



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 TWENTY-FIRST WEEK in ORDINARY TIME

Monday	5.45 pm - Mass	The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary	† Dawn Tilbrook - 18 th anniversary
Tuesday	5.45 pm - Mass	Weekday / St Rose of Lima, virgin	in thanksgiving for successful surgery
Wednesday	5.45 pm - Mass	ST BARTHOLOMEW, Apostle & Martyr	
Thursday	5.45 pm - Mass	Weekday / St Louis IX, King, husband, father	† Amelia Ventura - recently departed
Friday	9.00 am - Mass - Acacia 5.45pm - Mass	Weekday in Ordinary Time	† faithful departed
Saturday	10.00 am - NO MASS	St Monica, wife, mother, widow	

The TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

Saturday	4.30 pm - Mass 6.00 pm - Mass		† Domenico & Annunziata Loiacono, ann. Gene & Robert Mettimano
Sunday	9.00 am - Mass		† Saverio & Francesca Ammoscato- anniv.

PARISH MINISTRIES ROSTER

MINISTRY	Saturday 4.30pm		Saturday 6.00pm		Sunday 9.00am	
Readers	M Bowden-Jones	L D'Orsogna	M Ryan	A Tilbrook	M Davila	K Hondros
Acolytes	L Torre		R Novacsek		J Pereira	
Altar Servers	N Bowden-Jones	X Torre C Colletti	J Ryan	H Miles	G & S Duncan	D Ebey
Musicians	A Loiacono	T Murphy-Jelley	A Loiacono	T Murphy-Jelley	Fr T Deeter	T Murphy-Jelley
IT Operators	G Torre		Please volunteer		D Agostini	
Counters	F Farrington	J Pearce				

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

Last Sunday's Contributions 14/08	
Planned Giving	\$ 90.00
Direct Debit	925.00
Loose	645.00
Catholic Weekly	44.00
Votive candles	92.25
Sacramental fees	120.00
TOTAL	\$ 391.60

Entrance Antiphon: Turn Your ear, O Lord, and answer me;
save the servant who trusts in You, my God.
Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to You all the day long.

Communion Antiphon: Whoever eats My Flesh and drinks My Blood has eternal life, says the Lord,
and I will raise him up on the Last Day.



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 Deeter	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	TBA	
Planned Giving	Andrew Vajda	9275 9328
St Paul's Primary School	Yvonne Liebeck, Principal	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

WELL DONE, EVERYONE!
 300+ people attended our three Masses on last Monday's solemnity of Our Lady's Assumption into Heaven. The 5.45pm Mass was especially well-attended. The singing and the responses to the prayers was noticeably fervent. May God bless every one of you for your faithfulness.

A ROSARY FOR OUR CHILDREN
 Tue 23 Aug: Join us for Rosary & Litany at 9.30am in church, followed by a cuppa on the Presbytery veranda. All are welcome.

FINANCE COMMITTEE
 Tue 23 Aug: Meeting at 6.30pm in the church undercroft.

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

RCIA / FAITH FORMATION
 Wed 24 Aug: Grow in knowledge of your Faith! This week's topic: What Happens after Death. All are welcome - 7.30pm in the undercroft.

REMINDERS: First Holy Communion
 Thu 25 Aug: Visit to the Synagogue: 11.30am - for all candidates; parents welcome.

Tue 06 Sept: Retreat Day for Candidates 9.00am - 3.00pm - school hall, then undercroft
 Sun 11 Sept: First Holy Communion Mass 1.00pm * followed by festive afternoon tea

VISIT TO THE SYNAGOGUE
 Thu 25 Aug: If you would like to join our visit to the Menora Synagogue, meet in the Synagogue carpark (Plantation St, near Alexander Dr) no later than 11.25am. The visit will last one hour.

BUILDING FUND TO DATE
TOTAL in Building Fund: \$139,653.71
BUILDING FUND PLEDGES
 Please note your bank reference like this:
 Your surname - Pledge.

