

47 Adelaide Street, Fremantle, WA, 6160

Basilica of St. Patrick

2nd Sunday of Easter - Divine Mercy Sunday, Year A
Sunday 16th April

Oblate Priests' at the Basilica

Fr. John Sebastian OMI (Rector & Parish Priest)
Fr Giancarlo Iollo OMI
(Assistant Priest & Italian Chaplain)
Fr John Patrick John Mary OMI
(Assistant Priest & Hospital Chaplain)
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 (Acting Chair)	Sonia La Macchia
Rob De Sousa	Vita Mews

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Contact

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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!

Today we celebrate the Second Sunday of Easter. The Second Sunday of Easter is also called Divine Mercy Sunday.

On 30th April 2000, when Pope St. John Paul II canonised his countrywoman, Faustina, he said, "It is important then that we accept the whole message that comes to us from the word of God on this Second Sunday of Easter, which from now on throughout the Church, will be called 'Divine Mercy Sunday'." In brief, this Sunday invites us to contemplate the mercy of God.

One could tangibly experience the mercy and forgiveness of God through the sacrament of reconciliation. This happens when we have the courage to accept it and make a strong determination not to do it again, then we could see how the grace and peace, guidance and support of Christ come into our lives.

Friends, in the parable of the two men who went up to the Temple to pray, "the tax collector stood some distance away, not daring even to raise his eyes to heaven; but he beat his breast and said, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner" (Lk 18:10-14). The man went home justified.

Our heavenly Father is a merciful and compassionate Father. May this celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday bring in us the qualities of the Merciful Father, so that as we enjoy the mercy and compassion of our Heavenly Father, we will have the ability to give back to our brothers and sisters who have wronged us.

The first reading taken from the Acts of the Apostles, clearly characterises the qualities of the early Christian community. It says,

- They were all united, heart and soul.
- No one claimed for his/her own.
- Everything they owned was held in common.
- They continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus with great power.
- They were all given great respect.
- None of their members were ever in want.

These qualities of the early Christian community clearly picture to us how we all should be the people of resurrection. People of resurrection can never be quiet, rather they always want to share the joy with others.

Let our words and actions reveal to the World that we truly reflect the nature of the Early Christian communities in the world and the joy of Jesus' Resurrection in our lives.

May we also make every effort to share the forgiveness from God, with everyone around us. Amen.

Fr. John Sebastian OMI
Rector & Parish Priest

Music Ministry

Organists & Cantors

Sat 6pm Vigil: Dennis Nixon (Cantor), Andrew Brown (Organist)
Sun 8am & 11am: Bonnie de la Hunty (Cantor),
Vince Basile (Organist)
5pm Mass: Dennis Nixon (Cantor), Michael Peters (Organist)

Hymns

Mass Setting: Paul Mason - Mass Shalom
Processional Hymn: CWB 619 Alleluia Sing to Jesus
Thanksgiving Hymn: CWB 838 There's a Wideness in God's Mercy
Recessional Hymn: CWB 639 Christ is Alive

The Liturgy of the Word

Entrance Antiphon 1 Pt 2: 2

Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia.

First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 2:42-47

A reading from Acts of the Apostles

The faithful all lived together and owned everything in common

The whole community remained faithful to the teaching of the apostles, to the brotherhood, to the breaking of bread and to the prayers.

The many miracles and signs worked through the apostles made a deep impression on everyone.

The faithful all lived together and owned everything in common; they sold their goods and possessions and shared out the proceeds among themselves according to what each one needed.

They went as a body to the Temple every day but met in their houses for the breaking of bread; they shared their food gladly and generously; they praised God and were looked up to by everyone. Day by day the Lord added to their community those destined to be saved.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 117(118):2-4,13-15,22-24

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love is everlasting.

Let the sons of Israel say:

‘His love has no end.’

Let the sons of Aaron say:

‘His love has no end.’

Let those who fear the Lord say:

‘His love has no end.’

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love is everlasting.

I was thrust down, thrust down and falling,
but the Lord was my helper.

The Lord is my strength and my song;
he was my saviour.

There are shouts of joy and victory
in the tents of the just.

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love is everlasting.

The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone.

This is the work of the Lord,
a marvel in our eyes.

This day was made by the Lord;
we rejoice and are glad.

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love is everlasting.

