

47 Adelaide Street, Fremantle, WA, 6160

Basilica of St. Patrick

5th Sunday of Easter Year B

Sunday 28th 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

Parish Council Members

Marlene Dullard (Acting Chair)

Sonia La Macchia

Maria Gorman

Parish Finance Committee

Collin Visaggio (Chair)

Trevor Gorey

Michael Piu

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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 part of Jesus' discourse at the Last Supper. Recall that John tells the story of Jesus' Last Supper differently from the other Evangelists. In John's Gospel, the Last Supper begins with Jesus washing his disciples' feet. Jesus then provides them with a series of instructions. We call this section the Last Supper discourse or Jesus' farewell discourse. In these chapters of John's Gospel, Jesus instructs his disciples about the importance of following his example of love and service, about the gift they will receive when Jesus sends them the Holy Spirit, and about their relationship with Jesus and with the world. The Last Supper discourse concludes with Jesus' prayer for his disciples.

Today's Gospel reading is taken from middle of the Last Supper discourse. Jesus speaks about his relationship to his disciples. In his metaphor of the vine and the branches, Jesus is referencing the Hebrew Scriptures. In the Hebrew Scriptures, Israel is the vineyard, and Yahweh himself tends the vineyard. One of the primary themes of John's Gospel is to show Jesus to be the fulfilment of God's promises to Israel.

In this passage, Jesus teaches his disciples that his relationship with them will not end after his death; he will remain with them always. This unity between Jesus and his disciples is the basis for their ability to continue to do the work that he began. Similarly, Jesus' presence with us through the Gift of the Holy Spirit enables us to continue the work of love and reconciliation that he began.

Jesus also teaches his disciples about the importance of the words he has taught to them. Just as Jesus will remain in the disciples, so too will his words. We come to know Jesus through the Scriptures, the living Word of God. Our commitment to be Christ's disciples is sustained through God's Word. This commitment is also strengthened by our life of prayer and nourished by the Eucharist. Through the Eucharist, Jesus dwells in us, remains with us, and transforms us so that we might bear fruit in his name.

We observe many people who act in ways that show their commitment to serve their neighbour. Christians and non-Christians feed the hungry, care for the sick, shelter the homeless, and give alms to the poor. These actions become acts of Christian discipleship when they are motivated by our relationship with Jesus. Whatever the immediate results, Jesus promises us that these actions will bear fruit when we undertake them in his name. (Source Loyola Press)

Music Ministry

Organists & Cantors

Sat 6pm Vigil Mass: Aquinas Schola (Director: Hugh Lydon),
Organist: Andrew Brown
Sun 8am & 11am Masses: Paul O'Neill (Cantor),
Andrew Brown (Organist)
5pm Mass: Sophie Rodgers (Cantor),
Michael Peters (Organist)

Hymns

Mass Setting: Our Lady Help of Christians
Processional Hymn: CWB 639 Christ is alive! With joy we sing
Thanksgiving Hymn:
CWB 615 A New Commandment
Recessional Hymn: CWB 740 Love Divine

The Liturgy of the Word

Entrance Antiphon Cf. Ps 97: 1-2

O sing a new song to the Lord,
for he has worked wonders;
in the sight of the nations
he has shown his deliverance, alleluia.

First Reading Acts 9:26-31

Barnabas explained how the Lord had appeared to Saul on his journey

When Saul got to Jerusalem he tried to join the disciples, but they were all afraid of him: they could not believe he was really a disciple. Barnabas, however, took charge of him, introduced him to the apostles, and explained how the Lord had appeared to Saul and spoken to him on his journey, and how he had preached boldly at Damascus in the name of Jesus. Saul now started to go round with them in Jerusalem, preaching fearlessly in the name of the Lord. But after he had spoken to the Hellenists, and argued with them, they became determined to kill him. When the brothers knew, they took him to Caesarea, and sent him off from there to Tarsus.

The churches throughout Judaea, Galilee and Samaria were now left in peace, building themselves up, living in the fear of the Lord, and filled with the consolation of the Holy Spirit.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 21(22):26-28,30-32

Response: I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people.

