

47 Adelaide Street, Fremantle, WA, 6160

Basilica of St. Patrick

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

Sunday 26th January, 2025

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

Basilica Parish Office

Angie Emanuele (Parish Manager)
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St Patrick's Community Support Centre

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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's Gospel reading combines two separate passages taken from the Gospel of Luke. First we hear the opening verses where Luke establishes the purpose of his Gospel. His style is typical of polished Greek and Roman literature. In this passage, we learn that Luke may have written to a specific person, Theophilus; but the word Theophilus may also be a general reference, functioning as the phrase "Dear Reader" might in contemporary writing. In Greek, the word Theophilus translates as "lover of God."

Today's Gospel reading then skips several chapters in which one would find the Infancy Narratives, Jesus' baptism by John, the temptations Jesus faced in the desert, and the beginning of Jesus' public ministry. In chapter four of Luke's Gospel, we hear that Jesus is in his hometown of Nazareth, attending the synagogue on the Sabbath, which is said to be his custom. In this account, we find another important clue that Jesus lived as a faithful, observant Jew. We will continue to read from Luke's Gospel in sequence for the next two Sundays.

As Jesus stands in the synagogue, he reads from the scroll handed to him; it contains the words of the prophet Isaiah. At this early moment in his ministry, Jesus announces his mission in continuity with Israel's prophetic tradition. This reading from Isaiah defines Jesus' ministry. We will find more evidence of this as we continue to read from Luke's Gospel throughout the year. Jesus' ministry will include bringing glad tidings to the poor, liberty to captives, healing to the sick, freedom to the oppressed, and proclaiming a year acceptable to the Lord.

Through this text from Isaiah, Jesus announces God's salvation. The "year acceptable to the Lord" is a reference to the Jewish tradition of Sabbath years and jubilee. The Sabbath year was observed every seventh year. It was a year of rest when land was left fallow and food stores were to be shared equally with all. A year of Jubilee was celebrated every fiftieth year, the conclusion of seven cycles of Sabbath years. It was a year of renewal in which debts were forgiven and slaves were freed.

This tradition of Jubilee is the framework for God's promise of salvation. And yet in Jesus, something new begins. Jesus not only announces God's salvation, he brings this salvation about in his person. Jesus is Yahweh's Anointed One, filled with the Spirit of God. The Kingdom of God is now at hand. It is made present in Jesus, in his life, death, and Resurrection. Jesus will send the Holy Spirit so that the Kingdom of God can be fulfilled.

The Holy Spirit is Jesus' gift to the Church. The Holy Spirit enables the Church to continue the mission of Jesus. When we do what Jesus did—bring glad tidings to the poor, liberty to captives, healing to the sick, and freedom to the oppressed—we serve the Kingdom of God. (source Loyola Press).



Music Ministry

Organists & Cantors

Sat 6pm Vigil Mass: Jessica Taylor (Cantor)

Daniel van der Moezel (Organist)

Sun 8am Mass: Laura Rogers (Cantor), Sun 11am Mass: Basilica Choir

Daniel Masmanian (Organist at 8 am & 11am Masses)

Sun 5pm Mass: Joshua Adams (Cantor)

Michael Peters (Organist)

Hymns

Mass Setting: Missa Simplex

Processional Hymn: CWB 626 Blessed Jesus, at your word

Thanksgiving Hymn: CWB 653 Come down, O Love divine

Processional Hymn: CWB 739 Lord of Creation

The Liturgy of the Word

Entrance Antiphon Cf. Ps 95: 1, 6

O sing a new song to the Lord;
sing to the Lord, all the earth.

In his presence are majesty and splendour,
strength and honour in his holy place.

First reading Nehemiah 8:2-6,8-10

All the people listened attentively to the Book of the Law

Ezra the priest brought the Law before the assembly, consisting of men, women, and children old enough to understand. This was the first day of the seventh month. On the square before the Water Gate, in the presence of the men and women, and children old enough to understand, he read from the book from early morning till noon; all the people listened attentively to the Book of the Law.

Ezra the scribe stood on a wooden dais erected for the purpose. In full view of all the people – since he stood higher than all the people – Ezra opened the book; and when he opened it all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people raised their hands and answered, ‘Amen! Amen!’ Then they bowed down and, face to the ground, prostrated themselves before the Lord. And Ezra read from the Law of God, translating and giving the sense, so that the people understood what was read.

Then Nehemiah – His Excellency – and Ezra, priest and scribe, and the Levites who were instructing the people, said to all the people, ‘This day is sacred to the Lord your God. Do not be mournful, do not weep.’ For the people were all in tears as they listened to the words of the Law.

He then said, ‘Go, eat the fat, drink the sweet wine, and send a portion to the man who has nothing prepared ready. For this day is sacred to our Lord. Do not be sad: the joy of the Lord is your stronghold.’

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The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 18(19):8-10,15

Response: Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life.

