

47 Adelaide Street, Fremantle, WA, 6160

Basilica of St. Patrick

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

Sunday 7th August, 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)
Fr Giancarlo Iollo 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

Monday to Friday (9am to 3pm)
Closed Weekends and Public Holidays

Contact

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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 reminds us how one should conduct their lives on earth so that they would always be found in God's friendship, when their call to judgement comes. If one could be aware of our Christian vocation and act accordingly every time, then we don't need to fear the last judgement because we always do the right thing and we are well prepared when our time comes.

The parable highlights two fatal mistakes of the reckless servant. First, while the owner of the house is away, the servant thinks that he is the real master. Therefore, his attitude is: "I will do what I like." Illusion takes control of him and, thus, he forgets that the day of reckoning must come. He should not have forgotten that he is just a servant, and he is accountable to the master.

Secondly, he has a wrong understanding of time. He thinks that he has plenty of time at his disposal to put things right before the master comes. It is obvious from his words, "My master is delayed in coming." There is nothing fatal about feeling that we have plenty of time. In such a situation, 'tomorrow' can be a dangerous word. Relying too much on 'tomorrow' can be our undoing.

There is a story, which goes like this: One day a young man went to visit a famous Guru well known for his wisdom. To test his wisdom, the young man asked the Guru, "Master I want to be in heaven after my death. So how many days before my death shall I prepare for that?" Immediately Guru replied, "One day before the death." This was an unexpected answer for the young man. Still, he braved to ask, "But how will I know when I am going to die?" In a calm voice Guru replied, "Since we do not know the time, start preparing now."

The words that are attributed to Pope St. John Paul II are highly significant: "The future starts today, not tomorrow." In the parable, the faithful servant does exactly that: "Blessed is that servant whom his master finds so doing when he comes" (Lk 12: 43). Let our daily life be one of constant awareness that we need to prepare for our eternal life, every day not at the last minute. Amen

Fr. John Sebastian OMI

Rector & Parish Priest

Music Ministry

Organists & Cantors

Sat 6pm Vigil: Eimear Foley (cantor)
Sun 8am & 11am: Emma Oorschot (cantor)
Sun 5pm: Eimear Foley (cantor)
Organist All Masses: Andrew Brown

Hymns

Mass Setting: Marty Haugen - Mass of Creation
Processional Hymn: CWB611 All the earth proclaim the Lord
Thanksgiving Hymn: CWB685 Gifts of finest wheat
Recessional Hymn: CWB835 The voice of God

The Liturgy of the Word

Entrance Antiphon

Look to your covenant, O Lord,
and forget not the life of your poor ones for ever.
Arise, O God, and defend your cause,
and forget not the cries of those who seek you.

First Reading

A reading from the Book of Wisdom 18:6-9
You made us glorious by calling us to you

That night had been foretold to our ancestors, so that, once they saw what kind of oaths they had put their trust in, they would joyfully take courage.

This was the expectation of your people, the saving of the virtuous and the ruin of their enemies; for by the same act with which you took vengeance on our foes you made us glorious by calling us to you.

The devout children of worthy men offered sacrifice in secret and this divine pact they struck with one accord:

that the saints would share the same blessings and dangers alike; and forthwith they had begun to chant the hymns of the fathers.

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

**Blessed the people the Lord has chosen
to be his own.**

Exult, you just, in the Lord;
praise from the upright is fitting.
Blessed the nation whose God is the Lord,
the people he has chosen for his own
inheritance.

**Blessed the people the Lord has chosen
to be his own.**

See, the eyes of the Lord are upon those
who fear him,
upon those who hope for his kindness,
to deliver them from death
and preserve them in spite of famine.

**Blessed the people the Lord has chosen
to be his own.**

Our soul waits for the Lord,
who is our help and our shield.
May your kindness, O Lord,
be upon us who have put our hope in
you.

**Blessed the people the Lord has chosen
to be his own.**

Second Reading

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Hebrews 11:1-2,8-19

Abraham looked forward to a city founded, designed and built by God

Only faith can guarantee the blessings that we hope for, or prove the existence of the realities that at present remain unseen. It was for faith that our ancestors were commended.

