

47 Adelaide Street, Fremantle, WA, 6160

# Basilica of St. Patrick

Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B  
*Sunday 8th September 2024*

## Oblate Priests' at the Basilica

Fr Meno Basti OMI (Parish Priest & Rector)  
Fr Giancarlo Iollo OMI  
(Assistant Priest & Italian/Notre Dame 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

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

## Contact

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## Parish Safeguarding Officer

Lynn Tomlinson 0424 243 224

## 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 we continue to hear the Gospel of Mark proclaimed. In today's reading, Jesus heals a man who was deaf and had a speech impediment. This is a story about Jesus' healing power, and in it we find clues about our understanding of sacrament. We are struck by the physical means used to heal the man, the use of spittle and touch. The Church continues to celebrate the sacraments using physical means. In the Sacrament of Baptism, water and oil are used to show the power of the Holy Spirit. In the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, we are anointed with holy oil on the forehead and the hands. In the Eucharist, bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ. We are a sacramental people who believe that God's grace is given to us through these physical signs.

Some, however, see in this Gospel an image of the proclamation of the good news of Jesus to the Gentiles. The geographic references tell us that Jesus is journeying through Gentile territory. Jesus had previously visited this region and healed a person possessed by a demon. Jesus was already famous there, which explains why people brought the deaf man to him. The story that precedes this reading in Mark's Gospel sets the stage. Jesus encounters a Gentile, a Syrophenician woman who asks him to heal her demon-possessed daughter. Jesus engages her in a dialogue about not feeding to dogs the food intended for children. Jesus is struck by the woman's great faith when she replies that even dogs eat the food that falls from the table, and he heals her daughter immediately. The faith of this Greek woman compels Jesus to respond to her plea.

Mark shows that Jesus' own mission affirms the early Church's mission to the Gentiles. This was a significant issue to the early Christian community, which found that the good news of Jesus took root and spread quickly among the Gentiles. Yet there is an irony in the story of healing that Mark tells. Jesus gives the man the gift of speech, but then tells him not to use it. Jesus asks that the news of his healing power, which is evidence of his identity as the Messiah, not be spread. This is a recurring motif in Mark's Gospel and is sometimes called the "messianic secret." (source Loyola Press)

# Music Ministry

## Organists & Cantors

Sat 6pm Vigil Mass: Aquinas Schola (Director: Hugh Lydon)  
Alessandro Pittorino (Organist)  
Sun 8am & 11am Masses: Paul O'Neill (Cantor)  
Vince Basile (Organist)  
5pm Mass: Eimear Foley (Cantor),  
Michael Peters (Organist)

## Hymns

Mass Setting: Paul Taylor: Mass of St Francis  
Processional Hymn: CWB 639 Christ is alive! With joy we sing  
Thanksgiving Hymn: CWB 621 As Gentle as Silence  
Processional Hymn: CWB 835 The voice of God

## The Liturgy of the Word

### Entrance Antiphon Ps 118: 137, 124

You are just, O Lord, and your judgement is  
right;  
treat your servant in accord with your merciful  
love.

### First Reading Isaiah 35:4-7

*The blind shall see, the deaf hear, the dumb sing for joy*

Say to all faint hearts,  
'Courage! Do not be afraid.  
Look, your God is coming,  
vengeance is coming,  
the retribution of God;  
he is coming to save you.'

Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,  
the ears of the deaf unsealed,  
then the lame shall leap like a deer  
and the tongues of the dumb sing for joy;

for water gushes in the desert,  
streams in the wasteland,  
the scorched earth becomes a lake,  
the parched land springs of water.

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

### Responsorial Psalm Psalm 145(146):7-10

Response: Praise the Lord, my soul

### Second Reading James 2:1-5

*God chose the poor according to the world to be rich in  
faith*

My brothers, do not try to combine faith in Jesus  
Christ, our glorified Lord, with the making of  
distinctions between classes of people. Now  
suppose a man comes into your synagogue,  
beautifully dressed and with a gold ring on, and at  
the same time a poor man comes in, in shabby  
clothes, and you take notice of the well-dressed  
man, and say, 'Come this way to the best seats';  
then you tell the poor man, 'Stand over there' or  
'You can sit on the floor by my foot-rest.' Can't  
you see that you have used two different  
standards in your mind, and turned yourselves  
into judges, and corrupt judges at that?

Listen, my dear brothers: it was those who are  
poor according to the world that God chose, to be  
rich in faith and to be the heirs to the kingdom  
which he promised to those who love him.

