

47 Adelaide Street, Fremantle, WA, 6160

# Basilica of St. Patrick

## Third Sunday of Lent, Year C

### *Sunday 20th March 2022*

#### **Oblate Priests' at the Basilica**

Fr. John Sebastian OMI (Rector & Parish Priest)  
Fr. Leo Mifsud OMI (Assistant Parish Priest)  
Fr Angelo Wijewickrama OMI  
(Asst. Parish Priest & Hospital Chaplain)  
Fr. Anthony Colbert OMI (Assistant Parish Priest)  
Fr. John Archbold OMI (Assistant Parish Priest)

#### **Daily Mass & Adoration**

Monday to Saturday: 11am Adoration followed by  
Angelus and Midday Mass

#### **Weekend Masses**

Saturday: 6pm Vigil Mass  
Sunday: 8am, 8.15am (St Anne's, North Fremantle),  
9.30am (Italian) 11am and 5pm

#### **Confessions**

First Friday of Each Month: 11am  
Saturday: 9.30am, 10.30am (Italian),  
11am and 4.30pm

#### **Parish Council Members**

Marlene Dullard (Chair)  
Maria Gorman  
Domenic Burgio  
Rob De Sousa

#### **Parish Finance Committee**

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Michael Piu  
Angie Emanuele

#### **Basilica Office staff**

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#### **Parish working hours**

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#### **Safeguarding of our children in the Parish**

The Archdiocesan Safeguarding Project was started in 2016 by Archbishop Timothy Costelloe SDB 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.

*Masks are mandatory and must be worn inside the Basilica. Please ensure that your mask is covering your nose, mouth and chin.*

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Greetings to you all!

We are all called by God to imitate him in and through our lives. As God is so kind, compassionate and patient with his sons and daughters, so we too are called to do the same. Our Lenten journey is a strong reminder of this message of God in our lives.

Moses was chosen by God to deliver the people of Israel from their slavery. It was a great act of love from God shown towards his people. He heard the cry of the people of Israel and chose Moses to deliver them and thus lead them into a land of their own. So, it is a powerful reminder for all of us that the liberation of Israel from the slavery of Egypt and their eventual establishment in the Promised Land of Canaan were outstanding proofs of God's deep interest in those whom he loves. The love God showers on his children is not temporary but is permanent and lasts our lifetime.

St. Paul in his first letter to the Corinthians says, "Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end" (1 Corinthians 13:4-8).

So, our Lenten journey is to acknowledge the deep love of God in our lives. When we become aware of God's love we will begin to respond to his love in and through our lives. Our God is also very patient with us. One may often fall away from the love of God, even then he is very patient with us and waits for our return to him.

Let the days of our Lenten journey not be a waste of time, rather let us go deep into our lives to make sure we do all the right things, to do our best to prepare ourselves for the celebration of Easter. The Passion, Death and Resurrection of Jesus Christ is the central crowning act of God's love in history. So let us do our best in our preparation. Amen.

Fr. John Sebastian OMI  
Rector & Parish Priest

# Music Ministry

## Organists & Cantors

Sat 6pm Vigil: Aquinas Schola; Chris McMillan (organist)  
Sun 8am & 11am: Gilbert Rodgers (cantor); Vince Basile (organist)  
Sun 5pm: Sophie Rodgers (cantor); Holly Broadbent (organist)

## Hymns

Mass Setting: Missa Simplex  
Processional Hymn: CWB 613 All people that on earth do dwell  
Thanksgiving Hymn: CWB 838 There's a wideness in God's mercy  
Recessional Hymn: CWD 801 Salve Regina  
Organ Postlude

## The Liturgy of the Word

### Entrance Antiphon

My eyes are always on the Lord, for he rescues my feet from the snare.

Turn to me and have mercy on me, for I am alone and poor.

### First Reading

*A reading from the Book of Exodus 3:1-8,13-15*  
*'I AM has sent me to you'*

Moses was looking after the flock of Jethro, his father-in-law priest of Midian. He led his flock to the far side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in the shape of a flame of fire, coming from the middle of a bush. Moses looked; there was the bush blazing but it was not being burnt up. 'I must go and look at this strange sight,' Moses said, 'and see why the bush is not burnt.' Now the Lord saw him go forward to look, and God called to him from the middle of the bush. 'Moses, Moses!' he said. 'Here I am,' Moses answered. 'Come no nearer,' he said. 'Take off your shoes, for the place on which you stand is holy ground. I am the God of your fathers,' he said, 'the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob.' At this Moses covered his face, afraid to look at God.

