

47 Adelaide Street, Fremantle, WA, 6160

Basilica of St. Patrick

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

Sunday 31st 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

Parish Finance Committee

Trevor Gorey (Chair)
Michael Piu
Collin Visaggio
Angie Emanuele

Basilica Office staff

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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 invites us all to answer this question: what do I consider as the most important thing in life? At times, it is good to ask some basic questions which will place us on the right track in our journey of life. This in turn will give us the motivation to lead our life which will bear fruit in the world.

About two hundred and twenty years before the birth of Christ, there seems to have been a Sage in the Jewish tradition. He was simply called, Qoheleth or Ecclesiastes – which could mean, “The preacher”, literally, the man of the assembly. He lived at a time when the people of Israel experienced an economic boom. People focussed too much on money. They considered material wealth as the highest value – much like at times the people of our own times. The preacher challenges this attitude by pointing out that our earthly race for wealth only seems futile. In this short book, the preacher keeps repeating –at least 24 times - words like "vain", "futile", "empty", "meaningless", "temporary", "transitory", "fleeting," or "mere breath." The author of the book of Ecclesiastes raises too many questions and offers no answers. The answer is to be found in the Gospels, in the words of Jesus. The core of Jesus' invitation is to focus on the Kingdom of God (Lk 12:31) and to desire the true treasures of heaven (Lk 12:33).

The invitation of Jesus is a reminder to observe where my heart's desire is? If a person is not aware of where his/her heart's desire is, then one may tend to focus on the material world, forgetting about the true treasures of life and the generous giver, which one should constantly seek in life. Instead, if a person keeps God in mind all the time, they will never go wrong, because they will understand that the life that they enjoy is a gift from God. This realisation will bring about much of joy and will always be on the right track in life. So, may we constantly view this life either positively or negatively from the perspective of eternity.
Amen.

Fr. John Sebastian OMI
Rector & Parish Priest

Music Ministry

Organists & Cantors

Sat 6pm Vigil: Lucinda Nicholls (cantor)

Sun 8am: Sophie Rodgers (cantor); 11am: Choir of St Elizabeth of the Trinity (Conductor: Emma Oorschot)

Sun 5pm: Lucinda Nicholls (cantor)

Organist All Masses: Andrew Brown

Hymns

Mass Setting: Missa Simplex

Processional Hymn: CWB613 All people that on earth do dwell

Thanksgiving Hymn: CWB767 O God, Our Help in Ages Past

Recessional Hymn: CWB799 Rejoice! The Lord is King

The Liturgy of the Word

Entrance Antiphon

O God, come to my assistance;
O Lord, make haste to help me!
You are my rescuer, my help;
O Lord, do not delay.

First Reading

A reading from Ecclesiastes 1:2,2:21-23

Vanity of vanities; all is vanity

Vanity of vanities, the Preacher says. Vanity of vanities. All is vanity!

For so it is that a man who has laboured wisely, skilfully and successfully must leave what is his own to someone who has not toiled for it at all. This, too, is vanity and great injustice; for what does he gain for all the toil and strain that he has undergone under the sun? What of all his laborious days, his cares of office, his restless nights? This, too, is vanity.

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Response: In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

You turn men back to dust
and say: 'Go back, sons of men.'
To your eyes a thousand years
are like yesterday, come and gone,
no more than a watch in the night.

Response: In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

You sweep men away like a dream,
like the grass which springs up in the morning.
In the morning it springs up and flowers:
by evening it withers and fades.

Response: In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

Make us know the shortness of our life
that we may gain wisdom of heart.
Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever?
Show pity to your servants.

Response: In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

In the morning, fill us with your love;
we shall exult and rejoice all our days.
Let the favour of the Lord be upon us:
give success to the work of our hands.

