

47 Adelaide Street, Fremantle, WA, 6160

# Basilica of St. Patrick

2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday) Year B

*Sunday 7th April 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)

Sonia La Macchia

Maria Gorman

## Parish Finance Committee

Collin Visaggio (Chair)

Trevor Gorey

Michael Piu

## Basilica Parish Office

Angie Emanuele (Parish Manager)

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## Parish Office working hours

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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 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://fremantlestpatricks.org.au/parish-safeguarding-project/>

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Today's reading from the Gospel of John is proclaimed on the Second Sunday of Easter in each of the lectionary cycles. This fact alone should alert us to the significance of the encounters with the resurrected Jesus that are described in this reading. This Gospel combines two scenes: Jesus' appearance to his disciples after his Resurrection and Jesus' dialogue with Thomas, the disciple who doubted.

Part of the mystery of Jesus' Resurrection is that he appeared to his disciples not as a spirit, but in bodily form. We do not know, however, exactly what this form looked like. Earlier in John's Gospel, when Mary of Magdala first encountered the risen Jesus, she did not recognize him until he spoke to her. In Luke's Gospel, the disciples walking along the road to Emmaus did not recognize Jesus until he broke bread with them. We know from readings such as today's that in his resurrected form, Jesus was not bound by matter; he appeared to the disciples inside a home even though the door was locked. Yet the disciples could still touch the marks of his Crucifixion.

In today's Gospel, Jesus greets his disciples with the gift of peace. Jesus then commissions his disciples to continue the work that he has begun; as Jesus was sent by God, so Jesus sends his disciples. He gives his disciples the gift of the Holy Spirit so that they will be able to accomplish this task. Jesus' words to his disciples also highlight the integral connection between the forgiveness of sins and the gift of the Holy Spirit. With the grace of the Holy Spirit, we can share forgiveness and reconciliation with others.

Thomas, the doubting disciple in today's reading, represents the reality of the Church that comes after this first community of witnesses to Jesus. All but the first disciples of Jesus must believe without seeing. Like Thomas, we may doubt the news that Jesus, who was crucified and buried, appeared to his disciples. Our human nature seeks hard evidence that the Jesus who appeared to his disciples after his death is indeed the same Jesus who was crucified. Thomas is given the opportunity to be our representative in obtaining this evidence. He gives witness to us that the Jesus who was raised is the same Jesus who died. Through the gift of the Holy Spirit, we are among those who are blessed, for we have not seen and yet believe. (Source Loyola Press)

# Music Ministry

## Organists & Cantors

Sat 6pm Vigil Mass: Paul O'Neill (Cantor),  
Andrew Brown (Organist)

Sun 8am & 11am Masses: Jessica Taylor (Cantor),  
Michael Peters (Organist)

5pm Mass: Joshua Adams (Cantor),  
Andrew Brown (Organist)

## Hymns

Mass Setting: Our Lady Help of Christians

Processional Hymn: CWB 619 Alleluia Sing to Jesus

Thanksgiving Hymn:

CWB633 By your kingly power, O risen Lord

Recessional Hymn: CWB 647 Jesus Christ is Risen Today

## The Liturgy of the Word

### Entrance Antiphon 1 Pt 2: 2

Like newborn infants, you must long for the  
pure, spiritual milk,  
that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia.

### First Reading Acts 4:32-35

*The whole group of believers was united, heart and soul*

The whole group of believers was united, heart and soul; no one claimed for his own use anything that he had, as everything they owned was held in common.

The apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus with great power, and they were all given great respect.

None of their members was ever in want, as all those who owned land or houses would sell them, and bring the money from them, to present it to the apostles; it was then distributed to any members who might be in need.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

### Responsorial Psalm 117(118):2-4,15-18,22-24

**Response: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love is everlasting.**

Let the sons of Israel say:

‘His love has no end.’

Let the sons of Aaron say:

‘His love has no end.’

Let those who fear the Lord say:

‘His love has no end.’ **Response.**

The Lord's right hand has triumphed;  
his right hand raised me up.  
I shall not die, I shall live  
and recount his deeds.

I was punished, I was punished by the Lord,  
but not doomed to die. **Response.**

The stone which the builders rejected  
has become the corner stone.

