

47 Adelaide Street, Fremantle, WA, 6160

Basilica of St. Patrick

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A
Sunday September 20, 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 & Friday 10am to 3pm
(Basilica Guardians Permitting)
Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 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

Basilica Parish Office

Angie Emanuele (Parish Manager)
email:
parishmanager@fremantlestpatricks.org.au
Parish Office working hours
Tuesday to Friday (9am to 3pm)
Closed Mondays, Weekends & Public Holidays
Contact
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Parish Leadership Team

Shereen Banner	Sonia La Macchia
Marietta Damos	Christian Thompson
Steven Daly	

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
Sonia La Macchia 0411 221 187

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,

In today's Gospel, Jesus moves from Galilee to teach in Judea where he is sought out by great crowds and tested by the Pharisees on issues such as marriage and divorce. Jesus also encounters a rich young man who is unable to accept Jesus' demand that he leave his possessions to follow him. Jesus' response to the rich young man sounds very much like the conclusion we will find in today's Gospel: the first will be last and the last will be first.

On the surface, the parable of the workers in the vineyard appears to be an offense to common sense. Those who work a longer day ought to be paid more than those who work just an hour or two. When viewed in this way, the landowner seems unfair. That is because we are reading into the parable our own preconceived notions of how fairness and equality should be quantified.

A close read shows us that the landowner paid on the terms that were negotiated. The landowner, it seems, has acted completely justly. The parable goes beyond that, however, and we come to see that the landowner is not simply just, he is exceptionally just. He is radically just. He has given those who labored in the field for a full day their due pay. But he has also given a full-day's wage to those who worked only a single hour. No one is cheated, but a few receive abundantly from the landowner just as we receive from God more than what is merely justifiable or due. God, like the landowner, is radically just and abundantly generous. The workers who complain are made to look foolish as they lament the fact that landowner has made all workers equal. Indeed, what more could one ask for than to be treated as an equal at work or anywhere else?

The parable reminds us that although God owes us nothing, he offers abundantly and equally. We are occasionally tempted to think that our own actions deserve more reward, more of God's abundant mercy, than the actions of others. But God's generosity cannot be quantified or partitioned into different amounts for different people. When we think that way, we are trying to relate to God on our terms rather than to accept God's radically different ways. (source Loyola Press).

Music Ministry

Organists & Cantors

Sat 6pm Vigil Mass: Aquinas Schola (Director: Hugh Lydon)
Daniel van der Moezel (Organist)
Sun 8am & 11am Mass: Elke Ruane (Cantor)
Xavier Jarvis (Organist)
Sun 5pm Mass: Morgan Davies (Cantor)
Michael Peters (Organist)

Hymns

Mass Setting: Missa Simplex
Processional Hymn: CWB 684 Gather Us In
Thanksgiving Hymn: CWB 802 Seek, O Seek the Lord
Recessional Hymn: CWB 799 Rejoice, the Lord is King

The Liturgy of the Word

Entrance Antiphon (St Anne's only)

I am the salvation of the people, says
the Lord.
Should they cry to me in any distress,
I will hear them, and I will be their Lord
for ever.

First reading Isaiah 55:6-9

My thoughts are not your thoughts

Seek the Lord while he is still to be found,
call to him while he is still near.
Let the wicked man abandon his way,
the evil man his thoughts.
Let him turn back to the Lord who will take
pity on him,
to our God who is rich in forgiving;
for my thoughts are not your thoughts,
my ways not your ways – it is the Lord who
speaks.
Yes, the heavens are as high above earth
as my ways are above your ways,
my thoughts above your thoughts.

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

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 144(145):2-3,8-9,17-18

Response: The Lord is near to all who
call him.

Second reading Philippians 1:20-24,27

*Life to me is Christ; but death would bring
me more*

Christ will be glorified in my body,
whether by my life or by my death. Life
to me, of course, is Christ, but then
death would bring me something
more; but then again, if living in this
body means doing work which is
having good results – I do not know
what I should choose. I am caught in
this dilemma: I want to be gone and be
with Christ, which would be very much
the better, but for me to stay alive in
this body is a more urgent need for
your sake.

Avoid anything in your everyday
lives that would be unworthy of the
gospel of Christ.

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

Gospel Acclamation of Acts 16:14

Alleluia, alleluia!

Open our hearts, O Lord,
to listen to the words of your Son.

