, please contact the Parish Office.

## Parishioner Morning Tea

Come along and enjoy the morning tea with fellow parishioners  
**after 8.30am Mass on Sunday 3 September 2017 ALL WELCOME!**

## Children's Liturgy



Children's Liturgy is held every First and Third Sundays of the Month at the 8:30am Mass in the Children's Chapel, located just inside the side foyer of the Basilica. All Children Welcome!  
**Liturgy will be held on Sunday 3 and 17 September.**

## Novena in Honour of Our Lady of Fatima

Pope Francis has asked that we continue a monthly novena to our Lady of Fatima during this 100th anniversary year. The Basilica will have Rosary and Mass on the 13th of each month until October. Dates below:

Wednesday 13 September: 6.30pm Rosary and 7pm Mass  
Friday 13 October: 6.30pm Rosary and 7pm Mass

## Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament



Would you like to spend some time with Jesus in prayer? Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is held in the Basilica every Thursday 8am to 12noon, First Fridays 11am to 12noon and every Saturday 10.30am to 12noon.

## Madonna Del Tindari (Black Madonna)



On Sunday 10 September the Italian Community will come together to celebrate the Feast of the Madonna Del Tindari (Black Madonna) in the Basilica. The Triduum commences on Thursday 7 September 7.30pm and continues on Friday 8 September and Saturday 9 September. Mass will be celebrated on Sunday 10 September at 9.45am and the Procession through the streets of Fremantle leaves the Basilica at 2pm. The Procession will conclude at Basilica and be followed by Benediction. All Welcome to attend.

## Father's Day Hot Rod Show

The annual Father's Day Hot Rod show will be held on **Sunday 3 September** in the St Patrick's Primary School Grounds. The school grounds will be unavailable for parking on the day. Please ensure that you take care and drive slowly around the Primary School and Basilica as there will be traffic congestion. Why not support the Primary School and take your dad along to look at all the beautifully restored cars. All Parishioners Welcome

## Communion Candidates

On Saturday 9 September at 6pm Mass, Sunday 17 September at 11am and 5pm Masses some 24 candidates from the St Patrick's Primary School and the Parish Catechism Class will receive the Sacrament of Communion during our normal Parish Masses. Below is a list of the candidates. We ask that the Fremantle Parish Community keep these children, their families and their teachers in your prayers during September.

*Ante Sutalo*

*Jack Grose*

*Danette Gonzalez*

*Eric Taylor*

*Adam Goves*

*Thomas McCafferty*

*Noah Baltasar*

*Mackenzie Fleming*

*Alexander D'Ortona*

*Luca Shepherd*

*Hudson Graham*

*Valeria Vanspeybroeck*

*Ruby Demiroski*

*Elena Del Borrello*

*Ruby Galindo*

*Cinzia Arcidiacono*

*Grace Srhoy*

*Daniella Piu*

*Maria Gonzalez Gamarra*

*Victor Gonzalez Gamarra*

*Benjamin Gatti*

*Finley Irving*

*Rocco McCarthy Cave*

*Eva Weber*

*Valerio Manfredi*

*Flynn Muletta*

## Pipe Organ Plus– Dominic Perissinotto's Concerts in 2017



### Creator

Sunday 17 September at 2:30pm

St Patrick's Basilica

Fremantle

F Couperin – Mass for the Parishes

M Duruflé – *Prélude, adagio et choral varié sur le theme du 'Veni Creator' Op 4*

*Creator*, the third concert of my Pipe Organ Plus' 17<sup>th</sup> year, promises to be a show-stopper of French-themed music. I will be using the 4 keyboards, 1 pedal board, and 6000 pipes of the Basilica grand organ, in what will be a spectacular solo concert.

For *Creator*, I have chosen two iconic works from the French Organ School, one showing the beauty and ornateness of the period of Louis XIV, and the other representing the grand symphonic organ style. Couperin's work is an instrumental setting of the core texts of the Mass. As would have been common in Couperin's time, the Mass chant will be sung between the organ movements, in this case by gentlemen from Lumina Choir. Providing the title of the concert, Duruflé's work is based on an ancient hymn about the coming of the Creator God down to earth.

During *Creator*, you will be able to experience the acoustic of the Basilica, as well as see me playing the grand organ thanks to two cameras in the organ loft projected onto TV screens in front of the audience – a popular visual experience which gives a rare glance into the organ loft.

Please visit [www.trybooking.com/OODY](http://www.trybooking.com/OODY) for online sales or use the flier for postal bookings.

For more information, see the Pipe Organ Plus 2017 Concert Series flier in the foyers.

## Rosters for September 2017

If you are unable to attend on your rostered day please find a replacement. If you see a problem with the roster then please contact the Parish Office on 9335 2268 and ask that the information be passed on to Angie Emanuele.

