

47 Adelaide Street, Fremantle, WA, 6160

Basilica of St. Patrick

The Ascension of the Lord, Year C

Sunday 1st June, 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, Tuesday & Friday 10am to 3pm
(Basilica Guardians Permitting)
Wednesday & Thursday 10am to 1pm

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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Parish Office working hours

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

Contact

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Website: <http://fremantlepatrick.org.au>

St Patrick's Community Support Centre

12 Queen Victoria Street, Fremantle WA 6160
Reception Hours Mon to Fri 8.30am to 4.30pm
Phone: 6372 4800

Parish Safeguarding Officer

Lynn Tomlinson 0424 243 224
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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://fremantlepatrick.org.au/parish-safeguarding-project/>

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Today is our liturgical celebration of the Ascension of the Lord, when Jesus was taken to heaven on the 40th day after Easter. In Cycle C, our Gospel is taken from the conclusion of the Gospel of Luke.

There are similarities in the reports of Jesus' Ascension found in the Synoptic Gospels—Mark, Matthew, and Luke. In each account, Jesus assigns his disciples the task of proclaiming the Gospel to the entire world. There are also notable distinctions. In the Gospels of Mark and Matthew, the disciples are sent by Jesus to baptize as well as to preach. In Luke's Gospel, however, this commission to baptize is absent. Instead, Jesus directs the disciples to return to Jerusalem to await the fulfilment of his promise to send them the Holy Spirit. Curiously, only Mark and Luke actually report Jesus' Ascension into heaven. Matthew's Gospel concludes with Jesus' promise to remain with his disciples forever. Only the Gospel of Mark notes that Jesus ascended to sit at the right hand of God. In noting this, Mark teaches that Jesus' Ascension affirms the glory Jesus received from God after his death and Resurrection.

Those who believe in Jesus will be empowered to do what Jesus himself has done. Already in Mark's Gospel, during his ministry, Jesus sent his disciples out to preach, to heal, and to drive out unclean spirits. Now, they are sent again to do these things and more. From his place with God in heaven, Jesus helped his disciples, and he continues to help us as we try to live as his followers. (source Loyola Press)



Music Ministry

Organists & Cantors

Sat 6pm Mass: Sophie Rodgers (Cantor)
Daniel van der Moezel (Organist)
Sun 8am & 11am Masses: Sophie Hamer (Cantor)
Michael Peters (Organist)
Sun 5pm Mass: Jada Love (Cantor)
Xavier Jarvis (Organist)

Hymns

Mass Setting: Paul Taylor: Mass of St Francis
Processional Hymn: CWB 654 Come, Holy Ghost, Creator, Come
Thanksgiving Hymn: CWB 653 Come down, O Love Divine
Recessional Hymn: CWB 681 Glory be to God on high

The Liturgy of the Word

Entrance Antiphon Acts 1: 11

Men of Galilee, why gaze in wonder at the heavens?

This Jesus whom you saw ascending into heaven will return as you saw him go, alleluia.

First Reading Acts 1:1-11

Jesus was lifted up while they looked on

In my earlier work, Theophilus, I dealt with everything Jesus had done and taught from the beginning until the day he gave his instructions to the apostles he had chosen through the Holy Spirit, and was taken up to heaven. He had shown himself alive to them after his Passion by many demonstrations: for forty days he had continued to appear to them and tell them about the kingdom of God. When he had been at table with them, he had told them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for what the Father had promised. ‘It is’ he had said ‘what you have heard me speak about: John baptised with water but you, not many days from now, will be baptised with the Holy Spirit.’

Now having met together, they asked him, ‘Lord, has the time come? Are you going to restore the kingdom to Israel?’ He replied, ‘It is not for you to know times or dates that the Father has decided by his own authority, but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you, and then you will be my witnesses not only in Jerusalem but throughout Judaea and Samaria, and indeed to the ends of the earth.’

As he said this he was lifted up while they looked on, and a cloud took him from their sight. They were still staring into the sky when suddenly two men in white were standing near them and they said, ‘Why are you men from Galilee standing here looking into the sky? Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven, this same Jesus will come back in the same way as you have seen him go there.’

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 46(47):2-3,6-9

Response: God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

Second Reading Ephesians 1:17-23

God made him sit at his right hand in heaven

May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a spirit of wisdom and perception of what is revealed, to bring you to full knowledge of him. May he enlighten the eyes of your mind so that you can see what hope his call holds for you, what rich glories he has promised the saints will inherit and how infinitely great is the power that he has exercised for us believers. This you can tell from the strength of his power at work in Christ, when he used it to raise him from the dead and to make him sit at his right hand, in heaven, far above every Sovereignty, Authority, Power, or Domination, or any other name that can be named not only in this age but also in the age to come. He has put all things under his feet and made him, as the ruler of everything, the head of the Church; which is his body, the fullness of him who fills the whole creation.

