47 Adelaide Street, Fremantle, WA, 6160 **Basilica of St. Patrick** Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

Sunday 22nd 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

Maria Gorman

Vita Mews

Sonia La Macchia

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

Parish Finance Committee Collin Visaggio (Chair)

Trevor Gorey Michael Piu

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

In today's Gospel Jesus and the religious leaders in Jerusalem continue their tense exchange of questions and challenges. At this point the disciples of the Pharisees, together with the Herodians, try to entrap Jesus by their question about the payment of taxes.

Matthew sets up an unusual partnership between the Pharisees and the Herodians. The Herodians were supporters of Herod Antipas, a Jewish political leader who collaborated with the Romans. Such collaboration would have required a compromised observance of the Mosaic Law. The Pharisees, on the other hand, taught scrupulous observance of the Mosaic Law and opposed Roman occupation. Herodians favored the payment of taxes; the Pharisees opposed it. The Herodians and the Pharisees approach Jesus, asking that he take sides in their dispute. If Jesus answers with the Pharisees, he shows himself to be an enemy of Rome. If he answers with the Herodians, he offends popular Jewish religious sensibilities.

Jesus' response to this attempt to trap him exposes the guile of his questioners. From his first words to them, Jesus shows that he is very much aware of what they are trying to do. He asks to see a Roman coin, which is readily provided to him. It may have come from the hand of a Herodian, but the Pharisees show themselves to be quite willing to accept this compromise. Jesus has already exposed the Pharisees as hypocrites.

Jesus takes his response one step further. He asks that his questioners examine the coin. Agreeing that it is Caesar's image on the coin, Jesus tells them that it must belong to Caesar. Avoiding the question of lawfulness altogether, Jesus answers their question with simple logic. Then, going further still, Jesus tells them that their obligation is to pay to God that which belongs to God.

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. More information visit the Safeguarding website: www.safeguarding@perthcatholic.org.au.

Jesus' response to the Herodians and Pharisees suggests the ethic that Christians ought to adopt. It reminds us of the importance of keeping things in their proper perspective. Do we attach ourselves to worldly things at the expense of the love and honor that we owe to God? (source: Loyola Press)

Music Ministry

Organists & Cantors

6pm Vigil Mass: Joshua Adams (Cantor) Andrew Brown (Organist) 9.30am Italian Mass: Aquinas Schola (Conductor: Hugh Lydon) Organist: Andrew Brown 8am & Ilam Mass: Sophie Rodgers (Cantor) Vince Basile (Organist)

<u>Hymns</u>

Mass Setting: Paul Taylor: Mass of St Francis Processional Hymn: CWB 792 Praise to the Lord Thanksgiving Hymn: CWB 712 Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty Recessional Hymn: CWB 690 Go Now You Are Sent Forth

The Liturgy of the Word

Entrance Antiphon Cf. Ps 16: 6, 8

To you I call; for you will surely heed me, O God; turn your ear to me; hear my words. Guard me as the apple of your eye; in the shadow of your wings protect me.

First Reading Isaiah 45:1,4-6

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

I have taken Cyrus by his right hand to subdue nations before him

Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus, whom he has taken by his right hand to subdue nations before him and strip the loins of kings, to force gateways before him that their gates be closed no more:

'It is for the sake of my servant Jacob, of Israel my chosen one, that I have called you by your name, conferring a title though you do not know me. I am the Lord, unrivalled; there is no other God besides me.

Responsorial Psalm 95(96):1,3-5,7-10

Response: Give the Lord glory and honour.

O sing a new song to the Lord, sing to the Lord all the earth. Tell among the nations his glory and his wonders among all the peoples. Response

The Lord is great and worthy of praise, to be feared above all gods; the gods of the heathens are naught. It was the Lord who made the heavens. **Response**.

Give the Lord, you families of peoples, give the Lord glory and power; give the Lord the glory of his name. Bring an offering and enter his courts. **Response**.

Worship the Lord in his temple. O earth, tremble before him. Proclaim to the nations: 'God is king.' He will judge the peoples in fairness. **Response**.

