

47 Adelaide Street, Fremantle, WA, 6160

Basilica of St. Patrick

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

Sunday 2nd October, 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 Priest)
Fr John Patrick John Mary OMI (Assistant Priest)
Fr. Anthony Colbert OMI (Assistant Priest)
Fr. John Archbold OMI (Assistant 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
Rob De Sousa
Maria Gorman
Sonia La Macchia
Vita Mews

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Trevor Gorey (Chair)
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Parish working hours

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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!

All three readings today speak a lot about "Faith" and how it works in our lives. The first reading taken from the book of Habakkuk defines Faith "as trusting in God and living with fidelity to the Covenant."

Habakkuk was a minor prophet. He lived during the fall of Jerusalem in 586 B.C. He encouraged his fellow Jews to retain their Faith during this disaster. The first two chapters of the book of Habakkuk are in the form of a dialogue between the prophet and God. The prophet repeatedly complains, and the Lord answers each time.

Around 600 BC, God's people had been unfaithful, and, as a deserved punishment for their sins, they were invaded by Babylon. What distressed the prophet was that Judah's punishment came at the hands of brutal pagans who were overly aggressive. It looked as if bad were being punished by worse.

To Habakkuk, it seemed that the Lord God was strengthening the arm of injustice instead of punishing the excesses of His people's enemy. He saw this as unworthy of God's holiness and justice. Hence, the prophet cried out to God, "How long, Lord, am I to cry for help while you will not listen? I cry out to you, 'Violence!'-- Yet you do not save." But God told His prophet to trust in Him, to persevere and to be patient, because He was aware of both the goodness of the good people and the evil they fought against.

The reading concludes with the positive answer from God: "The just man, because of faith, shall live" [Hb 2:4; Rom 1:17; Gal 3:11; Heb 10:38]. This means that the righteous, or just one, is steadfast in faithfulness, even in the midst of violence and destruction, and this faithfulness assures life. Faith here is not simply assent to a series of doctrines, but includes trust, with a steadfast expectation of release in the face of suffering and delay.

The just man lives because he keeps his relationship with God. The word "Faith" (Emunah) used here refers to a living Faith, a Faith expressed in actions, a Faith with works (James. 2:17, 26). Therefore, it can only be concluded that faith without works is indeed dead. "Faith is composed of belief and love as well as of trust and confidence amid trials and tribulations" (The Jerome Biblical Commentary, page 297, # 39, 4b).

In the gospel we see Jesus used the parables of the mustard seed and the good servant to help them understand the need for strong Faith. "If you have faith the size of a mustard seed you could say to this mulberry tree, "Be uprooted and planted in the sea," and it would obey you. By saying this Jesus wanted to emphasize the limitless possibilities of faith and that too, with a faith the size of a mustard seed.

When we are facing a problem that seems as big and immovable as a mountain, we are called to turn our eyes from the mountain and look to Christ for more faith.

If we have faith like that of a mustard seed every problem of evil: suffering, misery, frustrations, fear, oppression, and injustice can be overcome.

With faith, we may not be able to literally move mountains, but we will have power to overcome obstacles, to do great things for the glory of God and the world.

When Jesus compares the faith to the tiny seed, it only means that the power of a seed does not depend on its size, but on the life hidden within itself.

So let us turn to trust in God and develop a deep bond with Christ so that we can overcome all our afflictions in our life, with the strong faith we have.

Fr. John Sebastian OMI
Rector & Parish Priest

Music Ministry

Organists & Cantors

Sat 6pm Vigil: Lucinda Nicholls (cantor), Andrew Brown (organist)

8am Emma Oorschot (cantor), Andrew Brown (organist)

11am Choir of St Elizabeth of the Blessed Holy Trinity (Conductor: Emma Oorschot),
Andrew Brown (organist)

5pm Tom Almeida (cantor), Michael Peters (organist)

Hymns

Mass Setting: Marty Haugen – Mass of Creation

Processional Hymn: CWB 619 Alleluia, Sing to Jesus

Thanksgiving Hymn: CWB 802 Seek, O Seek the Lord

Recessional Hymn: CWB 789 Praise My Soul the King of Heaven

The Liturgy of the Word

Entrance Antiphon

Within your will, O Lord, all things are established,
and there is none that can resist your will.

For you have made all things, the heaven and the
earth, and all that is held within the circle of
heaven; you are the Lord of all.

First Reading

A reading from the Book of prophet Habakkuk
1:2-3,2:2-4

The upright man will live by his faithfulness

How long, O Lord, am I to cry for help
while you will not listen;
to cry ‘Oppression!’ in your ear
and you will not save?
Why do you set injustice before me,
why do you look on where there is tyranny?
Outrage and violence, this is all I see,
all is contention, and discord flourishes.

Then the Lord answered and said,
‘Write the vision down,
inscribe it on tablets
to be easily read,
since this vision is for its own time only:
eager for its own fulfilment, it does not deceive;
if it comes slowly, wait,
for come it will, without fail.
See how he flags, he whose soul is not at rights,
but the upright man will live by his faithfulness.’

