

Basilica of St. Patrick

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A
Sunday July 12, 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

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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,

Today's Gospel marks the beginning of the third long discourse given by Jesus in the Gospel of Matthew. Over the next few weeks, the Gospel readings will consist of the entire 13th Chapter of Matthew's Gospel, a lengthy teaching discourse.

Throughout this discourse, Jesus will offer several parables to illustrate for his listeners what he means by the kingdom of heaven. He begins with the parable of the sower, which appears rather straightforward—of course seeds grow best in good soil. Seeds that miss the soil, are sown on rocky ground, or are sown among other plants will not grow. The surprise in the parable is the enormous yield of the seed that is sown on good soil.

Jesus then explains his use of parables. Jesus seems to suggest that he uses parables to teach because the meanings of parables are not self-evident. The hearer must engage in some degree of reflection in order to comprehend the message of a parable. In this way, the medium—the parable—models the point of the parable of the sower. Those who are willing to engage themselves in the effort to understand will be rewarded by the discovery of the message and will bear fruit.

To bring home the point, Jesus interprets the parable of the sower to his disciples. The different types of soil in which the seeds are sown are metaphors for the disposition with which each individual hears the teaching about the kingdom of heaven. Some will be easily swayed away from the kingdom of heaven. Some will receive it for a time but will lose it when faced with difficulties. Some will hear the word but will then permit other cares to choke it out. Yet some will receive it well, and the seed will produce abundant fruit. (source Loyola Press)

Music Ministry

Organists & Cantors

Sat 6pm Vigil Mass: Jessica Taylor (Cantor)
Michael Peters (Organist)
Sun 8am & 11am Masses: Joshua Adams (Cantor)
Xavier Jarvis (Organist)
Sun 5pm Mass: Tom Buckmaster (Cantor)
Michael Peters (Organist)

Hymns

Mass Setting: Mass of St Francis
Processional Hymn: CWB 802 Seek, O seek the Lord
Thanksgiving Hymn: CWB 718 I am the bread of Life
Recessional Hymn: CWB 705 Holy Father, God of Might

The Liturgy of the Word

Entrance Antiphon Cf. Ps 16:15

(St Anne's only)

As for me, in justice I shall behold your
face;
I shall be filled with the vision of your
glory.

First Reading Isaiah 55:10-11

*The word that goes out from my mouth does
not return to me empty*

Thus says the Lord: 'As the rain and the
snow come down from the heavens and
do not return without watering the earth,
making it yield and giving growth to
provide seed for the sower and bread for
the eating, so the word that goes from my
mouth does not return to me empty,
without carrying out my will and
succeeding in what it was sent to do.'

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 64(65):10-14

Response: The seed that falls on good
ground will yield a fruitful harvest.

Second Reading Romans 8:18-23

*The whole creation is eagerly waiting for God
to reveal his sons*

I think that what we suffer in this life can
never be compared to the glory, as yet
unrevealed, which is waiting for us. The
whole creation is eagerly waiting for God
to reveal his sons. It was not for any fault
on the part of creation that it was made
unable to attain its purpose, it was made
so by God; but creation still retains the
hope of being freed, like us, from its
slavery to decadence, to enjoy the same
freedom and glory as the children of God.
From the beginning till now the entire
creation, as we know, has been groaning
in one great act of giving birth; and not
only creation, but all of us who possess
the first-fruits of the Spirit, we too groan
inwardly as we wait for our bodies to be
set free.

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation 1S3:9,Jn6:68

Alleluia, alleluia!

The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower;
all who come to him will live for ever.

Alleluia!

Gospel Matthew 13:1-9

A sower went out to sow

Jesus left the house and sat by the lakeside, but such large crowds gathered round him that he got into a boat and sat there. The people all stood on the beach, and he told them many things in parables.

He said, 'Imagine a sower going out to sow. As he sowed, some seeds fell on the edge of the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Others fell on patches of rock where they found little soil and sprang up straight away, because there was no depth of earth; but as soon as the sun came up they were scorched and, not having any roots, they withered away. Others fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Others fell on rich soil and produced their crop, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Listen, anyone who has ears!'

The Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Communion Antiphon Cf. Ps 83: 4-5

(St Anne's only)

The sparrow finds a home,
and the swallow a nest for her young:
by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.
Blessed are they who dwell in your house,
for ever singing your praise.

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

Catholic Missions Appeal

This weekend we welcome Francis Leong, Director of the Catholic Missions who will speak at Masses about the work of the Catholic Missions. A special collection will be taken up at all Masses and donation envelopes are also available on the pews. Please support this appeal generously.

Name Tag Sunday

Thank you to everyone who participated in Name Tag Sunday. This is a parish initiative to better know our fellow parishioners and visitors to our parish. Name Tag Weekend will be held on the first weekend of each month, so watch this space for the next date. Thank You!

Alpha in the Parish

The Alpha Launch Night will be held on Thursday 30th July at 6.30pm in the Parish Centre. Everyone is invited to attend the Alpha Launch night and discover what Alpha is all about before the full course commences on 6th August. All Welcome as this is a catered event please register at alpha.stpatricks@gmail.com or through the parish office.

Anointing of the Sick

The next Anointing of the Sick will be held on Tuesday 4th August during the Midday Mass. All Welcome.

Parish Morning Tea

The next Parish Morning Tea will be held on Sunday 9th August, after the 8am Mass in the Presbytery Carport. All Welcome.

Basilica Grounds Car Park

Reminder the Basilica grounds carpark is for use for parishioners and visitors during Masses, events and attending the parish office. We unfortunately have a large number of cars using the carpark all day and this causes problems with those coming to Masses, events or the parish office. The carpark opens at 7am and closes at 7.30pm. If there are no events in the Basilica or Parish Office the carpark will close earlier.

If you need to use the toilets during office hours in the Basilica Admin Building and the door is closed please call into the office and we will open the toilet door for you. The toilets will be opened prior to Masses on the weekends. Thank you.

Mass Intentions

Saturday 11 July

6pm Vigil Mass: Ruth (Int and thanksgiving)

Sunday 12 July

8am Mass: Lucia & Gaetano Rotondella (dec'd)

11am Mass: John Hathway (dec'd)

Valerie Minton (dec'd)

5pm Mass: Robin Masters (dec'd)

Souls in Purgatory

Monday 13 July

Midday Mass: Souls In Purgatory

Tuesday 14 July

Midday Mass: Salvatore Scafidi (dec'd)

Lombardo Family (Int and thanksgiving)

Wednesday 15 July

Midday Mass: Cecilia Fernandes (Int.)

Thursday 16 July

Midday Mass: Sam Ambrogio (dec'd)

Friday 17 July

Midday Mass: Lovre Tesija (dec'd)

Saturday 18 July

Midday Mass: Patricia Hewitt (dec'd anniv.)

6pm Vigil Mass:

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

Weekend 11th/12th July

Catholic Missions Appeal

Sunday 12th July

Parish Morning Tea

Thursday 30th July

Alpha Launch Night

Tuesday 4th August

Anointing of the Sick