

# Basilica of St. Patrick

## 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

### Sunday 11th September, 2022

**Oblate Priests' at the Basilica**

Fr. John Sebastian OMI (Rector & Parish Priest)  
 Fr Angelo Wijewickrama OMI  
 (Asst. Parish Priest & Hospital Chaplain)  
 Fr Giancarlo Iollo OMI (Assistant Parish Priest)  
 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)  
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 Rob De Sousa  
 Maria Gorman  
 Sonia La Macchia  
 Vita Mews

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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.

**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!

Fr. Eugene Lobo S.J, reflecting on the liturgy of the Word, says that in today's Gospel we are presented with an overwhelming picture of God. He is a God who is all-loving and all-forgiving. The Gospel along with the stories of lost sheep and lost coin gives us the familiar story of the Prodigal Son, generally understood as the greatest short story in the world. The context of today's parable is very important. The Scribes and Pharisees, considered themselves as followers of the law and self-righteous, grumble that Jesus is the friend of sinners and eats with them. So Jesus tells the story about a father who is generous and forgiving. The central focus of the Parable, however, remains on the Father from the beginning to the end. The liturgy reminds us in so many ways that reconciliation and repentance are a communal responsibility and a personal one. What unites the story and makes it powerful is the abundance of love the father shows towards both his sons.

In the First Reading from the Book of Exodus, we hear Moses on Mount Sinai talking to God. He was preparing to be with the people in a special way. But the people encamped at the base violated the first commandment. They demanded Aaron to fashion an image to go before them on the journey who made the golden calf. The Lord was upset because His chosen people were acting perversely. They had cast for themselves an image of a calf worshipped and sacrificed to it. God was prepared to destroy them all. Hearing this, Moses implored God to have mercy on the sinful people. He reminded the divinity that Israel belongs to God and he alone brought them out of Egypt. God changed his mind and decided not to destroy the people as He had originally planned. This shows the extent of the mercy that God shows on his people.

In the Second Reading from the First Letter of Paul to Timothy, we read how the mercy of God sanctified Paul because he had sincerity of heart. By the mercy of God, Paul, formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence, was made an example to those who would come to believe in Jesus. Paul first expresses his gratefulness to Jesus for the call he received to preach the Gospel. He was deeply aware that he was a sinner since he persecuted the church of God. Therefore, he had all the more reason to be grateful for the grace that united him to Christ and made him a minister of the Gospel. He recognized that the grace of our Lord overflowed in him with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus."

God knows us well, but do I recognise the love and mercy of God in my life? When I become aware of His love and mercy in my life, then I will totally commit myself to the values of the gospel in my life. Amen

Fr. John Sebastian OMI  
 Rector & Parish Priest

# Music Ministry

## Organists & Cantors

Sat 6pm Vigil: Schola (Conductor: Hugh Lydon)

Sun 8am & 11am: Sophie Rodgers (cantor)

Sun 5pm: Tom Almeida (cantor)

Organist All Masses: Andrew Brown

## Hymns

Mass Setting: Marty Haugen – Mass of Creation

Processional Hymn: CWB 618 All People That On Earth Do Dwell

Thanksgiving Hymn: CWB 838 There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

Recessional Hymn: CWB 757 O Bless the Lord, My Soul

## The Liturgy of the Word

### Entrance Antiphon

Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you,  
that your prophets be found true.

Hear the prayers of your servant,  
and of your people Israel.

### First Reading

A reading from the Book of Exodus 32:7-11,13-14

*The Lord relented and did not bring on his people the disaster he had threatened*

The Lord spoke to Moses, ‘Go down now, because your people whom you brought out of Egypt have apostatised. They have been quick to leave the way I marked out for them; they have made themselves a calf of molten metal and have worshipped it and offered it sacrifice. “Here is your God, Israel,” they have cried “who brought you up from the land of Egypt!”’ the Lord said to Moses, ‘I can see how headstrong these people are! Leave me, now, my wrath shall blaze out against them and devour them; of you, however, I will make a great nation.’

