

47 Adelaide Street, Fremantle, WA, 6160

Basilica of St. Patrick

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A
Sunday October 11, 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)
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Parish Leadership Team

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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,

Immediately after criticizing the religious leaders through the parable of the tenants in last Sunday's Gospel, Jesus proceeded to tell another parable, again directed at the religious leaders. We hear this parable in today's Gospel.

In the parable of the wedding feast, Jesus offers an image of the kingdom of heaven using the symbol of a wedding banquet. In today's first reading from the prophet Isaiah and in today's psalm, the Lord's goodness is evident in the symbol of a feast of good food and wine. Jesus' listeners would have been familiar with the image of a wedding feast as a symbol for God's salvation. They would consider themselves to be the invited guests. Keeping this in mind helps us to understand the critique Jesus makes with this parable. The context for this parable is the growing tension between Jesus and the Jewish religious leaders in Jerusalem. This has been the case for the past two Sundays and will continue to be true for the next several weeks.

The parable Jesus tells is straightforward. The king dispatches his servants to invite the guests to the wedding feast that he is planning for his son. The listeners would have been surprised to learn that the first guests refused the invitation. Who would refuse the king's invitation? A second dispatch of servants follows. Again to the listeners' great surprise, some guests ignore the invitation. Some of the invited guests even go so far as to mistreat and kill the servants. The king invokes his retribution against these murderers by destroying them and burning their city.

We might stop here for a moment. Why would some guests kill the servants sent to invite them to the king's wedding feast? It might be possible that the king was a tyrant, evidenced by the destruction of the city of those who refused his invitation. But if we follow this idea, then the allegory seems to be about something other than the kingdom of heaven. It is more likely that the destruction of the city would have been a powerful image corresponding to the destruction of Jerusalem by the Romans in A.D. 70, which would have been an important event for Matthew's audience.

With the invited guests now deemed unworthy to attend the king's wedding feast, the servants are sent to invite whomever they can find. The guests arrive, but it appears that accepting the king's invitation brings certain obligations. The guest who failed to dress in the appropriate wedding attire is cast out of the feast. We are reminded that while many are invited to the kingdom of heaven, not all are able to meet its requirements. God invites us to his feast, giving us his salvation. Yet he asks us to repent for our sins.

Jesus' message in the parable cautions against exclusive beliefs about the kingdom of heaven. The parable also teaches about humility. Those who assume that they are the invited guests may find that they have refused the invitation, and so others are invited in their place. To accept the invitation is also to accept its obligations. God wants our full conversion in complete acceptance of his mercy. (source Loyola Press).

Music Ministry

Organists & Cantors

Sat 6pm Vigil Mass: Basilica Choir (Conductor: David Pham)
Xavier Jarvis (Organist)
Sun 8am & 11am Mass: Noah Humich (Cantor)
Vincent Basile (Organist)
Sun 5pm Mass: Morgan Davies (Cantor) Michael Peters (Organist)

Hymns

Mass Setting: Missa Simplex
Processional Hymn: CWB 611 All the Earth proclaim the Lord
Thanksgiving Hymn: CWB 833 The Lord's My Shepherd
Recessional Hymn: CWB 721 In Christ there is no east or west

The Liturgy of the Word

Entrance Antiphon

Ps 129: 3-4

(St Anne's only)

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,
Lord, who could stand?
But with you is found forgiveness,
O God of Israel.

First reading Isaiah 25:6-10

The Lord will prepare a banquet for every nation

On this mountain,
the Lord of hosts will prepare for all peoples
a banquet of rich food, a banquet of fine wines,
of food rich and juicy, of fine strained wines.
On this mountain he will remove
the mourning veil covering all peoples,
and the shroud enwrapping all nations,
he will destroy Death for ever.
The Lord will wipe away
the tears from every cheek;
he will take away his people's shame
everywhere on earth,
for the Lord has said so.
That day, it will be said: See, this is our God
in whom we hoped for salvation;
the Lord is the one in whom we hoped.
We exult and we rejoice
that he has saved us;
for the hand of the Lord
rests on this mountain.

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

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 22(23)

Response: I shall live in the house of the
Lord all the days of my life.

