



We warmly welcome you to  
**St Paul's Catholic Church / Mt Lawley Parish**

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Est. 1956

Parish Office  
New Parishioners  
Baptism  
Reconciliation

Please ring for an appointment.  
Please complete a census form from the porch, or we can send one to you, and return it to the office or sacristy.  
Please contact the parish office to meet with the parish priest for registration and preparation.  
WEDNESDAYS, 6.15 to 7.15pm and SATURDAYS, 3.30 to 4.30pm; or please ring for an appointment.

**THE OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS**

<b>Monday</b>	<b>5.45 pm</b> - Mass	SAINT JOHN, <i>Apostle &amp; Evangelist</i>	in thanksgiving: <i>Yousif Hanna's surgery</i>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>5.45 pm</b> - Mass	THE HOLY INNOCENTS, <i>Martyrs</i>	special intention
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>5.45 pm</b> - Mass	CHRISTMAS OCTAVE: FIFTH DAY / <i>St Thomas Becket, bp &amp; m</i>	in thanksgiving
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>5.45 pm</b> - Mass	CHRISTMAS OCTAVE: SIXTH DAY	† Richard 'Dick' Reynolds - <i>1st anniversary</i>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>5.45 pm</b> - Mass	CHRISTMAS OCTAVE: SEVENTH DAY ( <i>New Year's Eve / St Sylvester</i> )	Fancote family members
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>10.00 am</b> - Mass	MARY, THE MOTHER OF GOD ( <i>New Year's Day</i> )	Our Lady's intentions - <b>FIRST SATURDAY</b>

**THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>4.30 pm</b> - Mass <b>6.00 pm</b> - Mass	† Holy Souls in Purgatory for the parish
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9.00 am</b> - Mass	Fancote family & friends

**PARISH MINISTRIES ROSTER**

MINISTRY	Sunday 9.00am	Sunday 4.30pm
Readers	M Tinning      C Moore	L Bellandi      M Davila
Acolytes	D Cleary	G Hobbs
Altar Servers	N Yap              J Ramos	X Torre            G Torre
Musicians	A Loiacono      J Pinneri	Fr T Deeter      J Pinneri
IT Operators	N Yap	Please volunteer
Counters	L Bellandi      A Vinciguerra	G Torre

*Thank You*

Thank you for your contributions! Here are our parish account details:  
Parish Account: St Paul's Parish \* 086 006 \* 66717 2345  
Presbytery Account: St Paul's Parish Presbytery \* 086 006 \* 551882898  
Building Fund Account: St Paul's Building Fund \* 086 006 \* 151619353  
Direct Debit: Make arrangements with your bank to make regular deposits

Last Sunday's Contributions		19/12
Planned Giving		\$ 120.00
Online donations		775.00
Direct Debit		135.00
Loose		518.50
Catholic Weekly		23.00
Columban calendars		13.00
Votive candles		69.00
Manger donations		70.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 2,982.60</b>	<b>\$ 1,723.50</b>

**Entrance Antiphon:** The shepherds went in haste, and found Mary and Joseph, and the Infant lying in a manger.  
**Communion Antiphon:** Our God has appeared on the earth, and lived among us.



**Liturgical Ministries**

Acolytes	Wojciech Grzech	0411 551 213
Altar Linen	Lori Valerio * Maria Odorisio	
Altar Servers	Lilian Bellandi	0412 980 261
Collectors & Counters	Andrew Vajda	9275 9328
Extraordinary Ministers	Simon Hehir	043 778 6023
Flowers	Jasmin Biagioni	0411 123 575
Liturgy Committee	TBA	
Music - Sun 9am Mass	Fr Tim	9271 5253
Music - Sat 4.30pm & 6.00pm	Alessio Loiacono	0466 461 892
Readers	Genevieve Saldanha	0405 806 848
Acacia Residence Chapel	Judith Paxman	9262 8533
Sacristan	David Cleary	9272 5114

**Parish Ministries & Activities**

Finance Committee	Greg Brennan	9381 3399
Planned Giving	Andrew Vajda	9275 9328
St Paul's Primary School	Yvonne Liebeck, <i>Principal</i>	9462 6000
RCIA	Fr Tim Deeter	9271 5253
St Paul's Youth Ministry	Mark & Linley	0407 383 914
Parish Social Committee	Ingrid Vajda	9275 9328
Sunday Morning Tea	School P&F mothers	9462 6000
Bible Study	Fr Tim / Fr Mariusz	9271 5253
PREP Co-ordinator	Susan Brown	0403 441 525
Social Justice	TBA	
St Paul's Community Care	John Ryan	9477 4910
St Vincent de Paul Society	Peter Quinn	9375 1024



**Community News**

**LET'S DRINK TO ST JOHN'S LOVE!**  
Mon 27 Dec: We'll bless your bottles of wine or bubbly at the end of 5.45pm Mass in honour of St John the Apostle. Then bring them home for a toast to the New Year with St John's wine!

**PRAYING FOR OUR CHILDREN**  
Tue 28 Dec: Join us in church at 9.15am to pray the Rosary for our children and grandchildren, and share a cuppa after prayers. The group is beginning its 7th year!

**HOLY HOUR & ST JOSEPH DEVOTION**  
Every Wednesday: Adoration 6.15 - 7.15pm; confessions; Litany of St Joseph & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

**NEW YEAR'S MASSES**  
New Year's Eve 5.45pm (NO Acacia 9am)  
New Year's Day: 10.00am  
The Saturday evening Masses on 1st January will be the Vigil Masses of the Epiphany.

