



Fremantle Catholic Community  
Monthly Bulletin

# 'The Patrician'

June 2019



2019 marks a significant year in the life of the Fremantle Community of St Patrick's as we commemorate 125 years since the Oblates of Mary Immaculate began their Mission in Australia, and 25 years since our glorious Church became a Basilica. St Patrick's was where the Oblates started in Australia, so on **Sunday 18 August** there will be a special celebratory Mass followed by lunch at The Esplanade. Details will be published in the near future. In the meantime, please mark the date in your diary and enjoy some of the Oblate Story, as provided by Fr Austin Cooper OMI.

### "Fremantle and the Oblates": Part 3

Some local autonomy, and an expanding mission, gave the Oblates renewed confidence. The first section of the new Church was opened in June 1900. On Sundays some 1,960 people attended Mass and a total of 692 at four other centres: the Convent, Prison, North Fremantle and Cottesloe.

From 1910 Frs Smyth and Neville lived at North Fremantle. But these apparently prosperous years gave way to challenging times: in the 1919 influenza epidemic an Oblate served in Quarantine leaving only two serving the large scattered parish. Glendalough was soon to close and North Fremantle to be taken over by the Archdiocese thus reducing the Oblate Vicariate to one house. This led to some soul searching among Oblates. Did they have a viable future in Australia? The Vicariate Superior, Fr. Eugene Callan hoped a move to the East would help. The opening of Sorrento (Victoria) in 1926 did not prove an instant solution. Sorrento was not the holiday mecca of today but a quiet, remote village. Depression and the Second World War were further challenges. It is a great credit to the Fremantle Oblates that despite a contracted mission they battled on: they did not surrender, displaying the Oblate commitment to the virtue of Perseverance. Meanwhile local vocations were few: Andrew McCusker, (a Scottish migrant educated in WA) was the first to enter the Oblates in Australia and he had to travel to Ireland for his novitiate and seminary training. In the 1930s and 1940s the new novitiate at Lovely Banks, Geelong, also saw four local novices survive. Three of these were Fremantle contacts: Frank Thornton, Henry McFall and Joseph McCann.

The war years saw further pressures on the Oblates. Two members of the Australian group served as chaplains – Frs. William Byrne and Thomas Purcell, while hostilities prevented obtaining further personnel from the Anglo-Irish Province. However peace brought swift changes. There had long been Italians in the parish, but post-war migration saw their numbers escalate. Fr. Pietro Abrano was the first of a succession of Italian chaplains, the long serving Fr. Gaetano Nanni being the last. Some nine other Italian Oblates served here between 1960 and 1987: an enrichment which an international religious group can provide. At one time there were 1,450 Italians in the Fremantle area.

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### Parish Office



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Closed Weekends and Public Holidays

## **“Fremantle and the Oblates”: Part 3 (continued)**

With the migrants came new styles of devotion such as the high profile annual blessing of the fishing fleet from 1948 and the devotion to the ‘Black Madonna’ (Our Lady of Tindari). Being a port city, seamen were a pastoral care and in 1947 Fr Dan Breslin began specific pastoral care for seamen which evolved into Stella Maris of which Mgr. O’Shea became chaplain in 1962.

Fr. James Sullivan was the parish priest responsible for constructing the new sanctuary of the church in a style dominated more by utility than a sense of beauty, thus fuelling a simmering tension with those who preferred the original plan. But Fremantle was a-changing: many people were moving out to new residential areas. Over time St. Patrick’s would need to re-invent itself.

### **June Parish Events**

Sung Evening Prayer held every Saturday in June at 5.30pm  
Marriage Encounter Weekend – Talks at all Masses on Weekend 1/2 June  
Confirmation Mass – Sunday 9 June at 2.30pm  
CBC Exams – Monday 10 June to Friday 14 June in Parish Centre  
Fr David Shelton Farewell Mass & Supper – Sunday 22 June at 6pm  
Sacrament of Reconciliation – Tuesday 25 June at 6pm  
Sacred Heart Sodality Mass & Shared Lunch – Friday 28 June at 12.10pm

### **Parishioner Morning Tea**

Next Morning Tea will be held on **Sunday 2 June 2019 after the 8:30am Mass**  
**ALL WELCOME!**

### **Children’s Liturgy**

Children’s Liturgy is held every Sunday 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!