This is the work of the Lord,  
a marvel in our eyes.

This day was made by the Lord;  
we rejoice and are glad. **Response.**

### Second Reading 1 John 5:1-6

*Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ has already overcome the world*

Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ has been begotten by God; and whoever loves the Father that begot him loves the child whom he begets.

We can be sure that we love God's children if we love God himself and do what he has commanded us;

this is what loving God is –

keeping his commandments;

and his commandments are not difficult,

because anyone who has been begotten by God has already overcome the world;

this is the victory over the world –  
our faith.

Who can overcome the world?

Only the man who believes that Jesus is the Son of God:

Jesus Christ who came by water and blood,  
not with water only,

but with water and blood;

with the Spirit as another witness –

since the Spirit is the truth.

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

## Gospel Acclamation John 20:29

Alleluia, alleluia!

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me;  
happy are those who have not seen me, but still believe!

Alleluia!

## Gospel Reading John 20:19-31

*Eight days later, Jesus came again and stood among them*

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you', and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.

'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit.

For those whose sins you forgive,  
they are forgiven;  
for those whose sins you retain,  
they are retained.'

Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord', he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him:

'You believe because you can see me.

Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.'

There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

The gospel of the Lord.

**All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

## Communion Antiphon

Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails,  
and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.

## 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.

## 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 Notices

## URGENT Notice for All Parishioners

Due to some upgrading to the front and rear gates of the Basilica grounds, the Church and Car Park will be closed on Monday 15th and Tuesday 16th April. Therefore, there will be no Adoration or Mass on those two days and the car park will not be open to cars or foot traffic. We apologise for any inconvenience and hopefully the Church and grounds will reopen on Wednesday 17th April.

## Parish Morning Tea

The next parish morning tea will be held on Sunday 14th April, 2024 after the 8am Mass in the Presbytery Carport.

## Senior's Morning Tea

Due to the carpark and Church being closed on Monday 15th April, the Senior's Morning Tea will be held on Monday 22nd April, 2024 at 10am in the parish hall. All senior's welcome.

## St Vincent de Paul Volunteer Drive

A representative from St Vincent de Paul will speak at the 8am and 11am Masses on Sunday 14th April in the hope that they can get some volunteers to assist them. If you are interested please speak to the coordinator on the day.

## Caritas (Project Compassion) 2024

If you have any donations for this years Project Compassion, please return them to the office asap or on the weekend collection plate so that we can send the money over to Caritas as soon as possible.

## URGENT Weekday Readers Required

We are URGENTLY seeking readers to read at the Midday Masses. If you can assist on a regular basis and would like to go onto the readers roster for weekdays, please contact the Parish Office with your details.

## Holy Land Collection

Every year on Good Friday, a collection is taken up in Catholic Churches to support the work of the Franciscans working in the Holy Land. Christians there rely heavily on the help that comes to them from this worldwide collection. This year the Basilica raised \$1405. Thank you for your generous support.

*Frs Basti, Colbert, Giancarlo & Patrick would like to sincerely thank everyone who assisted in some way during Holy Week. They would also like to thank you for your Easter Offerings and Easter Blessings. God Bless!*

# Mass Intentions

## Saturday 6th April

6pm Vigil: Judith & Family (dec'd)

## Sunday 7th April

8am Mass: Joseph Tyszeska (dec'd 32nd anniv.)

11am Mass: Julie Bok (dec'd) & Holy Souls

5pm Mass: Francesca & Giuseppe Portelli (dec'd)

## Monday 8th April

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

## Tuesday 9th April

Midday Mass: Giuseppe Cuccovia (dec'd)

## Wednesday 10th April

Midday Mass: John Goncalves (dec'd)

## Thursday 12th April

Midday Mass: Pasquale De Gennaro (dec'd)

## Friday 13th April

Midday Mass: Libera Gizzarone (dec'd)

## Saturday 14th April

Midday Mass: Souls in Purgatory

6pm Vigil:

# 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

## Sunday 14th April

Parish Morning Tea  
St Vincent de Paul Talk

## Monday 15 & Tuesday 16 April

Church & Grounds Closed

## Monday 22nd April

Senior's Morning Tea

## Thursday 25th April

Anzac Day