

47 Adelaide Street, Fremantle, WA, 6160

Basilica of St. Patrick

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

Sunday 24th July 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

Domenic Burgio (Chair)
Marlene Dullard Maria Gorman
Rob De Sousa Vita Mews
Sonia La Macchia

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Trevor Gorey (Chair)
Michael Piu
Collin Visaggio
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Parish working hours

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Closed Weekends and Public Holidays

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Parish Safeguarding Officers

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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.

Regarding Masks

Masks are not mandatory; however, masks are encouraged where physical distancing is not possible if you have cold & flu symptoms, or you wish to safeguard yourself from the COVID-19 virus.

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Greetings to you all!

The Word of God clearly captures our need for prayer, not just that alone but also our need for perseverance in prayer life. While a person prays, he or she truly expresses one's trust in God and need for the presence of God in their lives. I always believe that all that I do in my life should be the fruit of my prayer life. When God becomes the centre of my life, then I will find ways and means to swim through the daily struggles of my personal life. So, prayer should always be one's "steering wheel" not a "spare wheel".

Abraham, the father of our faith, intercedes with God for the people in Sodom and Gomorrah, who were going to face the anger of God, but Abraham pleads with God and eventually wins the mercy of God. Similar line of thought is also found in the gospel reading, where Jesus teaches his disciples the need for perseverance in prayer. If one could have the courage to endure and persevere in one's prayer life, then one will experience the fruits of prayer life.

It is quite natural that sometimes one may not endure in prayer life, thus down the road, one may also lose interest in prayer life. If you find yourself in that situation, my humble suggestion would be to just show up for your daily prayer time, because that's when you spend your hour in God's waiting room. Still, you're there, and God appreciates your struggle to stay there.

I always believe that prayer is never a waste of time, rather it is time safely invested for the future of our life. Prayer is also the time to thank God for all that we enjoy and seek his guidance for our future life. There is an anonymous quote expressing how a person looked at prayer life: Once a man was asked, "what did you gain by regularly praying to God?" The man replied, "Nothing...but let me tell you what I lost: anger, ego, greed, depression, insecurity, and fear of death." Sometimes the answer to our prayers is not gaining but losing, which ultimately is the gain. –Anonymous.

In the quote, the author explains what a person lost through prayer, but truthfully each of the things the author says are gains if you look to the positive. So, always make time for your daily prayer life, and thus be a happy Christians in your life. Amen.

Fr. John Sebastian OMI
Rector & Parish Priest

Music Ministry

Organists & Cantors

Sat 6pm Vigil: Eimear Foley (cantor); Vince Basile (organist)
Sun 8am, 11am: Bonnie de la Hunty (cantor); Vince Basile (organist)
Sun 5pm: Eimear Foley (cantor); Vince Basile (organist)

Hymns

Mass Setting: Marty Haugen Mass of Creation
Processional Hymn: CWB 840 This Day God Gives Me
Thanksgiving Hymn: CWB 757 O Bless The Lord My Soul
Recessional Hymn: CWB 738 Lord Of All Hopefulness

The Liturgy of the Word

Entrance Antiphon

God is in his holy place, God who unites those who dwell in his house; he himself gives might and strength to his people.

First Reading

A reading from the book of Genesis 18:20-32

Abraham negotiates with the Lord

The Lord said, 'How great an outcry there is against Sodom and Gomorrah! How grievous is their sin! I propose to go down and see whether or not they have done all that is alleged in the outcry against them that has come up to me. I am determined to know.'

The men left there and went to Sodom while Abraham remained standing before the Lord. Approaching him he said, 'Are you really going to destroy the just man with the sinner? Perhaps there are fifty just men in the town. Will you really overwhelm them, will you not spare the place for the fifty just men in it? Do not think of doing such a thing: to kill the just man with the sinner, treating just and sinner alike! Do not think of it! Will the judge of the whole earth not administer justice?' the Lord replied, 'If at Sodom I find fifty just men in the town, I will spare the whole place because of them.'