***Liturgies will be held on Sunday 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 June 2019***

### **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 23 June 2019**. New members always welcome. For further information, please contact the Parish Office.

***The Feast of the Sacred Heart will be celebrated on Friday 28 June 2019. Please join us for 12.10pm Mass followed by a shared lunch in the Parish Centre. Please bring a plate to share. All Welcome.***

### **Parish Youth Group**

A new Parish Youth Group has been formed within the Parish and they meet fortnightly on Thursdays at 7pm. New members welcome to join. Please keep the Youth Group in your prayers as they journey together. For more information contact the parish office. ***The meeting dates are 6 and 20 June.***

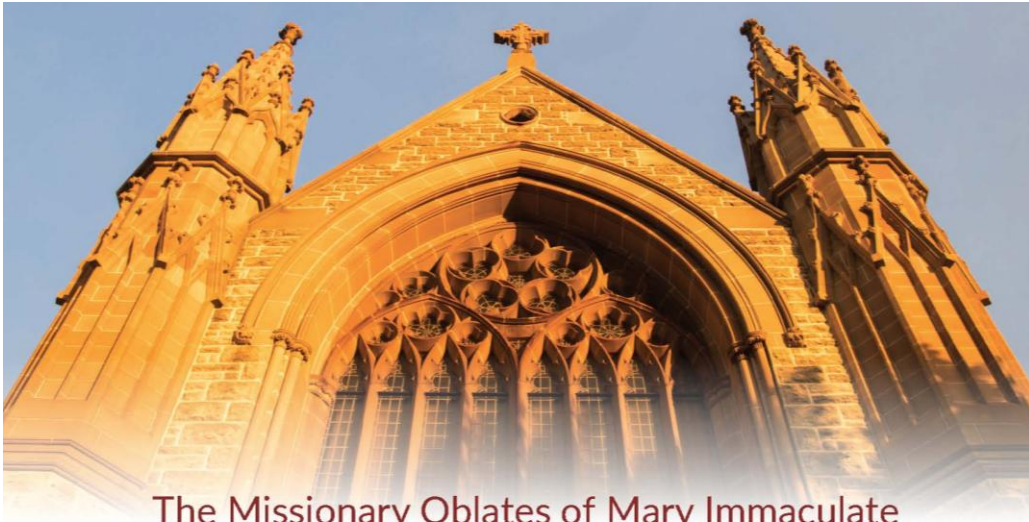
### **Weekly Evening Prayer in 2019**

Please join us every week for Evening Prayer at 5:30pm on Saturday as we pray the divine office in words and music, leading directly into the 6pm Vigil Mass. This is the perfect opportunity to spend some extra time with God, in a form of worship which has been part of our traditional Liturgy of the Hours, consisting of psalms, hymns, readings, prayers and antiphons. A member of the Oblate Community with cantor and organist will lead you in this celebration of prayer.

## Oblate and Parish Anniversary Celebrations

Parishioners and friends of the St Patrick's Community are invited to participate in an Anniversary Mass and Lunch on Sunday 18 August 2019. The day will commence with a one off 10:30am Sunday Mass, amalgamating our 9:45am Italian and 11am High Mass, and in addition to our Basilica Community, will be attended by around 70 Oblate associated guests from around Australia, attending an Oblate Congress over that weekend. We will be acknowledging the immense contribution a diverse range of people and cultures involved in building the Oblate Community in Australia over their last 125 years, as well as focusing more locally as St Patrick's reaches 25 years as a Basilica.

Tickets for the lunch, at a cost \$50 per person, are available either from the Basilica Office (9am to 3am weekdays – cash, cheque or credit card), or online at [www.trybooking.com/BDCVC](http://www.trybooking.com/BDCVC) (A service fee of \$0.50 per ticket is applicable). Numbers are limited, so please book in advance to ensure you are there to be part of this significant event.



The Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate

invite you

to join them in celebrating



on

Sunday 18 August 2019 at 10.30am

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Please join us by 10.15am for a Concelebrated Mass in St Patrick's Basilica, followed by a Buffet Lunch at Fremantle's Esplanade Hotel.

We look forward to welcoming you to this joyous celebration.

