

47 Adelaide Street, Fremantle, WA, 6160

Basilica of St. Patrick

Mass of the Lord's Supper, Year B

Thursday 28th March 2024

Oblate Priests' at the Basilica

Fr Meno Basti 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 10am 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, 11am and 4.30pm

Frist Saturday of Each Month: 10.30am (Italian)

Parish Council Members

Marlene Dullard (Acting Chair)

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Safeguarding of our children in the Parish

The Archdiocesan Safeguarding Project was started in 2016 by Archbishop Timothy Costello 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. To read more, visit <http://fremantlepatrick.org.au/parish-safeguarding-project/>

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Holy Thursday marks the end of the season of Lent and beginning of the Easter Triduum. Today we remember and celebrate three gifts that Jesus instituted and gave us on this special Day: **the Institution of the Holy Eucharist, the institution of the Priesthood and the new commandment of fraternal charity.** Indeed, Holy Thursday is one of our holiest days. It draws our attention to ponder on God's gift of undeserved, unconditional, and unifying love.

During the Last Supper, Jesus demonstrates this love. The Gospel says he rises from the table, takes a towel, and ties it around his waist (Jn 13:4). He then begins to wash the feet of his disciples, one by one. We know that Jesus humbled himself to share in our humanity, but in the washing of the feet, Jesus acts more intimate and self-humbling than ever before; an act far more significant than a simple show of kindness.

It is at this supper, in the presence of his closest companions, that Jesus offers himself as the Passover sacrifice. **"This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me...This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me"** (1 Cor 11:24-25). Jesus gives his greatest gift in the sacrament of the Eucharist, a gift that makes us sharers in his body and blood, unified to form one single body.

The grace of Holy Thursday is knowing that God embraces us despite our weaknesses and imperfections. This is a lesson we need to learn in a personal way, but the reminder is a constant consolation in this work to end the death penalty. God meets our frailty with love, without judgement or exclusion. God's love is given to us without distinction. **"I have given you a model to follow, so that as I have done for you, you should also do (Jn 13:15)."**

On this first day of the Triduum, we recognize God's unfailing gift of undeserved, unconditional, and unifying love for us. This love has the power to embolden every human heart and calls us to do the same. Let us ask for the grace to respond to God's call to love one another accordingly. As Jesus said, he has set us an example and it is our turn to imitate him and his love by loving and serving our brothers and sisters who are in need of our love and support.

Pope Saint John Paul II writing to the priest for Holy Thursday in 2004 said: *We were born from the Eucharist. If we can truly say that the whole Church lives from the Eucharist ("Ecclesia de Eucharistia vivit"), as I reaffirmed in my recent Encyclical, we can say the same thing about the ministerial priesthood: it is born, lives, works and bears fruit "de Eucharistia". "There can be no Eucharist without the priesthood, just as there can be no priesthood without the Eucharist". The ordained ministry, which may never be reduced to its merely functional aspect since it belongs on the level of "being", enables the priest to act in persona Christi and culminates in the moment when he consecrates the bread and wine, repeating the actions and words of Jesus during the Last Supper.*

As we, on this special and holy day, remember the institution of the priesthood by Jesus, let us thank God for our priests, and the priest all over the world who are serving God and His people under difficult and trying circumstances. We pray that God may protect our priest and give more workers to the church to work in his vineyard. May God bless you all.

Fr Meno Basti OMI

Music Ministry

Choir Choir (Conductor: Joshua Adams)

Organist: Andrew Brown

Hymns

Mass Setting: Our Lady Help of Christians

Processional Hymn: CWB 836 The Word of God from heaven came

Thanksgiving Hymn: CWB 620 An Upper Room did our Lord Prepare – procession of repose

Recessional Hymn: 806 Tantum Ergo Sing my tongue the Saviour's glory (St Thomas) – once incensing has started

The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

A reading from the book of Exodus 12:1-8,11-14

The Passover is a day of festival for all generations, for ever

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: "This month is to be the first of all the others for you, the first month of your year. Speak to the whole community of Israel and say, "On the tenth day of this month each man must take an animal from the flock, one for each family: one animal for each household. If the household is too small to eat the animal, a man must join with his neighbour, the nearest to his house, as the number of persons requires. You must take into account what each can eat in deciding the number for the animal. It must be an animal without blemish, a male one year old; you may take it from either sheep or goats. You must keep it till the fourteenth day of the month when the whole assembly of the community of Israel shall slaughter it between the two evenings. Some of the blood must then be taken and put on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses where it is eaten. That night, the flesh is to be eaten, roasted over the fire; it must be eaten with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. You shall eat it like this: with a girdle round your waist, sandals on your feet, a staff in your hand. You shall eat it hastily: it is a passover in honour of the Lord. That night, I will go through the land of Egypt and strike down all the first-born in the land of Egypt, man and beast alike, and I shall deal out punishment to all the gods of Egypt, I am the Lord! The blood shall serve to mark the houses that you live in. When I see the blood I will pass over you and you shall escape the destroying plague when I strike the land of Egypt. This day is to be a day of remembrance for you, and you must celebrate it as a feast in the Lord's honour. For all generations you are to declare it a day of festival, for ever."

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Response: Our blessing cup is a communion with the Blood of Christ.

How can I repay the Lord for his goodness to me?

The cup of salvation I will raise:

I will call on the Lord's name.