Abraham replied, 'I am bold indeed to speak like this to my Lord, I who am dust and ashes. But perhaps the fifty just men lack five: will you destroy the whole city for five?' 'No,' he replied 'I will not destroy it if I find forty-five just men there.' Again Abraham said to him, 'Perhaps there will only be forty there.' 'I will not do it' he replied 'for the sake of the forty.'

Abraham said, 'I trust my Lord will not be angry, but give me leave to speak: perhaps there will only be thirty there.' 'I will not do it' he replied 'if I find thirty there.' He said, 'I am bold indeed to speak like this, but perhaps there will only be twenty there.' 'I will not destroy it' he replied 'for the sake of the twenty.' He said, 'I trust my Lord will not be angry if I speak once more: perhaps there will only be ten.' 'I will not destroy it' he replied 'for the sake of the ten.'

The Word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

**Response: Lord, on the day I called for help,
you answered me.**

I thank you, Lord, with all my heart:
you have heard the words of my mouth.
In the presence of the angels I will bless you.
I will adore before your holy temple.

**Response: Lord, on the day I called for help,
you answered me.**

I thank you for your faithfulness and love,
which excel all we ever knew of you.
On the day I called, you answered;
you increased the strength of my soul.

**Response: Lord, on the day I called for help,
you answered me.**

The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly
and the haughty he knows from afar.
Though I walk in the midst of affliction
you give me life and frustrate my foes.

**Response: Lord, on the day I called for help,
you answered me.**

You stretch out your hand and save me,
your hand will do all things for me.
Your love, O Lord, is eternal,
discard not the work of your hands.

**Response: Lord, on the day I called for help,
you answered me.**

Second Reading

A reading from the Colossians 2:12-14

Christ has brought you to life with him and forgiven us all our sins

You have been buried with Christ, when you were baptised; and by baptism, too, you have been raised up with him through your belief in the power of God who raised him from the dead. You were dead, because you were sinners and had not been circumcised: he has brought you to life with him, he has forgiven us all our sins.

He has overridden the Law, and cancelled every record of the debt that we had to pay; he has done away with it by nailing it to the cross.

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

You have received the Spirit which makes us God's children, and in that Spirit we call God our Father.

Alleluia!

Gospel Reading

A reading from the holy Gospel according to St Luke 11:1-13

How to pray

Once Jesus was in a certain place praying, and when he had finished one of his disciples said, 'Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.'

He said to them, 'Say this when you pray:

“Father, may your name be held holy,
your kingdom come;
give us each day our daily bread,
and forgive us our sins,
for we ourselves forgive each one who is in debt to us.
And do not put us to the test.”

He also said to them:

‘Suppose one of you has a friend and goes to him in the middle of the night to say, “My friend, lend me three loaves, because a friend of mine on his travels has just arrived at my house and I have nothing to offer him”; and the man answers from inside the house, “Do not bother me. The door is bolted now, and my children and I are in bed; I cannot get up to give it you.” I tell you, if the man does not get up and give it him for friendship's sake, persistence will be enough to make him get up and give his friend all he wants.

‘So I say to you: Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you. For the one who asks always receives; the one who searches always finds; the one who knocks will always have the door opened to him. What father among you would hand his son a stone when he asked for bread? Or hand him a snake instead of a fish? Or hand him a scorpion if he asked for an egg? If you then, who are evil, know how to give your children what is good, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!’

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Communion antiphon

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and never forget all his benefits.

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

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.

Basilica Guardians

We are urgently seeking volunteers who can assist with the Basilica Guardians. The Basilica Guardians allow us to keep the Church open on weekdays (Monday to Friday) from after midday Mass until 3pm. If you would like to volunteer please call the Parish Office. Thank you to those who have already volunteered. As soon as we have enough volunteers we will commence a roster.

