

47 Adelaide Street, Fremantle, WA, 6160

# Basilica of St. Patrick

## 6th Sunday of Easter Year B

### Sunday 5th May 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

#### Basilica Parish Office

Angie Emanuele (Parish Manager)

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#### Parish Office working hours

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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 Gospel follows immediately after the Gospel proclaimed last week, in which Jesus taught that he was the vine and that his disciples were the branches. In the example of the vine and the branches, we learned that our union with Jesus will lead to fruitful service. Today's reading extends this teaching to describe the kind of service that Christians are called upon to offer to others.

When John wrote this Gospel, his community was influenced by a set of religious beliefs called Gnosticism. It appears that one of John's intentions was to distinguish Christian belief from the beliefs held by the Gnostics. Evidence of this can be found in today's Gospel.

One of the tenets of Gnostic teaching was the importance of knowledge, or gnosis, as the determining aspect of faith. We read today's Gospel as a response to this teaching. In John's Gospel, we hear Jesus affirm that he is known by the Father and that his disciples will know the Father by knowing Jesus. In this passage, however, Jesus reminds his disciples that this knowledge is to be expressed in love. Those who know Jesus well—and Jesus says that his disciples do know him—will love one another. Knowledge leads to love, which leads to action. John reminds his community that Jesus taught that love is the sign of a true disciple and, thus, a true Christian. Even more, a true disciple shows a particular kind of love, sacrificial love.

In the Greek, there are two words for love that are used in this passage. The first is agape. The second is philia. The first word is most often used to describe love for other persons and for God. It is understood as the highest and most perfect kind of love. The second word is used to describe the affection of friendship. In this context, John appears to use these words as synonyms. The root of the Greek word for friend comes from this second term for love, philia. By using this word, Jesus transforms the terms of his relationship with his disciples and redefines for them their relationship with God. In the Hebrew Scriptures, faith in God made one a servant of God.

Here Jesus teaches that his relationship to his disciples is based on friendship, not servitude.

Another aspect of Gnostic belief taught that a believer was an elect person, chosen and set apart from the world. John reminds his community that Jesus also taught that a disciple is one who had been chosen—one who had been chosen by Jesus. To be chosen by Jesus, however, is not to be set apart from the world. Instead, to be chosen by Jesus is to be sent to serve the world as he did. The disciples of Jesus were chosen and were sent into the world to bear fruit by serving others, by sacrificing for others, in love.

This reading, like last week's, is part of Jesus' Last Supper discourse. In the context of John's Gospel, these words are spoken before Jesus' Crucifixion. We read his instruction to the disciples in light of his death and Resurrection. We know that Jesus himself gives us the greatest example of the kind of love and service that he teaches to his disciples. He has, in fact, laid down his life for his friends, for his disciples, and for us. Through his death and Resurrection, we have received the grace to love others as Jesus has commanded. (Source Loyola Press)

# Music Ministry

## Organists & Cantors

Sat 6pm Vigil Mass: Aquinas Schola (Director: Hugh Lydon),  
Organist: Andrew Brown  
Sun 8am & 11am Masses: Eimear Foley (Cantor),  
Michael Peters (Organist)  
5pm Mass: Jessica Taylor (Cantor),  
Andrew Brown (Organist)

## Hymns

Mass Setting: Our Lady Help of Christians  
Processional Hymn: CWB 671 Easter Glory fills the sky  
Thanksgiving Hymn: CWB 743 Love is his word  
Recessional Hymn: CWB 835 The voice of God

## The Liturgy of the Word

### Entrance Antiphon Cf. Is 48: 20

Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard;  
proclaim to the ends of the earth:  
The Lord has freed his people, alleluia.

### First Reading Acts 10:25-26,34-35,44-48

*The pagans have received the Holy Spirit just as much as we have*

As Peter reached the house Cornelius went out to meet him, knelt at his feet and prostrated himself. But Peter helped him up. 'Stand up,' he said 'I am only a man after all!'

Then Peter addressed them: 'The truth I have now come to realise' he said 'is that God does not have favourites, but that anybody of any nationality who fears God and does what is right is acceptable to him.'

