

47 Adelaide Street, Fremantle, WA, 6160

Basilica of St. Patrick

The Second Sunday of Lent, Year A
Sunday 1st March 2026

Oblate Priests' at the Basilica

Fr Meno Basti OMI (Parish Priest & Rector)
Fr John Patrick John Mary OMI
(Assistant Priest & Hospital Chaplain)
Fr Eric Alleaume OMI (Assistant Priest and
Notre Dame Chaplain)
Fr. Anthony Colbert OMI (Assistant Priest)

Church Opening Hours

Monday, Thursday & Friday 10am to 3pm
(*Basilica Guardians Permitting*)
Tuesday and Wednesday 10am to 1pm

Daily Adoration and Mass

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

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Parish Leadership Team

Shereen Banner Sonia La Macchia
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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,

For the second Sunday of Lent, we move from Jesus' retreat to the desert to his Transfiguration. Each year on the first Sunday of Lent, our Gospel tells the story of Jesus' temptation in the desert. On the second Sunday of Lent each year, we hear the story of Jesus' Transfiguration.

The story of Jesus' Transfiguration is told in the three Synoptic Gospels: Matthew, Mark, and Luke. In each of those Gospels, the Transfiguration follows Jesus' first prediction of his death and his teaching about the costs of discipleship. Jesus' Transfiguration is a promise of Jesus' glory, his Resurrection.

On a mountain in today's reading, a voice affirms that Jesus is God's Son in words reminiscent of the voice at Jesus' baptism. In addition, the appearance of Moses and Elijah on the mountain connects this story with God's relationship to the people of Israel. Moses and Elijah represent the Law and the Prophets, respectively. Together with Jesus, they represent God's complete Word.

The Transfiguration occurs in the presence of just three of Jesus' disciples: Peter, James, and John. In Matthew's Gospel, those disciples are among the first whom Jesus calls. The three men are identified as an "inner circle" among Jesus' disciples when Jesus asks them to accompany him to the Garden of Gethsemane just before his arrest. (source, Loyola Press)



Music Ministry

Organists & Cantors

Sat 6pm Vigil Mass: Sophie Rodgers (Cantor)

Xavier Jarvis (Organist)

Sun 8am & 11am Masses: Noah Humich (Cantor)

Michael Peters (Organist)

Sun 5pm Mass: Jessica Taylor (Cantor)

Xavier Jarvis (Organist)

Hymns

Mass Setting: Missa Simplex

Processional Hymn: CWB 746 May this Lenten discipline

Thanksgiving Hymn: CWB 757 O Bless the Lord my Soul

Recessional Hymn: CWB 733 Lord be my vision

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 12:1-4

All the tribes of the earth shall bless themselves by you

The Lord said to Abram, 'Leave your country, your family and your father's house, for the land I will show you. I will make you a great nation; I will bless you and make your name so famous that it will be used as a blessing.

'I will bless those who bless you:
I will curse those who slight you.
All the tribes of the earth
shall bless themselves by you.'

So Abram went as the Lord told him.

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

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 32(33):4-5,18-20,22

Response: Lord, let your mercy be on us, as
we place our trust in you.

Second Reading

2 Timothy 1:8-10

God calls and enlightens us

With me, bear the hardships for the sake of the Good News, relying on the power of God who has saved us and called us to be holy – not because of anything we ourselves have done but for his own purpose and by his own grace. This grace had already been granted to us, in Christ Jesus, before the beginning of time, but it has only been revealed by the Appearing of our saviour Christ Jesus. He abolished death, and he has proclaimed life and immortality through the Good News.

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 Matthew 17:1-9

His face shone like the sun

Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain where they could be alone. There in their presence he was transfigured: his face shone like the sun and his clothes became as white as the light. Suddenly Moses and Elijah appeared to them; they were talking with him. Then Peter spoke to Jesus. 'Lord,' he said 'it is wonderful for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' He was still speaking when suddenly a bright cloud covered them with shadow, and from the cloud there came a voice which said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; he enjoys my favour. Listen to him.' When they heard this the disciples fell on their faces, overcome with fear. But Jesus came up and touched them. 'Stand up,' he said 'do not be afraid.' And when they raised their eyes they saw no one but only Jesus.