And the Lord said, 'I have seen the miserable state of my people in Egypt. I have heard their appeal to be free of their slave-drivers. Yes, I am well aware of their sufferings. I mean to deliver them out of the hands of the Egyptians and bring them up out of that land to a land rich and broad, a land where milk and honey flow, the home of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites and the Jebusites.'

Then Moses said to God, 'I am to go, then, to the sons of Israel and say to them, "The God of your fathers has sent me to you." But if they ask me what his name is, what am I to tell them?' And God said to Moses, 'I Am who I Am. This' he added 'is what you must say to the sons of Israel: "I Am has sent me to you."' And God also said to Moses, 'You are to say to the sons of Israel: "The Lord, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you." This is my name for all time; by this name I shall be invoked for all generations to come.'

The word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### Responsorial Psalm

**Response: The Lord is kind and merciful.**

Bless the Lord, O my soul;  
and all my being, bless his holy name.  
Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his  
benefits.

**Response: The Lord is kind and merciful.**

He pardons all your iniquities, heals all your ills,  
He redeems your life from destruction,  
crowns you with kindness and compassion.

**Response: The Lord is kind and merciful.**

The Lord secures justice and the rights of all the  
oppressed.

He has made known his ways to Moses,  
and his deeds to the children of Israel.

**Response: The Lord is kind and merciful.**

Merciful and gracious is the Lord,  
slow to anger and abounding in kindness.  
For as the heavens are high above the earth,  
so surpassing is his kindness toward those who fear  
him.

**Response: The Lord is kind and merciful.**

## Second Reading

*A reading from a Letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 10:1-6,10-12*

*The life of the people under Moses in the desert was written down to be a lesson for us*

I want to remind you, brothers, how our fathers were all guided by a cloud above them and how they all passed through the sea. They were all baptised into Moses in this cloud and in this sea; all ate the same spiritual food and all drank the same spiritual drink, since they all drank from the spiritual rock that followed them as they went, and that rock was Christ. In spite of this, most of them failed to please God and their corpses littered the desert.

These things all happened as warnings for us, not to have the wicked lusts for forbidden things that they had. You must never complain: some of them did, and they were killed by the Destroyer.

All this happened to them as a warning, and it was written down to be a lesson for us who are living at the end of the age. The man who thinks he is safe must be careful that he does not fall.

The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation

*Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!*

Repent, says the Lord; the kingdom of heaven is at hand.

*Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!*

## Gospel Reading

*A reading from the holy Gospel according to St Luke 13:1-9*

*'Leave the fig tree one more year'*

Some people arrived and told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with that of their sacrifices. At this he said to them, 'Do you suppose these Galileans who suffered like that were greater sinners than any other Galileans? They were not, I tell you. No; but unless you repent you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen on whom the tower at Siloam fell and killed them? Do you suppose that they were more guilty than all the other people living in Jerusalem? They were not, I tell you. No; but unless you repent you will all perish as they did.'

He told this parable: 'A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came looking for fruit on it but found none. He said to the man who looked after the vineyard, "Look here, for three years now I have been coming to look for fruit on this fig tree and finding none. Cut it down: why should it be taking up the ground?" "Sir," the man replied "leave it one more year and give me time to dig round it and manure it: it may bear fruit next year; if not, then you can cut it down.'"

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

**All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## Communion antiphon

The sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for her young:  
by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.

Blessed are they who dwell in your house, for ever singing your praise.

## The Gloria

Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you,  
we bless you,  
we adore you,  
we glorify you,

we give you thanks for your great glory,

Lord God, heavenly King,

O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,

Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

you take away the sins of the world,

have mercy on us;

you take away the sins of the world, receive our  
prayer;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father,

have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,

you alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Most High,

Jesus Christ,

with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

## The Apostles' 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;

on the third day he rose again from the dead;

he ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of God the

Father almighty;

from there he will 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. Amen.

## Our Parish Prayer

O God, the creator and giver of all good  
things, bless our Parish and 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.

# Parish Notices

## We welcome Fr. Leo Mifsud OMI

This week we wish to welcome Fr Leo Mifsud OMI to St Patrick's Parish Fremantle. Fr Leo will be assisting throughout the Parish. Fr Leo is a former provincial and has worked in many of our Oblate parishes over east. Please make yourself known to him and have a chat he would love to meet you all.

