The Basilica of St. Patrick Roman Catholic Parish of Fremantle



Solemn Mass for the Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 25th & 26th 2021

WELCOME

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Greetings to you all!

Message of His Holiness Pope Francis for the World Day of Migrants and Refugees: TOWARDS AN EVER WIDER "WE"

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

In the Encyclical Fratelli Tutti, I expressed a concern and a hope that remain uppermost in my thoughts: "Once this health crisis passes, our worst response would be to plunge even more deeply into feverish consumerism and new forms of egotistic self-preservation. God willing, after all this, we will think no longer in terms of 'them' and 'those', but only 'us''' (No. 35).

For this reason, I have wished to devote the Message for this year's World Day of Migrants and Refugees to the theme, Towards An Ever Wider "We", in order to indicate a clear horizon for our common journey in this world.

The history of this "we"

That horizon is already present in God's creative plan: "God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. God blessed them, and God said to them, 'Be fruitful and multiply''' (Gen 1:27-28). God created us male and female, different yet complementary, in order to form a "we" destined to become ever more numerous in the succession of generations. God created us in his image, in the image of his own triune being, a communion in diversity. When, in disobedience we turned away from God, he in his mercy wished to offer us a path of reconciliation, not as individuals but as a people, a "we", meant to embrace the entire human family, without exception: "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them" (Rev 21:3).

Salvation history thus has a "we" in its beginning and a "we" at its end, and at its centre the mystery of Christ, who died and rose so "that they may all be one" (*In* 17:21). The present time, however, shows that this "we" willed by God is broken and fragmented, wounded and disfigured. This becomes all the more evident in moments of great crisis, as is the case with the current pandemic. Our "we", both in the wider world and within the Church, is crumbling and cracking due to myopic and aggressive forms of nationalism (cf. *Fratelli Tutti*, 11) and radical individualism (cf. ibid., 105). And the highest price is being paid by those who most easily become viewed as others: foreigners, migrants, the marginalized, those living on the existential peripheries.

The truth however is that we are all in the same boat and called to work together so that there will be no more walls that separate us, no longer others, but only a single "we", encompassing all of humanity. Thus I would like to use this World Day to address a twofold appeal, first to the Catholic faithful and then all the men and women of our world, to advance together towards an ever wider "we".

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A Church that is more and more "catholic"

For the members of the Catholic Church, this appeal entails a commitment to becoming ever more faithful to our being "catholic", as Saint Paul reminded the community in Ephesus: "There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism" (*Eph* 4:4-5).

Indeed the Church's catholicity, her universality, must be embraced and expressed in every age, according to the will and grace of the Lord who promised to be with us always, until the end of the age (cf. *Mt* 28:20). The Holy Spirit enables us to embrace everyone, to build communion in diversity, to unify differences without imposing a depersonalized uniformity. In encountering the diversity of foreigners, migrants and refugees, and in the intercultural dialogue that can emerge from this encounter, we have an opportunity to grow as Church and to enrich one another. All the baptized, wherever they find themselves, are by right members of both their local ecclesial community and the one Church, dwellers in one home and part of one family.

The Catholic faithful are called to work together, each in the midst of his or her own community, to make the Church become ever more inclusive as she carries out the mission entrusted to the Apostles by Jesus Christ: "As you go, proclaim the good news, 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.' Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment" (*Mt* 10:7-8).

In our day, the Church is called to go out into the streets of every existential periphery in order to heal wounds and to seek out the straying, without prejudice or fear, without proselytising, but ready to widen her tent to embrace everyone. Among those dwelling in those existential peripheries, we find many migrants and refugees, displaced persons and victims of trafficking, to whom the Lord wants his love to be manifested and his salvation preached. "The current influx of migrants can be seen as a new 'frontier' for mission, a privileged opportunity to proclaim Jesus Christ and the Gospel message at home, and to bear concrete witness to the Christian faith in a spirit of charity and profound esteem for other religious communities. The encounter with migrants and refugees of other denominations and religions represents a fertile ground for the growth of open and enriching ecumenical and interreligious dialogue" (Address to the National Directors of Pastoral Care for Migrants, 22 September 2017).

An ever more inclusive world

I also make this appeal to journey together towards an ever wider "we" to all men and women, for the sake of renewing the human family, building together a future of justice and peace, and ensuring that no one is left behind.

