

47 Adelaide Street, Fremantle, WA, 6160

Basilica of St. Patrick

The Transfiguration of the Lord, Year A

Sunday 6th 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 Members

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| 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,

Today's liturgy invites us to celebrate the feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord. This feast calls to our attention the importance of this event in Jesus' life, further affirmed by its report in each of the Synoptic Gospels: Matthew, Mark, and Luke. In Cycle A, the reading for this feast is taken from the Gospel of Matthew. The Transfiguration occurs after Peter confesses his belief that Jesus is the Messiah and after Jesus predicts his Passion. In each of these Gospels, a discussion of the cost of discipleship precedes the Transfiguration.

In each Gospel, Jesus takes three of his disciples—Peter, James, and John—to a high mountain. While they are there, Elijah and Moses appear and converse with Jesus. Elijah and Moses are both significant figures in the history of Israel. Moses led the Israelites out of slavery in Egypt and received from Yahweh the Ten Commandments. Moses represents the Law, which guides the lives of the Jewish people. Elijah is one of the most important prophets of Israel who helped the Israelites stay faithful to Yahweh, and some believed that Elijah's return would signal the coming of the Messiah for the Jewish people. The appearance of these two figures from Israel's history indicated Jesus' continuity with the Law and the prophets. They also reveal that Jesus is the fulfillment of all that was promised to the people of Israel.

Upon witnessing Jesus' Transfiguration and seeing Jesus with Elijah and Moses, an awestruck Peter offered to construct three tents for them when a voice from Heaven affirms that Jesus is "my beloved Son" and commands the disciples to listen to him.

In each of the reports of the Transfiguration, Jesus instructed the disciples to keep secret what they had seen until after "the Son of Man has been raised from the dead." Until they witnessed Jesus' Passion and Death, the disciples could not possibly understand what he meant by being "raised from the dead." We, however, have the benefit of hindsight. In our hearing of the Transfiguration Gospel, we see an anticipation of Jesus' Resurrection, a foreshadowing of Christ's glory in Heaven, and the promise of our own resurrection. (Source: Loyola Press)

Music Ministry

Organists & Cantors

6pm Vigil Mass: Josh Adams (Cantor), Andrew Brown (Organist)

8am & 11am Mass: Josh Adams (Cantor), Michael Peters (Organist)

5pm Mass: Bonnie de la Hunty (Cantor), Andrew Brown (Organist)

Hymns

Mass Setting: Paul Taylor - Mass of St Francis

Processional Hymn: CWB 619 Alleluia sing to Jesus

Thanksgiving Hymn: CWB 643 Christ is the World's Light

Recessional Hymn: CWB 703 Hail, Redeemer, King Divine

The Liturgy of the Word

Entrance Antiphon Cf. Mt 17: 5

In a resplendent cloud the Holy Spirit appeared.
The Father's voice was heard: This is my beloved
Son, with whom I am well pleased. Listen to him.

First Reading Daniel 7:9-10,13-14

A reading from the book of Daniel

His robe was white as snow

As I watched:

Thrones were set in place
and one of great age took his seat.
His robe was white as snow,
the hair of his head as pure as wool.
His throne was a blaze of flames,
its wheels were a burning fire.
A stream of fire poured out,
issuing from his presence.
A thousand thousand waited on him,
ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him.
A court was held
and the books were opened.

I gazed into the visions of the night.

And I saw, coming on the clouds of heaven,
one like a son of man.
He came to the one of great age
and was led into his presence.
On him was conferred sovereignty,
glory and kingship,
and men of all peoples, nations and languages
became his servants.
His sovereignty is an eternal sovereignty
which shall never pass away,
nor will his empire ever be destroyed.

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

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 96(97):1-2,5-6,9

The Lord is king, the Most High over all the earth.

The Lord is king, let earth rejoice,
let all the coastlands be glad.
Cloud and darkness are his raiment;
his throne, justice and right.

The Lord is king, the Most High over all the earth.

The mountains melt like wax
before the Lord of all the earth.
The skies proclaim his justice;
all peoples see his glory.

The Lord is king, the Most High over all the earth.

For you indeed are the Lord
most high above all the earth,
exalted far above all spirits.

The Lord is king, the Most High over all the earth.

Second reading 2 Peter 1:16-19

A reading from the letter of St Peter

We heard this ourselves, spoken from heaven

It was not any cleverly invented myths that we were repeating when we brought you the knowledge of the power and the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ; we had seen his majesty for ourselves. He was honoured and glorified by God the Father, when the Sublime Glory itself spoke to him and said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; he enjoys my favour.' We heard this ourselves, spoken from heaven, when we were with him on the holy mountain.

