47 Adelaide Street, Fremantle, WA, 6160

Basilica of St. Patrick

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C Sunday 6th November, 2022

Oblate Priests' at the Basilica

Fr. John Sebastian OMI (Rector & Parish Priest)
Fr Angelo Wijewickrama OMI
(Assistant Priest & Hospital Chaplain)
Fr Giancarlo Iollo OMI
(Assistant Priest & Italian Chaplain)
Fr John Patrick John Mary OMI (Assistant Priest)
Fr. Anthony Colbert OMI (Assistant Priest)
Fr. John Archbold OMI (Assistant Priest)

Church Opening Hours

Monday to Friday 9am to 3pm (Basilica Guardians Permitting)

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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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!

As the liturgical year is nearing to an end, the Church gradually invites us to reflect on life after death. Today's readings also remind us that only those who have faith and hope will inherit eternal life. The first reading from the Second Book of Maccabees says that true believers will not compromise their faith for earthly benefits or convenience. They are ready to do anything, even embracing death, for the sake of their faith in the hope of resurrection.

In the Maccabean days, the Seleucid king hated religious and social diversity in Palestine and wanted to introduce forced cultural and religious uniformity in their kingdom. The worst came with Antiochus Epiphanes, the king of Syria about 170 B.C. Though an efficient administrator, he had an almost strange love for all things Greek, and he saw himself the defender of the Greek way of life and worship. The immediate victim of his crazy innovation was the Jewish religion (2 Mac 6: 2 - 5). The Jews were asked to violate their ancestral faith and customs. Many of the Jews abandoned their faith and fell in line, while one family, the Mattathias, resisted Antiochus Epiphanes' systematic destruction of their religion. They led the resistance movement for the sake of their faith. Today's story tells how seven brothers, inspired by their mother, preferred death to infidelity. From where did they get the strength to face such persecution? The answer comes from one of the dying voices: "Ours is the better choice, to meet death at men's hands. yet relying on God's promise that we shall be raised up by him" (2 Mac 7:14).

The story we read today is substantially historical. There were hundreds of such examples of the persecution and death of Jews in the attempt to make them abandon their religion. The sufferings inflicted upon the people were common practice at that time, not only in Palestine but in Egypt, Greece and elsewhere.

The persecutors thought that by forcing these seven brothers to eat a food forbidden by the laws of Moses; it would make them abandon their faith. But the loyal Jews preferred to die rather than violate God's law.

So dear friends, whenever we have the opportunity or whenever we are called upon to bear witness to our Faith, let us do it courageously because that is what we are invited to do.

Pope Francis says, "we need courage if we are to be faithful to the Gospel." So let us ask God for courage and perseverance in our faith journey and pray for those who struggle for the cause of their faith in Jesus Christ

Fr. John Sebastian OMI Rector & Parish Priest

Music Ministry

Organists & Cantors

Sat 6pm Vigil: Aquinas Schola (Conductor: Hugh Lydon) Andrew Brown (organist)

Sun 8am & 11am: Esther Jong (cantor), Michael Peters (organist) 6pm: Lucinda Nicholls (cantor), Andrew Brown (organist)

Hymns

Mass Setting: Paul Mason - Mass Shalom Processional Hymn: CWB 618 All Creatures of our God and King Thanksgiving Hymn: CWB 712 Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty

Recessional Hymn: CWB 801 Salve Regina

The Liturgy of the Word

Entrance Antiphon Cf. Ps 87: 3

Let my prayer come into your presence. Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord.

First reading 2 Maccabees 7:1-2,9-14

A reading from the Second book of Maccabees 'The King of the world will raise us up to live for ever'

There were seven brothers who were arrested with their mother. The king tried to force them to taste pig's flesh, which the Law forbids, by torturing them with whips and scourges. One of them, acting as spokesman for the others, said, 'What are you trying to find out from us? We are prepared to die rather than break the laws of our ancestors.'