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Our societies will have a "colourful" future, enriched by diversity and by cultural exchanges. Consequently, we must even now learn to live together in harmony and peace. I am always touched by the scene in the *Acts of the Apostles* when, on the day of the Church's "baptism" at Pentecost, immediately after the descent of the Holy Spirit, the people of Jerusalem hear the proclamation of salvation: "We… Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs – in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power" (2:9-11).

This is the ideal of the new Jerusalem (cf. *Is* 60; *Rev* 21:3), where all peoples are united in peace and harmony, celebrating the goodness of God and the wonders of creation. To achieve this ideal, however, we must make every effort to break down the walls that separate us and, in acknowledging our profound interconnection, build bridges that foster a culture of encounter.

Today's migration movements offer an opportunity for us to overcome our fears and let ourselves be enriched by the diversity of each person's gifts. Then, if we so desire, we can transform borders into privileged places of encounter, where the miracle of an ever wider "we" can come about.

I invite all men and women in our world to make good use of the gifts that the Lord has entrusted to us to preserve and make his creation even more beautiful. "A nobleman went to a distant country to get royal power for himself and then return. He summoned ten of his slaves, and gave them ten pounds, and said to them, 'Do business with these until I come back'" (*Lk* 19:12-13). The Lord will also demand of us an account of our work! In order to ensure the proper care of our common home, we must become a "we" that is ever wider and more co-responsible, in the profound conviction that whatever good is done in our world is done for present and future generations. Ours must be a personal and collective commitment that cares for all our brothers and sisters who continue to suffer, even as we work towards a more sustainable, balanced and inclusive development. A commitment that makes no distinction between natives and foreigners, between residents and guests, since it is a matter of a treasure we hold in common, from whose care and benefits no one should be excluded.

The dream begins

The prophet Joel predicted that the messianic future would be a time of dreams and visions inspired by the Spirit: "I will pour out my spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions" (*Joel* 2:28). We are called to dream together, fearlessly, as a single human family, as companions on the same journey, as sons and daughters of the same earth that is our common home, sisters, and brothers all (cf. *Fratelli Tutti*, 8).

Fr. John Sebastian OMI Rector and Parish Priest Today's Mass Setting is the Missa Simplex

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PRELUDE *music is played as the congregation gathers*

PROCESSIONAL HYMN | ALL PEOPLE THAT ON EARTH DO DWELL

All people that on earth do dwell, Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice; Him serve with love, his praise forth tell, Come we before him, and rejoice.

The Lord ye know is God indeed; Without our aid he did us make; We are his folk, he does us feed, And for his sheep he does us take.

O enter then his gates with praise; Approach with joy his courts unto; Praise, laud, and bless his Name always, For it is seemly so to do.

For why? the Lord our God is good: His mercy is for ever sure; His truth at all times firmly stood, And shall from age to age endure.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost The God whom heaven and earth adore From all and from the angel host Be praise and glory evermore.

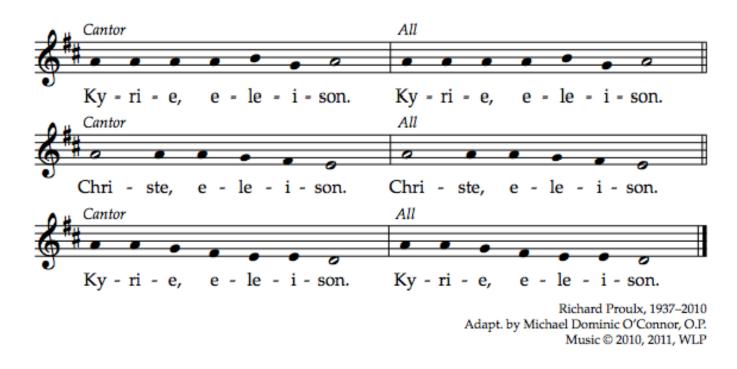
INTRODUCTORY RITE

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **All: Amen.**

The Lord be with you

All: And with your spirit.