Second reading 1 Corinthians 12:12-14,27

You together are Christ's body, but each a different part of it

Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink.

Nor is the body to be identified with any one of its many parts. Now you together are Christ's body; but each of you is a different part of it.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation Luke 4:18

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord sent me to bring Good News to the poor
and freedom to prisoners.

Alleluia!

Gospel Luke 1:1-4,4:14-21

'This text is being fulfilled today even as you listen'

Seeing that many others have undertaken to draw up accounts of the events that have taken place among us, exactly as these were handed down to us by those who from the outset were eyewitnesses and ministers of the word, I in my turn, after carefully going over the whole story from the beginning, have decided to write an ordered account for you, Theophilus, so that your Excellency may learn how well founded the teaching is that you have received.

Jesus, with the power of the Spirit in him, returned to Galilee; and his reputation spread throughout the countryside. He taught in their synagogues and everyone praised him.

He came to Nazara, where he had been brought up, and went into the synagogue on the sabbath day as he usually did. He stood up to read and they handed him the scroll of the prophet Isaiah. Unrolling the scroll he found the place where it is written:

The spirit of the Lord has been given to me,
for he has anointed me.
He has sent me to bring the good news to the poor,
to proclaim liberty to captives
and to the blind new sight,
to set the downtrodden free,
to proclaim the Lord's year of favour.

He then rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the assistant and sat down. And all eyes in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to speak to them, "This text is being fulfilled today even as you listen."

The gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Communion Antiphon Cf. Ps 33: 6

Look toward the Lord and be radiant;
let your faces not be abashed.

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

Jubilee Year 2025 - Pilgrims of Hope

What is a Jubilee? A Jubilee is a special year of grace and conversion, involving prayer, pilgrimage and sacramental repentance, held every 25 years, or during other years as called for by the Pope.

Through a series of concrete rituals, acts and commitments, the goal of a Jubilee year is to inspire and encourage holiness of life among the faithful and therefore to strengthen the Church's witness to God's loving mercy in and for the world.

This year the Basilica of St Patrick has been chosen as one of the five Churches in the Archdiocese of Perth as a place of pilgrimage.

We invite everyone to participate in this Jubilee Year.

2025 Pilgrims of Hope books available from the Piety Stall and Parish Office for \$2.

On Monday 3rd February Fr Andrew Chen OMI, will be installed as the new Australian Provincial in Melbourne. Frs Daniel Szewc, Michael Twigg, Mathew Raj and Meno Basti will be also be installed as his new councillors. We ask that you keep them all in your prayers.

Anointing of the Sick Mass

The next Anointing of the Sick Mass will be held on Tuesday 4th February at the Midday Mass.

Aquinas Schola Choir

The Aquinas Boys Choir will return to sing at the Saturday 6pm Vigil Masses on Saturday commencing from Saturday 9th February.

Parish Morning Tea

The next Parish Morning Tea will be held on Sunday 16th February after the 8am Mass in the Presbytery Carport. All Welcome.

Seniors Morning Tea

The seniors morning teas will return in 2025 dates will be advised.

Safer Internet Day

Safer Internet Day is Tuesday 11 February 2025. It is a global day of action dedicated to raising awareness of online safety.

Pope Francis in his 2024 address on Communications Day, asks us to pray that 'human dignity may never lose its bearings, and that the wisdom that was present before all modern technology may return to us'.

Below are some links to assist you and there is also a flyer in the foyers of the Church this weekend.

- Safeguarding Program Resource – Safe Online Environments Guideline
- Safeguarding Program Resource – [How to stay connected safely online](#)
- eSafety Commissioner – [Safer Internet Day Hub](#)
- eSafety Resources for Communities & Families [Page](#)
 - [Keeping children safe online](#)
 - [Swoosh and Glide and Rules](#) – an online picture book to download and read with children
 - [Mighty Heroes online safety adventures](#) – a series of videos for children and parents as conversation starters about online safety

Mass Intentions

Saturday 25th January

6pm Vigil Mass: Clune Family (dec'd)

Sunday 26th January

8am Mass: Vincenzo, Salvatore, Gaetano and Calogero Carrello (dec'd)

11am Mass: Maria & Giovanni Costa (dec'd)

5pm Mass: Antonio, Giuseppina and Little Francesca Natoli (dec'd)

Monday 27th January

Midday Mass: Michael D'Amico (dec'd)

Tuesday 28th January

Midday Mass: Holy Souls

Wednesday 29th January

Midday Mass: Angelica Salvemini (dec'd)

Thursday 30th January

Midday Mass: Leonardo Goncalves (dec'd)

Friday 31st January

Midday Mass: Maria Rosaria (dec'd anniv.)

Saturday 1st February

Midday Mass: Corrado Cassetta (dec'd)

6pm Vigil: Antonio D'Angelo (dec'd)

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.

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Upcoming Events

Tuesday 4th February

Anointing of the Sick Mass

Sunday 16th February

Parish Morning Tea