47 Adelaide Street, Fremantle, WA, 6160

Basilica of St. Patrick

4th Sunday of Easter Year B Sunday 21st 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

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Parish Office working hours

Tuesday to Friday (9am to 3pm) Closed Weekends and Public Holidays

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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,

The fourth Sunday of Easter is also called Good Shepherd Sunday. In each of the three lectionary cycles, our Gospel is taken from the 10th chapter of the Gospel of John. In Cycle B, we hear the middle verses of this chapter. Unless we consider this chapter in the greater context of John's Gospel, we will miss the radical nature of the statement Jesus makes when he declares himself to be the Good Shepherd.

This chapter of John's Gospel follows Jesus' healing of the man born blind and the rejection of this miracle by the Jewish leaders who question Jesus' authority to heal. Jesus responds to this challenge by calling himself the Good Shepherd. He is criticizing the leadership of the Pharisees and the other Jewish leaders. The Pharisees and other Jewish leaders are so angry that they attempt to stone and arrest Jesus (see John 10:31,39). This controversy with the religious leaders continues until Jesus' death.

In the portion of the chapter that we hear proclaimed today, Jesus describes his relationship with his followers as similar to the relationship between a good shepherd and his sheep. As a good shepherd will risk and lay down his life in order to protect his sheep, Jesus willingly sacrifices himself for the sake of his sheep. Jesus contrasts the actions of the good shepherd with the actions of the hired shepherd who abandons the sheep in the face of danger. In the verses following Jesus' teaching, we learn that the Pharisees and the other religious leaders understand that Jesus is referring to them when he describes the hired shepherds.

The concern of a good shepherd for his sheep is part of the shepherd's job. Jesus says, however, that the actions of the good shepherd are based upon the relationship that develops between the shepherd and the sheep. This is at the heart of the difference between the good shepherd and the hired shepherd. The good shepherd knows the sheep and therefore acts out of love. For the Good Shepherd, this is never simply part of a job; this love-in-action is integral to his identity.

As with so much of John's Gospel, one hears in this passage John's particular focus on Christology. As the sheep are known by the Good Shepherd, the Father knows Jesus and Jesus knows the Father. There is an essential unity between the Father and the Son. The freedom with which Jesus acts when he lays down his life is rooted in the unity that he shares with his Father.

In this context, Jesus also refers to others with whom he shares a relationship. By this reference, John probably understands the eventual inclusion of the Gentiles in the Christian community. Our modern ears hear this as a reference to Christian unity. The work of ecumenism is to restore unity among all Christians so that we form one flock under one shepherd, as God desires. ((Source Loyola Press)

Music Ministry

Organists & Cantors

Sat 6pm Vigil Mass: Aquinas Schola (Director: Hugh Lydon),
Organist: Samuel Yeow
Sun 8am & 11am Masses: Eimear Foley (Cantor),
Vince Basile (Organist)
5pm Mass: Jada Love (Cantor),
Michael Peters (Organist)

Hymns

Mass Setting: Our Lady Help of Christians
Processional Hymn: CWB 792 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty
Thanksgiving Hymn:

CWB 830 The Lord is my Shepherd Recessional Hymn: CWB 835 The Voice of God

The Liturgy of the Word

Entrance Antiphon Cf. Ps 32: 5-6

The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.

First Reading Acts 4:8-12

The name of Jesus Christ is the only name in which we can be saved

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Peter said: 'Rulers of the people, and elders! If you are questioning us today about an act of kindness to a cripple, and asking us how he was healed, then I am glad to tell you all, and would indeed be glad to tell the whole people of Israel, that it was by the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, the one you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by this name and by no other that this man is able to stand up perfectly healthy, here in your presence, today. This is the stone rejected by you the builders, but which has proved to be the keystone. For of all the names in the world given to men, this is the only one by which we can be saved.'

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm 117(118):1,8-9,21-23,26,28-29

The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end.

It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in men; it is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in princes. Response.

The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

I will thank you for you have answered and you are my saviour.

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

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

The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

Blessed in the name of the Lord is he who comes.

We bless you from the house of the Lord; You are my God, I thank you.

My God, I praise you.

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good; for his love has no end. Response.

The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

Second Reading 1 John 3:1-2

We shall be like God because we shall see him as he really is

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be called God's children; and that is what we are.

Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us.

My dear people, we are already the children of God but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed; all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is.

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

Gospel Acclamation John 10:14

Alleluia, alleluia!
I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;
I know my sheep, and mine know me.
Alleluia!

Gospel Reading John 10:11-18

The good shepherd is one who lays down his life for his sheep

Jesus said:

'I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd is one who lays down his life for his sheep. The hired man, since he is not the shepherd and the sheep do not belong to him, abandons the sheep and runs away as soon as he sees a wolf coming, and then the wolf attacks and scatters the sheep; this is because he is only a hired man and has no concern for the sheep.

'I am the good shepherd;
I know my own
and my own know me,
just as the Father knows me
and I know the Father;
and I lay down my life for my sheep.
And there are other sheep I have
that are not of this fold,
and these I have to lead as well.
They too will listen to my voice,
and there will be only one flock,
and one shepherd.

'The Father loves me,
because I lay down my life
in order to take it up again.
No one takes it from me;
I lay it down of my own free will,
and as it is in my power to lay it down,
so it is in my power to take it up again;
and this is the command I have been given by my Father.'

The gospel of the Lord.
All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Communion Antiphon

The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, 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.

The Apostles' Creed I believe in God,

Amen.

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,

Our Parish Prayer

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,

and life everlasting.

Amen.

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

Senior's Morning Tea

The next Senior's Morning Tea will be held on Monday 22nd April, 2024 at 10am in the parish hall. All senior's welcome.

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.

Eucharistic Ministers

We are looking at recommencing the Eucharistic Ministers Roster and are seeking all Eucharistic Ministers who are willing to assist. Once we have the list of available Eucharistic Ministers we will then go through the process of some training and updating all WWCC and ensuring that everyone has had WWCC induction session. We are hoping to have the roster up and running by mid May. If you would like to join the roster please contact the Parish Office asap with your details and Masses you would like to roster for.

Repairs to Side Foyer Church Doors

On Monday 29th April the side entrance doors to the Basilica will be removed for repairs and temporary doors will be installed. Please note that entrance via those doors may be unavailable for that day. Entrance via front doors will be available. Any queries please contact the parish office.

Pew Restoration Program

We are currently obtaining quotes to refurbish and restore the church pews. Once we have a quote we will then be seeking donations towards the refurbishment and restoration of the pews. More information to come.

Mass Intentions

Saturday 20th April

6pm Vigil: Amelia & Clemntina (dec'd)
Sally Debrincat (dec'd)

Sunday 21st April

8am Mass: Sam Scaffidi (dec'd)

11am Mass: James Ong & Jew Family (dec'd)5pm Mass: Aldrin Thomas (int good health)

Monday 22nd April

Midday Mass: Maria Turco (dec'd)

Tuesday 23rd April

Midday Mass: Madeira Family (dec'd)

Wednesday 24th April

Midday Mass:

Maria Antonietta Francisco (dec'd 25th anniv.)

Thursday 25th April

Midday Mass: Connie and Diana (dec'd)

Friday 26th April

Midday Mass: Grace & Philip Chillemi (dec'd)

Saturday 27th April Midday Mass:

6pm Vigil: Kenneth Douglas (dec'd 1st anniv.)

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 55%.

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

Monday 22nd April Senior's Morning Tea

Thursday 25th April
Anzac Day

Thursday 2 May NDU School of Law Mass