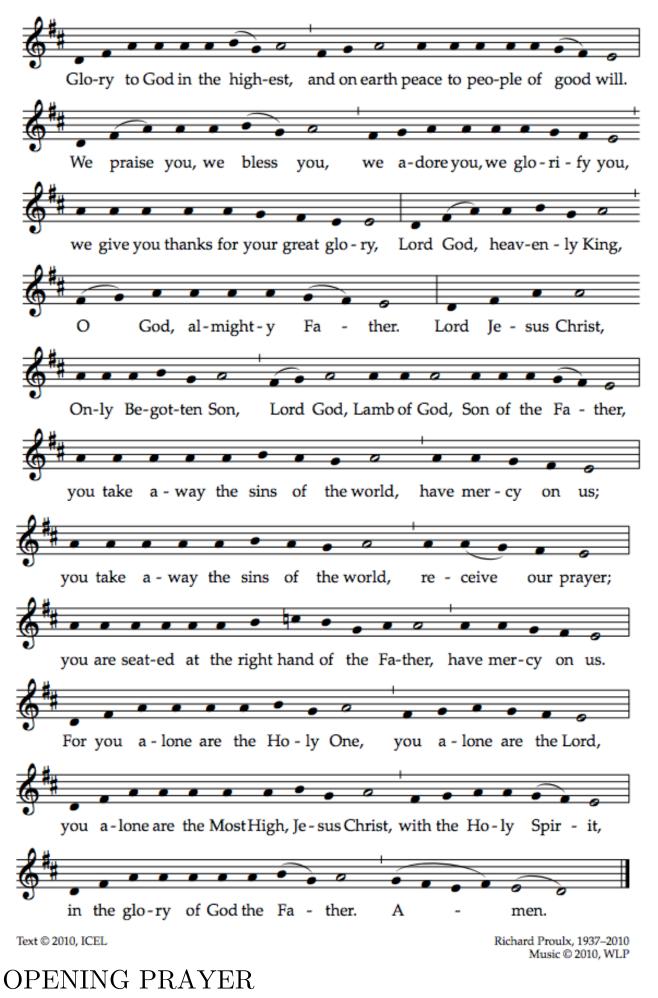
PENTENTIAL RITE



May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to eternal life

All: Amen.

GLORIA



All: Amen.

Please be seated

LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING

Numbers 11:25-29

If only the whole people of the Lord were prophets!

The Lord came down in the Cloud. He spoke with Moses, but took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. When the spirit came on them they prophesied, but not again.

Two men had stayed back in the camp; one was called Eldad and the other Medad. The spirit came down on them; though they had not gone to the Tent, their names were enrolled among the rest. These began to prophesy in the camp. The young man ran to tell this to Moses, 'Look,' he said 'Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.' Then said Joshua the son of Nun, who had served Moses from his youth, 'My Lord Moses, stop them!' Moses answered him, 'Are you jealous on my account? If only the whole people of the Lord were prophets, and the Lord gave his Spirit to them all!'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 18(19):8,10,12-14

R: The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

THE SECOND READING

James 5:1-6

The Lord hears the cries of those you have cheated

An answer for the rich. Start crying, weep for the miseries that are coming to you. Your wealth is all rotting, your clothes are all eaten up by moths. All your gold and your silver are corroding away, and the same corrosion will be your own sentence, and eat into your body. It was a burning fire that you stored up as your treasure for the last days. Labourers mowed your fields, and you cheated them – listen to the wages that you kept back, calling out; realise that the cries of the reapers have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts. On earth you have had a life of comfort and luxury; in the time of slaughter you went on eating to your heart's content. It was you who condemned the innocent and killed them; they offered you no resistance.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Please stand

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Your word, O Lord, is truth, Consecrate us in the truth.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

THE GOSPEL Mark 9:38-43,45,47-48

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Do not stop anyone from working a miracle in my name

JJohn said to Jesus, 'Master, we saw a man who is not one of us casting out devils in your name; and because he was not one of us we tried to stop him.' But Jesus said, 'You must not stop him: no one who works a miracle in my name is likely to speak evil of me. Anyone who is not against us is for us.

'If anyone gives you a cup of water to drink just because you belong to Christ, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward.

'But anyone who is an obstacle to bring down one of these little ones who have faith, would be better thrown into the sea with a great millstone round his neck. And if your hand should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life crippled, than to have two hands and go to hell, into the fire that cannot be put out. And if your foot should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life lame, than to have two feet and be thrown into hell. And if your eye should cause you to sin, tear it out; it is better for you to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye, than to have two eyes and be thrown into hell where their worm does not die nor their fire go out.'

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Please be seated

LITURGY OF THE WORD

HOMILY

Please stand

THE CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven and earth;

and in Jesus Christ, His only Son Our Lord,

Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into Hell; the third day He rose again from the dead;

He ascended into Heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God, the Father almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Lord, hear us

All: Lord, Hear Our Prayer

Please be seated

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

OFFERTORY HYMN | AT THE NAME OF JESUS

At the name of Jesus ev'ry knee shall bow, ev'ry tongue confess him King of glory now. 'Tis the Father's pleasure we should call him Lord, who from the beginning was the mighty Word.