Second Reading: 1 Peter 1:3-9

A reading from the first letter of St Peter

You did not see Christ, yet you love him

Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who in his great mercy has given us a new birth as his sons, by raising Jesus Christ from the dead, so that we have a sure hope and the promise of an inheritance that can never be spoilt or soiled and never fade away, because it is being kept for you in the heavens. Through your faith, God's power will guard you until the salvation which has been prepared is revealed at the end of time. This is a cause of great joy for you, even though you may for a short time have to bear being plagued by all sorts of trials; so that, when Jesus Christ is revealed, your faith will have been tested and proved like gold – only it is more precious than gold, which is corruptible even though it bears testing by fire – and then you will have praise and glory and honour. You did not see him, yet you love him; and still without seeing him, you are already filled with a joy so glorious that it cannot be described, because you believe; and you are sure of the end to which your faith looks forward, that is, the salvation of your souls.

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sequence

Victimae Paschali Laudes

Christians, to the Paschal Victim
offer sacrifice and praise.
The sheep are ransomed by the Lamb;
and Christ, the undefiled,
hath sinners to his Father reconciled.

Death with life contended:
combat strangely ended!

Life's own Champion, slain,
yet lives to reign.

Tell us, Mary:
say what thou didst see
upon the way.

The tomb the Living did enclose;
I saw Christ's glory as he rose!

The angels there attesting;
shroud with grave-clothes resting.

Christ, my hope, has risen:
he goes before you into Galilee.

That Christ is truly risen
from the dead we know.
Victorious king, thy mercy show!

Gospel Acclamation John 20:29

Alleluia, alleluia!

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me;
happy are those who have not seen me, but still believe!
Alleluia!

Gospel Reading John 20:19-31

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Eight days later, Jesus came again and stood among them

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you', and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.'

'As the Father sent me,
so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit.
For those whose sins you forgive,
they are forgiven;
for those whose sins you retain,
they are retained.'

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 Nicene Creed

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.

God from God,
Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation he came down from
heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the
Virgin Mary,
and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and
glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. 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.

Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord', he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him:

'You believe because you can see me.
Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.'

There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

The gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Communion Antiphon 1 Cor 5: 7-8

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia;
therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread
of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia.

Parish Notices

Fr Matthew Raj OMI

Next week we will welcome Fr Matthew Raj OMI who will be acting Parish Priest over the next three months. Please make Fr Matthew feel welcome and please introduce yourself to him.

Senior's Morning Tea

The next Senior's Morning Tea will be held on Monday 17th April at 10am in the Parish Centre. All Senior's Welcome.

Parish Morning Tea

The next Parish Morning Tea will be held on Sunday 7th May after the 8am Mass. All welcome to attend.

Our Lady of Fatima

The nine day Novena in honour of Our Lady of Fatima will commence on Thursday 4th May until Friday 12th May. See noticeboards and leaflets which are available in the side foyer of the Church this weekend. This year Mass will be celebrated on Saturday 13th May at 6pm with candlelight procession through the Basilica and School Grounds followed by Benediction in the Basilica. Please join us as we honour Our Lady.

Project Compassion Donations

Please return your Project Compassion donations either via the Parish Office or via the collection plate at the weekend Masses. Donation need to be in before the end of April.

Mass Intentions

Saturday 15th April

6pm Vigil Mass: Francesca Vinci (dec'd 3rd anniv.)

Sunday 16th April

8am Mass:

9.30am Italian Mass:

Gaetano & Maria Letizia (dec'd)

Maria Vinci (dec'd)

Decio & Maria-Antonietta, Apulia Italy (dec'd)

Prayers Group of the Lay Association of the Ursuline Sisters (int)

11am Mass: Erminia Polce (dec'd)

5pm Mass:

Monday 17th April

Midday Mass: Frank, Elena & Martha Amato (dec'd)

Tuesday 18th April

Midday Mass:

Wednesday 19th April

Midday Mass: James Ong & Jew Family (dec'd)

Thursday 20th April

Midday Mass:

Friday 21st April

Midday Mass: Emanuele Family (int)

Saturday 22nd April

Midday Mass: Maria Turco (dec'd)

6pm Vigil Mass: Vincenzo Vitelli (dec'd)

Sally Debrincat (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 53%.

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

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Second Collection supports the Parish

Upcoming Events

Monday 17th April

Senior's Morning Tea

Tuesday 25th April

Anzac Day

Thursday 4th May to Friday 12th May

Our Lady of Fatima Novena

Sunday 7th May

Parish Morning Tea

Saturday 13th May

Our Lady of Fatima Mass, Procession & Benediction

Sunday 14th May

Mother's Day