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation Matthew 28:19. 20

Alleluia, alleluia!

Go and teach all people my gospel.

I am with you always, until the end of the world.

Alleluia!

Gospel Reading Luke 24:46-53

He withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven

Jesus said to his disciples:

‘You see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.

‘And now I am sending down to you what the Father has promised. Stay in the city then, until you are clothed with the power from on high.’

Then he took them out as far as the outskirts of Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. Now as he blessed them, he withdrew from them and was carried up to heaven. They worshipped him and then went back to Jerusalem full of joy; and they were continually in the Temple praising God.

The gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Communion Antiphon Mt 28: 20

Behold, I am with you always,
even to the end of the age, 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.

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 vanquished,

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

Parish Notices

The Parish Alpha Program will be launched in the parish on Wednesday 18th June at 6.30pm in the Parish Centre and continue for 10 weeks.

More information on the noticeboards.

Over the next few weekends a member from the Alpha Team will speak at Masses. The Alpha Team consists of Shereen Banner, Terence Pestana, Maria Gorman, Sonia La Macchia, Maria Mattarocchia, Marietta Damos, Trevanna Cooper and Yulia Burns.

Please register your interest with either one of the team members or the parish office.



CBC Family Mass

The CBC Community will join the Basilica Community on Saturday 7th June for the 6pm Vigil Mass to celebrate their family Mass.

Parish Morning Tea

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

Catholic Missions Appeal

One the weekend of 7th/8th June we will welcome Fr Joseph Trigo Ngoma who is a Zambian missionary priest and will be visiting Perth to launch this year’s Mission Appeal. Fr Joseph will speak at Masses on that weekend and a third collection will be taken up to assist the Catholic Missions in their work. Donations envelopes will also be available on the day. Please give generously. Thank You.

The Scots Presbyterian Church, Fremantle invites all parishioners to attend “At Home” session on Monday 16th June at 10.30am, their guest speaker will be Darren Reynolds from Every Daughter Matters. A light lunch will be served in the hall after. If you would like to attend please call the parish office with your details asap.

First Communion Mass

On Saturday 21st June at 6pm, the parish Vigil Mass will have First Communion candidates from the St Patrick’s Primary School, the Parish Catechism class and from Mater Christi. Please keep these children in your prayers as they come together to receive the Eucharist for the first time.

Renewed Jubilee Conference - July 31 - August 2, 2025

Experience renewal and transformation in Christ this Jubilee Year! Join us for an inspiring conference featuring Deacon Bob Rice, Fr. Christian Irdi, Fr. Conor Steadman, Fr. Mark Payton, and Deacon Aaron Peters. Bishop Don Sproxton will celebrate the Opening Mass at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, Scarborough.

Early Bird Special ends July 6: Adults \$90 | Teens \$60 | Children 11 & Under Free
Register: www.evangelisationaustralia.com more info on notice boards.

2025 Columban Calendars

We have some 2025 Columban calendars available in the Piety Stall, quick sale \$5 each, pick one or maybe two and give them to family and friends. Thank you for your support.

Mass Intentions

- Saturday 31st May**
6pm Vigil Mass:
Mafalda & Vito Guerra (dec’d anniv.)
- Sunday 1st June**
8am Mass: Domenic Piromalli (dec’d anniv.)
11am Mass: Holy Souls
5pm Mass: Natoli, Bettagacci & Cody Families (dec’d) and Special Intention
- Monday 2nd June**
Midday Mass: Rosa & Steven Caporn (int)
Herman Alvarez (dec’d anniv.)
- Tuesday 3rd June**
Midday Mass: Ewa Kwiatkowski (dec’d)
- Wednesday 4th June**
Midday Mass: Len Winton (dec’d)
- Thursday 5th June**
Midday Mass: Tom Ciepaiek (dec’d)
- Friday 6th June**
Midday Mass: Lay Association of the Ursuline Sisters of the Sacred Heart
Prabhu Abe (Birthday int.)
- Saturday 7th June**
Midday Mass: Zbyszek Mejer (dec’d)
6pm Vigil Mass:
Antonio & Matilde Jardine (dec’d)

Planned 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

- Saturday 31st May/Sunday 1st June**
Cana Community Talks
- Saturday 7th / Sunday 8th June**
CBC Family Mass
Parish Morning Tea
Catholic Missions Appeal