

47 Adelaide Street, Fremantle, WA, 6160

Basilica of St. Patrick

The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, *Year A*
Sunday 1st January, 2023

Oblate Priests' at the Basilica

Fr. John Sebastian OMI (Rector & Parish Priest)
Fr Angela 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)

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)	Maria Gorman
Marlene Dullard	Sonia La Macchia
Rob De Sousa	Vita Mews

Parish Finance Committee

Trevor Gorey (Chair)
Michael Piu
Collin Visaggio

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,

Today, the very first day of the year we honour Mary by venerating her as the Mother of God. Her son Jesus is Son of God. So, she is the Mother of God. The second reading of today tells us that at the fullness of time, God sent his Son to be born of a woman to redeem us. This redemption meant that we can call God Abba, Father along with Jesus. It enabled us to become children of God and the adopted brothers and sisters of Jesus. So much so, Mary is our Mother too. With great delight, let us honour Mary and sing her praises.

To be called the Mother of God is a great honour for Mary. We know that she clinched this honour the very moment she said yes to God's invitation to be the mother of his Son. It was an act of faith, an act of obedience to the will of God. While saying yes to God's call she did not expect any special honours and privileges to come her way. Even after accepting the Motherhood of the Son of God her life remained very simple, filled with struggles and problems of everyday life. We are seekers of titles and honours for us. We think that by holding top posts and receiving honours from others we become famous, influential and privileged. But it was not Mary's concern when she responded positively to God's call. We honour Mary with the great title of Mother of God for her faithfulness and obedience to God. It is this disposition of her that enabled her to be a humble servant of God's Son all through her life. She stood with Jesus as a loving, caring and concerned mother. From Bethlehem to Calvary she travelled with Jesus. She was a mother who loved her son to the end. The joys and sorrows of Jesus were hers as well. This irreversible attachment and loyalty to Jesus made her motherhood glorious. Today as we honour the Motherhood of Mary, let us personalize these Marian qualities in our life. That would be a nice tribute to Mary on her feast day.

I also wish to sincerely express my prayers to you all on the first day of a New Year. May this year be filled with many blessings in your lives. May you all enjoy good health and be safe from all dangers in life. May God bless you all!

Fr. John Sebastian OMI
Rector & Parish Priest

Music Ministry

Organists & Cantors

Sat 6pm Vigil Mass: Esther Jong (cantor), Andrew Brown (organist)
8am & 11am: Sophie Rodgers (cantor), Andrew Brown (organist)
5pm: Esther Jong (cantor), Andrew Brown (organist)

Hymns

Mass Setting: Marty Haugen - Mass of Creation
Processional Hymn: CWB 808 Sing of Mary, Pure and Lowly
Thanksgiving Hymn: CWB 803 Silent Night
Recessional Hymn: CWB 704 Hark the Herald Angels Sing

The Liturgy of the Word

Entrance Antiphon

Hail, Holy Mother, who gave birth to the King, who rules heaven and earth for ever.

First reading Numbers 6:22-27

A reading from the book of Numbers

They are to call down my name on the sons of Israel, and I will bless them.

The Lord spoke to Moses and said, 'Say this to Aaron and his sons: "This is how you are to bless the sons of Israel. You shall say to them:

May the Lord bless you and keep you.

May the Lord let his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

May the Lord uncover his face to you and bring you peace."

This is how they are to call down my name on the sons of Israel, and I will bless them.'

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm 66(67):2-3,5,6,8

May God bless us in his mercy.

O God, be gracious and bless us
and let your face shed its light upon us.
So will your ways be known upon earth
and all nations learn your saving help.

May God bless us in his mercy.

Let the nations be glad and exult
for you rule the world with justice.
With fairness you rule the peoples,
you guide the nations on earth.

May God bless us in his mercy.

Let the peoples praise you, O God;

let all the peoples praise you.

May God still give us his blessing

till the ends of the earth revere him.

May God bless us in his mercy.

Second reading Galatians 4:4-7

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Galatians

God sent his Son, born of a woman

When the appointed time came, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born a subject of the Law, to redeem the subjects of the Law and to enable us to be adopted as sons. The proof that you are sons is that God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts: the Spirit that cries, 'Abba, Father', and it is this that makes you a son, you are not a slave any more; and if God has made you son, then he has made you heir.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation Heb1:1-2

Alleluia, alleluia!

