47 Adelaide Street, Fremantle, WA, 6160

Basilica of St. Patrick

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A Sunday 1st October, 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) Marlene Dullard (Acting Chair) Rob De Sousa

Maria Gorman Sonia La Macchia Vita Mews

Parish Finance Committee

Collin Visaggio (Chair) Trevor Gorey Michael Piu

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

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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,

The context for today's Gospel is the mounting tension between Jesus and the Jewish religious leaders. Jesus has entered Jerusalem and overturned the money changers' tables in the Temple. Jesus has caught the attention of the religious authorities; the chief priests and elders question Jesus about the source of his authority. Jesus refuses to name for these religious leaders the source of his authority. Instead, he questions the priests and elders through the parable we hear in today's Gospel. The answer given by the religious leaders is correct, but it convicts them for their failure to heed the call of John the Baptist and for their inability to recognize the Kingdom of God.

The situation Jesus poses is rather straightforward. Given the same task by their father, one son asserts his disobedience in words, but then obeys in his actions; the second son obeys with his words, but disobeys in his actions. The question that Jesus poses is pointed and direct: Which son did what the father wanted? All would agree that "actions speak louder than words" and that even if his words were disobedient, the son who did the work as ordered did the father's will.

Jesus' conclusion is also direct. The chief priests and elders, the ones who speak most often about God, did not act accordingly. They did not respond to the message of repentance announced by John the Baptist with a change of heart. Instead, John's message was heeded by those one would not expect to repent—tax collectors, prostitutes, and other sinners. Because of their actions, these sinners will enter the Kingdom of God ahead of the religious leaders.

Jesus could ask us the same question. Do our words indicate our obedience to God? If not our words, do our actions? God desires a full conversion of heart, that our actions (and our words as well) will give evidence of our love for God. (source: Loyola Press)

Music Ministry

Organists & Cantors

Hymns

Mass Setting: Missa Simplex
Processional Hymn: CWB 618 All creatures of our God and King
Thanksgiving Hymn: CWB 802 Seek, O Seek the Lord
Recessional Hymn: CWB 835 The Voice of God

The Liturgy of the Word

Entrance Antiphon Dn 3: 31, 29, 30, 43, 42

All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments.

But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

First Reading Ezekiel 18:25-28

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel When the sinner renounces sin, he shall certainly live

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows: 'You object, "What the Lord does is unjust." Listen, you House of Israel: is what I do unjust? Is it not what you do that is unjust? When the upright man renounces his integrity to commit sin and dies because of this, he dies because of the evil that he himself has committed. When the sinner renounces sin to become law-abiding and honest, he deserves to live. He has chosen to renounce all his previous sins; he shall certainly live; he shall not die.'

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

Responsorial Psalm 24(25):4-9

Response: Remember your mercies, O Lord.

Lord, make me know your ways.

Lord, teach me your paths.

Make me walk in your truth, and teach me:
for you are God my saviour. Response.

Remember your mercy, Lord, and the love you have shown from of old. Do not remember the sins of my youth.

In your love remember me, because of your goodness, O Lord. **Response**.

The Lord is good and upright.

He shows the path to those who stray,
He guides the humble in the right path,
He teaches his way to the poor. **Response**.

Second reading Philippians 2:1-11 A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

Be united in your love

If our life in Christ means anything to you, if love can persuade at all, or the Spirit that we have in common, or any tenderness and sympathy, then be united in your convictions and united in your love, with a common purpose and a common mind. That is the one thing which would make me completely happy. There must be no competition among you, no conceit; but everybody is to be self-effacing. Always consider the other person to be better than yourself, so that nobody thinks of his own interests first but everybody thinks of other people's interests instead. In your minds you must be the same as Christ Jesus:

His state was divine, yet he did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave, and became as men are: and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father. The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation John 10:27

Alleluia, alleluia!
My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord;
I know them, and they follow me.
Alleluia!

Gospel Reading Matthew 21:28-32

A reading from the Gospel according to St Matthew

Tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you

Jesus said to the chief priests and elders of the people, 'What is your opinion? A man had two sons. He went and said to the first, "My boy, you go and work in the vineyard today." He answered, "I will not go," but afterwards thought better of it and went. The man then went and said the same thing to the second who answered, "Certainly, sir," but did not go. Which of the two did the father's will?' 'The first' they said. Jesus said to them, 'I tell you solemnly, tax collectors and prostitutes are making their way into the kingdom of God before you. For John came to you, a pattern of true righteousness, but you did not believe him, and yet the tax collectors and prostitutes did. Even after seeing that, you refused to think better of it and believe in him.'

The gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Communion Antiphon Cf. Ps 118: 49-50

Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope.

This is my comfort when I am brought low.

Parish Notices

Please Note: The parish office will be closed on Monday 2 October, 2023.