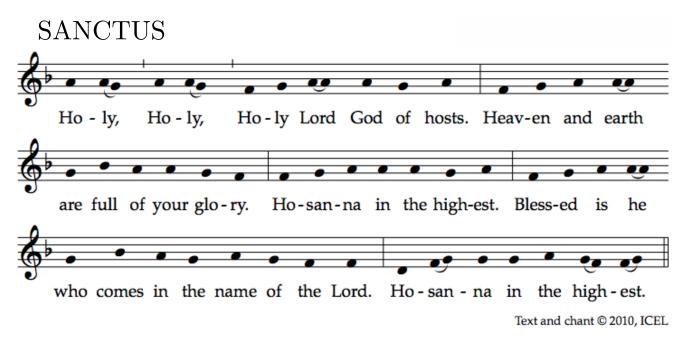
Humbled for a season, to receive a name from the lips of sinners unto whom he came; faithfully he bore it spotless to the last, brought it back victorious when from death he passed.

Bore it up triumphant with its human light, through all ranks of creatures to the central height; to the eternal Godhead, to the Father's throne, filled it with the glory of his triumph won.

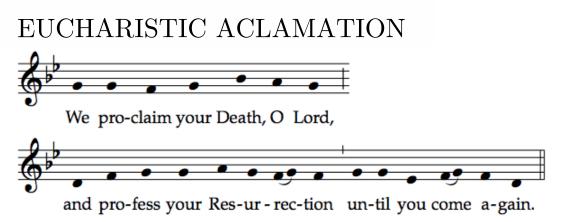
Christians, this Lord Jesus shall return again with his Father's Glory o'er earth to reign; for all wreaths of empire meet upon his brow and our hearts confess him King of Glory now!

Please stand

The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.** Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right and just**

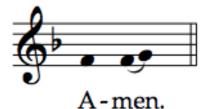


Please kneel



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GREAT AMEN



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Please stand

THE LORD'S PRAYER

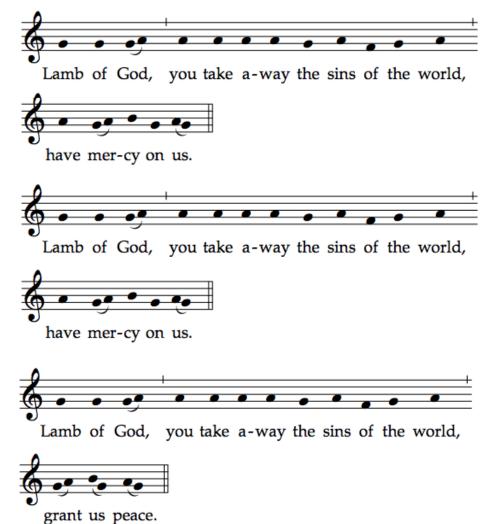
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For the Kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever.

THE GREETING OF PEACE

Please exchange peace in a safe manor

AGNUS DEI



Please Kneel

COMMUNION

During communion the communion chant or reflective music maybe sung or played

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Loving Jesus,

I believe that you

are present in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Eucharist.

I love you above all things,

and I desire to receive you into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you.

Never permit me to be separated from you.

Amen.

THANKSGIVING HYMN | COME DOWN O LOVE DIVINE

Come down, O Love divine, seek thou this soul of mine, and visit it with thine own ardor glowing; O Comforter, draw near, within my heart appear, and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.

O let it freely burn, till earthly passions turn to dust and ashes in its heat consuming; and let thy glorious light shine ever on my sight, and clothe me round, the while my path illuming.

And so the yearning strong, with which the soul will long, shall far outpass the power of human telling; for none can guess its grace, till Love create a place wherein the Holy Spirit makes a dwelling. RECESSIONAL HYMN | O WORSHIP THE KING

O worship the King all-glorious above, O gratefully sing his power and his love: our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days, pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.

O tell of his might and sing of his grace, whose robe is the light, whose canopy space. His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form, and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.

Your bountiful care, what tongue can recite? It breathes in the air, it shines in the light; it streams from the hills, it descends to the plain, and sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail, in you do we trust, nor find you to fail. Your mercies, how tender, how firm to the end, our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

O measureless Might, unchangeable Love, whom angels delight to worship above! Your ransomed creation, with glory ablaze, in true adoration shall sing to your praise!

