47 Adelaide Street, Fremantle, WA, 6160

# Basilica of St. Patrick

First Sunday of Advent, Year C Sunday 1st December, 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) email: parishmanager@fremantlestpatricks.org.au

#### Parish Office working hours

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

#### Contact

Office phone number: (08) 9335 2268 Email: parishmanager@fremantlestpatricks.org.au Website: http://fremantlestpatricks.org.au

#### St Patrick's Community Support Centre

Address: 12 Queen Victoria St, Fremantle WA 6160 Phone: 08 6372 4800 Reception Hours: 8:30am – 4:30pm Mon to Fri

## Parish Safeguarding Officer

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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 is the first Sunday of Advent, which is also the first Sunday of the new liturgical year. The Advent season includes the four Sundays that precede Christmas. Advent is a time of preparation for the coming of the Lord. In this season, we recall two central elements of our faith: the final coming of the Lord in glory and the incarnation of the Lord in the birth of Jesus. The key themes of the Advent season are watchful waiting, preparation, and justice.

In this new liturgical year, the Gospel of Luke will be the primary Gospel proclaimed (Lectionary Cycle C). Today's Gospel is taken from the last chapter before the passion narrative in which Jesus is teaching in the Temple. We hear Jesus speak to his disciples about the need for vigilance and prayer as they wait for the coming of the Son of Man in glory. This passage marks the conclusion of a lengthy dialogue in which Jesus predicts the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem, warns about the persecution and tribulations to follow, and identifies the signs that will signal the coming of the Son of Man in glory.

The community for whom Luke wrote his Gospel may have believed that they were already experiencing some of the events Jesus described. Most scholars believe that Luke's Gospel was written after the destruction of Jerusalem by the Romans in 70 A.D. At the time, many Christians interpreted this event as an indication that Jesus' second coming was near.

Though Jesus predicts a time of destruction and fear, Jesus indicates that others will be frightened; Jesus' disciples are not to fear, but are to stand tall. Yet Jesus does not promise deliverance from anxiety or tribulations. He encourages his disciples to pray for strength. The early Christian communities did not find consolation in the promise of a utopia, nor should we. Instead, we find in our Christian faith the means by which we witness to God's unfailing love for us in all circumstances.

Jesus' predictions about the end times may sound dire, but in the next paragraph Luke tells us that people woke early to listen to Jesus' teaching in the Temple area. In his person and in his message, those who heard Jesus found strength and consolation. Like the first Christians, we may encounter events and circumstances that could lead us to despair. Through prayer, however, we find strength and consolation in Jesus' words and in his continuing presence with us to endure all things and to witness to the action of God in our world. (Source Loyola Press)

## Music Ministry

#### Organists & Cantors

Sat 6pm Vigil Mass: Bonnie de la Hunty (Cantor)
Daniel van der Moezel (Organist)
Sun 8am & 11am Masses: Paul O'Neill (Cantor)
Michael Peters (Organist)
Sun 5pm Mass: Joshua Adams (Cantor)
Daniel van der Moezel (Organist)

#### **Hymns**

Mass Setting: Missa Simplex
Processional Hymn: CWB 763 O Come, O Come Emmanuel
Thanksgiving Hymn: CWB 637 Canticle of Zechariah
Processional Hymn: CWB 799 Rejoice, the Lord is King!

## The Liturgy of the Word

## Entrance Antiphon Cf. Ps 24: 1-3

To you, I lift up my soul, O my God. In you, I have trusted; let me not be put to shame.

Nor let my enemies exult over me; and let none who hope in you be put to shame.

## First reading Jeremiah 33:14-16

I will make a virtuous Branch grow for David

See, the days are coming – it is the Lord who speaks – when I am going to fulfil the promise I made to the House of Israel and the House of Judah:

'In those days and at that time, I will make a virtuous Branch grow for David, who shall practise honesty and integrity in the land.

In those days Judah shall be saved and Israel shall dwell in confidence. And this is the name the city will be called: The-Lord-our-integrity.'

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

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 24(25):4-5,8-9,10,14

Response: To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.

## Second reading 1 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2

May you be blameless when our Lord Jesus Christ comes again

May the Lord be generous in increasing your love and make you love one another and the whole human race as much as we love you. And may he so confirm your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless in the sight of our God and Father when our Lord Jesus Christ comes with all his saints.

Finally, brothers, we urge you and appeal to you in the Lord Jesus to make more and more progress in the kind of life that you are meant to live: the life that God wants, as you learnt from us, and as you are already living it. You have not forgotten the instructions we gave you on the authority of the Lord Jesus.

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

## Gospel Acclamation Ps 84:8

Alleluia, alleluia! Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation. Alleluia!

### Gospel Luke 21:25-28,34-36

That day will be sprung on you suddenly, like a trap

Jesus said to his disciples: 'There will be signs in the sun and moon and stars; on earth nations in agony, bewildered by the clamour of the ocean and its waves; men dying of fear as they await what menaces the world, for the powers of heaven will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. When these things begin to take place, stand erect, hold your heads high, because your liberation is near at hand.

'Watch yourselves, or your hearts will be coarsened with debauchery and drunkenness and the cares of life, and that day will be sprung on you suddenly, like a trap. For it will come down on every living man on the face of the earth. Stay awake, praying at all times for the strength to survive all that is going to happen, and to stand with confidence before the Son of Man.'

The gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

## Communion Antiphon Ps 84: 13

The Lord will bestow his bounty, and our earth shall yield its increase.