So we have confirmation of what was said in prophecies; and you will be right to depend on prophecy and take it as a lamp for lighting a way through the dark until the dawn comes and the morning star rises in your minds.

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

Gospel Acclamation Mt17:5

Alleluia, alleluia!

This is my Son, my beloved, in whom is all my delight:
listen to him.
Alleluia!

Gospel Reading Matthew 17:1-9

A reading from the Gospel according to St Matthew

His face shone like the sun

Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain where they could be alone. There in their presence he was transfigured: his face shone like the sun and his clothes became as white as the light. Suddenly Moses and Elijah appeared to them; they were talking with him. Then Peter spoke to Jesus. 'Lord,' he said 'it is wonderful for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' He was still speaking when suddenly a bright cloud covered them with shadow, and from the cloud there came a voice which said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; he enjoys my favour. Listen to him.' When they heard this the disciples fell on their faces, overcome with fear. But Jesus came up and touched them. 'Stand up,' he said 'do not be afraid.' And when they raised their eyes they saw no one but only Jesus.

As they came down from the mountain Jesus gave them this order, 'Tell no one about the vision until the Son of Man has risen from the dead.'

The gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Communion Antiphon Cf. 1 Jn 3: 2

When Christ appears, we shall be like him,
for we shall see him as he is.

Parish Notices

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.

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 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.

World Youth Day Prayer

Our Lady of the Visitation,
you who left in haste towards the mountain to meet
Elizabeth,
lead us also to meet all those who await us
to deliver them the living Gospel:
Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord!
We will go in a hurry, with no distraction or delay,
but with readiness and joy.
We will go peacefully, because those who take Christ
take peace,
and wellbeing is the best wellbeing.
Our Lady of the Visitation,
with your inspiration, this World Youth Day
will be the mutual celebration of the Christ we take, as
You once did.
Make it a time of testimony and sharing,
fraternization, and giving thanks,
each of us looking for the others who always wait.
With you, we will continue on this path of gathering,
so that our world will gather as well,
in fraternity, justice and peace.
Help us,
Our Lady of the Visitation,
to bring Christ to everyone, obeying the Father, in the
love of the Spirit!

Catholic Mission Appeal

THIS WEEKEND we ask for your prayers & generous response to this year's Catholic Mission Appeal. You will be helping our medical missionaries provide life-saving healthcare to the vulnerable in East Timor & throughout the world.

Please give generously by using the appeal envelope provided, or going online at www.catholicmission.org.au/timor. If you are keen to know what's involved in becoming a volunteer for Catholic Mission please email Francis Leong at director.cm@perthcatholic.org.au for the details. Francis Leong will speak at all Masses this weekend.

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.

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

On Tuesday 15th August we will celebrate the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (a holy day of obligation). Masses will be held in the Basilica at Midday and 7pm in the evening.

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.

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.

Pasta Night Fundraiser (see below)

Italian Pastoral —
Group

PASTA NIGHT FUNDRAISER

ST PATRICKS BASILICA FREMANTLE PARISH HALL
47 ADELAIDE ST, FREMANTLE
(PARKING VIA PARRY STREET ENTRANCE)

Friday 1st September 2023 at 7pm

TICKETS: ADULT \$35 CHILDREN \$15 (UNDER 5 FREE!)

TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED THROUGH THE TRYBOOKING LINK BELOW
OR
CALL MARGHERITA ON 0401 028 608
[HTTPS://WWW.TRYBOOKING.COM/CKEVD](https://www.trybooking.com/ckevd)

Please note this event is BYO (water provided)

Mass Intentions

Saturday 5th August

6pm Vigil Mass: Deacon Denis Conlan (Birthday int)

Sunday 6th August

8am Mass: Ana Basilio & Family (int)

9.30am Italian Mass:

Pasquale & Filomena Amato (dec'd)

Vincenzo Vitelli (dec'd)

Carmelo Letizia (dec'd)

Carmela Persichillo (Dec'd)

11am Mass: For the People

Ewa Kawiatkowski (dec'd)

5pm Mass: Swindell's Family (int)

Monday 7th August

Midday Mass: Jew Han Gu & Jew Kwang Yauo (dec'd)

Tuesday 8th August

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

Wednesday 9th August

Midday Mass:

Thursday 10th August

Midday Mass: John Goncalves (dec'd)

Friday 11th August

Midday Mass: Pasquale de Gennaro (dec'd)

Saturday 12th August

Midday Mass: Antonio Fallace (dec'd)

Giovanna Di Dio (int)

6pm Vigil Mass: Agata Brizzi (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 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

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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

Tuesday 15th August

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary