

47 Adelaide Street, Fremantle, WA, 6160

Basilica of St. Patrick

Easter Sunday, Year A
Sunday 5th 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 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 we begin the Easter Season, our 50-day meditation on the mystery of Christ's Resurrection. Our Gospel today tells us about the disciples' discovery of the empty tomb. It concludes by telling us that they did not yet understand that Jesus had risen from the dead. Thus, the details provided are not necessarily meant to offer proof of the Resurrection. The details invite us to reflect upon a most amazing gift, that is faith in Jesus and his Resurrection.

Each of the four Gospels tells us that Jesus' empty tomb was first discovered by women. This is notable because in first-century Jewish society women could not serve as legal witnesses. In the case of John's Gospel, the only woman attending the tomb is Mary of Magdala. Unlike the Synoptic accounts, John's Gospel does not describe an appearance of angels at the tomb. Instead, Mary is simply said to have observed that the stone that had sealed the tomb had been moved, and she runs to alert Simon Peter and the beloved disciple. Her statement to them is telling. She assumes that Jesus' body has been removed, perhaps stolen. She does not consider that Jesus has been raised from the dead.

Simon Peter and the beloved disciple race to the tomb, presumably to verify Mary's report. The beloved disciple arrives first but does not enter the tomb until after Simon Peter. This detail paints a vivid picture, as does the detail provided about the burial cloths. Some scholars believe that the presence of the burial cloths in the tomb offers evidence to the listener that Jesus' body had not been stolen (it is understood that grave robbers would have taken the burial cloths together with the body).

The Gospel passage concludes, however, that even having seen the empty tomb and the burial cloths, the disciples do not yet understand about the Resurrection. In the passage that follows, Mary of Magdala meets Jesus but mistakes him for the gardener. In the weeks ahead, the Gospel readings from our liturgy will show us how the disciples came to believe in Jesus' Resurrection through his appearances to them. Our Easter faith is based on their witness to both the empty tomb and their continuing relationship with Jesus—in his appearances and in his gift of the Holy Spirit. (source Loyola Press)



*The Oblates and Staff wish all
parishioners and their families
a Happy Easter*

Music Ministry

Organists & Cantors

Sun 8am Mass: Michael Peters (Cantor & Organist)

Sun 11am Mass: Basilica Choir

Sun 5pm Mass: Joshua Adams (Cantor)

Xavier Jarvis (Organist)

Hymns

Mass Setting: Marty Haugen – Mass of Creation

Processional Hymn:

CWB 647 Christ the Lord is Risen Today, Alleluia

Thanksgiving Hymn: CWB 633 By your kingly power, O risen Lord

Recessional Hymn: CWB 671 Easter Glory fills the sky

The Liturgy of the Word

Entrance Antiphon (St Anne's only)

Cf. Ps 138: 18, 5-6

I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia.

You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia.

Too wonderful for me, this knowledge,
alleluia, alleluia.

First Reading Acts 10:34,37-43

'We have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection'

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses – we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead – and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 117(118):1-2,16-17,22-23

Response: This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

Second Reading Colossians 3:1-4

Look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation 1 Corinthians 5:7-8

Alleluia, alleluia!

Christ has become our paschal sacrifice;
let us feast with joy in the Lord.

Alleluia!

Gospel Matthew 28:1-10

He has risen from the dead and now he is going before you into Galilee

After the sabbath, and towards dawn on the first day of the week, Mary of Magdala and the other Mary went to visit the sepulchre. And all at once there was a violent earthquake, for the angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled away the stone and sat on it. His face was like lightning, his robe white as snow. The guards were so shaken, so frightened of him, that they were like dead men. But the angel spoke; and he said to the women, 'There is no need for you to be afraid. I know you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here, for he has risen, as he said he would. Come and see the place where he lay, then go quickly and tell his disciples, "He has risen from the dead and now he is going before you to Galilee; it is there you will see him." Now I have told you.' Filled with awe and great joy the women came quickly away from the tomb and ran to tell the disciples.

And there, coming to meet them, was Jesus. 'Greetings' he said. And the women came up to him and, falling down before him, clasped his feet. Then Jesus said to them, 'Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers that they must leave for Galilee; they will see me there.'

The Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Communion Antiphon 1 Cor 5: 7-8 (St Anne's only)

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia;
therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread
of purity and truth, alleluia, 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

Easter Offering Envelopes

Twice a year you are asked to give generously to support the Priests in the parish. Easter Offering envelopes are now available on the pews. Place your offering inside and place it on the collection plate. Thank You!

Anointing of the Sick Mass

The next Anointing of the Sick will be held on Tuesday 7th April during the midday Mass. All Welcome.

Parish Morning Tea

The next parish morning tea will be held on Sunday 12th April after the 8am Mass in the Presbytery carport. All Welcome.

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 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



Parish Office Opening Hours for Holy Week and Easter

Monday 30th March to Wednesday 1st April - Open 9am to 3pm

Thursday 2nd April to Monday 6th April - Closed

Reopen Tuesday 7th April at 9am

Mass Intentions

Sunday 5 April

8am Mass: Josef Tyszecki (dec'd)

11am Mass: Ewa Kwiatkowski (dec'd)

5pm Mass: Ivan Mihaljevic (dec'd)

Monday 6 April

Midday Mass: Gerri Winton (int)

Holy Souls

Tuesday 7 April

Midday Mass: Shou Ji He, Xin Ai Guo and

Jun Feng He (dec'd)

Wednesday 8 April

Midday Mass:

Fortunata & Jose De Abreu (dec'd)

Thursday 9 April

Midday Mass: Giuseppe Cuccovia (dec'd)

Friday 10 April

Midday Mass: John Goncalves (dec'd)

Saturday 11 April

Midday Mass: Pasquale De Gennaro (dec'd)

6pm Vigil Mass: Ante Juric (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

Coming Events

Sunday 5th April

Easter Sunday

Tuesday 7th April

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Migrant Jubilee Cross

Anzac Day