

47 Adelaide Street, Fremantle, WA, 6160

Basilica of St. Patrick

The Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A
Sunday 23rd July, 2023

Oblate Priests' at the Basilica

Fr Slawek Plonka OMI (Parish Priest & Rector)
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

Parish Finance Committee

Collin Visaggio (Chair)
Trevor Gorey
Michael Piu

Basilica Office

Angie Emanuele (Parish Manager)
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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 brothers and sisters in Christ,

In today's Gospel, Jesus offers three parables to describe the Kingdom of Heaven. He also explains why he speaks to the crowds in parables and interprets the parable of the sower for the disciples. This reading is a continuation of Jesus' discourse that we began reading last Sunday.

All three parables use commonplace experiences to describe aspects of the Kingdom of Heaven. The first parable is longer and more detailed than the next two, and it alerts us to the two-fold reality of the Kingdom of Heaven. The beginnings of the Kingdom of Heaven can be found in this world. The fruition of the Kingdom of Heaven, however, will not be realized until the final judgment. In the meantime, as Jesus' explanation to the disciples cautions, any effort to judge the progress of the Kingdom of Heaven is premature. Only God, in the final judgment, will distinguish the fruit of the Kingdom of Heaven and offer its reward.

The second and third parables call to our attention the abundance that will result from the small beginnings of the Kingdom of Heaven. Just as a mustard seed—the smallest of all seeds—will become a large bush, so too God will bring his Kingdom to full bloom. As a small amount of yeast will leaven the entire batch of bread, so too God will bring about the expansion of his Kingdom. In each case the image is of the superabundance that God brings out of even the smallest of signs of the Kingdom.

Contained within these parables are words of caution as well as words of consolation. In the parable of the sower we are warned against judging others. To judge and uproot the "weeds" prematurely will harm the wheat; final judgment rests with God. In the parables of the mustard seed and the yeast, we are consoled by the message that God can work wonders and produce abundance from even the smallest beginnings of the Kingdom of Heaven.
(Source: Loyola Press)

Music Ministry

Organists & Cantors

6pm Vigil Mass: Aquinas Schola (Conductor: Hugh Lydon)
Andrew Brown (Organist)

8am & 11am Mass: Sophie Rodgers (Cantor), Vince Basile (Organist)
5pm Mass: Morgan Davies (Cantor), Michael Peters (Organist)

Hymns

Mass Setting: Paul Taylor - Mass of St Francis
Processional Hymn: CWB 790 Praise the Lord, you heavens
adore him
Thanksgiving Hymn: CWB 713 How Blessed is this Place, O Lord
Recessional Hymn: CWB 838 There's a wideness in God's mercy

The Liturgy of the Word

Entrance Antiphon Ps 53: 6, 8

See, I have God for my help.

The Lord sustains my soul.

I will sacrifice to you with willing heart,
and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.

First Reading Wisdom 12:13,16-19

A reading from the book of Wisdom

You will grant repentance after sin

There is no god, other than you, who cares for every
thing,
to whom you might have to prove that you never
judged unjustly.

Your justice has its source in strength,
your sovereignty over all makes you lenient to all.
You show your strength when your sovereign power
is questioned

and you expose the insolence of those who know it;
but, disposing of such strength, you are mild in
judgement,

you govern us with great lenience,
for you have only to will, and your power is there.

By acting thus you have taught a lesson to your
people

how the virtuous man must be kindly to his fellow
men,

and you have given your sons the good hope
that after sin you will grant repentance.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 85(86):5-6,9-10,15-16

Lord, you are good and forgiving.

O Lord, you are good and forgiving,
full of love to all who call.

Give heed, O Lord, to my prayer
and attend to the sound of my voice.

Lord, you are good and forgiving.

All the nations shall come to adore you
and glorify your name, O Lord:
for you are great and do marvellous deeds,
you who alone are God.

Lord, you are good and forgiving.

But you, God of mercy and compassion,
slow to anger, O Lord,
abounding in love and truth,
turn and take pity on me.

Lord, you are good and forgiving.

Second reading Romans 8:26-27

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans
*The Spirit himself expresses our plea in a way that could
never be put into words*

The Spirit comes to help us in our weakness. For
when we cannot choose words in order to pray
properly, the Spirit himself expresses our plea in a
way that could never be put into words, and God
who knows everything in our hearts knows
perfectly well what he means, and that the pleas of
the saints expressed by the Spirit are according to
the mind of God.

