



Fremantle Catholic Community

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Fremantle Oblate Community

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Gospel Reflection

Sub-title: "The man who came in from the cold..." The incredibly Good News of today's Gospel for us is the revelation of the outstanding compassion of Jesus for the outcast, the one that everyone avoids and rejects.

It was such a man as this who, in today's Gospel, came out of the shadows, who emerged from the pit of loneliness, rejection and worthlessness, to confront the one man he believed would not reject him, namely, Christ. The most important thing was not the fact that Christ cured him but the caring way in which he did so.

Imagine, if you can, how he feels. His body is physically rotting away. But deep inside him he is convinced he is rotten too, for he is a sinner. He is rejected by both God and man. He is unclean, cast off in case he should spread contamination. There is no doubt but that his greatest pain is caused by the feeling that he is rejected, abandoned by all. This makes him feel that he is worthless, that he is already dead. He is like an infected branch that has been lopped off a tree.

No doubt Christ could have cured the man without touching him. But before curing his wounded body he had to cure his wounded spirit. He had to touch the wounds caused by rejection and cure them first. By touching he made him feel he was not worthless as society made him believe he was. He was worthwhile, even precious, to God and to him.

Each of us longs to be accepted, accepted for what we are. When someone accepts us they give us the feeling that we are worthwhile. Acceptance means that we are free to be ourselves. Even though there is need for growth and change we are not being forced.

It is the love and acceptance of others that makes me the unique person that I am. When I am accepted only for work I do, then I am not unique, for someone else can do the same work perhaps even better than I can. But when I am accepted for what I am, then I become unique and irreplaceable, and I can blossom to my full potential. This is how Christ accepts us.

Parish News

Today we congratulate Fr David Shelton OMI on his 50th Anniversary of Ordination. We pray that God will continue to guide him in his Priestly Ministry. We also welcome fellow Oblates from Lesmurdie, around Australia and Ireland who have joined us for these celebrations.

Project Compassion

A Special Collection will be taken up at all Masses this weekend. Donation boxes and weekly offering envelopes are available in the side foyers of the Church.

WILL YOU SURRENDER TO GOD'S LOVE DURING LENT THIS YEAR? Surrender is the theme of the Lenten Program we will follow beginning on Thursday February 15 at 7pm in the Parish Centre BUT continuing on Mondays thereafter until March 19 which will be followed by Holy Week.

The Program comes from the Wollongong Diocese and has most thought-provoking reflections on the Readings of Lent as well as beautiful artwork. If you wish to participate contact the Parish Office on 93352268 asap.

WEEKDAY AND WEEKEND SERVICES

Masses

7.00am Convent Mass Monday to Friday
 (except public holidays)

12.10pm Mass Monday to Saturday

7.00pm Evening Mass Wednesday and Friday

6.00pm Saturday Vigil Mass

Sunday Masses: 7.00am, 8.30am,

9.45am (In Italian), 11.00am and 5.00pm

St Anne's North Fremantle

Sunday Mass 8.15am

First Sunday of the month 12.15pm Polish Mass

Notre Dame Chapel Sunday Mass 6pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 9.30am-10.30am;

10.30am-11.30am Reconciliation in Italian

11.00am-12.00noon and 4.30pm-5.30pm

First Friday 11am-12noon

BAPTISM AND WEDDING ENQUIRIES CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE DURING OFFICE HOURS

Mass Intentions and Feast Days

Sat 10 Feb	<i>St Scholastica</i>
6pm	Joanne Chillemi (dec'd)
Sun 11 Feb	<i>6th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
7am	For the People
8.30am	Pasquale de Gennaro (dec'd)
	Joseph Palermo (dec'd)
11am	
5pm	
Mon 12 Feb	
12.10pm	Jose de Caires (dec'd)
Tues 13 Feb	
12.10pm	Maria Marita Farrera (dec'd)
Wed 14 Feb	<i>Ash Wednesday</i>
9am	Jose and Rosa de Azevedo (int)
12.10pm	Percival Reid (dec'd)
7pm	
Thurs 15 Feb	
12.10pm	Pasquale Palmiotti (dec'd)
	Joseph Decaccace (dec'd)
Fri 16 Feb	
12.10pm	Jacob (int)
	<i>Stations of the Cross in English after Mass</i>
	7pm
	<i>Stations of the Cross in Italian after Mass</i>
Sat 17 Feb	
12.10pm	Frank, Elena and Martha Amato (dec'd)
6pm	Jose Lino (dec'd)