**FIRST SATURDAY**  
9.35am Rosary, Mass at 10.00am. Let's come together to consecrate ourselves & our families to the Immaculate Heart of Mary in 2022.

**COME TO THE MANGER!**  
Donations at the Manger are sent to the Holy Childhood Association, a branch of Caritas that supports clinics & schools throughout the Holy Land (Palestine, Syria, Israel, Jordan, Egypt), focussing especially on the needs of children. Please be generous.

**2022 MASS DIARY OPEN**  
To have Mass offered for the anniversary of a birth, wedding or death, or for a special intention, please use the Mass intention envelopes found in the porch, or write a note / send an email to Fr Tim or the office.

**COLUMBAN CALENDAR 2022**  
Calendars are on sale in the porch for \$8.00.

**BUILDING FUND TO DATE**  
**TOTAL in Building Fund: \$75,907.24**

**BUILDING FUND PLEDGES**  
Please note your bank reference like this: Your surname - Pledge.

**ONGOING EXPENSES**  
flowers - \$876.66 \* candles - \$219.48 \* Catholic Weekly - \$189.20 \* FORMED - \$1,070.99 \* gardening - \$132.00 \* power - \$752.60 \* monthly underground power instalment - \$500.00 \* monthly insurance instalment - \$2,050.00 \* **TOTAL: 5,790.93**



Please pray for **parishioners who are unwell**: Gerard Leahy, Tony Bonavita, Billy Francis, Terry Merchant, Blanche Pereira, Lori & Tony Valerio, Rebecca Webster, Thomas Mazza, Thelma Hannigan, Franceska Fairclough, Joseph Yap, Thomas Chong, Rhiana Powell  
**parishioners whose anniversary of death occurs at this time**: William Casten, Camillus Urquhart, Patricia Tranter, John Lyons, Doris Annie Cavanagh, Jack Kennedy, Horace Moir, Peggie Massam, Ted Curtain, Agnes Lavelle, Annie Cusick, Frank Danze, Jane Moir, Chas Cogan Snr, Renee Goder

**The Wisdom of the Saints: The Example of Nazareth**

The home of Nazareth is the school where we begin to understand the life of Jesus; it is the school of the Gospel.  
The first lesson we learn here is to look, to listen, to meditate and to penetrate the mysterious meaning of this very simple, humble and beautiful manifestation of the Son of God. Here we learn to understand who Christ really is. Here, in this school, we learn why it is necessary to have a spiritual rule of life if we truly want to become disciples of Christ.  
There is the lesson of silence. We are besieged by so many voices, by noise and uproar, in our modern life. May the silence of Nazareth teach us recollection, inwardness and good listening.  
There is also the lesson of family life: its communion of love. Let us learn from Nazareth that the formation we receive at home is irreplaceable. Let us learn the important role of the family in society.  
Finally, there is the lesson of work. Nazareth, the home of the 'carpenter's Son', proclaims the nobility of work - not work as an end in itself, but work as a value for those for whose sake we are working. Jesus came as the son of a workman. Jesus our Brother also worked for His family. - Pope St Paul VI



My Child, why have You done this to us?

See how worried Your father and I have been, looking for you!

**Pastoral Ponderings**

It's been a **marathon** of seven weekend liturgies - Friday 10.00am to end Advent, then two Christmas Eve Masses, Midnight Mass & Christmas morning Mass. And then two Masses on Boxing Day to observe the Lord's Day and Holy Family Sunday.  
The church was full for the Christmas Masses, but not oppressively so as in the years before COVID. (That's a new meaning for the designation B.C.!) With seat bookings required, as last year, everyone had a seat and the liturgies were conducted with a minimum undercurrent of 'chatting', and a maximum degree of festive **solemnity**.  
If you are reading this in church, it means that you have taken seriously the obligation to attend Mass on Sunday: well done! Yes, it may be a bit inconvenient and perhaps even difficult to attend two 'big event' Masses so close together, but God will reward you for your **faithfulness**. Holy Mass is the greatest prayer we can offer to Him, and we can never thank God enough for all blessings, nor beseech Him enough for His grace in all our needs.

God will also reward all of our ministers - those who served at Mass so **generously**, and those who even more generously filled in the various roles at the last minute. That's the most generous service of all: to help without being asked to do so.

We will have our **Altar Servers gathering** in the period after New Year's. With Christmas occurring on the weekend, and schools ending at different times, it's hard to plan a Friday evening that is good for everyone. Perhaps some parents could suggest a suitable Friday evening before school resumes.

Please remember **Theodore Murphy-Jelley** in your prayers. As you know, our cantor is on a leave of absence to pursue further studies at the Royal Northern College of Music in Manchester. He was due to return to Perth for Christmas, but it wasn't financially feasible, with mandatory quarantine in a hotel (\$2,450) and a 'release' date of 2nd January, then a return to Manchester on 6th January to ensure a resumption of studies on 10th January.  
Now he has tested positive for COVID as of 22nd December! He's in isolation in his dorm room until 6th January. He's all alone at uni (everyone else went home), and this is his first Christmas away from home, poor guy. He's in daily contact with me

Because of COVID, a number of us sadly remain **separated** from family and friends. But we have a home here in the parish. Let's go to the Manger and pour out our hearts to Jesus, Mary and Joseph.