With his last breath the second brother exclaimed, 'Inhuman fiend, you may discharge us from this present life, but the King of the world will raise us up, since it is for his laws that we die, to live again for ever.'

After him, they amused themselves with the third, who on being asked for his tongue promptly thrust it out and boldly held out his hands, with these honourable words, 'It was heaven that gave me these limbs; for the sake of his laws I disdain them; from him I hope to receive them again.' The king and his attendants were astounded at the young man's courage and his utter indifference to suffering.

When this one was dead they subjected the fourth to the same savage torture. When he neared his end he cried, 'Ours is the better choice, to meet death at men's hands, yet relying on God's promise that we shall be raised up by him; whereas for you there can be no resurrection, no new life.'

The word of the Lord.

All reply: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm (17):1,5-6,8,15

Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full.

Lord, hear a cause that is just, pay heed to my cry. Turn your ear to my prayer: no deceit is on my lips.

Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full.

I kept my feet firmly in your paths; there was no faltering in my steps. I am here and I call, you will hear me, O God. Turn your ear to me; hear my words.

Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full.

Guard me as the apple of your eye. Hide me in the shadow of your wings As for me, in my justice I shall see your face and be filled, when I awake, with the sight of your glory.

Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full.

Second reading 2 Thessalonians 2:16-3:5

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians.

May the Lord strengthen you in everything good that you do or say

May our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father who has given us his love and, through his grace, such inexhaustible comfort and such sure hope, comfort you and strengthen you in everything good that you do or say.

Finally, brothers, pray for us; pray that the Lord's message may spread quickly, and be received with honour as it was among you; and pray that we may be preserved from the interference of bigoted and evil people, for faith is not given to everyone. But the Lord is faithful, and he will give you strength and guard you from the evil one, and we, in the Lord, have every confidence that you are doing and will go on doing all that we tell you. May the Lord turn your hearts towards the love of God and the fortitude of Christ.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation Rev 1:5a,6b

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus Christ is the firstborn of the dead; glory and kingship be his for ever and ever. Alleluia!

Gospel Reading Luke 20:27,34-38

Priest: The Lord be with you. All: And with your spirit.

Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

He is God, not of the dead, but of the living

Some Sadducees – those who say that there is no resurrection – approached Jesus and put a question to him. Jesus replied, 'The children of this world take wives and husbands, but those who are judged worthy of a place in the other world and in the resurrection from the dead do not marry because they can no longer die, for they are the same as the angels, and being children of the resurrection they are sons of God. And Moses himself implies that the dead rise again, in the passage about the bush where he calls the Lord the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob. Now he is God, not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all men are in fact alive.'

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to be God Lord Jesus Christ

Communion Antiphon Cf. Ps 22: 1-2

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose, near restful waters he leads me.

Parish Notices

Parish Morning Tea

Join us this Sunday 6 November for our Parish Morning Tea after the 8am Mass in the Presbytery Carport. 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. The Next Senior's Morning Tea, Monday 20 November, 10am in the Presbytery Carport.

Lifelink Appeal

Please collect your copy of the Archbishop's Appeal Letter after Mass this weekend, read the message and please give generously to support the valuable work of the Church's social agencies. A special collection will also be taken up next weekend.

Christmas Biscuit Baking for Prison

We have been asked once again to bake biscuits for the women's prison for Christmas. If you would like to assist please leave your details with the parish office and we will send you the information sheet and delivery date of biscuits.

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.

The Apostles' Creed

Amen.

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,

A Prayer for Those in Prison Ministry

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,

and life everlasting.

Amen.

