



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

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Est. 1956

Parish Office Please ring for an appointment.
New Parishioners Please complete a census form, which we can send to you, and return it to the office or sacristy.
Baptism Please contact the parish office to meet with the parish priest for registration and preparation.
Reconciliation WEDNESDAYS, 6.15 to 7.15pm and SATURDAYS, 3.30 to 4.30pm, or please ring for an appointment.

The FIFTH WEEK of EASTERTIDE

Monday	5.45 pm - Mass	Monday of Eastertide	† Patrick Bubna
Tuesday	5.45 pm - Mass	Tuesday of Eastertide	† Regina (26 th) & Jan (29 th) Kurak - <i>anniv</i>
Wednesday	5.45 pm - Mass	Wednesday of Eastertide / <i>St John I, pope & martyr</i>	
Thursday	5.45 pm - Mass	Thursday of Eastertide	
Friday	9.00 am - Mass - Acacia 5.45pm - Mass	Friday of Eastertide / <i>St Bernardine of Siena, priest</i>	† faithful departed
Saturday	10.00 am - NO MASS	Saturday of Eastertide / <i>The Martyrs of Mexico</i>	

The SIXTH SUNDAY of EASTERTIDE

Saturday	4.30 pm - Mass 6.00 pm - Mass		for the parish
Sunday	9.00 am - Mass 4.30 pm - Mass		

PARISH MINISTRIES ROSTER

MINISTRY	Saturday 4.30pm		Saturday 6.00pm			Sunday 9.00am	
Readers	X Torre	A Iacopetta	E Gregory	C Ryan	M Davila	M Tinning	
Acolytes	L Torre		R Novacsek			W Grzech	
Altar Servers	C Odoriso	J Hehir	D Jordan	F Jordan	N Adshead	N Yap	D Cadogan
Musicians	A Loiacono	E Foley	A Loiacono	E Foley		Fr T Deeter	E Foley
IT Operators	G Torre		Please volunteer			D Agostini	
Counters	A Vajda	V Kurak					

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

Thank You

Building Fund 08/05	\$ 85.00
BF Direct Debit	100.00
Pledges	855.00
Containers for Change	25.20
Interest received	
TOTAL	\$ 1,065.20

Last Sunday's Contributions 08/05	
Planned Giving	\$ 40.00
Online donations	1,090.00
Direct Debit	135.00
Loose	546.25
Catholic Weekly	45.00
Votive candles	63.80
Kitchen usage	30.00
Sacramental fees	440.00
TOTAL	\$ 2,390.05

Entrance Antiphon: O sing a new song to the Lord, for He has worked wonders.
 In the sight of the nations He has shown His deliverance: Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon I am the true Vine and you are the branches, says the Lord.
 Whoever remains in Me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty: Alleluia!



Liturgical Ministries			Parish Ministries & Activities		
Acolytes	Wojciech Grzech	0411 551 213	Finance Committee	Greg Brennan	9381 3399
Altar Linen	Lori Valerio * Maria Odoriso		Planned Giving	Andrew Vajda	9275 9328
Altar Servers	Lilian Bellandi	0412 980 261	St Paul's Primary School	Yvonne Liebeck, <i>Principal</i>	9462 6000
Collectors & Counters	Andrew Vajda	9275 9328	RCIA	Fr Tim Deeter	9271 5253
Extraordinary Ministers	Simon Hehir	043 778 6023	St Paul's Youth Ministry	Mark & Linley	0407 383 914
Flowers	Jasmin Biagioni	0411 123 575	Parish Social Committee	Ingrid Vajda	9275 9328
Liturgy Committee	TBA		Sunday Morning Tea	School P&F mothers	9462 6000
Music - Sun 9am Mass	Fr Tim Deeter	9271 5253	Bible Study	Fr Tim / Fr Mariusz	9271 5253
Music - Sat 4.30pm & 6.00pm	Alessio Loiacono	0466 461 892	PREP Co-ordinator	Susan Brown	0403 441 525
Readers	Genevieve Saldanha	0405 806 848	Social Justice	TBA	
Acacia Residence Chapel	Judith Paxman	9262 8533	St Paul's Community Care	John Ryan	9477 4910
Sacristan	David Cleary	9272 5114	St Vincent de Paul Society	Peter Quinn	9375 1024

Community News

PRAYING FOR OUR CHILDREN
 Tue 17 May: Join us in church at 9.30am to pray the Rosary for our children and grandchildren, and then share a cuppa after prayers. *We're now in our 7th year!*

BIBLE STUDY
 Tue 17 May: Join us in the undercroft at 7.30pm as we study the Book of Judges (*aka 'Don't mess with the Israelites!'*) All welcome.

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

RCIA
 Wed 18 May: Grow in knowledge of your Faith! This week's topic: Lift High the Cross! All are welcome - 7.30pm in the undercroft.