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

### Gospel Acclamation Matthew 4:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom  
and healed all who were sick.

Alleluia!

## Gospel Reading Mark 7:31-37

*'He makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak'*

Returning from the district of Tyre, Jesus went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, right through the Decapolis region. And they brought him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they asked him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, put his fingers into the man's ears and touched his tongue with spittle. Then looking up to heaven he sighed; and he said to him, 'Ephphatha', that is, 'Be opened.' And his ears were opened, and the ligament of his tongue was loosened and he spoke clearly. And Jesus ordered them to tell no one about it, but the more he insisted, the more widely they published it. Their admiration was unbounded. 'He has done all things well,' they said 'he makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak.'

The gospel of the Lord.

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

### Communion Antiphon Cf. Ps 41: 2-3

Like the deer that yearns for running streams,  
so my soul is yearning for you, my God;  
my soul is thirsting for God, the living God.

## Parish Notices

**Please Note:** The walkway between the Basilica and the building next door has now been permanently closed. No further access is available through that walkway to the Basilica Grounds.

### Our Lady of Tindari (Black Madonna)

Feast Day Mass in honour of our Lady of Tindari will be celebrated on Sunday 8th September at the 9.30am Italian Mass. Tea and coffee served after Mass in the parish centre. All Welcome.

### Adoration in the Basilica

Adoration is held in the Basilica Monday to Saturday. The Blessed Sacrament is exposed at 11am with silent prayer until 11.20am, Rosary will then be held from 11.20am to 11.35am, following the Rosary there will be a time for silent prayer until 11.50am when Benediction will commence followed by Midday Mass. All Welcome to attend.

### 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 Morning Tea

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

## Friday 13 September - Sacrament of Confirmation

On Friday 13th September at 5.30pm the Parish will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation. Archbishop Timothy Costelloe will this year celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation with us. Please keep these Candidates and their families in your prayers.

## Senior's Morning Tea - Change of Date

The next Senior's Morning Tea will be held on Monday 23rd September at 10am in the Parish Centre. All Senior's Welcome.

## Repairs to the Front Entry Door to Church

Please note that repairs to the front entry doors will commence on Tuesday 17 September. One set of doors will be completed at a time. So please be careful around the front entry to the Church.

## Roger Sayer Organ Concert - September

Roger will perform his organ score of the soundtrack of the film Interstellar on Friday 20 September 7:30pm. More information on the Noticeboard. Please support and enjoy this unique opportunity.

## Fr Christian Fini OMI, Provincial Visitation

Fr Christian Fini OMI, Oblate Provincial will be in Fremantle from the 20th September to 25th September for his Provincial Visitation. Please feel free to have a chat with him about your parish.

## Safeguarding Induction for all Church workers

As the Fremantle parish has a large number of church workers (volunteers and paid workers) who are due for a renewal or who have yet to do a session of the Safeguarding procedures, we have organised a Safeguarding session in the parish. Many of you would have done the first induction in 2021 which means you are now due in 2024.

**Please register with the parish office for the upcoming session**

**Tuesday, 19 November 2024**

**6-7pm**

**Basilica of St Patrick Parish Centre**

## Mass Intentions

### Saturday 7th September

6pm Vigil Mass: Luigi Petrucci (dec'd)

### Sunday 8th September

8am Mass: Melissa Roosendaal (dec'd)

11am Mass: Fortunata & Jose De Abreu (dec'd)

5pm Mass: Vittoria Galati Rando (dec'd)

### Monday 9th September

Midday Mass: Andrew Mejer (dec'd 40th anniv.)

### Tuesday 10th September

Midday Mass: John Goncalves (dec'd)

### Wednesday 11th September

Midday Mass: Pasquale De Gennaro (dec'd)

### Thursday 12th September

Midday Mass: Paulina Borges (dec'd)

### Friday 13th September

Midday Mass:

Guiseppe Pittorino (dec'd 2nd anniv.)

### Saturday 14th September

Midday Mass: Salvatore Scafidi (Dec'd)

6pm Vigil: Manuel Garces (dec'd)

Brigid Kelly (dec'd)

## 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 67%.

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

### Sunday 8 September

Parish Morning Tea

9.30am Mass in honour of Our Lady of Tindari

### Friday 13 September

Sacrament of Confirmation

### Friday 20 September

Organ Concert

### Monday 23 September

Senior's Morning Tea