## Parish Notices

We would like to sincerely thank all those who assisted with the Volunteers Mass and BBQ last weekend. Well Done and Thank You!

To our major donors, Mias Bakeries, Spudshed/Galati Bros., Top Cut Butchers, thank you for your generous support. Your generosity allowed us to have such a great event for our volunteers. Thank You!

Kennards Hire Fremantle and Subzero Gelato for their support and assistance. Thank You! Finally, thank you to everyone who attend the Mass and BBQ, your presence made the event a memorable one and we hope that you enjoyed the day. God Bless!

#### Senior's Morning Tea

The last senior's morning tea for 2024 will be held on Monday 16th December at 10am in the Parish Centre. All senior's welcome.

### Final Parish Morning Teas for 2024

Please join us for the last two Parish Morning Teas for 2024 which will be held on Sunday 8 December and Sunday 22 December after the 8am Mass in the Presbytery Carport. All Welcome.

#### Anointing of the Sick Mass

The next Anointing of the Sick Mass will be held on Tuesday 3rd December at the Midday Mass.

#### **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,

#### The Apostles' Creed

with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

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.

#### **MAMI Christmas Gift Cards**

This year give a Christmas Gift that helps support those less fortunate. A MAMI Christmas Card, supports the Missions supported by the Oblates of Mary Immaculate. Chickens \$10, Development \$15, Toolboxes \$20, Education \$25 and Goats \$30. Cards available from the parish office or online at www.oblates.com.au/christmas-cards.

#### Annual Advent & Christmas raffle

Tickets for the Christmas Raffle will go on sale at Masses on the weekend of the 30 November/1 December and then will be available every weekend until Sunday 22 December when the raffle will be drawn at the Parish Morning Tea. Please support this raffle.

#### Carols, Corelli and Candlelight

The Basilica Chorale invites you to a night of Carols, Corelli and Candlelight on Friday 20th December at 7pm in the Basilica. Mulled wine and cake will be served in the Presbytery Carport at 6.30pm prior to the event. BYO cushion for the pews. Donation entry fee.

#### Leading to the Light: Advent Retreat for Young People

Join Scottish priest Fr Stuart Chalmers for a half-day Advent retreat as we prepare for Christmas. The theme will be 'Leading to the Light', drawing on the writings of St John of the Cross, who thought deeply about how to deal with difficulties in the spiritual life.

This retreat is open to all young people aged 18+ and is hosted by the Chaplaincy Team at The University of Notre Dame Australia.

Date: Wednesday 4 December

Time: 9am - 2pm

Location: Meet at the Holy Spirit Chapel (ND8), 38 Mouat Street,

Fremantle WA 6160

FREE admission for Notre Dame students and \$10 for general admission. Please RSVP by 2 December 2024: <a href="https://events.nd.edu.au/leading-to-the-light">https://events.nd.edu.au/leading-to-the-light</a>

#### Pilgrimage to Shrines of Italy 2025

Rome, Assisi, Loreto, Padre Pio, Puglia, Calabria, Sicily. 14 days 11 nights. 16th May 2025 to 29th May 2025. Spiritual Director: Mgr. Michael Keating. More information on noticeboards in foyers.

#### **Christmas Timetable**

Copies of the Christmas Mass Timetable are available in the side foyers of the Church. Please distribute them to your family and friends.

#### **Christmas Office Opening Hours**

The parish office will be closed between midday on Friday 20th December to Tuesday 14th January, 2025. During this time there will be no parish bulletins printed for weekend Masses. If you have any urgent matters please email parishmanager@fremantlestpatricks.org.au.

#### **Basilica Carpark**

The Basilica grounds are open at 7am to 7.30pm Mon to Sunday. Any cars that are parked in the grounds after lockup will need to be collected the following morning. Parking in the Basilica grounds is at your own risk.

## Mass Intentions

#### **Saturday 30th November**

6pm Vigil Mass: Salvatore Scafidi (dec'd) Albert Gauci (dec'd)

#### **Sunday 1st December**

8am Mass: Sacred Heart Sodality

Holy Souls

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

5pm Mass: Tesija Family (dec'd)

#### **Monday 2nd December**

Midday Mass: Manuel Pereira (dec'd)
Amedeo Lomma (dec'd)

#### **Tuesday 3rd December**

Midday Mass: Ewa Kwiatkowski (dec'd)

Wednesday 4th December

Midday Mass: Silvino Correia (int)

#### Thursday 5th December

Midday Mass: Roman Okenica (dec'd)

#### Friday 6th December

Midday Mass: Agostinha da Silva Horta (dec'd)

#### Saturday 7th December

Midday Mass: Lina Cassettai (dec'd)
6pm Vigil: Seamus Dolan (int good health)

## Weekly Giving

The collections are an important part of a Parish life. Your weekly 1st collection donations support the Priests in the parish to minister to the needs of the parish community and the fremantle boarders.

Your weekly 2nd collection donations helps us to maintain all aspects of the Basilica, Presbytery and Administration Centre.

Without your assistance we would not be able to provide and maintain the Parish and its community. Thank You!

Please continue to give generously via the collection plate, tap and go tablets or direct deposits into the accounts below.

#### **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**

Tuesday 3 December

Anointing of the Sick Mass

**Sunday 8 December** 

Parish Morning Tea

#### Monday 16 December

Senior's Final Morning Tea for 2024

#### Friday 20 December

Carols, Corelli & Candlelight Concert