47 Adelaide Street, Fremantle, WA, 6160

# Basilica of St. Patrick

The Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A Sunday 5th February, 2023

## 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)

## **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

## **Parish Finance Committee**

Trevor Gorey (Chair) Michael Piu Collin Visaggio

## **Basilica Office staff**

Angie Emanuele (Parish Manager) email: parishoffice1@iinet.net.au Stefani Boschman (Parish Secretary) email: parishoffice2@iinet.net.au

## 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,

Last Sunday we meditated on the Beatitudes of Jesus. The beatitudes of Jesus were not delivered by Jesus on just one occasion. The evangelist Matthew has collected many sayings and teachings of Jesus uttered at different occasions and formed them into one complete unit.

Today's gospel comes from the part of Jesus' Sermon on the Mount. In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus stressed on the new way of life. Through his Sermon on the Mount, Jesus would have shocked his audience, because his teachings are totally different from what people used to hear normally from others.

Jesus says, "You are the salt of the earth," and "you are the light of the world." Through this Jesus summons his disciples to be what God's people were always meant to be: salt of the earth and light of the world. Salt was used to flavor and preserve food. Through living the beatitudes, Jesus' disciples become salt of the earth, preserving goodness in the world. The disciple who does not embody the beatitudes is like salt that loses its taste: he becomes no longer good for anything. Similarly, the disciples are to be the light of the world. In the Jewish tradition Israel was to be a light to the nations (Isa 60:1-3; Bar 4:2). Jesus calls his disciples to fulfill this role by living the beatitudes in such a way that the world may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father.

Cardinal John Henry Newman's prayer "Radiating Christ" implores the Lord to enable our light to "shine before others" (5:16): "Dear Jesus, help me to spread Thy fragrance everywhere I go. Flood my soul with Thy spirit and life. Penetrate and possess my whole being so utterly that all my life may only be a radiance of Thine. Shine through me, and be so in me that every soul I come in contact with may feel Thy presence in my soul. Let them look up and see no longer me but only Jesus! Stay with me, and then I shall begin to shine as Thou shinest, so to shine as to be a light to others; the light, O Jesus, will be all from Thee; none of it will be mine; it will be Thou shining on others through me. Let me thus praise Thee in the way Thou dost love best by shining on those around me. Let me preach Thee without preaching, not by words but by my example, by the catching force of the sympathetic influence of what I do, the evident fullness of the love my heart bears to Thee. Amen."

Fr. John Sebastian OMI Rector & Parish Priest

# Music Ministry

## **Organists & Cantors**

Sat 6pm Vigil Mass: Aquinas Schola (Conductor: Hugh Lydon)
Andrew Brown (Organist)
8am & 11am: Gilbert Rodgers (Cantor), Michael Peters (Organist)

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## **Hymns**

Mass Setting: Paul Mason - Mass Shalom Processional Hymn: CWB 788 Praise God from whom all blessings

Thanksgiving Hymn: CWB 643 Christ is the world's light Recessional Hymn: CWB 799 Rejoice! The Lord is King

# The Liturgy of the Word

## Entrance Antiphon Ps 94: 6-7

O come, let us worship God and bow low before the God who made us, for he is the Lord our God.

## First reading Isaiah 58:7-10

## A reading from the Prophet Isaiah 58:7-10

Then will your light shine like the dawn

Thus says the Lord:

Share your bread with the hungry, and shelter the homeless poor, clothe the man you see to be naked and do not turn from your own kin.

Then will your light shine like the dawn and your wound be quickly healed over.

Your integrity will go before you and the glory of the Lord behind you. Cry, and the Lord will answer; call, and he will say, 'I am here.'

If you do away with the yoke, the clenched fist, the wicked word, if you give your bread to the hungry, and relief to the oppressed, your light will rise in the darkness, and your shadows become like noon.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

# Responsorial Psalm Psalm 111(112):4-9

## A light rises in the darkness for the upright.

He is a light in the darkness for the upright: he is generous, merciful and just.

The good man takes pity and lends, he conducts his affairs with honour.

## A light rises in the darkness for the upright.

The just man will never waver:
he will be remembered for ever.
He has no fear of evil news;
with a firm heart he trusts in the Lord.

## A light rises in the darkness for the upright.

With a steadfast heart he will not fear; open-handed, he gives to the poor; his justice stands firm for ever. His head will be raised in glory.

A light rises in the darkness for the upright.

# Second reading 1 Corinthians 2:1-5 A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

The only knowledge I claimed was of the crucified Christ

When I came to you, brothers, it was not with any show of oratory or philosophy, but simply to tell you what God had guaranteed. During my stay with you, the only knowledge I claimed to have was about Jesus, and only about him as the crucified Christ. Far from relying on any power of my own, I came among you in great 'fear and trembling' and in my speeches and the sermons that I gave, there were none of the arguments that belong to philosophy; only a demonstration of the power of the Spirit. And I did this so that your faith should not depend on human philosophy but on the power of God.

The word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.** 

# Gospel Acclamation John 8:12

Alleluia, alleluia!
I am the light of the world, says the Lord;
the man who follows me
will have the light of life.

## Gospel Matthew 5:13-16

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

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

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Your light must shine in the sight of men

Jesus said to his disciples: 'You are the salt of the earth. But if salt becomes tasteless, what can make it salty again? It is good for nothing, and can only be thrown out to be trampled underfoot by men.

