47 Adelaide Street, Fremantle, WA, 6160 Basilica of St. Patrick Second Sunday of Lent, Year C Sunday 16th March, 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

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Safeguarding of our children in the Parish The Archdiocesan Safeguarding Project was started in 2016 by Archbishop Timothy Costello Dear Parishioners and Friends!

On the second Sunday of Lent, we move from Jesus' retreat to the desert and temptation by the devil to the glory shown in Jesus' Transfiguration. On the first Sunday of Lent, our Gospel always tells the story of Jesus' temptation in the desert. On the second Sunday, we always hear the story of Jesus' Transfiguration.

The report of Jesus' Transfiguration is found in each of the Synoptic Gospels— Matthew, Mark, and Luke. The context for Luke's Transfiguration story is similar to that found in both Matthew and Mark. The Transfiguration occurs after Peter's confession that Jesus is the Messiah and Jesus' prediction about his Passion. After the prediction there is a discussion of the cost of discipleship in each of these Gospels. The placement of the Transfiguration story close to Peter's confession and Jesus' prediction encourages us to examine the Transfiguration in the larger context of the Paschal Mystery.

The Transfiguration occurs on a mountain in the presence of just three of Jesus' disciples—Peter, James and John. These are among the first disciples that Jesus called in Luke's Gospel. We recently heard this Gospel at Mass, on the fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Only Luke's Gospel, which often describes Jesus at prayer, indicates that Jesus is praying as his appearance changes to bright white. Luke indicates that the three disciples were sleeping while Jesus prayed. They will be sleeping again as Jesus prays in the Garden of Gethsemane before his Passion and death.

As they awake, Peter and the disciples see Jesus Transfigured and Elijah and Moses present with Jesus. Elijah and Moses, both significant figures in the history of Israel, represent Jesus' continuity with the Law and the Prophets. In Matthew's and Mark's Gospels, there is reference to conversation among Jesus, Elijah, and Moses, but only Luke's Gospel explains that this conversation is about Jesus' later accomplishments in Jerusalem. Luke describes this as his exodus, connecting Jesus' Passion, death, and Resurrection with the Israel's Exodus from Egypt.

On witnessing Jesus' Transfiguration and seeing Jesus with Elijah and Moses, Peter offers to construct three tents for them. Having just awoken, perhaps Peter's offer was made in confusion. We also notice that Peter reverted from his earlier confession

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that Jesus is the Messiah, calling Jesus "master" instead. As if in reply to Peter's confusion, a voice from heaven speaks, affirming Jesus as God's Son and commanding that the disciples listen to him. This voice from heaven recalls the voice that was heard at Jesus' baptism which, in Luke's Gospel, spoke directly to Jesus as God's Son. In his Transfiguration, we see an anticipation of the glory of Jesus' Resurrection. In each of the reports of the Transfiguration, the disciples keep secret what they have seen. Not until they also witness his Passion and death will the disciples understand Jesus' Transfiguration. We hear this story of Jesus' Transfiguration early in Lent, but we have the benefit of hindsight. In our hearing of it, we anticipate Jesus' Resurrection even as we prepare to remember Jesus' Passion and death. (source Loyola Press).

Music Ministry

Organists & Cantors

Sat 6pm Vigil Mass: Aquinas Schola (Director: Hugh Lydon), Organist Daniel van der Moezel Sun 8am Mass: Laura Rogers (Cantor), Daniel Masmanian (Organist) Sun 11am Mass: Basilica Chorale, Daniel Masmanian (Organist) Sun 5pm Mass: Eimear Foley (Cantor), Michael Peters (Organist) <u>Hymns</u> Mass Setting: Missa Simplex Processional Hymn: CWB 643 Christ is the World's Light Thanksgiving Hymn: CWB 718 I am the Bread of Life Processional Hymn: CWB 738 Lord of all Hopefulness

The Liturgy of the Word

Entrance Antiphon Cf. Ps 26: 8-9

Of you my heart has spoken, Seek his face. It is your face, O Lord, that I seek; hide not your face from me.

First reading Genesis 15:5-12,17-18

God enters into a Covenant with Abraham, the man of faith

Taking Abram outside, the Lord said, 'Look up to heaven and count the stars if you can.' 'Such will be your descendants,' he told him. Abram put his faith in the Lord, who counted this as making him justified.

'I am the Lord' he said to him 'who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldaeans to make you heir to this land.' 'My Lord,' Abram replied 'how am I to know that I shall inherit it?' He said to him, 'Get me a three-year-old heifer, a threeyear-old goat, a three-year-old ram, a turtledove and a young pigeon.' He brought him all these, cut them in half and put half on one side and half facing it on the other; but the birds he did not cut in half. Birds of prey came down on the carcases but Abram drove them off.

Now as the sun was setting Abram fell into a deep sleep, and terror seized him. When the sun had set and darkness had fallen, there appeared a smoking furnace and a firebrand that went between the halves. That day the Lord made a Covenant with Abram in these terms: Responsorial Psalm Psalm 26(27):1,7-9,13-14

Response: The Lord is my light and my salvation.

Second reading Philippians 3:20a-4:1

Christ will transfigure our bodies into copies of his glorious body

For us, our homeland is in heaven, and from heaven comes the saviour we are waiting for, the Lord Jesus Christ, and he will transfigure these wretched bodies of ours into copies of his glorious body. He will do that by the same power with which he can subdue the whole universe.