ORGAN POSTLUDE

You are invited to stay and enjoy the organ postlude. If you choose to leave, please do so quietly. Thank you

NOTICES

Aid to the Church in Need

This weekend, the Basilica of St. Patrick will welcome Sr Kathy Kettle who will be speaking at the end of all Masses regarding the Aid to the Church in Need. It is an International Pontifical Foundation with a mandate to support the suffering and persecuted Catholics and Catholic communities that started in 1947. It supports over 5,000 projects around the world through spiritual and pastoral charity keeping the faith alive in those places where the Church is oppressed, threatened, or simply cannot support itself. It really depends on the benefactors and sale of religious items around the world. So, kindly be generous in supporting this appeal.

Safeguarding Training for Church Workers

The Parish of St Patrick's makes a commitment to practices and protocols that create and maintain safe environments for all people. We are ensuring that everyone who works for the church (paid or unpaid) understands and recognises how the National Safeguarding Standards work in keeping children, young people, and adults at risk safe. A face-to-face **Training Session** will be available for **All Church Workers** to attend. Everyone who performs a role with the church in a paid or voluntary capacity must attend a 2-hour Church Workers Training session.

St Patrick's Basilica Parish will host a training session for all the Church Workers on Saturday 30th October at 10am in our Parish centre. Please click here to register <u>http://safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/training-calendar-church-workers/</u>

Free Book: You Are God's Marvellous Creation (Regarding Safeguarding)

Education about how to be safe and setting appropriate boundaries is important for everyone, but especially for our youngest members. This year Andrea Musulin, our Safeguarding Director has written a wonderful rhyming book for young children entitled "*You are God's Marvellous Creation*", which while recounting the story of Genesis, teaches young children about their right to feel safe and to say no, if they feel unsafe and seek the help of trusted adults. Copies of this book are now available from the Parish office and in the foyers of the Church. It is a free copy.

World Day of Migrants and Refugees

On Sunday 26th September, we will celebrate the World Day of Migrants and Refugees Sunday. The Australian Catholic Migrant and Refugee Office recently released the kit of resources for the World Day of Migrants and Refugees Sunday. The kit includes the full text of Pope Francis' message for the World Day of Migrants and Refugees, a series of reflections and stories from Australian communities celebrating the diversity of the Church and prayer resources. Please find attached a media release drawing upon Pope Francis' message, introducing the kit and previewing the upcoming celebration. Please click <u>here</u> to download the kit.

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Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is a wonderful opportunity for those who seek to embrace the faith of the Catholic Church and also a great avenue for those who wish to deepen their faith in Jesus Christ.

If you know anyone willing to take up this journey, please encourage them to come for the information evening on 20th October at 7pm, in the Parish centre.

For further information please contact the Parish Office, Mon to Fri 9am to 3pm on 9335 2268.

Safeguarding of our children in the Parish

The Archdiocese Safeguarding Project was started in 2016 by Archbishop Timothy Costello with the aim of providing a safe and secure environment for all its members, leaders and especially children and vulnerable adults. The parish of St Patrick's Basilica is committed to creating a safe parish. To read more please click <u>here</u>.

Mass Intentions

Please click here (Please add the link) for the Mass Intentions of the week (from 26th September to 2nd October 2021).

To Book your Mass Intentions please contact the Parish office on 9335 2268 (Monday to Friday from 9am to 3pm).

The Planned Giving Programme

The planned giving programme is an important part of the Parish as it allows us to maintain all aspects of the Basilica, Presbytery and Parish Administration Centre. To keep the Parish viable, we must maintain a target of 95% and above each week. Last week's giving was 51% Please consider joining the Planned Giving Programme. If you are not already a member, for more information contact the Parish Office. Thank you!

Important dates for the Basilica Parish in September 2021

• 25th and 26th September, Aid to the Church in Need appeal. And World Day of Migrants and Refugees.

Important dates for the Basilica Parish in October 2021

- Friday 1st October Memorial of St. Therese of the Child Jesus. St. Therese the Principal Patroness of all missionaries.
- Saturday 9th October John Archbold's birthday.
- Sunday 10th October, Parish Morning Tea
- 13th to 15th October (Wednesday- Friday) Triduum Blessing of the Fleet.
- Sunday 17th October Blessing of the Fleet Mass and Procession
- Wednesday 20th October RCIA information evening.
- Friday 22nd October CBC Graduation Mass
- Sunday 24th October SPPS Family Mass
- Monday 25th October Iona Graduation Mass
- Friday 29th October Death of the Servant of God Thomas Benjamin Cooray OMI (1901-1988)
- Saturday 30th October at 10am Safeguarding Training for Church Workers in the Parish Centre

Have a wonderful weekend God bless!