'You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill-top cannot be hidden. No one lights a lamp to put it under a tub; they put it on the lamp-stand where it shines for everyone in the house. In the same way your light must shine in the sight of men, so that, seeing your good works, they may give the praise to your Father in heaven.'

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to be God Lord Jesus Christ

# Communion Antiphon Cf. Ps 106: 8-9

Let them thank the Lord for his mercy, his wonders for the children of men, for he satisfies the thirsty soul, and the hungry he fills with good things.

# Parish Notices

## Parish Morning Tea

The first Parish Morning Tea for 2023 will be held on Sunday 5th February after the 8am Mass in the Presbytery Carport. All welcome to attend.

## Senior's Morning Tea

The first Senior's Morning Tea for 2023 will be held on Monday 20th February at 10am in the parish centre. All Senior's welcome.

## Papal Approval of the Constitutions and Rules on February 17, 2023

Pope Leo XII formally approved, The Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate Constitutions and Rules on February 17, 1826. The General Chapter of 1826 decided that "the anniversary of the confirmation of the Institute and the approval of the Constitutions and Rules by our Holy Father, Pope Leo XII, will be celebrated each year on February 17."

You are all welcome to join the Oblates in WA and the Oblates around the World through the Concelebrated Holy Eucharist at Midday on Friday 17th February to pray for all the members of the congregation especially for our good health and also for more vocation to the Priesthood and religious life.

## 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

I believe in God,

Amen.

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;

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.

from there he will come to judge the living and

the dead.

## **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.

## Notre Dame Academic Commencement Mass

This year the Basilica will host the Notre Dame Academic Commencement Mass on Friday 17 February at 10.30am, Mass will be led by Monsignor Michael Keating and Concelebrated with fellow Oblates.

## PREP (Parish Religious Education Program)

This year the Fremantle Catholic Parish of St Patrick's Basilica will offer the PREProgram for all Catholic children who attend non-Catholic Schools. This program incorporates Religious Education along with Sacramental Preparation for the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Eucharist and Confirmation. Classes will commence in February and will continue through out the whole year. Sacramental Enrolment Mass will be held on Sunday 12 February at 5pm and the Parent Information & Formation Evening will be held on Thursday 16 February at 6pm in the Parish Centre. For more information contact the Parish Office on 9335 2268 (Mon to Fri, 9am to 3pm).

## Ash Wednesday 22nd February, 2023

Ashes will be distributed at all Masses in the Basilica on Ash Wednesday. Masses will be held at 9am, Midday and 7pm.

## Project Compassion for 2023: For All Future Generations

Project Compassion Sunday will be held on Sunday 19th February. During that weekend Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes will be available in the side foyer of the church. On the weekend of 25th/26th February we will have a Special Collection for Project Compassion at all Masses.

This years theme is *For All Future Generations*, it reminds us that what we do today can have an impact for *All Future Generations*. This message invites us to step up for those who do not have the essential resources they need for their survival and those whose needs at this time are far beyond ours.

## World Day of Prayer 2023

This years World Day of Prayer will be celebrated on Friday 3rd March and its theme is Taiwan. All Parishioners are invited to join the World Day of Prayer celebrations on Friday 3rd March at 10am at the Wesley Uniting Church, 4 Cantonment Street, Fremantle. For more info please contact the Wesley Uniting Church on 9335 1775. All Welcome to attend.

## Catholic Worship Hymn Books

We are looking at upgrading our congregation Catholic Worship Hymn Books (green books) with the new version and are seeking donations to assist the parish with the purchase of 150 new books at a cost of \$32 per book plus freight. Direct Deposit donations can be deposited into BSB: 086 006 A/C No: 48794 3085 using your name and hymn book donation as reference. If you would like more information please contact Angie in the Parish Office. All donations no matter how big or small will assist and be greatly appreciated.

## Mass Intentions

## Sunday 5th February

8am Mass: Edmund Meyer (dec'd)

9.30am Italian Mass:

Pasquale & Filomena Amato (dec'd)
11am Mass: Cecil Saverimutto (dec'd)

Julie Bok (dec'd) & Holy Souls

5pm Mass: Dominic Portelli & Little Dominic (dec'd)

Monday 6th February

Midday Mass: Fr Ryan & Sr Stainslaw (dec'd)

Cecil Saverimutto (dec'd)

**Tuesday 7th February** 

Midday Mass: Sebastiano & Vincenzo Rafala (dec'd)

Cecil Saverimutto (dec'd)

Wednesday 8th February

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

Cecil Saverimutto (dec'd)

**Thursday 9th February** 

Midday Mass: Cecil Saverimutto (dec'd)

Friday 10th February

Midday Mass: Felice Turco (dec'd)

Cecil Saverimutto (dec'd)

Saturday 11th February

Midday Mass: Pasquale De Gennaro (dec'd0

Cecil Saverimutto (dec'd)

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 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

# **Coming Events**

**Sunday 5th February**Parish Morning Tea

Sunday 12 February

SPPS Welcoming & Sacrament Enrolment Mass

**Thursday 16 February** 

Sacrament Enrolment & Formation Evening

Friday 17 February

Notre Dame Academic Commencement Mass

Sunday 19 February

**Project Compassion Sunday** 

Monday 20 February Senior's Morning Tea