# 47 Adelaide Street, Fremantle, WA, 6160 Basilica of St. Patrick The Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A Sunday 9th July, 2023

#### Oblate Priests' at the Basilica

Fr. Matthew Raj (interim 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) Marlene Dullard (Acting Chair) Rob De Sousa

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**Basilica Office** Angie Emanuele (Parish Manager) email: parishmanager@fremantlestpatricks.org.au

**Parish working hours** Monday to Friday (9am to 3pm) Closed Weekends and Public Holidays

#### Contact

Office phone number: (08) 9335 2268 Email: parishmanager@fremantlestpatricks.org.au Website: http://fremantlestpatricks.org.au Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Today's reading from Matthew's Gospel comes after a discourse in which Jesus reproaches people who have witnessed his mighty deeds yet still lack belief. In this context, today's Gospel explains the reason for this unbelief and reveals what is necessary for faith. Today's Gospel also continues to enhance our understanding of discipleship as last week's Gospel did.

Jesus first prays in thanksgiving to God who has made himself known to Jesus' disciples. He praises God who has made himself known to the "little ones" and not to the wise and learned. As in other recent readings from Matthew's Gospel, a contrast is made here between the unbelieving Pharisees, who are wise and learned, and the faithful disciples, tax collectors, and sinners with whom Jesus keeps company.

The second part of this reading calls to our attention the unity between the Father and the Son. God has made himself known through Jesus, and in knowing Jesus, we come to know the Father. In Jesus' life and in his person, God reveals himself to us.

In the concluding sentences of today's Gospel, Jesus' teaching is again contrasted to the teaching of the Pharisees. This common theme of Matthew's Gospel probably reflects tension that existed between Jesus and the Pharisees and between the Pharisees and the community of Christians for whom Matthew wrote. Pharisaic Judaism became the predominant form of Judaism after the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem about 70 A.D. Here that tension is expressed as alternative paths of holiness. The careful

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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. observance of the Mosaic law taught by the Pharisees could be experienced by some as difficult and burdensome. In contrast, Jesus' way of holiness is presented as uncomplicated and even restful.

Today we have the message from Jesus to come to him and receive the rest he alone can give. It is a call to a personal relationship. He takes us away from the impersonal relationship of law to a personal relationship of love and makes us enter a joyful life-giving relationship. In coming to the person of Jesus we discover that far from being burdened, we are fully liberated. Let Jesus be our rock of strength. (*Source: Loyola Press*)

# Music Ministry

Organists & Cantors 6pm Vigil Mass: Esther Jong (Cantor), Andrew Brown (Organist) 8am & 11am Mass: Sophie Rodgers (Cantor), Andrew Brown (Organist) 5pm Mass: Eimear Foley (Cantor), Michael Peters (Organist)

#### <u>Hymns</u>

Mass Setting: Paul Taylor - Mass of St Francis Processional Hymn: CWB 611 All the earth proclaim the Lord Thanksgiving Hymn: CWB 685 Gift of finest wheat Recessional Hymn: CWB 739 Lord of creation

The Liturgy of the Word	
Entrance Antiphon Cf. Ps 47: 10-11 Your merciful love, O God,	Responsorial Psalm Psalm 144(145):1-2,8-11,13b-14
we have received in the midst of your temple. Your praise, O God, like your name, reaches the ends of the earth;	I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.
your right hand is filled with saving justice.	I will give you glory, O God my king, I will bless your name for ever. I will bless you day after day
First Reading Zechariah 9:9-10	and praise your name for ever.
A reading from the prophet Zechariah See now, your king comes humbly to you	I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.
The Lord says this:	The Lord is kind and full of compassion, slow to anger, abounding in love. How good is the Lord to all,
Rejoice heart and soul, daughter of Zion!	compassionate to all his creatures.
Shout with gladness, daughter of Jerusalem!	
See now, your king comes to you;	I will praise your name for ever, my king and my
he is victorious, he is triumphant,	God.
humble and riding on a donkey,	All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord, and your friends shall repeat their blessing.
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.	
He will banish chariots from Ephraim	They shall speak of the glory of your reign
and horses from Jerusalem;	and declare your might, O God.
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He will proclaim peace for the nations. His empire shall stretch from sea to sea, from the River to the ends of the earth.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

The Lord is faithful in all his words and loving in all his deeds. The Lord supports all who fall and raises all who are bowed down.

I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

### Second reading Romans 8:9,11-13 A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

If by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeeds of the body, you will live

Your interests are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not belong to him, and if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you.

So then, my brothers, there is no necessity for us to obey our unspiritual selves or to live unspiritual lives. If you do live in that way, you are doomed to die; but if by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeeds of the body you will live.

The Word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

### **Gospel Acclamation cf 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 11:25-30**

A reading from the Gospel according to St Matthew You have hidden these things from the wise and revealed them to little children

Jesus exclaimed, 'I bless you, Father, Lord of heaven and of earth, for hiding these things from the learned and the clever and revealing them to mere children. Yes, Father, for that is what it pleased you to do. Everything has been entrusted to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, just as no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

'Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened, and I will

#### 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.

give you rest. Shoulder my yoke and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. Yes, my yoke is easy and my burden light.'

The gospel of the Lord. All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

### Communion Antiphon Ps 33: 9 Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed the man who seeks refuge in him.

#### **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

#### Seniors Morning Tea

The next Seniors Morning Tea will be held on Monday 17th July at 10am in the Parish Hall. All seniors welcome.

#### **Basilica Guardians**

Seeking guardians for Wednesdays and Thursday 1pm to 3pm. We require two volunteers for each session. If you can assist please contact the Parish Office on 9335 2268.

#### Fr Mathew Raj OMI

On Monday 17th July we will farewell our current Interim Parish Priest, Fr Mathew. Thank You Fr Mathew for being with us over the past three months, we have come to enjoy your homilies and your company. We wish you all the very best in your future and hopefully we can see you again in Fremantle.

#### Welcome Fr Slawek Plonka OMI

From Monday 17th July we will welcome our new Parish Priest, Fr Slawek. We hope that he will enjoy his new position here in Fremantle and we look forward to meeting him and working with him.

#### Fr Austin Cooper OMI

It is with great sadness that the Australian Province of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate announces the death of Fr Austin Patrick Cooper OMI, 2nd July 2023 at the age of 92.

Fr Austin has been an outstanding priest and dedicated Oblate of Mary Immaculate. He was a highly capable, a man of prayer and deep spirituality, inspirational to many students; and kind, with a lovely sense of humour. He was involved in the formation of many priests in Australia. May he rest in peace.

## Mass Intentions

Saturday 8th Julv 6pm Vigil Mass: For the People Sunday 9th July 8am Mass: Muriel Reid (dec'd) Julie Bok (dec'd) and Holy Souls Michael John McPhee (dec'd) 9.30am Italian Mass: Domenica Baeli (dec'd) Teresa & Giuseppe Servillo (dec'd) Franco Marcon (dec'd) 11am Mass: Bill Wayne (dec'd anniversary) 5pm Mass: Monday 10th July Midday Mass: John Goncalves (dec'd) Tuesday 11th July Midday Mass: Antonia Di Pinto (dec'd) Pasquale De Gennaro (dec'd) Wednesday 12th July Midday Mass: Thursday 13th July Midday Mass: Friday 14th July Midday Mass: Saturday 15th July Midday Mass: Ana & Ante Borzic (dec'd) 6pm Vigil Mass: Ewa Kawiatkowski (int. good health)

# 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 83%.

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

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## Upcoming Events

Monday 17 July Seniors Morning Tea