While Peter was still speaking the Holy Spirit came down on all the listeners. Jewish believers who had accompanied Peter were all astonished that the gift of the Holy Spirit should be poured out on the pagans too, since they could hear them speaking strange languages and proclaiming the greatness of God. Peter himself then said, 'Could anyone refuse the water of baptism to these people, now they have received the Holy Spirit just as much as we have?' He then gave orders for them to be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ. Afterwards they begged him to stay on for some days.

The word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### Responsorial Psalm 97(98):1-4

**Response: The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.**

Sing a new song to the Lord  
for he has worked wonders.  
His right hand and his holy arm  
have brought salvation. **Response.**

The Lord has made known his salvation;  
has shown his justice to the nations.  
He has remembered his truth and love  
for the house of Israel. **Response.**

All the ends of the earth have seen  
the salvation of our God.  
Shout to the Lord, all the earth,  
ring out your joy. **Response.**

### Second Read 1 John 4:7-10

*Let us love one another, since love comes from God*

My dear people,  
let us love one another  
since love comes from God  
and everyone who loves is begotten by God and  
knows God.  
Anyone who fails to love can never have known  
God,  
because God is love.  
God's love for us was revealed  
when God sent into the world his only Son  
so that we could have life through him;  
this is the love I mean:  
not our love for God,  
but God's love for us when he sent his Son  
to be the sacrifice that takes our sins away.

The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation John 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words,  
and my Father will love them and we will come to them.

Alleluia!

## Gospel Reading John 15:9-17

*You are my friends if you do what I command you*

Jesus said to his disciples:

‘As the Father has loved me,  
so I have loved you.  
Remain in my love.  
If you keep my commandments  
you will remain in my love,  
just as I have kept my Father’s commandments  
and remain in his love.  
I have told you this  
so that my own joy may be in you  
and your joy be complete.  
This is my commandment:  
love one another, as I have loved you.  
A man can have no greater love  
than to lay down his life for his friends.  
You are my friends,  
if you do what I command you.  
I shall not call you servants any more,  
because a servant does not know  
his master’s business;  
I call you friends,  
because I have made known to you  
everything I have learnt from my Father.  
You did not choose me:  
no, I chose you;  
and I commissioned you  
to go out and to bear fruit,  
fruit that will last;  
and then the Father will give you  
anything you ask him in my name.  
What I command you  
is to love one another.’

The gospel of the Lord.

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

## Communion Antiphon Jn 14: 15-16

If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord,  
and I will ask the Father and he will send you another Paraclete,  
to abide with you for ever, 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

## 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.

## Notre Dame University

The Chaplaincy for Notre Dame University has been entrusted to the Oblates in Fremantle. Fr Giancarlo has been appointed as Chaplain to the University. He will attend to Masses and the Spiritual needs of the University on Tuesdays, Wednesday and Thursdays. He will continue his work in the parish and with the Italian Community.

## Tap and Go Facility for Collections- COMING SOON!

The parish has now secured three Tap and Go Terminals (Thank You to the Fishing Fleet Festival for their generous donation towards the terminals). So you will be able to tap and go for the 1st and 2nd Collections and any general donations you wish to make to the parish. We will still operate the collection baskets but the tap and go is another option for those who don't carry cash. Once the terminals are set up they will be located in the front and side foyers of the Church, and also under the Cross near the Baptismal Font.

# Mass Intentions

## Saturday 4th May

6pm Vigil: For the People

## Sunday 5th May

8am Mass: Christina Omodei (dec'd)

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

5pm Mass: Frank Amato (dec'd anniv.)

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## Monday 6th May

Midday Mass: Libera Gizzarone (dec'd)

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## Tuesday 7th May

Midday Mass: OL of Fatima Mass Intentions

## Wednesday 8th May

Midday Mass: OL of Fatima Mass Intentions

## Thursday 9th May

Midday Mass: OL of Fatima Mass Intentions

## Friday 10th May

Midday Mass: John Goncalves (dec'd)

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## Saturday 11th May

Midday Mass: Pasquale de Gennaro (dec'd)

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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 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

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 12 May

Parish Morning Tea

Mother's Day

## Monday 13 May

Our Lady of Fatima Mass & Procession

## Monday 20 May

Senior's Morning Tea