God of all life, Your son called us to be compassionate, just as You are compassionate. And so we pray: For our generous Earth, Who, even when mistreated, continues to nourish and sustain us. May we grow in mutual care. For our suffering peoples, Who, even when facing injustices, teach us resilience and hope. May we grow in mutual care. For each one of us, Who, in times of vulnerability, draws on divine love and strength. May we grow in mutual care. For our prison ministries, Which, in times of change, find new ways of reaching out and in. May we grow in mutual care. And may we be blessed and inspired As we hear these words anew: "For you had compassion for those who were in prison."1 In the name of Jesus, gentle and humble of heart,

Amen.

November Mass Offering Envelopes

November is the month when we remember our deceased family and friends by offering a Mass for them. Envelopes are on the pews and in the side foyers of the Church and the Parish Office. Envelopes can be placed on the collection plate or handed to the parish office.

Advent Retreat 2022

"It was because of love that the Word of God became flesh and dwelt among us."

Advent can be a time of waiting with joyful excitement and intense anticipation, knowing that in a few short weeks two thousand years ago Jesus, the Word become a human being, will be born. Not as a prince to a royal family but to poor Jewish parents in a stable among domesticated animals.

This Advent journey is best experienced over the four weeks, however if you cannot attend all four weeks you are welcome to attend when you can. We will be using some of the meditation practices based on the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius.

John Auer will be the retreat leader who has been leading retreats nearly two decades, in Australia and in England. He is also a member of a CLC group using Ignatian prayer practices, meeting fortnightly in Claremont.

The retreat starts on Mondays 28th November and thereafter on 5th, 12th and 19th December at 6pm at St. Patrick's Basilica Fremantle Parish Centre. There is no charge.

To register your interest: call the parish office on 9335 2268 Mon to Fri 9am to 3pm

or email parishoffice2@iinet.net.au.

Handel's Messiah Concert

Handel's great Christmas oratorio will be performed in Baroque style by the exclusive Perth Chamber Singers in the beautiful stone Basilica of St Patrick, Fremantle. Paul Wright will expertly lead the Perth Baroque Players, and esteemed choral specialist Margaret Pride will conduct the full ensemble with elegance and brilliance. Solos will be sung by members of the chamber choir who are young and upcoming professional vocalists, as was the custom during Handel's time. This will be Perth's first fully professional Christmas performance of Messiah. It promises to be a musically scintillating performance as well as a moving Christmas and spiritual experience.

DATE: Friday 23 December 2022 7:30 PM

TICKETS: \$15-\$89

BOOKINGS: www.trybooking.com/CCZQQ

ENQUIRIES: mcalyn@it.net.au

Christmas Cards & 2023 Columban Calendars

The piety stall has been gifted a selection of Christmas cards which will be for sale next weekend 11/12 November. Calendars are available now at \$10 a calendar. Please see Alma at the Piety Stall on Sundays mornings and she can assist you.

Mass Intentions

Sunday 6th November

8am Mass:

Holy Souls & Julie Bok (Dec'd)

9.30am Italian Mass:

11am Mass:

Ivy Ewing (dec'd)

Reg Tomlinson (dec'd)

5pm Mass:

Clare Ferguson-Smith (dec'd)

Monday 7th November

Midday Mass: Holy Souls **Tuesday 8th November**Midday Mass: Holy Souls

Jose & Fortunata De Abreu (dec'd)

Wednesday 9th November
Midday Mass: Holy Souls
Thursday 10th November
Midday Mass: Holy Souls

Special Intention

Friday 11th November

Midday Mass: Holy Souls

Pasquale De Gennaro (dec'd)

Intentions of Ursuline Lay Association Prayer Group

Saturday 12th NovemberMidday Mass: Holy Souls

6pm Vigil Mass: Angela Franchina (dec'd)

Cesar Ralar (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 100%.

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 First Collection supports the Priests

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

Monday 31 October to Tuesday 30 November CBC Exams in Parish Centre

Sunday 6 November Parish Morning Tea Prison Sunday

Weekend of 12/13 November Lifelink Appeal and Special Collection

Saturday 19 NovemberCatechism Students First Communion

Monday 28 November Parish Advent Program Begins