Response: In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

Second Reading

A reading from the Colossians 3:1-5,9-11

You must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

That is why you must kill everything in you that belongs only to earthly life: fornication, impurity, guilty passion, evil desires and especially greed, which is the same thing as worshipping a false god; and never tell each other lies. You have stripped off your old behaviour with your old self, and you have put on a new self which will progress towards true knowledge the more it is renewed in the image of its creator; and in that image there is no room for distinction between Greek and Jew, between the circumcised or the uncircumcised, or between barbarian and Scythian, slave and free man. There is only Christ: he is everything and he is in everything.

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy the poor in spirit;
the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

Alleluia!

Gospel Reading

A reading from the holy Gospel according to St Luke 12:13-21

Fool! This very night your soul will be demanded of you

A man in the crowd said to Jesus, 'Master, tell my brother to give me a share of our inheritance.' 'My friend,' he replied, 'who appointed me your judge, or the arbitrator of your claims?' Then he said to them, 'Watch, and be on your guard against avarice of any kind, for a man's life is not made secure by what he owns, even when he has more than he needs.'

Then he told them a parable: 'There was once a rich man who, having had a good harvest from his land, thought to himself, "What am I to do? I have not enough room to store my crops." Then he said, "This is what I will do: I will pull down my barns and build bigger ones, and store all my grain and my goods in them, and I will say to my soul: My soul, you have plenty of good things laid by for many years to come; take things easy, eat, drink, have a good time." But God said to him, "Fool! This very night the demand will be made for your soul; and this hoard of yours, whose will it be then?" So it is when a man stores up treasure for himself in place of making himself rich in the sight of God.'

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Communion antiphon

You have given us, O Lord, bread from heaven, endowed with all delights and sweetness in every taste.

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.

Prayer for Synod on Synodality 21/23

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather in Your name.

With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts.

Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder.

Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life

and not stray from the way of truth and what is right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place

and time,

in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. 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.

Parish Morning Tea

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

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 15 August at 10am in the Parish hall.**

Fr Giancarlo Iollo OMI

On 3 August we will welcome Fr Giancarlo to the Fremantle Community. He will be staying with us until January, 2023. Fr Giancarlo has been in Melbourne for a few years in the Mazonod School and parishes. Please make him feel welcome.

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

On Monday 15th August, our Holy Mother the Church celebrates the Solemnity of The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. For us Christians this is a great feast of hope. Mary entering triumphantly into heaven gives all of us hope in our eventual entry as well. What took place in her will happen to us also at the end times. On 15th August we have 9am, 12pm and 7pm masses to celebrate this important Holy day of Obligation in our Parish.

Oblate Priests on annual retreat

The Oblates in Australian Province will commence their annual retreat from August 21st to 26th in Melbourne. Please keep us in your prayers as we will remember you all specially during our annual retreat time.

Parish Confirmation Mass

We ask that you keep the candidates for Confirmation in your prayers as they journey towards receiving the Sacrament on Sunday 7 August, 2022 at 2.30pm.

Mass Intentions

Sunday 31st July

8am Mass:

Julie Bok (dec'd) and Holy Souls
Benedetta & Leonardo Turtur (dec'd)

9.30am Italian Mass:

Pietro Pozzato (dec'd)
Fr Gaetano Nanni OMI (dec'd 10th anniversary)
Nicola Rizzi (dec'd)
Pina La Pegna (dec'd)

11am Mass: For the People

5pm Mass:

Monday 1st August

Midday Mass:

Tuesday 2nd August

Midday Mass: Amadeo Lomma (dec'd)

Wednesday 3rd August

Midday Mass: Clare Ferguson-Smith (dec'd)

Thursday 4th August

Midday Mass: Richard Williams (dec'd)

Friday 5th August

Midday Mass:

Saturday 6th August

Midday Mass:

6pm Vigil Mass:

Agata Brizzi (dec'd)

Gaetano Franchina (dec'd)

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 63%.

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

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EFT Second Collection Details

BSB: 066 107

A/c No: 0080 0216

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Upcoming Events

Sunday 7 August
Parish Morning Tea
Parish Confirmation Mass

Sunday 14 August
Iona Family Mass

Monday 15 August
Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Senior's Morning Tea

Saturday 20 August
CBC Family Mass