As they came down from the mountain Jesus gave them this order, 'Tell no one about the vision until the Son of Man has risen from the dead.'

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.

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

Planned Giving Envelopes 2026/2027

If you have not collected your new 2026/2027 planned giving envelopes please do so, they are in the side foyer of the Church. Any queries please contact the parish office.

Stations of the Cross during Lent

Stations of the Cross in English/Italian during Lent are held every Friday at 6.30pm in the Basilica. All Welcome.

Urgently required Wednesday Weekday Reader

We are urgently seeking a reader who can commit to Wednesday Midday Masses. We are also seeking a reader who can be used as relief any day of the week. If you can assist with either of these positions please advise the parish office.

Transform Fremantle Prayer Group

Transforming Fremantle Ecumenical Prayer Group will commence praying/singing in the Basilica on Thursdays 9.30am to 10.30am. They warmly invite all to join them in prayer to pray for a peaceful city where multitudes encounter Jesus, experience real life change and go on to serve Christ. More information on noticeboards in the side foyers. All Welcome.

World Day of Prayer

This year the Scots Church, 90 South Terrace, Fremantle will host the World Day of Prayer focusing on Nigeria on Friday 6th March at 10am. Let us support this event as a parish. RSVP J Parnell 0414 521 227. All Welcome.

Parish Morning Tea

The next parish morning tea will be held on Sunday 8th March in the Presbytery carport after the 8am Mass. All Welcome.

MAMI Appeal

The parish will have a leaving collection after all Masses on the weekend 14th/15th March to support the Oblates working among the poor and marginalised in Indonesia, China, Vietnam, Australia and throughout the world. Your support helps maintain sustainable projects, promote peace and justice and support the education of young people. There are Donation envelopes available on the pews which can be used on that weekend. Thank You for your assistance.

Oblate Superior General Visits Fremantle

We will be honoured with a visit from the Oblate Superior General, Fr Luis Ignacio Rois Alonso OMI from Italy in March and he will be celebrating the midday Mass on Tuesday 17th March (St Patrick's Day) with us in Fremantle. I invite all parishioners to join us on this very special day not only to celebrate our Patron Saint but also to warmly welcome Father Superior to Fremantle.

Early Notices of Coming Events in the Parish

Palm Sunday 29th March, reminder bring your own palms.

Holy Thursday 2nd April, timetables out shortly.

Good Friday 3rd April, timetables out shortly.

Holy Saturday 4th April, timetables out shortly.

Easter Sunday 5th April, timetables out shortly.

Oblate Retreat and Congress 12th April to 19th April, more information to come.

Jubilee Migrant Cross Saturday 25th April, more information to come.

Mass Intentions

Saturday 28 February

6pm Vigil Mass:

Fortunata & Jose De Abreu (dec'd)

Sunday 1 March

8am Mass: Kazimiera Tyszecka (dec'd)

Karoline (Birthday int)

11am Mass: Annie & Patrick Keogh (dec'd)

Margaret & Patrick Doyle (dec'd)

5pm Mass:

Monday 2 March

Midday Mass: Amedeo Lomma (Dec'd)

Tuesday 3 March

Midday Mass:

Joao & Incenzia De Abreu (dec'd)

Ewa Kwiatkowski (dec'd)

Wednesday 4 March

Midday Mass: Luigi Brizzi (dec'd)

Thursday 5 March

Midday Mass: Susanna De Bari (dec'd)

Friday 6 March

Midday Mass: Int. of the Lay Association of the Ursuline Sisters of the Sacred Heart

Saturday 7 March

Midday Mass:

6pm Vigil Mass: Maria Therese Caputo (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

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World Day of Prayer

Sunday 8th March

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