### Readers

Date	Saturday Vigil 6:00pm	Sunday 7:00am	Sunday 8:30am	Sunday 11:00am	Sunday 5:00pm
2/3 September (1)	Joan Swindells Tonia Petrucci	Gabriel Newman	Pamela Cattalini Danielle Cattalini	Mary Jardine-Clarke Doratheia Randazzo	Sr Lynn Chua
9/10 September (2)	Position Vacant John Gilmour	Chris Banasik Nola Banasik	Monica Lacey Christine Brown	Graham Mosley Mara Sticca	<b>Position Vacant</b> Lyn Tomlinson
16/17 September (3)	Lyn Jensen John Gilmour	Gabriel Newman	Mary Ann Yeats Phillipa Colgan	Margaret Sheridan Lani Lanzara	Anne Greenwood Sr Lynn Chua
23/24 September (4)	Pat Pettigrew Tonia Petrucci	Beatrice Yong	Susanne Sutton Ultan Stephenson	Krystyna Pacyne <b>Position Vacant</b>	Bill Sands Sr Lynn Chua

### Communion Ministers

Date	Saturday Vigil 6:00pm	Sunday 7:00am	Sunday 8:30am	Sunday 11:00am	Sunday 5:00pm
2/3 September (1)	Tonia Petrucci Frances Gilmour John Gilmour	Sarah Bottoli	<b>Position Vacant</b> Pauline Ivandich Brian Tuana Anne-Marie Cross	Krystyna Pacyne Max Thompson Mark De Klyver Mary Smith	Ligia Seal Lyn Tomlinson Sr Fely
9/10 September (2)	John Gilmour Marlene Dullard Frances Gilmour	Sarah Bottoli	Mary-Ann Yeats C Brown Pamela Cattalini Teresa Ducali	Doratheia Randazzo P Grootelaar M Sheridan Max Thompson	Ligia Seal Sr Melanie
16/17 September (3)	John Gilmour Frances Gilmour Marlene Dullard	Sarah Bottoli	Mary-Ann Yeats <b>Position Vacant</b> Pamela Cattalini Anne-Marie Cross	<b>Position Vacant</b> Brenda Earl Max Thompson Mark De Klyver	Lyn Tomlinson Sr Lynn Chua
23/24 September (4)	John Gilmour Marlene Dullard Tonia Petrucci	Beatrice Yong	Teresa Ducali Pauline Ivandich Anne-Marie Cross L Seal	Krystyna Pacyne P Grootelaar Doratheia Randazzo M Sheridan	Sr Lynn Chua

### Music Ministry

#### Dominic Perissinotto – Organist and Director of Music

Date	Liturgy	Saturday 6.00pm	Sunday 8.30am	Sunday 11.00am	Sunday 5.00pm
2/3 September (1)	22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Laura Pitts Andrew Brown (organ)	Gilbert Rodgers Annaliese Eames (organ)	Gilbert Rodgers Annaliese Eames (organ)	Laura Pitts Andrew Brown (organ)
9/10 September (2)	23rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Caitlin Rowe	Theodore Murphy	Eva-Marie Middleton	Delia Price
16/17 September (3)	24th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	IONA College Family Mass	Emma Adele Ashton Annaliese Eames (organ)	The Basilica Choir Dominic Perissinotto (conductor) Annaliese Eames (organ)	Emma Adele Ashton Annaliese Eames (organ)



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**PRAYER WITH AN INFALLIBLE GUARANTEE**

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There are several places in the gospels where Jesus assures us that if we ask for something in his name we are guaranteed to receive it.

In Matthew's gospel, for example, he says: Ask and you shall receive, because everyone who asks receives. In John's gospel, he promises us that if you ask anything in my name, the Father will grant it. Why doesn't this always work? Sometimes we pray for something, pray for it in Jesus' name, and our request isn't granted. Sometimes we literally storm heaven with our prayers and heaven seems shut against them. Did Jesus make an idle promise when he assured us that God would give us anything we ask for, if we ask in his name?

Spiritual writers and apologists have offered a number of answers to this question: Maybe our prayer wasn't answered because we asked for the wrong thing. A loving mother wouldn't give her unknowing child a knife to play with, would she? Or perhaps our prayer was answered, but at a deeper level and only in time will we understand that answer. C.S. Lewis once quipped that we will spend most of eternity thanking God for those prayers of ours that he didn't answer!

There's merit in all these answers, though they are not the answers that Jesus used. Indeed, when he promised us that our prayers would be answered, he didn't add that it is on the condition that we ask for the right thing. He invited us to ask for anything in his name. He didn't specify that it be the right thing. So why aren't our prayers always answered?

Jerome Murphy-O'Connor, a renowned scripture scholar, suggests that in Matthew's gospel, as well as in much of the rest of the New Testament, prayer of petition is linked to concrete charitable action within the community. Hence to pray truly for someone involves also reaching out concretely to help that person. To pray truly for justice and peace involves working actively for justice and peace. When we pray "through Christ" we pray not just through the resurrected Christ in heaven but also through the "body of Christ" on earth, ourselves. We need to be involved in helping answer our own prayers. Thus, when our prayer doesn't seem to be answered it might mean that we, Christ's body on earth, have not been enough involved in trying to answer our own prayer, that we haven't in fact prayed "through Christ".

Karl Rahner, in commenting on Jesus' promise in John's gospel that anything we ask for in his name will be given us, offers us this reflection: To ask for something in Jesus' name does not mean that we invoke him verbally and then desire whatever our turbulent, divided heart or our appetite, our wretched mania for everything and anything, happens to hanker for. No, asking in Jesus' name means entering into him, living by him, being one with him in love and faith.

If he is in us by faith, in love, in grace, in his Spirit, then our petition arises from the centre of our being, which is himself, and if all our petition and desire is gathered up and fused in him and his Spirit, then the Father hears us. Then our petition becomes simple and straightforward, harmonious, sober, and unpretentious. Then what St. Paul says in the letter to the Romans applies to us: We do not know how to pray as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us, praying the one prayer, "Abba! Father!" He longs for that from which the Spirit and Jesus himself have proceeded: he longs for God, he asks God for God, on our behalf he asks of God.

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