ONGOING EXPENSES
 candles - \$270.50 * incense - \$36.95 * candle oil - \$25.11 * flowers (May-June) - \$1,711.33 * rates - \$1,308.95 * annual bin collection fee - \$940.00 * bulletin covers - \$101.00 * BP Pest Control - \$880.00 * Catholic Weekly - \$662.20 * * **TOTAL - \$6,062.89**



Archdiocesan News

Tue 30 Aug: The 39th Annual Novena to Our Lady of Good Health, Vailankanni, will commence at Holy Trinity Church in Embleton. A poster is on the notice board.

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: Peggy Webb, May Barraclough, Carmel Sheiles, Alice Hird, Mary Astley, Olive Power, George Miller, Mary Frances (Molly) Flood, June Jordan, Yves Compty

The Wisdom of the Saints: Desolation

O God, You seek those who hide from You, and You hide from those who seek You. - St Augustine
 I seek Him, but He won't be found. He turns a deaf ear to my sighs and moaning. I say to Him, "Tell me Who You are and what You want. Make Yourself known, and then let me die!" I am uncontrolled almost to the point of being rude to Him. I end up by calling Him cruel, but immediately afterward I beg His pardon. Some of the things I say are prompted not by anger, but by love. - St Gemma Galgani

Sometimes it is the Lord's will that we should be persecuted and afflicted by evil thoughts, which we cannot cast out, and also by spiritual dryness. Sometimes He even allows those serpents to bite us, so that we may learn better how to be on our guard in the future. - St Teresa of Avila

You can advance farther in grace in one hour during this time of affliction than in many days during a time of consolation. - St John Eudes

Perfection does not consist in consolation, but rather in the submission of our wills to God, above all in desolation. Let us remember that the obedience of Our Lord was perfect when He was wounded, and His thirst became greater when they gave Him gall and vinegar to drink. - Blessed Henry Suso



Once the door has been locked,
 you may find yourself
 knocking on the door, saying,
 "Lord, open to us!"
 He will reply, "I do not know you."

A Short Meditation
 from The Imitation of Christ
 by Thomas a Kempis (1379-1471)

Do not think highly of yourself because of what you know about any art or science; rather, respect the knowledge that has been entrusted to you.

If it seems to you that you know many things and that you are an expert in them, recognise nevertheless that there are still many things that you do not know. Do not be proud, but admit your great ignorance.

Why do you think you are better than others? There are many people who are more learned and more practised in God's ways than you are. Here is something that will really help you: learn to see yourself as God sees you, and not as you see yourself in the distorted mirror of your own self-importance. Be humble.

Pastoral Ponderings

Last weekend, we showed on the PowerPoint some photos of the recent successful and enjoyable Youth Group social outing to ten-pin bowling. This event helped build the youth community of our parish.

More than 30% of our parishioners are under the age of 30. We need to cater to their faith formation.

Here at St Paul's we've made several attempts at forming a youth group. Each was successful in its own way, but each depended upon a few leaders who then moved on due to job changes, marriages and the birth of children. And then the pandemic came, and we have had to start all over again.

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Late last year, following enquiries from some families, Fr Mariusz and I met to discuss re-starting our parish youth ministry. We asked some families for their thoughts, and we listened to their sharing of experiences with other youth groups. We invited other priests in surrounding parishes to share their ideas, and to possibly set up a Central Zone youth group.

We also met with Mario Borg, who leads the 24/7 youth ministry of the Disciples of Jesus charismatic community. 24/7 is hosted successfully at over a dozen archdiocesan parishes, gathering on a weekly or fortnightly basis.

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The result of all of this deliberation was that we would run our own youth group, using resources we have on hand, and staffed by parishioners.

We held two introductory sessions in October and November of last year, using a video program called Chosen, and catering to youth in yrs 6-10. The initial response was very enthusiastic, with 12 young people in attendance. Parents were very generous in providing dinner for our Friday evening gatherings.

But this year we have not been able to maintain that same momentum. The State borders opened, and coronavirus began sweeping through our school and parish communities. People began staying at home, due to infection or fear of being infected. Some families have not been able to commit, or do not see the youth group as meeting expectations.

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So the leadership reviewed the Chosen content, and agreed that we run the risk of running another 'religion class' outside of school. Yes, there needs to be an element of faith formation, but the group needs to be engaging and fun at the same time.

We also noticed that our youth have the same difficulty in forming community as the adults have: everyone attends different Masses on the weekend and so cannot interact easily. - more next weekend

