47 Adelaide Street, Fremantle, WA, 6160 Basilica of St. Patrick Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A Sunday 27th August, 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 MembersDomenic Burgio (Chair)MMarlene Dullard (Acting Chair)SeRob De SousaV

Maria Gorman Sonia La Macchia Vita Mews

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

It is important to read today's Gospel and next week's Gospel as two parts of a single story. These readings are a turning point in Matthew's Gospel. This week we hear Jesus name Simon Peter as the rock upon which he will build his Church. Next week we will hear Jesus call this same Simon Peter "Satan" when he reacts negatively to Jesus' prediction about his passion and death.

In today's Gospel, Jesus asks his disciples what people are saying about his identity. The disciples indicate that most people believe that Jesus is a prophet of Israel. Then Jesus asks his disciples who they believe that he is. Simon Peter answers, identifying Jesus as the Messiah, the Son of God.

Jesus commends Simon Peter for this profession of faith, indicating that this insight has come from God. Because of Simon Peter's response, Jesus calls him the "rock" upon which Jesus will build the Church. This is a word play on the name Peter, which is the Greek word for "rock." Peter is then given special authority by Jesus, a symbolic key to the Kingdom of Heaven. Peter will play an important role in the early Christian community as a spokesperson and a leader.

In today's Gospel, Peter's recognition of Jesus' identity is credited to a revelation by God. This will contrast sharply with Jesus' rebuke of Peter in next week's Gospel. When Peter rejects Jesus' prediction of his passion and death, Peter is said to no longer be thinking as God does but as humans do.

Parish Safeguarding Officers Mary Davis 0409 115 191 Lynn Tomlinson 0424 243 224

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.

The use of the term church in today's Gospel is one of only three such occurrences in Matthew's Gospel. Peter in this Gospel is being credited as the foundation for the Church, a privilege granted to him because of his recognition of Jesus' identity. The Church continues to be grounded in the faith that Jesus Christ is Lord. (*source Loyola Press*)

Music Ministry

Organists & Cantors 6pm Vigil Mass: CBC Family Mass 8am & 11am Mass: Sophie Rodgers (Cantor), Andrew Brown(Organist) 5pm Mass: Tom Allan (Cantor), Michael Peters (Organist)

<u>Hymns</u>

Mass Setting: Paul Taylor - Mass of St Francis Processional Hymn: CWB 618 All Creatures of our God and King Thanksgiving Hymn: CWB 718 I am the bread of life Recessional Hymn: CWB 835 The Voice of God

The Liturgy of the Word

Entrance Antiphon Cf. Ps 85: 1-3

Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me; save the servant who trusts in you, my God. Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

First Reading Isaiah 22:19-23

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

I place the key of the House of David on my servant's shoulder

Thus says the Lord of Hosts to Shebna, the master of the palace:

I dismiss you from your office, I remove you from your post, and the same day I call on my servant Eliakim son of Hilkiah. I invest him with your robe, gird him with your sash, entrust him with your authority; and he shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem and to the House of Judah. I place the key of the House of David on his shoulder; should he open, no one shall close, should he close, no one shall open. I drive him like a peg into a firm place; he will become a throne of glory for his father's house.

Responsorial Psalm lm 137(138):1-3,6,8

Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.

I thank you, Lord, with all my heart: you have heard the words of my mouth. In the presence of the angels I will bless you. I will adore before your holy temple.

Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.

I thank you for your faithfulness and love, which excel all we ever knew of you. On the day I called, you answered; you increased the strength of my soul.

Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.

The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly and the haughty he knows from afar. Your love, O Lord, is eternal, discard not the work of your hands.

Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.

Second reading Romans 11:33-36 A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

All that exists comes from him; all is by him and from

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

How rich are the depths of God – how deep his wisdom and knowledge – and how impossible to penetrate his motives or understand his methods! Who could ever know the mind of the Lord? Who could ever be his counsellor? Who could ever give him anything or lend him anything? All that exists comes from him; all is by him and for him. To him be glory for ever! Amen. The Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation Matthew 16:18

Alleluia, alleluia! You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my Church; the gates of hell will not hold out against it. Alleluia!

Gospel Reading Matthew 16:13-20

A reading from the Gospel according to St Matthew You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say he is John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he said 'who do you say I am?' Then Simon Peter spoke up, 'You are the Christ,' he said, 'the Son of the living God.' Jesus replied, 'Simon son of Jonah, you are a happy man! Because it was not flesh and blood that revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. So I now say to you: You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church. And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven: whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.' Then he gave the disciples strict orders not to tell anyone that he was the Christ.