**Please note this lunch is a ticketed event only. Cost \$50 per person.**

For further information  
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## Rosters for June 2019

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 6pm	Sunday 7am	Sunday 8:30am	Sunday 11am	Sunday 5pm
1/2 June (1)	Tonia Petrucci Joan Swindells	Gabriel Newman	Danielle Cattalini Pamela Cattalini	Mary Jardine-Clarke Doratheia Randazzo	Cherry Hein Lyn Tomlinson
8/9 June (2)	John Gilmour <b>Position Vacant</b>	Chris Banasik Nola Banasik	Christine Brown <b>Position Vacant</b>	Graeme Moseley Mara Sticca	Cherry Hein Marja Vandermark
15/16 June (3)	John Gilmour Lyn Jensen	Gabriel Newman	Mary Ann Yeats Maria Mattarocchia	Shereen Banner Margaret Sheridan	Anne Greenwood Lyn Tomlinson
22/23 June (4)	Pat Pettigrew Tonia Petrucci	Beatrice Yong	Ultan Stephenson Susanne Sutton	Helen Davey Krystyna Pacyna	Sr Lynn Chua Bill Sands
Communion Ministers					
Date	Saturday Vigil 6pm	Sunday 7am	Sunday 8:30am	Sunday 11am	Sunday 5pm
1/2 June (1)	Frances Gilmour John Gilmour Tonia Petrucci	Sarah Bottoli	Anne-Marie Cross Pauline Ivandich Brian Tuana Pamela Cattalini	Mark De Klyver Mary Smith Max Thompson Maria Mattarocchia	Sr Fely Ligia Seal Lyn Tomlinson
8/9 June (2)	Marlene Dullard Frances Gilmour John Gilmour	Sarah Bottoli	Christine Brown Pamela Cattalini Teresa Ducali Mary-Ann Yeats	P Grootelaar Doratheia Randazzo Margaret Sheridan Max Thompson	Sr Melanie Ligia Seal
15/16 June (3)	Marlene Dullard Frances Gilmour John Gilmour	Sarah Bottoli	<b>Position Vacant</b> <b>Position Vacant</b> Mary-Ann Yeats Maria Mattarocchia	Mark De Klyver Brenda Earl Max Thompson Ligia Seal	Sr Lynn Chua Lyn Tomlinson
22/23 June (4)	Marlene Dullard John Gilmour Tonia Petrucci	Beatrice Yong	Anne-Marie Cross Teresa Ducali Pauline Ivandich Ligia Seal	P Grootelaar Krystyna Pacyna Doratheia Randazzo Margaret Sheridan	Sr Lynn Chua
Music Ministry					
Dominic Perissinotto – Organist and Director of Music					
Date	Liturgy	Saturday 5:30pm Evening Prayer & 6pm Mass	Sunday 8.30am	Sunday 11am	Sunday 5pm
1/2 June (1)	<b>THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD</b>	Laura Pitts	Laura Pitts	The Basilica Choir	Theodore Murphy-Jelly
8/9 June (2)	<b>PENTECOST</b>	Lucinda Nicholls <i>Schola</i> from Aquinas College Hugh Lydon – director [6pm Mass only]	Claudia Sosin	Sophie Rodgers Corpus Christie College Hugh Lydon – director Jonathan Bradley – organ 1 Dominic Perissinotto – organ 2	Grace Feltoe
15/16 June (3)	<b>THE MOST HOLY TRINITY</b>	Bonnie de la Hunty  Alessandro Pittorino (organ)	Caitlin Rowe  Andrew Brown (organ)	The Basilica Choir  Andrew Brown (organ)	Bonnie de la Hunty  Alessandro Pittorino (organ)
22/23 June (4)	<b>THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (Corpus Christi)</b>	Lucinda Nicholls  <i>Schola</i> from Aquinas College Hugh Lydon – director [6pm Mass only]	Eva-Marie Middleton	The Basilica Choir	Lucinda Nicholls
29/30 June (5)	<b>THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	Sophie Rodgers  <i>Schola</i> from Aquinas College Hugh Lydon – director [6pm Mass only]	Sophie Rodgers	The Chapel Choir Paul Sealey – director	Theodore Murphy-Jelly Alessandro Pittorino (organ)