In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets;

now he speaks to us through his Son.

Alleluia!

Gospel Luke 2:16-21

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to St Luke

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

The shepherds hurried to Bethlehem and found the baby lying in the manger

The shepherds hurried away to Bethlehem and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby lying in the manger. When they saw the child they repeated what they had been told about him, and everyone who heard it was astonished at what the shepherds had to say. As for Mary, she treasured all these things and pondered them in her heart. And the shepherds went back glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen; it was exactly as they had been told.

When the eighth day came and the child was to be circumcised, they gave him the name Jesus, the name the angel had given him before his conception.

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to be God Lord Jesus Christ

Communion Antiphon Heb 13: 8

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and for ever.

Parish Notices

Parish Office Opening Hours Christmas & New Year

Monday 26 December to Monday 2 January 2023

CLOSED

We wish all our Parishioners and their families a very Joyous and Holy Christmas and Safe & Healthy New Year!

NEW YEAR TIMETABLE

Sunday 1 January, 2023

Basilica Masses: 8am, 9.30am (Italian), 11am and 5pm

St Anne's Church: 8.15am Mass

Parish Morning Tea and Senior's Morning Tea

There is no Parish Morning Tea or Senior's Morning Tea in January. February dates will be advised soon.

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.

National Oblate Youth Encounter

It's been a long time coming, but we are very excited to announce that the National Oblate Youth Encounter will be back in January 2023!

The National Oblate Youth Encounter is an event that brings together young people from around Australia who wish to share their Catholic faith in tandem with the Charism of St Eugene de Mazenod. It will be a great chance to grow in faith and reflect, as well as sharing plenty of fun with other young people. NOYE provides a balance of prayer, workshops, open-forums, liturgy, and community time.

The theme for this year's camp will be "Created in the Image and Likeness of God..." We invite young people (year 12 - 30 years old) to come and explore this theme whilst sharing the charism of the Oblates.

WHEN: Thurs 5th – Sun 8th January, 2023

WHERE: Mazenod College, Victoria

COST: Free

Registration is now open via our website: <https://bit.ly/NOYE2023>

For more info contact: Emma Rice erice@oblates.com.au 0422705230

World Youth Day 2023

From 20th July to 10th August 2023 Oblate Youth Australia will be travelling to Lisbon, Portugal for the World Youth Day Pilgrimage. We are planning to join with Bishop Mark Edwards and the Wagga Diocese on pilgrimage to the Holy Land and Lisbon for WYD before finishing our trip in Aix-En-Provence – the birthplace of our founder St Eugene de Mazenod.

The indicative cost for WYD has been quoted at \$9930 and this includes airfares, accommodation, registration for WYD, tours and most meals. Please note that this is only an indicative quote.

We are now taking expressions of interest for the pilgrimage, and you can find more information & a detailed itinerary by visiting: <https://bit.ly/OYAWYD23>

If you have questions or need more info please contact:

Emma Rice erice@oblates.com.au 0422705230.

Music Festival on Fremantle Park

Please be aware that on the weekend of 7/8 January, 2023 the Fremantle Park will host the Music Festival. Streets will be closed Ord Street between Ellen and Finnerty Streets. Expect delays in traffic and parking restrictions.

Please Note: The Parish Office will be closed on Friday 13th January until Friday 20th January, 2023. Please email parishoffice1@iinet.net.au if anything urgent.

Mass Intentions

Sunday 1st January

8am Mass: Souls in Purgatory

9.30am Italian Mass:

11am Mass:

5pm Mass:

Monday 2nd January

Midday Mass: Amedeo Lomma (dec'd)

Tuesday 3rd January

Midday Mass:

Wednesday 4th January

Midday Mass: Elsa Infante & Evaristo Torres (dec'd)

Thursday 5th January

Midday Mass: Manuel Rebelo (dec'd)

Friday 6th January

Midday Mass: Matilda Rebelo (dec'd)

Saturday 7th January

Midday Mass:

6pm Vigil 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 32%.

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

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EFT Second Collection Details

BSB: 066 107

A/c No: 0080 0216

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