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation of Matthew 11:25

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth;
you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.

Alleluia!

Gospel Reading Matthew 13:24-30

A reading from the Gospel according to St Matthew

Let them both grow till the harvest

Jesus put another parable before the crowds: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field. While everybody was asleep his enemy came, sowed darnel all among the wheat, and made off. When the new wheat sprouted and ripened, the darnel appeared as well. The owner's servants went to him and said, "Sir, was it not good seed that you sowed in your field? If so, where does the darnel come from?" "Some enemy has done this" he answered. And the servants said, "Do you want us to go and weed it out?" But he said, "No, because when you weed out the darnel you might pull up the wheat with it. Let them both grow till the harvest; and at harvest time I shall say to the reapers: First collect the darnel and tie it in bundles to be burnt, then gather the wheat into my barn."

The gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Communion Antiphon Ps 110: 4-5

The Lord, the gracious, the merciful,
has made a memorial of his wonders;
he gives food to those who fear 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

Mass Intentions

Parish Morning Tea

The next Parish Morning Tea will be celebrated on Sunday 6th August, 2023 after the 8am Mass in the presbytery carport. All Welcome.

Catholic Mission Appeal

Catholic Mission Appeal will be held in the Parish on the weekend of the 5th/6th August, 2023. There will be a guest speaker at all Masses from the Catholic Missions Office. More information to come.

Works around the Basilica

You have probably noticed over the past few days scaffolding being erected on the right hand side of the Basilica. The scaffolding is required so that we can do some repairs to guttering on that side of the Basilica which was damaged in the last heavy weather. Please be careful in the carpark and when walking near that side of the Basilica and be mindful of workers in that area.

Installation of new Parish Priest

Please join us on Sunday 13th August at 11am Mass, when the Archbishop of Perth's delegate, Very Rev Fr Peter Whitely, Vicar General, will lead the Concelebrated Mass and install Fr Slawek Plonka OMI as the new Parish Priest of The Basilica of St Patrick, Fremantle. Tea and Coffee will be served after the Mass in the Parish Centre.

Seniors' Morning Tea

The next Seniors' Morning Tea will be held on Monday 21st August, 2023 at 10am in the parish centre. All seniors' welcome.

The Medjugorje Evening of Prayer

The parish of Our Lady of the Mission Craigie, are pleased to announce the visit of Bishop D'Ercole Emeritus, who was Head of Vatican secretariat to St. Pope John Paul II for 26 years and Pope Benedict for 5 years.

Venue 1. Medjugorje evening of Prayer Friday 28th July 7.00pm. at St Bernadette's Church. 49 Jugan St. Glendalough. Evening includes;- Reconciliation. Rosary. Benediction. Holy Mass. Free distribution of Rosary Beads which received Our Lady's Blessing during Her apparition in Medjugorje. Evening concludes with light refreshments. All Welcome.

Venue 2. Thursday 3rd August 9.00am with Holy Mass at Our Lady of the Mission Church. Camberwarra Dr. Craigie. All Welcome.

Saturday 22nd July

6pm Vigil Mass: For the People

Sunday 23rd July

8am Mass:

9.30am Italian Mass:

Filippo & Teresina Colaccino (dec'd)

Enrico Citrigno (dec'd)

Michele Palladino (dec'd)

Giovanna Di Dio (int)

Salvatore Camarda (dec'd)

11am Mass: Steven & Alan Caporn (int. Birthday)
Kreso Lozancic (recently dec'd)

5pm Mass: Kwa Kawiakowski (int.)

Monday 24th July

Midday Mass: Lovre Tesija (dec'd)

Tuesday 25th July

Midday Mass:

Wednesday 26th July

Midday Mass: Helen Griffith (dec'd)

Thursday 27th July

Midday Mass:

Friday 28th July

Midday Mass: Emanuele Family (int.)

Saturday 29th July

Midday Mass:

6pm Vigil Mass: For the People

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 65%.

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

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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

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Upcoming Events

Weekend 5th/6th August
Catholic Mission Appeal

Sunday 6th August
Parish Morning Tea

Sunday 13th August
Installation of Parish Priest