So then, my brothers and dear friends, do not give way but remain faithful in the Lord. I miss you very much, dear friends; you are my joy and my crown.

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

'To your descendants I give this land, from the wadi of Egypt to the Great River.'

The word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God. **Gospel Acclamation Matthew 17:5** Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ! From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard: this is my beloved Son, hear him. Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel Luke 9:28-36 Jesus is transfigured before them

Jesus took with him Peter and John and James and went up the mountain to pray. As he prayed, the aspect of his face was changed and his clothing became brilliant as lightning. Suddenly there were two men there talking to him; they were Moses and Elijah appearing in glory, and they were speaking of his passing which he was to accomplish in Jerusalem. Peter and his companions were heavy with sleep, but they kept awake and saw his glory and the two men standing with him. As these were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, 'Master, it is wonderful for us to be here; so let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' - He did not know what he was saying. As he spoke, a cloud came and covered them with shadow; and when they went into the cloud the disciples were afraid. And a voice came from the cloud saying, 'This is my Son, the Chosen One. Listen to him.' And after the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. The disciples kept silence and, at that time, told no one what they had seen.

The gospel of the Lord. All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Communion Antiphon Mt 17:5

This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.

Parish Notices

Jubilee Year 2025 - Pilgrims of Hope

The indulgence, a priceless gift of divine mercy, is one of the special signs of the Jubilee Year. The conditions for obtaining a Jubilee Indulgence are:

• Pilgrimage to any of the designated Churches and Shrines St Mary's Cathedral, Perth

<u>The Gloria</u>

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.

The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom. May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanguished, your glory will shine eternally. May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen

The Basilica of St Patrick, Fremantle St John Paul II Church, Banksia Grove Schoenstatt Shrine, Mount Richon Carmelite Monastery, Dalkeith

- Sacrament of Reconciliation
- Celebration of the Eucharist
- Profession of Faith
- Prayers for the intentions of the Holy Father

Those unable to make a pilgrimage due to age, health, caregiving you can obtain an indulgence, under the usual conditions by reciting the Our father, making a profession of faith and offering prayers from their homes, hospitals and nursing homes while offering up there own suffering.

Stations of the Cross during Lent

Stations of the Cross in English and Italian every Friday at 6.30pm until until Good Friday. All Welcome.

Piety Stall Volunteer

We are seeking a volunteer who can assist on Sundays 11am to Midday in the Piety Stall. The Piety Stall is the little shop we have in the front foyer of the Church. You will be required to be stationed at the Piety Stall during that time and assist with sale of items. If you can assist please contact the Parish Office.

Presbytery Cleaner Required

The Oblates are seeking a cleaner to work in the Presbytery, 5 hours on Mondays, Wednesdays and some Fridays. The position includes washing and ironing, room cleaning and general house cleaning. You will require a National Police Clearance and cleaning experience would be an advantage. If you would like more information or would like to apply please contact the parish office.

Oblate Formation Session

The Fremantle Oblates will be away from Monday 31st March to Friday 4th April. During this time Fr Ughanze will celebrate the Midday Masses. No Adoration during this time. First Friday Reconciliation at 11am as usual. Let us keep the Oblates in our prayers during this week.

Carpark Closing Times

Please note that the parish carpark is open 7am to 7.30pm Monday to The carpark is for parishioners attending Masses and other Sunday. services. It is not a all day parking area.

Safeguarding Requirements in the Parish

The Church Sacristy: Reminder that the Church Sacristy is only to be used by the Priests, Acolytes and Church Staff. Parishioners are not to enter the Sacristy. The toilet located in the Sacristy is for the use of the Priests only it is not a public toilet.

Thank you to everyone who attended the World Day of Prayer on Friday 7th March in the Basilica, it was a wonderful ecumenical service attended by all denominations. A sincere thank you to all those who assisted and volunteered with the service and the morning tea, those who supplied food to be shared and those who stayed back to help clean up. THANK YOU!

Palm Sunday - 13th April

Unfortunately due to the lack of palms that the parish can access, the parish will be unable to supply palms for parishioners at Palm Sunday Masses. Please source your own palm for the weekend 12th/13th April and bring them along for the blessing at the Masses. Thank You.

Mass Intentions

Saturday 15th March

6pm Vigil Mass: Manuel & Rob Abreu (int) Sunday 16th March 8am Mass: Gerard Rawlinsons (dec'd) 11am Mass: Salvatore Scafidi (dec'd) 5pm Mass: Martha and Elena Amato (dec'd) Monday 17th March Midday Mass: Liliana Da Silva (dec'd) **Tuesday 18th March** Midday Mass: Nikola Braskic (dec'd) Wednesday 19th March Midday Mass: James Ong & Jew Family (dec'd) Thursday 20th March Midday Mass: Ukalovich Family & Anita Mateljak (dec'd) Friday 21st March Midday Mass: Josip & Marica Peranic (dec'd) Saturday 22nd March Midday Mass: Nada Rendell (dec'd) 6pm Vigil:

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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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

Friday 21st March

Stations of the Cross in English and Italian

Monday 31 March to Friday 4 April **Oblate Formation**