

47 Adelaide Street, Fremantle, WA, 6160

Basilica of St. Patrick

Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday), Year A
Sunday 12th April 2026

Oblate Priests' at the Basilica

Fr Meno Basti OMI (Parish Priest & Rector)
Fr Eric Alleaume OMI (Assistant Priest and
Notre Dame Chaplain)
Fr Luan Ha OMI (Assistant Priest and Hospital
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
First Saturday of the Month: 10am to 11am
Italian Confessions

Basilica Parish Office

Angie Emanuele (Parish Manager)
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Parish Office working hours

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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,

The Gospels tell us that Jesus appeared to the disciples on several occasions after they discovered that his tomb was empty. Part of the mystery of Jesus' Resurrection is that he appeared to his disciples not as a spirit but in bodily form. The bodily form was not one that the disciples recognized though. In John's Gospel, Mary of Magdala does not recognize that the figure standing before her is Jesus until he speaks to her. In Luke's Gospel the disciples who meet Jesus on the road to Emmaus do not recognize him until he breaks bread with them. The resurrected Jesus had a physical presence, but the disciples couldn't recognize Jesus unless he allowed them to. His resurrected body, nonetheless, showed the marks of his crucifixion.

From readings such as today's Gospel, we also see that in his resurrected body, Jesus seems to be free of physical constraints. He appears to the disciples despite the fact that the doors were locked.

Jesus greets his disciples with the gift of peace and the gift of the Holy Spirit. In doing so, Jesus commissions his disciples to continue the work that he has begun: "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." During the meeting, Jesus also shows the integral connection between forgiveness of sins and the gift of the Holy Spirit.

The story of Thomas illustrates our Christian experience today: We are called to believe without seeing. In fact, all Christians after the first witnesses have been called to believe without seeing. Thomas's doubt is hardly surprising; the news of Jesus' appearance was incredible to the disciples who had seen him crucified and buried. Thomas's human nature compelled him to want hard evidence that the Jesus who appeared to the disciples after his death was indeed the same Jesus who had been crucified. Thomas is given the opportunity to act on that desire. He is our witness that Jesus is really risen.

Our faith is based on the witness of the Church that has preceded us, beginning with Thomas and the first disciples. Through Baptism we receive the same Holy Spirit that Jesus brought to the first disciples. We are among those who are "blessed" because we believe without having seen. (source loyola press).

Music Ministry

Organists & Cantors

Sat 6pm Vigil Mass: Noah Humich (Cantor)

Samuel Yeow (Organist)

Sun 8am & 11am Masses: Jessica Taylor (Cantor)

Samuel Yeow (Organist)

Sun 5pm Mass: Sophie Rodgers (Cantor)

Michael Peters (Organist)

Hymns

Mass Setting: Paul Taylor – Mass of St Francis

Processional Hymn: CWB 619 Alleluia Sing to Jesus

Thanksgiving Hymn: CWB 838 There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

Recessional Hymn: 639 Christ is Alive

The Liturgy of the Word

Entrance Antiphon (St Anne's only)

Like newborn infants, you must long for the
pure, spiritual milk,
that in him you may grow to salvation,
alleluia.

First Reading Acts 2:42-47

*The faithful all lived together and owned
everything in common*

The whole community remained faithful to the teaching of the apostles, to the brotherhood, to the breaking of bread and to the prayers.

The many miracles and signs worked through the apostles made a deep impression on everyone.

The faithful all lived together and owned everything in common; they sold their goods and possessions and shared out the proceeds among themselves according to what each one needed.

They went as a body to the Temple every day but met in their houses for the breaking of bread; they shared their food gladly and generously; they praised God and were looked up to by everyone. Day by day the Lord added to their community those destined to be saved.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 117(118):2-4,13-15,22-24

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his
love is everlasting.

Second Reading 1 Peter 1:3-9

You did not see Christ, yet you love him

Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who in his great mercy has given us a new birth as his sons, by raising Jesus Christ from the dead, so that we have a sure hope and the promise of an inheritance that can never be spoilt or soiled and never fade away, because it is being kept for you in the heavens. Through your faith, God's power will guard you until the salvation which has been prepared is revealed at the end of time. This is a cause of great joy for you, even though you may for a short time have to bear being plagued by all sorts of trials; so that, when Jesus Christ is revealed, your faith will have been tested and proved like gold – only it is more precious than gold, which is corruptible even though it bears testing by fire – and then you will have praise and glory and honour. You did not see him, yet you love him; and still without seeing him, you are already filled with a joy so glorious that it cannot be described, because you believe; and you are sure of the end to which your faith looks forward, that is, the salvation of your souls.