I also wish to advise that Fr Angelo will be leaving us for a short period of time. Fr Angelo is going to be visiting and assisting in some other Oblate parishes. Due to COVID it had been delayed but with the ease of restrictions the Provincial thought it might be good time for him to visit other Oblate Parishes. We wish him safe travelling and a speedy return to us.

## Make time to unite with Pope Francis in prayer

Catholics around the world are being encouraged to join their prayers with those of Pope Francis on March 25 when he consecrates Russia and Ukraine to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The act of consecration places the warring countries under the protection of Mary, the Mother of Christ, trusting in the power of her intercession. Such an act looks towards God, the source of all peace, and seeks God's peace through Mary.

"Acting as the Universal Pastor of the Church, Pope Francis will renew the consecration urged at Fatima more than 100 years ago," Australian Catholic Bishops Conference president Archbishop Mark Coleridge said.

"The bishops of Australia are united with the Holy Father as he leads the faithful around the world in this act of consecration and we invite all people to join us in praying for peace in Ukraine." Pope Francis will perform the act of consecration in Rome at 5pm, which will be the middle of the night in Australia.

## Prayer for Peace and Justice in Ukraine

God of peace and justice,  
who change the hardened heart and break the power of violence,  
we entrust the people of Ukraine to you.  
Protect them in this time of peril;  
let them know not death but life, not slavery but freedom.  
You are Father of all;  
we are brothers and sisters.  
Give us the strength to live that truth in love,  
choosing peace not war.  
Through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

## Stations of the Cross in Lent

During the Lenten season it is a great tradition in the life of the Church to make the Stations of the Cross, and thus unite ourselves with Christ by meditating on His Passion, Death and Resurrection. So, in our Basilica, on every Friday during Lent we will make the stations of the Cross at 12.30pm. Please join us and make every effort to make this Lent a joyful preparation to celebrate the joy of Easter.

## Parish Lenten Retreat 2022

"It was because of love that the Word of God became flesh and dwelt among us." You are invited as part of your Lenten preparation to come together for a series of one-hour prayerful evenings (we will be using some of the meditation exercises from the Spiritual Exercises of St Ignatius of Loyola as our guide for the journey) where we will journey with Jesus Christ through his life to his death and resurrection.

The first series of talks began on Monday 14 March, and continue every Monday (21, 28 March, 4 & 11 April) in the Parish Centre at 6pm. To register your interest please contact the Parish Office on 9335 2268, Mon to Fri 9am to 3pm or via email [parishoffice@oblates.com.au](mailto:parishoffice@oblates.com.au). The journey is best experienced over the five weeks, however if you cannot attend all five weeks you are still welcome to be part of the journey.

## Mass Intentions

### Sunday 20th March

8am Mass: James Ong and Jew Family (dec'd)

9.30am Italian Mass:

Gaetano & Maria Letizia (dec'd)

Luciano Pini (dec'd)

11am Mass: Darren Rodrick (int 50th Birthday)

5pm Mass: Clarinda Santos (dec'd)

### Monday 21st March

Midday Mass:

### Tuesday 22nd March

Midday Mass: Calogero Vinci (dec'd)

### Wednesday 23rd March

Midday Mass: Jean Davies (dec'd)

### Thursday 24th March

Midday Mass: Helen Griffith (dec'd)

### Friday 25th March

Midday Mass: Robyn Janice Anderson (dec'd)

### Saturday 26th March

Midday Mass: Dianne McKie (int)

6pm Vigil Mass:

## Children's Liturgy

Children's Liturgy has been cancelled for the rest of this term.

Liturgy will return in term 2. Watch this space for dates.

## Planned Giving

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.

Please consider joining the Planned Giving Programme. For more information contact the Parish Office. Thank you!

**2022/2023 NEW PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES ARE AVAILABLE IN THE SIDE FOYER OF THE CHURCH THIS WEEKEND. PLEASE COLLECT YOUR NEW ENVELOPES.**

## Upcoming Events

### Monday 14 March:

Parish Lenten Retreat commences

### Sunday 10 April:

Palm Sunday

### Wednesday 13 April:

2nd Rite Reconciliation

### Thursday 14 April:

Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7pm

### Friday 15 April:

Good Friday Stations of the Cross at 11am

Liturgy of the Lord's Passion at 3pm

### Saturday 16 April:

Holy Saturday Vigil Mass at 7pm

### Sunday 17 April:

Easter Sunday