Monthly Senior's Morning Tea

Monthly Senior's Morning Tea is a special parish initiative to bring our seniors together to share a cuppa and a chat. The Seniors morning tea is held every third Monday of each month in the Parish Hall from 10am to 11am. **The Next Senior's Morning Tea will be held on Monday 25 July at 10am in the Parish hall.**

Parish Morning Tea

Please join us on the First Sunday of every month after the 8am Mass for a Parish Morning Tea. **The next Parish Morning Tea will be held on Sunday 7 August, 2022. All Welcome.**

Fr Gaetano Nanni OMI

Please join us on Saturday 30 July at Midday Mass for a concelebrate Mass to celebrate the death anniversary of Fr Gaetano Nanni OMI.

De Mazenod Family Gathering

The aim of these gatherings is to provide an opportunity to connect parishes, schools and ministries in each state and to make the De Mazenod Family and the Charism of St Eugene known. Through various prayer, reflection and discussion sessions throughout the day we will break open this year's theme: Pilgrims of Hope in Communion.

The De Mazenod Family Gathering for Western Australia will be held on Saturday 30th July and will be hosted at St Patrick's Basilica, Fremantle. It will begin at 11:30 am and conclude with Mass at 6pm. Lunch and snacks will be provided throughout the day.

For more information you can visit the OMI Australia website or email us at demaznodfamily@gmail.com. Registrations are open and can be made through the Parish Office or the website. All Welcome.

Grandparents Thanksgiving Mass

The Parish will celebrate all grandparents with a special Mass on Tuesday 26 July (*the Feast Saint Joachim and Saint Anne, parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary*) at midday. We invite all grandparents, great grandparents and adopted grandparents to come along and receive a special blessing at the Mass and then enjoy a light lunch in the Parish Centre. **RSVP is essential to the Parish Office on 9335 2268 before the 25 July.** We look forward to sharing this special day with all grandparents.

Fr Angelo Wijewickrama OMI

Fr Angelo will be away from 19 July to 19 August. We ask that you keep Fr Angelo in your prayers as he journeys home to Sri Lanka to visit his family. We wish him a safe journey to Sri Lanka and also when he returns back home to Fremantle.

Mass Intentions

Sunday 24th July

8am Mass: Paul App (dec'd)

9.30am Italian Mass:

Enrico Citrigno (dec'd)

Michele Palladino (dec'd)

11am Mass: Lovre Tesija (dec'd)

Stefano & Sergio Buffo (dec'd)

5pm Mass:

Deceased members of the Portelli & Natoli Families

Monday 25th July

Midday Mass:

Tuesday 26th July

Midday Mass: James Matthew Hagan (dec'd)

Wednesday 27th July

Midday Mass:

Thursday 28th July

Midday Mass:

Friday 29th July

Midday Mass: Jose & Rosa Azevedo (int)

Saturday 30th July

Midday Mass:

Leonardo Goncalves (dec'd)

Fr Gaetano Nanni OMI (dec'd 10th anniversary)

6pm Vigil Mass:

Children's Liturgy

Children's Liturgy is held every Sunday at 5pm Mass during the school term. We encourage all children aged 5 to 10 years to participate during the Mass.

Children's Liturgy is held in the Children's Chapel which is located in the side foyer of the Church.

Next terms dates to be advised

Planned Giving

The Planned Giving Programme is an important part of the Parish and assists 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 giving was 53%.

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

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BSB: 086 006

A/c No: 56187 5405

Reference: 1st Collection and your name

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EFT Second Collection Details

BSB: 066 107

A/c No: 0080 0216

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Second Collection supports the Parish

Upcoming Events

Monday 25th July

Parish Seniors Morning Tea

Tuesday 26th July

Grandparents Thanksgiving Mass and light lunch

Saturday 30 July

De Mazenod Family Gathering

Fr Gaetano Nanni OMI (dec'd anniversary)

Sunday 7 August

Parish Confirmation Mass