But Moses pleaded with the Lord his God. ‘Lord,’ he said ‘why should your wrath blaze out against this people of yours whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with arm outstretched and mighty hand? Remember Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, your servants to whom by your own self you swore and made this promise: “I will make your offspring as many as the stars of heaven, and all this land which I promised I will give to your descendants, and it shall be their heritage for ever.”’

So the Lord relented and did not bring on his people the disaster he had threatened.

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

### Responsorial Psalm

**Response: I will rise and go to my father.**

Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness.  
In your compassion blot out my offence.  
O wash me more and more from my guilt  
and cleanse me from my sin.

**Response: I will rise and go to my father.**

A pure heart create for me, O God,  
put a steadfast spirit within me.  
Do not cast me away from your presence,  
nor deprive me of your holy spirit.

**Response: I will rise and go to my father.**

O Lord, open my lips  
and my mouth shall declare your praise.  
My sacrifice is a contrite spirit.  
A humbled, contrite heart you will not  
spurn.

**Response: I will rise and go to my father.**

## Second Reading

A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to Timothy 1:12-17

*Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners*

I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has given me strength, and who judged me faithful enough to call me into his service even though I used to be a blasphemer and did all I could to injure and discredit the faith. Mercy, however, was shown me, because until I became a believer I had been acting in ignorance; and the grace of our Lord filled me with faith and with the love that is in Christ Jesus. Here is a saying that you can rely on and nobody should doubt: that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. I myself am the greatest of them; and if mercy has been shown to me, it is because Jesus Christ meant to make me the greatest evidence of his inexhaustible patience for all the other people who would later have to trust in him to come to eternal life. To the eternal King, the undying, invisible and only God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

## Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself;  
and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us.

Alleluia!

## Gospel Reading

A reading from the holy Gospel according to St Luke Luke 15:1-10

*There will be rejoicing in heaven over one repentant sinner*

The tax collectors and the sinners were all seeking the company of Jesus to hear what he had to say, and the Pharisees and the scribes complained. ‘This man’ they said ‘welcomes sinners and eats with them.’ So he spoke this parable to them:

‘What man among you with a hundred sheep, losing one, would not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the missing one till he found it? And when he found it, would he not joyfully take it on his shoulders and then, when he got home, call together his friends and neighbours? “Rejoice with me,” he would say “I have found my sheep that was lost.” In the same way, I tell you, there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one repentant sinner than over ninety-nine virtuous men who have no need of repentance.

‘Or again, what woman with ten drachmas would not, if she lost one, light a lamp and sweep out the house and search thoroughly till she found it? And then, when she had found it, call together her friends and neighbours? “Rejoice with me,” she would say “I have found the drachma I lost.” In the same way, I tell you, there is rejoicing among the angels of God over one repentant sinner.’

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

## Communion antiphon

How precious is your mercy, O God!

The children of men seek shelter in the shadow of your wings.

## 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.

## Safeguarding Sunday Prayer

Gracious God,

you love and care for all of your children,  
especially the smallest and most vulnerable.

We entrust to you the lives of children and adults at risk who have been sexually abused, and whose trust and innocence have been destroyed.

Help us to hear their cries of pain and to take responsibility for those whose lives have been broken.

Help us to recognise the hurt felt by those wounded by abuse, and the failure to be heard.

We pray that with the help of your grace communities and families will find understanding and support, so that now and in the future their wounds may be healed and they may find lasting peace.

Let your grace and love fall gently now upon our children and adults at risk, giving them the inner strength, peace and resilience to seek out assistance when required.

We ask this prayer through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever.

Amen

# Parish Notices

## Safeguarding Sunday 11th August 2022

This weekend, the Catholic Church in Australia marks Safeguarding Sunday, on which we pray for those who have been abused, their families and supporters. We recognise and apologise for the harm done by priests, religious and lay people in Church settings. Rebuilding trust and confidence in the Church requires constant work and vigilance. We recommit to cultural change that will help the Church be a place where people feel safe and supported.