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

Communion Antiphon Cf. Ps 103: 13-15

The earth is replete with the fruits of your work, O Lord; you bring forth bread from the earth and wine to cheer the heart.

<u>The Gloria</u>

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.

Parish Notices

Oblates Retreat - 20 August to 26 August

The Oblates will be on Retreat in Melbourne from Sunday 20th August to Saturday 26th August. Masses on Sunday 20th August will be celebrated by Fr Francis Ughanze and Mons. Michael Keating. **Unfortunately the 8.15am Mass at St Anne's will be cancelled for that weekend**. Masses during the week will be celebrated by Fr Anthony Colbert. The Oblates will be back to celebrate Masses on Sunday 27th August, 2023. Let us keep all the Oblates from the Australian Province in our prayers during their Retreat.

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 Morning Tea

The next parish morning tea will be held on Sunday 3rd September, 2023 after the 8am Mass in the presbytery carport. All Welcome.

Annual Father's Day Hot Rod Show

Every year the St Patrick's Primary School hold their Father's Day Hot Rod Show. This year it will be held on Sunday 3rd September, 2023, from 8am to 3pm. Please plan ahead as there will be excess cars around the Basilica and parking maybe a problem.

Our Lady of Tindari (Black Madonna)

The celebrations for Our Lady of Tindari will commence with Triduum on Wednesday 6th, Thursday 7th and Friday 8th September with Rosary at 7pm followed Mass. The Feast Day Mass will be celebrated on Sunday 10th September with 9.30am Italian Mass followed by morning tea in the Parish Centre. All Welcome.

Senior's Morning Tea

The next Senior's Morning Tea will be held on Monday 18th September at 10am in the parish centre. All senior's welcome.

Relics of St John Bosco

The relic statue of St John Bosco, better known as Don Bosco, will be touring Australia as part of the celebrations of the centenary of the arrival of the Salesians on Australian soil. The Salesians came to the shore of Australia on 30th March 1923 in Fremantle, Western Australia.

The Basilica will host the relics of St John Bosco on Monday 18th September, 2023. The relics will arrive in the Basilica just before the Midday Mass and will remain in the Basilica until 3pm. We invite all parishioners and friends to come and visit the relics while they are in the Basilica. Come and share in this wonderful experience.

I require two strong men to assist with the moving of the relics on the day, if you can assist at 11.45am to place the relics in the Church and then at 3pm to remove the relics, please contact Angie in the parish office asap.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Talks

On the weekend of 23rd/24th September we will welcome speakers from Worldwide Marriage Encounter who will talk during the homily on Saturday 6pm Vigil, Sunday 8am, 11am & 5pm Masses.

Mass Intentions

Saturday 26th August 6pm Vigil Mass: Luigi Gizzarone (dec'd) **CBC Family Mass** Sunday 270th August 8am Mass: For the People 9.30am Italian Mass: Ambrogio Family (dec'd) Emanuele Family (dec'd) 11am Mass: Ariyah Milosavlavic (dec'd) 5pm Mass: Aric' Marko (dec'd) Monday 28th August Midday Mass: Teresa Squeo (dec'd) Augustino & Angela Rebelo (dec'd) **Tuesday 29th August** Midday Mass: Umberto Ricciardi (dec'd anniv.) Wednesday 30th August Midday Mass: Gaetano, Rosina & Nancy Tomba (dec'd) Leonardo Goncalves (dec'd) **Thursday 31st August** Midday Mass: Holy Souls **Friday 1st September** Midday Mass: Helen O'Donnell (dec'd) Nikola Braskic (dec'd) Saturday 2nd September Midday Mass: Maria Rosaria (dec'd) Amedeo Lomma (dec'd) Giovanna Di Dio (int) 6pm Vigil Mass: Ewa Kwiatkowski (dec'd) Vincenzo & Domenica Conte (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 55%.

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

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Weekday Masses - Readers Required

If you regularly attend weekday Midday Masses on Mondays and Fridays and can assist with reading during the Masses please see Joan Swindell's.

Please return your Catholic Mission donation envelopes either via the parish office or the collection plate before the end of August. Thank You

First Collection supports the Priests

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Upcoming Events

Friday 1st September Pasta Night

Sunday 3rd September Father's Day Parish Morning Tea SPPS Hot Rod Show