Response: Our blessing cup is a communion with the Blood of Christ.

O precious in the eyes of the Lord is the death of his faithful,

Your servant, Lord, your servant, am I;
you have loosened my hands.

Response: Our blessing cup is a communion with the Blood of Christ.

A thanksgiving sacrifice I make:

I will call on the Lord's name,
my vows to the Lord I will fulfill before all his people.

Response: Our blessing cup is a communion with the Blood of Christ.

Second Reading in Italian

Dalla prima lettera di san Paolo apostolo ai Corinzi 11:23-26

Ogni volta che mangiate di questo pane e bevete di questo calice, voi annunziate la morte del Signore.

Fratelli, io ho ricevuto dal Signore quello che a mia volta vi ho trasmesso: il Signore Gesu', nella notte in cui veniva tradito, prese del pane e, dopo aver reso grazie, lo spezzò e disse: "Questo e' il mio corpo, che e' per voi; fate questo in memoria di me".

Allo stesso modo, dopo aver cenato, prese anche il calice, dicendo: "Questo calice e' la Nuova Alleanza nel mio sangue; fate questo, ogni volta che ne bevete, in memoria di me".

Ogni volta infatti che mangiate di questo pane e bevete di questo calice, voi annunziate la morte del Signore finche' egli venga.

Parola di Dio.

Rendiamo grazie a Dio.

Second Reading in English

A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians: 11:23-26

This is what I received from the Lord, and in turn passed on to you: that on the same night that he was betrayed, the Lord Jesus took some bread, and thanked God for it and broke it, and he said, 'This is my body, which is for you; do this as a memorial of me.' In the same way he took the cup after supper, and said, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Whenever you drink it, do this as a memorial of me.' Until the Lord comes, therefore, every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you are proclaiming his death.

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

I give you a new commandment:

love one another as I have loved you.

Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel Reading

A reading from the holy gospel according to John: 13:1-15

It was before the festival of the Passover, and Jesus knew that the hour had come for him to pass from this world to the Father. He had always loved those who were his in the world, but now he showed how perfect his love was.

They were at supper, and the devil had already put it into the mind of Judas Iscariot son of Simon, to betray him. Jesus knew that the Father had put everything into his hands, and that he had come from God and was returning to God, and he got up from table, removed his outer garment and, taking a towel, wrapped it round his waist; he then poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel he was wearing. He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, 'Lord, are you going to wash my feet?' Jesus answered, 'At the moment you do not know what I am doing, but later you will understand.' 'Never!' said Peter 'You shall never wash my feet.' Jesus replied, 'If I do not wash you, you can have nothing in common with me.' 'Then, Lord,' said Simon Peter 'not only my feet, but my hands and my head as well!' Jesus said, 'No one who has taken a bath needs washing, he is clean all over. You too are clean, though not all of you are.' He knew who was going to betray him, that was why he said, 'though not all of you are.'

When he had washed their feet and put on his clothes again he went back to the table. 'Do you understand' he said 'what I have done to you? You call me Master and Lord, and rightly; so I am. If I, then, the Lord and Master, have washed your feet, you should wash each other's feet. I have given you an example so that you may copy what I have done to you.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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 Priests

Gracious and loving God, we thank you for
the gift of our priests.
Through them, we experience your presence
in the sacraments.
Help our priests to be strong in their
vocation.
Set their souls on fire with love for your
people.
Grant them the wisdom, understanding, and
strength
they need to follow in the footsteps of
Jesus.
Inspire them with the vision of your
Kingdom.
Give them the words they need to spread
the Gospel.
Allow them to experience joy in their
ministry.
Help them to become instruments of your
divine grace.
We ask this through Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns as our Eternal Priest.
Amen.

HOLY WEEK & EASTER CEREMONIES 2024

HOLY THURSDAY 28TH MARCH

7pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
8pm-9pm Reconciliation in English and Italian
Adoration 8pm till 10pm

GOOD FRIDAY 29TH MARCH

No Adoration and No Midday Mass
11am Stations of the Cross at the Basilica of St Patrick
12noon to 1pm Reconciliation in English and Italian
3pm Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion
4.30pm-5.30pm Reconciliation in English and Italian

HOLY SATURDAY 30TH MARCH

No Adoration and No Midday Mass
9.30am, 11am and 4.30pm Reconciliation in English
and Italian
4pm Polish Blessing of Food
7pm Easter Vigil Mass

EASTER SUNDAY 31ST MARCH

MASSES: 8am, 9.30am (Italian), 11am and 5pm
8.15am St Anne's, North Fremantle

Mass Intentions

Saturday 30th March

7pm Vigil Mass:
Rosa Caporn (Birthday Int.)
Maria Jovita Muller (Birthday Int.)

Sunday 31st March

8am: Shaun & Katrina Watteau (int. 15th
Wedding Anniversary)
11am: Leonardo Goncalves (dec'd)
5pm For the People

Upcoming Events

Friday 29th March

Good Friday

Saturday 30th March

Holy Saturday

Sunday 31st March

Easter Sunday

Monday 1st April

Easter Monday Public Holiday

Easter Offerings

Usually twice a year you are invited, as a community, to make a special effort to financially support the Priests of the Basilica. As the special season of Easter is fast approaching, you are encouraged to support the Priests during this special season of Easter. The envelopes are in the pews, so kindly use them and support your priests generously.