Calling All Students! - The Fishing Fleet Festival - 75th Anniversary

Sunday 22nd October, 2023 will mark the 75th Anniversary of the Blessing of the Fleet. The Fishing Fleet Festival are seeking all students from the neighbouring Catholic Schools to participate in this long standing community event. Students from all ages can dress in Italian costumes, provided by the Association or dress in their communion dresses. Students can also come along and represent their school in school uniform and carry school banners. Procession leaves St Patrick's Basilica at 2pm. If you would like to participate please email Maria on anna.minutillo@cewa.edu.au for further information and to borrow costumes.

Parish Morning Tea

The next parish morning tea will be celebrated on Sunday 8th October after the 8am Mass in the presbytery carport. All 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

Prayer for the Synod

Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting.

Amen.

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name.

With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts;

Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder.

Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.

All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever.

Amen

Seniors Morning Tea

The next seniors morning tea will be held on Monday 23rd October, 2023 at 10am in the parish centre. All seniors welcome.

Annual Blessing of the Fleet

Celebration for this years 75th Anniversary of the Blessing of the Fleet will commence with a Triduum on Tuesday 17th, Wednesday 18th and Thursday 19th with Rosary at 7.30pm and Mass at 8pm led by Fr Giancarlo Iollo OMI. The Feast day will be celebrated with Mass at 9.30am, followed by Procession leaving the Basilica at 2pm, Blessing of the Boats and Benediction. All Welcome.

PLEASE NOTE: THERE WILL BE NO 5PM EVENING MASS ON SUNDAY 22ND OCTOBER.

Piano Concert - Friday 27th October, 2023

Fr. Robert Nixon, OSB, of New Norcia Monastery, will present a solo piano recital in Fremantle's historic St. Patrick's Basilica, on Friday 27th October, 2023 at 7.30pm. The programme will include Fr. Robert's original compositions from his new album Celestial Void, as well as beloved works of Chopin and Liszt. Also featured will be compositions from the founder of New Norcia, Dom Rosendo Salvado, including works which he played at his legendary recital in Perth in 1846. Entry fee is donation at the door. See noticeboard for more info.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is a wonderful opportunity for those who seek to embrace the faith of the Catholic Church and a great avenue for those who wish to deepen their faith in Jesus Christ. If you know anyone willing to take up this journey, please encourage them to come for the information evening on Tuesday 17th October 2023 at 6.30pm, in the Parish Office Boardroom. For further information please contact the Parish Office, Mon to Fri 9am to 3pm on 9335 2268.

CBC Exams

Please note that the parish centre will host CBC ATAR Exams from Monday 30th October to Friday 17th November, 2023. We ask that you please keep the boys in your prayers during this time and please be mindful when using the toilets in the parish centre.

Weekday Volunteer Readers

We are URGENTLY seeking readers to read at the midday Masses, if you can assist can you please see Joan Swindells or call into the parish office.

Catholic Archdiocese of Perth - Employment Opportunity Head, Mission Enhancement and Outreach - Archdiocesan Agencies

The Catholic Archdiocese of Perth is recruiting for the newly established role of Head, Mission Enhancement and Outreach – Archdiocesan Agencies. This role is a Permanent, Full Time position. For more information please go to https://www.perthcatholic.org.au/Employment.htm.

Applications close Tuesday, 17 October 2023. We reserve the right to begin shortlisting and interviews prior to the closing date.

Long Term Volunteer Opportunities in the Australia-Pacific Region The Cagliero Project, Salesians of Don Bosco

We are seeking long term (6-12 month) volunteers for departure in January 2024 to work with young people in our Salesian communities in Samoa, Cambodia, Timor Leste, Solomon Islands and Australia. Applications close October 31st, 2023. Send us an enquiry - www.cagliero.org.au or lhichaaba@salesians.org.au

Mass Intentions

Saturday 30th September

6pm Vigil Mass:

Joao & Encencia De Abreu (dec'd)

Sunday 1st October

8am Mass: For the People

9.30am Italian Mass:

Pasquale & Filomena Amato (dec'd)

Vincenzo Vitelli (dec'd)

Teresina & Filippo Colaccino (dec'd) Elisabetta & Silverio Ottaviano (dec'd)

Eugenio, Alma & Nicola Rizzi (dec'd)

Giuseppina La Pegna (dec'd) 11am Mass: Julie Bok (dec'd)

Francesco Schepis (dec'd)

5pm Mass: Pasqualina Sottile (dec'd)

Monday 2nd October

Midday Mass: Amedeo Lomma (dec'd)

Tuesday 3rd October

Midday Mass: Ewa Kwiatkowski (dec'd)

Wednesday 4th October

Midday Mass: Joanne Chillemo (dec'd)

Thursday 5th October

Midday Mass:

Dowding Family (int health & wellbeing)

Friday 6th October

Midday Mass: Private Intention

Saturday 7th October

Midday Mass: Ana & Ante Borzic (dec'd) 6pm Vigil Mass: John & Francis Gilmour (int)

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 60%.

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

Reference: 2nd Collection and your name **Second Collection supports the Parish**

Upcoming Events

Wednesday 4 October

Notre Dame University Graduation Mass

Sunday 8 October

Parish Morning Tea

Friday 13 October

Iona Graduation Mass

Tuesday 17 to Thursday 19 October

Triduum Blessing of the Fleet