Music Ministry

Organist & Director of Music: Dominic Perissinotto

Cantor

6pm & 5pm: Theodore Murphy / Holly Broadbent (organ)

8:30am: Caitlin Rowe

11am: The Basilica Choir

Processional AOV 90

Penitential Rite Others: Marty Haugen – Mass of Creation: 11/83

Glory to God Others: Marty Haugen – Mass of Creation: 11/84

Responsorial Psalm CWB 365

Gospel Acclamation AOV 13

Offertory 11am: David Evans – Be still, for the presence of the Lord

Holy Holy Marty Haugen – Mass of Creation: 11/88

Eucharistic Acclamation Marty Haugen – Mass of Creation: When we eat 11/89

Amen Marty Haugen – Mass of Creation: 11/90

Our Father CWB 524/525

Lamb of God Others: Marty Haugen – Mass of Creation: 11/91

Communion 6pm & 5pm: Bernhard Molique – “Lead Me, O Lord, in Thy Righteousness” from Abraham Op 65;

8:30am: Bernadette Farrell – Your Words Are Spirit and Life;

11.00am: Christopher Wilcocks – Do Not be afraid

Reflection AOV 129

Recessional Others: AOV 94; 11am: Christ, Be Our Light

Organ Postlude 6pm & 5pm: Johann Sebastian Bach – Fantasia in G minor BWV 542;

8:30am & 11am: Eugène Gigout – Toccata

Children's Liturgy

Held every Sunday of the month.
The next Liturgy will be held on the
following Sundays 11, 18 & 25
February at the 8.30am Mass
All Children Welcome

St Patrick's Parishioners'

Morning Tea for March will be held
on Sunday 4 March
after the 8.30am Mass
All Welcome

The Planned Giving Program

The planned giving program is an important part of the Parish as it allows us to maintain all aspects of the Basilica, Presbytery and Parish Administration Centre. In order to keep the Parish viable we must maintain a target of 95% and above each week. This week's giving was 47% of the target.

Thankyou!

Important Dates in February

Launch of Project Compassion
10th & 11th February

Fr Shelton's Golden Jubilee

11th February at 11am Mass

Ash Wednesday

14th February

Masses at 9am, 12.10pm & 7pm

Beginning of Lenten Program

Thursday 15th February at 7pm

First Evening Prayer

Friday 16th February at 6.30pm

Sacramental Info Evening

21st February at 6pm

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday commencing 16 February to 23 March

English Stations after 12.10pm Mass

Italian Stations after 7pm Mass

OUR PARISH PRAYER

O God, the Creator
and giver of all good things,
bless our Parish and the
Basilica of St Patrick
and the community
that worships here.

Inspire us to work together
to spread your love.

Strengthen our faith and grant
us the spirit of service so that,

with your grace and the
help of Mary Immaculate
and St Eugene de Mazenod

we may glorify You,

provide for the needs of our wider
community and make ourselves holy.

We ask you this through Christ
our Lord. AMEN

Ash Wednesday Masses

Masses for Ash Wednesday will be celebrated in the Basilica at 9am, 12.10pm and 7pm. Ash Wednesday is a day of fast and abstinence and the beginning of the Lenten Season.

Junior Altar Servers

All children who have made their First Holy Communion are welcomed to become Altar Servers within the Basilica of St Patrick. If you are interested please contact the Parish Office on 9335 2268 to register your details. Training will take place in the Basilica and dates will be advised.



Basilica – Monthly Evening Prayer

Is 2018 the year you make more time to talk with God?

Commencing on Friday 16 February, St Patrick's Basilica will host a special Evening Prayer service on the third Friday of every month. It will start at 6:30pm and lead into the regular 7pm Mass. This is the perfect opportunity to spend some extra time with God.

Evening Prayer, part of the traditional Liturgy of the Hours, consists of psalms, hymns, readings, prayers and antiphons.

A cantor and organist will lead you in this monthly celebration of prayer.

2018 PREProgram

This year the Fremantle Catholic Parish of St Patrick's Basilica will offer the PREProgram for all Catholic children that attend non-Catholic Schools. This program incorporates Religious Education along with Sacramental Preparation for the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Eucharist and Confirmation. Classes will commence in February and will continue through out the whole year. For enrolment and other information contact the Parish Office on 9335 2268 (Mon to Fri, 9am to 3pm).

Parish Youth Group

The Parish is keen to start a Youth Group in 2018, if you are interested and aged between 15 to 30 years, please contact the Parish Office on 9335 2268 during office hours and leave your details. If we get enough interest then we will commence in March 2018.