It was by faith that Abraham obeyed the call to set out for a country that was the inheritance given to him and his descendants, and that he set out without knowing where he was going. By faith he arrived, as a foreigner, in the Promised Land, and lived there as if in a strange country, with Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. They lived there in tents while he looked forward to a city founded, designed and built by God.

It was equally by faith that Sarah, in spite of being past the age, was made able to conceive, because she believed that he who had made the promise would be faithful to it. Because of this, there came from one man, and one who was already as good as dead himself, more descendants than could be counted, as many as the stars of heaven or the grains of sand on the seashore.

All these died in faith, before receiving any of the things that had been promised, but they saw them in the far distance and welcomed them, recognising that they were only strangers and nomads on earth. People who use such terms about themselves make it quite plain that they are in search of their real homeland. They can hardly have meant the country they came from, since they had the opportunity to go back to it; but in fact they were longing for a better homeland, their heavenly homeland. That is why God is not ashamed to be called their God, since he has founded the city for them.

It was by faith that Abraham, when put to the test, offered up Isaac. He offered to sacrifice his only son even though the promises had been made to him and he had been told: It is through Isaac that your name will be carried on. He was confident that God had the power even to raise the dead; and so, figuratively speaking, he was given back Isaac from the dead.

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Be watchful and ready: You know not when the Son of Man is coming.

Alleluia!

Gospel Reading

A reading from the holy Gospel according to St Luke 12:35-40

You too must stand ready

Jesus said to his disciples:

‘See that you are dressed for action and have your lamps lit. Be like men waiting for their master to return from the wedding feast, ready to open the door as soon as he comes and knocks. Happy those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. I tell you solemnly, he will put on an apron, sit them down at table and wait on them. It may be in the second watch he comes, or in the third, but happy those servants if he finds them ready. You may be quite sure of this, that if the householder had known at what hour the burglar would come, he would not have let anyone break through the wall of his house. You too must stand ready, because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.’

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Communion antiphon

O Jerusalem, glorify the Lord, who gives you your fill of finest wheat.

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.

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. The Morning will be held in the Parish Centre today, due to bad weather.**

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

We 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 Mazenod 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 Confirmation Candidates, their families, teachers & catechists in your prayers as they journey towards receiving the Sacrament on Sunday 7 August, 2022 at 2.30pm.

Thank You from Catholic Mission

The total amount donated by the Fremantle Basilica Parish for the 2022 Appeal was \$2,225.00. Thank you for your generous response to this year's Catholic Mission Appeal.

Cardinal Berhaneyesus Demerew Souraphiel, Head of the Catholic Church in Ethiopia visited Australia in early June. In launching this year's Catholic Mission Appeal, Cardinal Souraphiel expressed sincere gratitude to the Catholic faithful of Australia for supporting the work of our missionaries in Ethiopia and throughout the world. WATCH the Cardinal's inspiring Appeal homily given on the Feast of Pentecost at St Mary's Cathedral, Perth, at <https://youtu.be/Vao2jVgOgDU>

Please email Francis Leong at director.cm@perthcatholic.org.au if you are keen to participate in God's mission more fully by helping to promote the work of Catholic Mission and the vision of Pope Francis as a parish volunteer, or by leaving a bequest.

Mass Intentions

Sunday 7th August

8am Mass: Salvatore Monaco (dec'd)

9.30am Italian Mass:

Pasquale & Filomena Amato (dec'd)

Giuseppina & Luigi Smarrelli (Dec'd)

11am Mass: Julie Bok (dec'd) and Holy Souls
Carmela Persichillo (dec'd)

5pm Mass: Jose & Fortunata De Abreu (dec'd)

Monday 8th August

Midday Mass:

Tuesday 9th August

Midday Mass:

Wednesday 10th August

Midday Mass:

Thursday 11th August

Midday Mass: Pasquale De Gennaro (dec'd)

Friday 12th August

Midday Mass: Ursula Bre Karska (dec'd)

Saturday 13th August

Midday Mass: Special Intention (Engagement)

6pm Vigil Mass: Richard Cotton (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 81%.

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

EFT First Collection Details

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

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Upcoming Events

Sunday 7 August

Parish Morning Tea
Parish Confirmation Mass

Monday 15 August

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Senior's Morning Tea

Saturday 20 August

CBC Family Mass