MAY CROWNING
 Thu 19 May: Our school children will have the annual Rosary & Benediction, including the crowning of the image of Our Lady, at 9.15am in church. *You are welcome to join us.*

SEEKING A KIND VOLUNTEER
 A good soul responded to the request for help with photocopying the weekly parish bulletin - but Fr Tim cannot find the email or text message! So if you are that person, please contact Fr Tim again. *He will print out and laminate your message on parchment!*

BUILDING FUND TO DATE
TOTAL in Building Fund: \$111,247.43
BUILDING FUND PLEDGES
 Please note your bank reference like this: *Your surname - Pledge.*

ONGOING EXPENSES
 internet - \$102.34 * BAS - \$650.00 * Catholic Weekly - \$709.50 * **TOTAL - \$1,461.84**



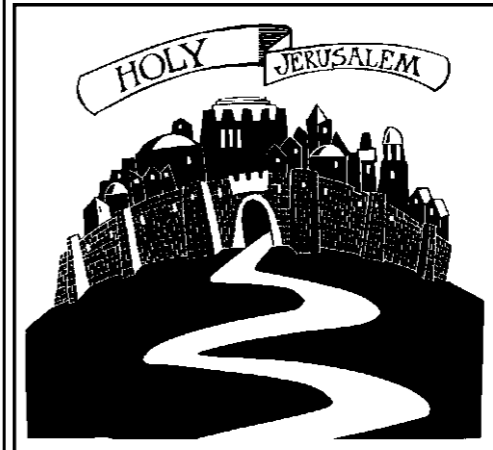
Love
 One Another

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: Gerard Lightly, Clem Travers, Noel McEvoy, Walter Faulkner, Antoine Boylen, Ted Middleton, William Liggins, Elsie Enright, Tom Hart, Eileen Thornthwaite,

The Wisdom of the Saints: Mystic Union with God

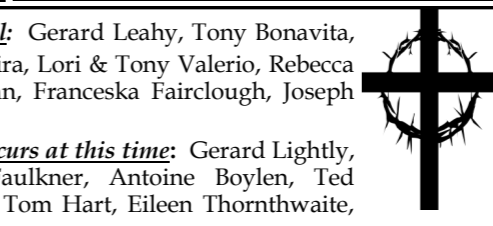
Then the soul is in God and God is in the soul, just as the fish is in the sea and the sea is in the fish. - St Catherine of Siena
To be loved by God, to be united to God, to live in the presence of God, to live for God - oh, how truly wonderful life is - and death as well! - St John Vianney
Let us die to ourselves, and let us cultivate the virtue of silence and the control of our senses. As we follow in the footsteps of the Crucified Saviour, let us pass from this world to the heavenly world of God the Father. - St Bonaventure
In order to become united with God, we must empty and strip ourselves of every inordinate desire, so that our souls can be purified and become entirely focussed on loving God. - St John of the Cross
The air is in the sunshine, and the sunshine is in the air. In the same way, God is in the existence of the soul, and whenever our soul is focussed on loving God, we are united with Him in a simple knowing of all that is true and good. - Bl Jan van Ruysbroeck
I simply disappeared, like a drop in the ocean; only Jesus was left - my Master! - St Therese



I saw the New Jerusalem coming down out of Heaven. Then I heard a voice say: "Here God lives among us. He will make His home among His people."

Project Compassion
 Please deposit your envelopes in the baskets next to the Mass collection boxes. **Do not** send them to Sydney, or the parish won't get credit for your donation. Please bring your **boxes** to church no later than the weekend of 14/15 May, and leave them in the porch. *Thank you for your generous support. You are helping many needy people, both abroad and at home. God bless you.*

Around the Archdiocese
AN INVITATION TO 'COME AND SEE'
 Sun 12 June: The Secular Franciscan Order (Third Order of St Francis) invites you to gather at the Alverna Centre next to St Lawrence Church, Balcatta, at 2pm to learn about how living the Secular Franciscan Rule can help you live your Catholic faith more intensely.



Pastoral Ponderings

In today's Gospel, we have that classic teaching of Our Lord: I give you a new commandment - love one another. Just as I have loved you, so you must love one another.
Our English word 'love' has a variety of meanings which unfortunately can be confusing. We love a dear friend, but we also love chocolate cake, and we love our family, but we also love a certain song.
Yes, there are other English words that we could use to differentiate degrees of 'love': esteem, cherish, value, etc. But, in the end, we 'love' everything - and thus the word is cheapened.

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The ancient Greeks had three words to definitely express different types of love:
- eros: romantic or sensual love
- philos: love for a family member or close friend
- agape: basic human respect for another
What Jesus is asking when He tells us to 'love one another' is not eros (obviously) or even philos (since we can't be close friends with everyone).
No, He is commanding us to show basic human respect for one another. And that can be a tall order for us at times.

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I'm thinking back to that now-famous photo of Scott Morrison with the 2021 Australian of the Year, Grace Tame. She, along with other winners of this high accolade, had been invited to a reception at the Prime Minister's residence this past Australia Day.
What we all remember of this event is not focused on any of the other Australians who were honoured at this reception - not their achievements, not the ways in which they have enriched national life.

No: what everyone remembers is the very frosty expression on Grace's face as she was photographed standing alongside the Prime Minister. And that expression became the focus of the news for days on end. (Look: I'm still remembering it as an example for this column!)
No one was asking Grace Tame to endorse Scott Morrison's policies, or act in a phony way with a plastic smile. She was invited to the official residence of the Prime Minister, and she failed to show basic human respect.

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When the leaders of nations meet for a G7 pow-wow or gather at the United Nations, many of them have serious disagreements with the policies of other countries. But if they all scowled at one another, a la Grace Tame, their meetings would be doomed from the start. Basic human respect costs very little but it matters a lot. It makes all the difference. We may not 'love' everyone, but we can show respect.