Second reading

Philippians 4:12-14,19-20

*With the help of the One who gives me strength,
there is nothing I cannot master*

I know how to be poor and I know how to be
rich too. I have been through my initiation
and now I am ready for anything anywhere:
full stomach or empty stomach, poverty or
plenty. There is nothing I cannot master with
the help of the One who gives me strength.
All the same, it was good of you to share with
me in my hardships. In return my God will
fulfil all your needs, in Christ Jesus, as
lavishly as only God can. Glory to God, our
Father, for ever and ever. Amen.

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

Gospel Acclamation

cf Ephesians 1:17. 18

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ
enlighten the eyes of our heart
that we might see how great is the hope
to which we are called.

Alleluia!

Gospel Matthew 22:1-10

Invite everyone you can to the wedding

Jesus said to the chief priests and elders of the people, "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a feast for his son's wedding. He sent his servants to call those who had been invited, but they would not come. Next he sent some more servants. "Tell those who have been invited" he said "that I have my banquet all prepared, my oxen and fattened cattle have been slaughtered, everything is ready. Come to the wedding." But they were not interested: one went off to his farm, another to his business, and the rest seized his servants, maltreated them and killed them. The king was furious. He despatched his troops, destroyed those murderers and burnt their town. Then he said to his servants, "The wedding is ready; but as those who were invited proved to be unworthy, go to the crossroads in the town and invite everyone you can find to the wedding." So these servants went out on to the roads and collected together everyone they could find, bad and good alike; and the wedding hall was filled with guests.'

The Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Communion Antiphon

Cf. Ps 33: 11

(St Anne's Only)

The rich suffer want and go hungry,
but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

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

We wish to sincerely thank the Alpha Team for another wonderful session of Alpha in the Parish. Your dedication and assistance with the sessions is very much appreciated. Thank you also to all the participants who attended the sessions and shared their thoughts and experiences.

Name Tag Sunday

Thank you to everyone who participated in Name Tag Sunday last weekend. 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!

Annual Blessing of the Fleet

Let 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 with Rosary and Mass.

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.

Advent Reflection Evenings – Prepare Your Heart for Christmas

This Advent season, we invite you to join us for a weekly evening of prayer, reflection, and fellowship as we journey together toward Christmas.

Each Monday evening session will be one hour and will include a guided Advent reflection and time for personal prayer and sharing. Sessions will run weekly from 30th November through to Christmas.

We will be using a reflection book throughout the season. To help us order enough copies, please register your interest in attending.

Interested in joining us?

Please reach out to the Parish Office on 9335 2268, or email

parishmanager@fremantlestpatricks.org.au

Everyone is welcome. Come and take some quiet time each week to pause, reflect, pray, and prepare for the celebration of Christ's birth.

Mass Intentions

Saturday 10 Oct

6pm Vigil Mass: Ana & Ante Borzic (dec'd)

Sunday 11 Oct

8am Mass: Holy Souls and John Hawke (dec'd)

11am Mass: Pasquale de Gennaro (dec'd)

Viviana Mendes (dec'd)

5pm Mass: Margaret Bolt (dec'd)

Monday 12 Oct

Midday Mass: Priya Fernando (dec'd)

Tuesday 13 Oct

Midday Mass:

Wednesday 14 Oct

Midday Mass:

Thursday 15 Oct

Midday Mass: Emanuele Family (Int.)

Mauro Salvemini (dec'd)

Friday 16 Oct

Midday Mass: Sam Ambrogio (dec'd)

Holy Souls

Saturday 17 Oct

Midday Mass: Mary Jose & Jose Garces (dec'd)

6pm Vigil Mass:

Giuseppe Ricciardi (dec'd 2nd Anniversary)

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.

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BSB: 086 006

A/c No: 56187 5405

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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

Friday 16th October

Iona Graduation Mass

Tuesday 20th October

Blessing of the Fleet Triduum - 7.30pm Rosary & Mass

Wednesday 21st October

SPPS St Ursula Mass

Blessing of the Fleet Triduum - 7.30pm Rosary & Mass

Thursday 22nd October

Blessing of the Fleet Triduum - 7.30pm Rosary & Mass