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

**If today you hear his voice, harden not your
hearts.**

Come, ring out our joy to the Lord;
hail the rock who saves us.
Let us come before him, giving thanks,
with songs let us hail the Lord.

**If today you hear his voice, harden not your
hearts.**

Come in; let us bow and bend low;
let us kneel before the God who made us:
for he is our God and we
the people who belong to his pasture,
the flock that is led by his hand.

**If today you hear his voice, harden not your
hearts.**

O that today you would listen to his voice!
‘Harden not your hearts as at Meribah,
as on that day at Massah in the desert
when your fathers put me to the test;
when they tried me, though they saw my
work.’

**If today you hear his voice, harden not your
hearts.**

Second Reading

A reading from the second letter of St. Paul to Timothy 1:6-8,13-14

Never be ashamed of witnessing to our Lord

I am reminding you to fan into a flame the gift that God gave you when I laid my hands on you. God's gift was not a spirit of timidity, but the Spirit of power, and love, and self-control. So you are never to be ashamed of witnessing to the Lord, or ashamed of me for being his prisoner; but with me, bear the hardships for the sake of the Good News, relying on the power of God.

Keep as your pattern the sound teaching you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. You have been trusted to look after something precious; guard it with the help of the Holy Spirit who lives in us.

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

The word of the Lord stands for ever;
it is the word given to you, the Good News.

Alleluia!

Gospel Reading

A reading from the holy Gospel according to St Luke 17:5-10

Say, 'We are merely servants'

The apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our faith.' The Lord replied, 'Were your faith the size of a mustard seed you could say to this mulberry tree, "Be uprooted and planted in the sea," and it would obey you.

'Which of you, with a servant ploughing or minding sheep, would say to him when he returned from the fields, "Come and have your meal immediately"? Would he not be more likely to say, "Get my supper laid; make yourself tidy and wait on me while I eat and drink. You can eat and drink yourself afterwards"? Must he be grateful to the servant for doing what he was told? So with you: when you have done all you have been told to do, say, "We are merely servants: we have done no more than our duty."' "

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Communion antiphon

The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to the soul that seeks him.

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

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.**

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 17 October at 10am in the Presbytery Carport.**

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is a wonderful opportunity for those who seek to embrace the faith of the Catholic Church and a great avenue for those who wish to deepen their faith in Jesus Christ.

If you know anyone willing to take up this journey, please encourage them to come for the information evening on 19th October 2022 at 7pm, in the Parish centre. For further information please contact the Parish Office, Mon to Fri 9am to 3pm on 9335 2268.

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 (93352268).

Triduum for the Blessing of the Fleet.

On Tuesday 18th to Thursday 20st October Fr. Giancarlo Iollo OMI will lead the Triduum Mass in Italian at 7.30pm to pray and to prepare ourselves to celebrate the Blessing of the Fleet on Sunday 23rd October.

Blessing of the Fleet: Mass and procession

Mass and procession for the Blessing of the Fleet will be held on Sunday 24th October at 9.30am, Monsignor Michael Keating, will lead the Italian Mass, for the Blessing of the Fleet.

The procession will start at 2pm, from the Basilica of St. Patrick and go to the fishing harbour through the streets of Fremantle, to bless the boats and pray for the safety of the fishermen and for a good harvest from the sea. It will be followed by benediction at the Basilica. Please come along to celebrate this long-standing tradition of our Fremantle community.

Please note that evening Mass for this Sunday will be held at 6pm.

Mass Intentions

Sunday 2nd October

8am Mass:

For the people

9.30am Italian Mass:

Pasquale & Filomena Amato (dec'd)

Amadeo Lomma (dec'd)

Gina Pozzato (dec'd)

11am Mass:

Maria Basile (dec'd)

5pm Mass:

Monday 3rd October

Midday Mass:

Tuesday 4th October

Midday Mass:

Wednesday 5th October

Midday Mass: Clarice Fudge (dec'd)

Thursday 6th October

Midday Mass: Helen Griffith (dec'd)

Friday 7th October

Midday Mass:

Saturday 8th October

Midday Mass:

Annunziata Rico (dec'd)

Angelo Spezzacatena (dec'd 1month)

6pm Vigil Mass:

Jose & Fortunata De Abreu (dec'd)

Salvatore Monaco (dec'd)

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 56%.

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

Second Collection supports the Parish

Upcoming Events

Thursday 13 October
IONA Graduation Mass

Sunday 16 October
SPPS Family Mass

Monday 17 October to Thursday 20 October
Aquinas Retreats

Tuesday 18 October to Thursday 20 October
Blessing of the Fleet Triduum

Friday 21 October
CBC Graduation Mass

Saturday 22 October
Ursuline Sister's 70th Anniversary

Sunday 23 October
Blessing of the Fleet Mass, Procession
and Benediction