Alleluia!

Gospel Matthew 20:1-16

Why be envious because I am generous?

Jesus said to his disciples: "The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner going out at daybreak to hire workers for his vineyard. He made an agreement with the workers for one denarius a day, and sent them to his vineyard. Going out at about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the market place and said to them, "You go to my vineyard too and I will give you a fair wage." So they went. At about the sixth hour and again at about the ninth hour, he went out and did the same. Then at about the eleventh hour he went out and found more men standing round, and he said to them, "Why have you been standing here idle all day?" "Because no one has hired us" they answered. He said to them, "You go into my vineyard too." In the evening, the owner of the vineyard said to his bailiff, "Call the workers and pay them their wages, starting with the last arrivals and ending with the first." So those who were hired at about the eleventh hour came forward and received one denarius each. When the first came, they expected to get more, but they too received one denarius each. They took it, but grumbled at the landowner. "The men who came last" they said "have done only one hour, and you have treated them the same as us, though we have done a heavy day's work in all the heat." He answered one of them and said, "My friend, I am not being unjust to you; did we not agree on one denarius? Take your earnings and go. I choose to pay the last comer as much as I pay you. Have I no right to do what I like with my own? Why be envious because I am generous?" Thus the last will be first, and the first, last.'

The Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Communion Antiphon Ps 118: 4-5

(St Anne's Only)

You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept;
may my ways be firm in keeping your statutes.

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

Let us support this up and coming organist and friends. Concert details below and more information on the notice boards in the Church.

Kai Laird & Friends

Organ Solos, Flute & Organ Duet and Violin & Organ Duets

SATURDAY, 3RD OF OCTOBER 2:00PM TO 3:15PM

please join us for afternoon tea after in carport

ST PATRICK'S BASILICA, FREMANTLE

47 Adelaide Street, Fremantle, Western Australia 6160

TICKETS: \$25 for adults \$15 for Under 18s Free for Under 4s

BOOKING LINK: <https://events.humanitix.com/kai-laird-pipe-organrecital>

Anointing of the Sick

The next Anointing of the Sick will be held during the Midday Mass on Tuesday 6 October. All Welcome.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

RCIA is the process by which adults enter the Catholic Church. It is not a class or a test. It is a journey of faith, accompanied by the community of the Church, that leads to the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. It is the Church's process for welcoming unbaptized adults and baptized non-Catholics into full communion. It also allows adult Catholics who have been baptised but not recieved their Sacraments of Eucharist or Confirmation to be prepared to receive them.

If you or someone you know is interested in joining this years group then you are welcome to attend the RCIA Information Evening which will be held on Tuesday 6th October at 6.30pm in the parish office. Please register your interest with the parish office on 9335 2268 or via parishmanager@fremantlestpatricks.org.au.

Parish Morning Tea

The next parish morning tea will be held on Sunday 11th October after the 8am Mass in the Presbytery carport. All Welcome.

Annual Blessing of the Fleet

This us come together as a parish to celebrate the annual Blessing of the Fleet which will commence with a Triduum on Tuesday 20th October, and continue on Wednesday 21st October and Thursday 22nd October at 7.30pm.

The Feast Day Mass will be held on Sunday 25th October at 9.30am (Italian Mass), Procession leaving Basilica at 2pm through the streets of Fremantle, then returning to the Basilica for Benediction.

Please Note: There will be no 5pm evening Mass on that Sunday.

See the noticeboards in the side foyers of the Church for more Organ Concerts which will be held in the Basilica.

Mass Intentions

Saturday 19 Sept

6pm Vigil Mass:

Sunday 20 Sept

8am Mass:

11am Mass: Pasqualina Benino (dec'd)

5pm Mass:

Monday 21 Sept

Midday Mass: James Ong & Jew Family (dec'd)

Tuesday 22 Sept

Midday Mass:

Wednesday 23 Sept

Midday Mass:

Thursday 24 Sept

Midday Mass:

Friday 25 Sept

Midday Mass: Holy Souls

Saturday 26 Sept

Midday Mass: Antonietta Fallace (dec'd)

Clorinda Di Menna (dec'd)

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

Thursday 1st October

Notre Dame Graduation Mass

Saturday 3rd October

Organ Concert

Tuesday 6th October

Anointing of the Sick

RCIA Information Evening

Sunday 11th October

Parish Morning Tea