## Message from Fr Christian Fini OMI Provincial

Fr Christian Fini OMI, Provincial of the Australian Province wishes to advise that Fr John Patrick OMI, will join the Fremantle Oblate Community on Friday 16 September, 2022. Fr Patrick is from the Province of Jaffna. He professed his first vows in 2002, final commitment and diaconate took place in 2009 at St. Joseph's Chapel, Columbuthurai and was ordained St. Mary's Cathedral in Jaffna. He worked as Hospital Chaplain and parish priest in the diocese of Jaffna before he came to Australia. Fr Patrick will be with us in Fremantle until Easter 2023.

## Our Lady of Tindari (Black Madonna)

This Sunday 11 September the Italian Community of Fremantle comes together to celebrate and honour the Madonna Del Tindari (Black Madonna) in the Basilica, with a concelebrated Mass at 9.30am led by Monsignor Michael Keating. Followed by Tea and Coffee in the parish centre. NO PROCESSION. All parishioners are welcome to attend and celebrate with our Italian Community here in Fremantle.

## 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 19 September at 10am in the Parish hall.**

## Holy Land Pilgrimage

Join Monsignor Michael Keating on a wonderful pilgrimage to Israel and Jordan. It is from Nov 22 to Dec 8. It is very safe and not too tiring. For itinerary e-mail [Info@anawimjourneys.com](mailto:Info@anawimjourneys.com) or send a text to Sheila or Veronica on 0433 771 979 or 0402 290 827 for more info. Do hurry as seats are now limited.

## Parish Morning Tea

Please join us on the First Sunday of every month after the 8am Mass for our Parish Morning Tea. **The next morning tea will be on Sunday 9th October after the 8am Mass All Welcome.**

## The Ursulines 70th Anniversary Celebrations

You are warmly invited to help us celebrate the gift of 70 years of Ursuline presence in Western Australia. Anniversary celebrations will commence at 6pm Mass on Saturday 22nd October, 2022 and will be followed by a light supper together in the Parish Hall. Please let anyone associated with the Ursuline Missionaries of the Sacred Heart know about this special 70th celebration. All welcome. RSVP by 15th October for catering purposes - to Sr. Lynn (0403860639) or the Parish Office (938352268).

## Mass Intentions

### Sunday 11th September

#### 8am Mass:

Julie Bok (dec'd) and Holy Souls

#### 9.30am Italian Mass:

Intentions of the Tindari Committee

Intentions of Andrea Pellegrino & Family

Intentions of Concetta Iacano & Family

Intentions of Antonio Purrazzo & Family

#### 11am Mass:

Pasquale De Gennaro (dec'd)

Nicola Vittorio Monzu (dec'd)

Nick Cortes (dec'd)

#### 5pm Mass:

### Monday 12th September

Midday Mass: Special Intention for Bernadette

### Tuesday 13th September

Midday Mass: Nicoletta Cantatore (dec'd)

### Wednesday 14th September

Midday Mass:

Antonino Basile (dec'd), Mario Pires (dec'd) and Catherine Fennell (dec'd)

### Thursday 15th September

Midday Mass:

VInce Merendino (dec'd 1st anniversary)

### Friday 16th September

Midday Mass: Clarice Fudge (dec'd)

### Saturday 17th September

Midday Mass:

Mr & Mrs Sinclair & Bob Sinclair (dec'd)

Zokistaus Brekarska (dec'd)

6pm Vigil Mass:

Parish First Communion Mass

## 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 83%.

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

A/c No: 0080 0216

Reference: 2nd Collection and your name

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## Upcoming Events

### Saturday 10 September

Wine & Cheese Night

### Sunday 11 September

Our Lady of Tindari (Black Madonna) Mass  
Safeguarding Sunday

### Saturday 17 September

Parish First Communion Mass

### Sunday 18 September

IONA College Confirmation Mass

### Monday 19 September

Seniors Morning Tea