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation John 20:29

Alleluia, alleluia!

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me;
happy are those who have not seen me, but still believe!

Alleluia!

Gospel John 20:19-31

Eight days later, Jesus came again and stood among them

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you', and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.

'As the Father sent me,
so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit.
For those whose sins you forgive,
they are forgiven;
for those whose sins you retain,
they are retained.'

Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord', he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him:

'You believe because you can see me.
Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.'

There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

The Gospel of the Lord
All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Communion Antiphon Cf. Jn 20: 27 (St Anne's only)

Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails,
and do not be unbelieving but believing, 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.

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

Oblate Retreat/Congress in Melbourne

The Fremantle Oblate Community will be attending their annual Retreat/Congress in Melbourne from Sunday 12th April to Sunday 19th April 2026. During this time we have had to make some changes so that we can accommodate supply Priests.

Please make note of the following:-

Sunday 12th April: Masses as per normal with Fr Navis and Fr Bianchini assisting.

Monday 13th April: No Adoration and No Midday Mass

Tuesday 14th to Saturday 18th April: No Adoration but Midday and 6pm Vigil Masses as per normal with Fr Navis assisting.

Sunday 19th April: Masses as per normal with Fr Navis, Fr Pierluigi and Fr Nick assisting.

From Monday 20th onwards Oblates return and Masses continue as per usual.

Thank you for your assistance during this time and let us keep the Oblates in our prayers.

All to Pilgrimage and Celebration: the Migrant Jubilee Cross

This Easter, we are welcoming the Pilgrimage of the Migrant Jubilee Cross to Australia. This is a deeply symbolic and sacred Migrant Jubilee Cross which is a gift from migrant communities to the Church. It also contains sacred relics of the Holy Family and a relic from the 1914 cedar coffin of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop.

The Fremantle Parish has been asked to host the Migrant Jubilee Cross so you are invited to join us on:

Saturday 25th April 2026

at

10am welcome the Migrant Cross to the parish
followed by Veneration, rosary, quiet prayer and reconciliation

11am Adoration

Midday Concelebrated Mass for the Migrant Cross and Anzac Day

1pm Veneration, rosary and quiet prayer

2.30pm Farewell Migrant Cross



National Mass Count of Attendance

The National Count of Attendance will be taking place in the parish over the first four weekends of May. The first weekend of the Count taking place on 2/3 May 2026.

Novena in honour of Our Lady of Fatima

The nine day Novena in honour of Our Lady of Fatima will commence on Monday 4th May at 11.30am followed by Mass at Midday and continue until Tuesday 12th May. See flyers in side foyer. All Welcome.

Pilgrimage to Schoenstatt Shrine

Parishioners are warmly invited to join a pilgrimage to the Schoenstatt Shrine in Mt Richon on Sunday 17 May 2026.

12 noon arrival and picnic BYO lunch

1pm Reflection by Sr Lisette.

2pm Rosary organised by Sr Lisette

3pm guided visit of Chapel and reflection on how Schoenstatt was founded.

Afternoon tea and coffee

Transport: Please arrange your own transport. Please let Margherita know if you need a lift.

For more information please contact Margherita – 0401 028 608

Angelica - 0491 191 833

Italian Pastoral Group & Ursuline Prayer Group.

Mass Intentions

Saturday 11 April

6pm Vigil Mass: Ante Juric (dec'd)

Sunday 12 April

8am Mass: Libera Gizzarone (dec'd)

11am Mass: Winifred Rowlinson (dec'd anniv.)

5pm Mass:

Francesca & Giuseppe Portelli (dec'd)

Monday 13 April

Midday Mass: NO MASS

Tuesday 14 April

Midday Mass: Mara Mihaljevic (dec'd)

Anna Goncalves (Birthday int)

Wednesday 15 April

Midday Mass: Francesca Vinci (dec'd)

Thursday 16 April

Midday Mass: Sam Ambrogio (dec'd)

Friday 17 April

Midday Mass: Holy Souls

Saturday 18 April

Midday Mass: Shou Ji He, Xin Ai Guo and

Jun Feng He (dec'd)

6pm Vigil Mass: Decio & Maria Antonietta (dec'd Apulia, Italy)

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

Coming Events

Sunday 12th April

Parish Morning Tea

Sunday 12th April to Sunday 19th April

Oblate Retreat/Congress in Melbourne

Saturday 25th April

Migrant Jubilee Cross

Anzac Day

Sunday 3rd May

National Mass Count Commences

Monday 4th May to Tuesday 12th May

Our Lady of Fatima Rosary

Sunday 10th May

Mother's Day