My vows I will pay before those who fear him.

The poor shall eat and shall have their fill.

They shall praise the Lord, those who seek him.

May their hearts live for ever and ever!

Response.

All the earth shall remember and return to the Lord,
all families of the nations worship before him;
They shall worship him, all the mighty of the earth;
before him shall bow all who go down to the dust. **Response.**

And my soul shall live for him, my children serve him.

They shall tell of the Lord to generations yet to come,

declare his faithfulness to peoples yet unborn:
'These things the Lord has done.' **Response.**

Second Read 1 John 3:18-24

The commandment of faith and love

My children,
our love is not to be just words or mere talk, but something real and active; only by this can we be certain that we are children of the truth and be able to quieten our conscience in his presence, whatever accusations it may raise against us, because God is greater than our conscience and he knows everything.

My dear people,
if we cannot be condemned by our own conscience, we need not be afraid in God's presence, and whatever we ask him, we shall receive, because we keep his commandments and live the kind of life that he wants.

His commandments are these:
that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and that we love one another as he told us to.

Whoever keeps his commandments lives in God and God lives in him.

We know that he lives in us by the Spirit that he has given us.

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation John 15:4-5

Alleluia, alleluia!

Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord;
my branches bear much fruit.

Alleluia!

Gospel Reading John 15:1-8

I am the vine, you are the branches

Jesus said to his disciples:

'I am the true vine,
and my Father is the vinedresser.
Every branch in me that bears no fruit
he cuts away,
and every branch that does bear fruit
he prunes to make it bear even more.
You are pruned already,
by means of the word that I have spoken to you.
Make your home in me, as I make mine in you.
As a branch cannot bear fruit all by itself,
but must remain part of the vine,
neither can you unless you remain in me.
I am the vine,
you are the branches.
Whoever remains in me, with me in him,
bears fruit in plenty;
for cut off from me you can do nothing.
Anyone who does not remain in me
is like a branch that has been thrown away – he withers;
these branches are collected and thrown on the fire,
and they are burnt.
If you remain in me
and my words remain in you,
you may ask what you will
and you shall get it.
It is to the glory of my Father that you should bear much fruit,
and then you will be my disciples.'

The gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Communion Antiphon Cf. Jn 15: 1, 5

I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord.
Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty, 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

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.

Our Lady of Fatima Novena and Feast Day Mass

Novena in honour of Our Lady of Fatima will commence on Saturday 4th May until Sunday 12th May. See poster on noticeboards or pick up a flyer which are available in the foyers of the Church.

Feast Day Mass in Honour of Our Lady will be celebrated on Monday 13th May at 6pm followed by candlelight procession in parish and school grounds and Benediction. All Welcome.

Parish Morning Tea

The next Parish Morning Tea will be held on Sunday 12th May after the 8am Mass in the Presbytery Carport. All Welcome.

Senior's Morning Tea

The next Senior's Morning Tea will be held on Monday 20th May, 2024 at 10am in the parish hall. All senior's welcome.

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.

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 27th April

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

Sunday 28th April

8am Mass: Holy Souls

11am Mass: Moises Francisco (dec'd)

5pm Mass: Giuseppe Portelli (dec'd)

Monday 29th April

Midday Mass: Maria Alert (Birthday int.)

Tuesday 30th April

Midday Mass: Leonardo Goncalves (dec'd)

Wednesday 1st May

Midday Mass: Claire Ferguson-Smith (dec'd)

Thursday 2nd May

Midday Mass: Amedeo Lomma (dec'd)

Friday 3rd May

Midday Mass: Ewa Kwiatkowski (dec'd)

Saturday 4th May

Midday Mass: Richard Williams (dec'd)

6pm Vigil: For the People

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 57%.

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

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EFT Second Collection Details

BSB: 066 107

A/c No: 0080 0216

Reference: 2nd Collection and your name

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Upcoming Events

Thursday 2 May

NDU School of Law Mass

Saturday 4 May to Sunday 12 May

Novena to Our Lady of Fatima

Sunday 12 May

Parish Morning Tea

Mother's Day

Monday 13 May

Our Lady of Fatima Mass & Procession