Second reading 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5

A reading from the first letter to the Thessalonians

Though you do not know me, I arm you that men may know from the rising to the setting of the sun

that, apart from me, all is nothing.'

The word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God. We constantly remember your faith, your love and your hope

From Paul, Silvanus and Timothy, to the Church in Thessalonika which is in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ; wishing you grace and peace from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. We always mention you in our prayers and thank God for you all, and constantly remember before God our Father how you have shown your faith in action, worked for love and persevered through hope, in our Lord Jesus Christ.

We know, brothers, that God loves you and that you have been chosen, because when we brought the Good News to you, it came to you not only as words, but as power and as the Holy Spirit and as utter conviction.

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

Gospel Acclamation Philippians 2:15-16

Alleluia, alleluia! Shine on the world like bright stars; you are offering it the word of life. Alleluia!

Gospel Reading Matthew 22:15-21

A reading from the Gospel according to St Matthew Give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar

The Pharisees went away to work out between them how to trap Jesus in what he said. And they sent their disciples to him, together with the Herodians, to say, 'Master, we know that you are an honest man and teach the way of God in an honest way, and that you are not afraid of anyone, because a man's rank means nothing to you. Tell us your opinion, then. Is it permissible to pay taxes to Caesar or not?' But Jesus was aware of their malice and replied, 'You hypocrites! Why do you set this trap for me? Let me see the money

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.

Prayer for the Synod

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

you pay the tax with.' They handed him a denarius, and he said, 'Whose head is this? Whose name?' 'Caesar's' they replied. He then said to them, 'Very well, give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar – and to God what belongs to God.'

Communion Antiphon Cf. Ps 32:18-19

Behold, the eyes of the Lord are on those who fear him,

who hope in his merciful love, to rescue their souls from death,

to keep them alive in famine.

Parish Notices

Annual Blessing of the Fleet

This weekend marks the 75th Anniversary of the Blessing of the Fleet. 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.

Aquinas Schola Choir

This weekend we welcome back the Aquinas Choir from school break and they will be singing at the 9,30am Italian Mass in honour of the 75th Anniversary of the Blessing of the Fleet.

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. **Please Note change in date due to Aquinas Retreats in Parish Centre**.

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.

November Mass Offerings

During the month of November each year, we pray for those who have departed this world. November Mass Offering envelopes are now available on the pews and from the parish office and can be returned with your offering to the parish office or via the collections on the weekends.

Masses on Holy Souls, Thursday 2 November will be celebrated at Midday and 7pm in the Basilica.

Mass Intentions

Saturday 21st October

6pm Vigil Mass: Sheree Paparone (dec'd) John Swindells (dec'd anniv.) Sunday 22nd October 8am Mass: For the People 9.30am Italian Mass: Gaetano & Maria Letizia (dec'd) Anna & Ignazio Pisani (dec'd) Michele & Emilia Rondella (dec'd) Domenico Carradonna (dec'd) Grazia, Salvatore & Frank Scagliotta (dec'd) Nicoletta D'Aurizio (dec'd) Luigi & Nicoletta Camporeale (dec'd) 11am Mass: Maria & Jose Garces (dec'd) 5pm Mass: NO MASS Monday 23rd October Midday Mass: Trevor Davies (dec'd Birthday) Nancy Morrissey (dec'd) **Tuesday 24th October** Midday Mass: Cono, Angela & Angela lannello (dec'd) Wednesday 25th October Midday Mass: Lovre Tesija (dec'd) Thursday 26th October Midday Mass: Helen Griffith (dec'd) Friday 27th October Midday Mass: Virginia Basilio (Birthday Int) Saturday 28th October Midday Mass: Joseph Brozicevich (dec'd) Elijah Abreu (int) 6pm Vigil Mass: Jose Rebelo (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 65%.

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

Please Note: The Parish Office will be closed on Thursday 9th and Friday 10th November, 2023. Should you require anything urgent during this time please email parishmanager@fremantlestpatricks.org.au.

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.

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 Sunday 22 October Blessing of the Fleet NO 5pm Evening Mass

> > Monday 23 October Senior's Morning Tea