



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-SIXTH WEEK in ORDINARY TIME

<b>Monday</b>	5.45 pm - Mass	Weekday / SS Cosmas & Damien, martyrs	† Fr Francis Ly - d. 26 <sup>th</sup> July 2022
<b>Tuesday</b>	5.45 pm - Mass	St Vincent de Paul, priest	† Philip C Weimer - d. 13 <sup>th</sup> August 2022
<b>Wednesday</b>	5.45 pm - Mass	Weekday / St Wenceslaus, duke & martyr	† Fr Milton Arias - d. 9 <sup>th</sup> August 2022
<b>Thursday</b>	5.45 pm - Mass	SS MICHAEL, GABRIEL & RAPHAEL, Archangels	† Fr Maurice Toop - d. 13 <sup>th</sup> August 2022
<b>Friday</b>	9.00 am - Mass - Acacia 5.45pm - Mass	St Jerome, priest & doctor of the Church	† faithful departed
<b>Saturday</b>	10.00 am - Mass	St Thérèse of the Child Jesus, virgin & doctor - 1 <sup>ST</sup> SAT	Our Lady's intentions

The TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

<b>Saturday</b>	4.30 pm - Mass 6.00 pm - Mass		† Dennis J Deeter - birthday
<b>Sunday</b>	9.00 am - Mass		for the parish

PARISH MINISTRIES ROSTER

MINISTRY	Saturday 4.30pm	Saturday 6.00pm	Sunday 9.00am
Readers	L D'Orsogna    A Iacopetta	C Ryan    A Tilbrook	K Hondros    M Davila
Acolytes	N Cirillo		W Grzech
Altar Servers	A & C Fanowrios    C Odoriso	A Munro    L Brennan	D & F Jordan    D Cadogan
Musicians	A Loiacono    J Pinneri	A Loiacono    J Pinneri	Fr T Deeter    J Pinneri
IT Operators	G Torre		Please volunteer
Counters	F Farrington    J Pearce		D Agostini

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*

Last Sunday's Contributions 18/09	
Planned Giving	\$ 245.00
Direct Debit	1,313.40
Loose	646.70
Catholic Weekly	nil
Votive candles	113.80
Donation for FHC booklets	341.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 2,659.90</b>

**Entrance Antiphon:** All that You have done to us, O Lord, You have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against You and not obeyed Your commandments. But give glory to Your Name, and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

**Communion Antiphon:** By this we came to know the love of God: that Christ laid down His life for us, so we ought to lay down our lives for one another.



**Liturgical Ministries**

Acolytes	Wojciech Grzech	0411 551 213
Altar Linen	Lori Valerio * Maria Odoriso	
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
Safeguarding Officer	Stephen Cain	0418 515 889
Safeguarding Officer	Linley Plowman	0407 383 914
St Vincent de Paul Society	Peter Quinn	9375 1024

**Community News**

**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 28 Sept: Join us in the undercroft at 7.30pm for teaching, film & discussion. This week: *The Sacraments: The Body of Christ at Prayer.*

**FIRST SATURDAY \* ST THÉRÈSE**  
 Sat 01 Oct: Confessions beginning at 9.00am, Rosary at 9.35am, Holy Mass at 10.00am. Saturday is also the Memorial of **St Thérèse of the Child Jesus**, known as the Little Flower of Lisieux. As always, we will bless and distribute roses at the end of Mass, keeping in mind her deathbed promise: *I will spend my Heaven doing good on earth. I will let fall a shower of roses.* Please sign up in either church entry if you would like a blessed rose.

**PARISH RETREAT AT NEW NORCIA**  
 Apr 14-16: We have secured the very last available weekend for our retreat. Places are limited, so please send an email to Fr Tim (casapgf@iinet.net.au) if you want to join our group. *This year, the conferences will be given by Msgr Entwistle, Fr Mariusz and Fr Tim. Mass and Liturgy of the Hours with the monks as usual. Accommodation and pricing details coming soon.*

**BUILDING FUND TO DATE**  
**TOTAL in Building Fund: \$142,915.61**  
**BUILDING FUND PLEDGES**  
 Please note your bank reference like this: *Your surname - Pledge.*

**ONGOING EXPENSES**  
 ATO (June quarter BAS) - \$1,928.00 \* underground power monthly instalment - \$500.00 \* First Holy Communion booklets - \$599.50 \* altar flowers - \$806.58 \* Catholic Weekly - \$189.20 \* Archdiocesan assessment - \$3,000.00 \* **TOTAL - \$7,023.28**



**Archdiocesan News**

**DO YOU WANT TO TRAVEL?**  
 The Salesian Fathers are seeking volunteers to work with disadvantaged young people in Samoa, Cambodia, Timor Leste, Solomon Islands and Australia, for 6 to 12 months! Info: [www.cagliero.org.au](http://www.cagliero.org.au)



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, Thomas Chong, Rhiana Powell  
**parishioners whose anniversary of death occurs at this time:** Ernie Hogan, Marie Bowler, Bill Kennedy, Caterina Bertone, Gerard Lace, Antonina Danze, Ivan Beale, Jack Dominish, Owen McGuinness, Dorothy Reilly, Giuseppe Princi, Bert Clear

**The Wisdom of the Saints: Sacrifice**

*When we do something we dislike, let us say to God: "My God, I offer this to You in honour of the moment when You died for me." - St John Vianney*  
*It's a trade-off, you see: I ask God for souls, and I pay Him by giving up everything else. - St John Bosco*  
*I thought how terrible it is that no act of love is ever made in Hell! I told God that I was ready to go to Hell myself, if it pleased Him to arrange this, so that for all eternity there would be at least one loving soul in that dwelling place of blasphemy. - St Thérèse of Lisieux*  
*The Lord's command seems difficult and painful when He says that anyone who wants to follow Him must deny himself. But it isn't really so difficult, because He helps us to do what He commands. He fulfils His own words: "My yoke is easy, and My burden is light." Love makes it easy to carry out whatever seems difficult in His command. - St Augustine*  
*We shouldn't attach a lot of value to what we give to God, because for the little we give Him we shall receive so much more, both in this life and in the next. - St Teresa of Avila*



*The rich man and Lazarus*

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

Who has a more fierce struggle than the person who strives to master himself? And this must be the task for us all: to strive to control ourselves, and to grow stronger in this every day, advancing from good to better.

All perfection in this earthly life has some accompanying imperfection. All of our wondering about life is not without some darkening mist. But a humble understanding of yourself is a surer way to God than a profound searching after some theological knowledge.

Now, there's nothing wrong with having knowledge, nor with trying to understand anything that is good in itself and made so by God. But a good conscience and a life of virtue are always to be put first.

Nevertheless, many people choose to seek knowledge rather than to live good lives. They are often led astray and their lives come to very little - or nothing at all.

**Pastoral Ponderings**

Thank you, dear parishioners, for your patience with me whilst I have taken the past seven days to rest and recover from my back surgery. And a big thank you to **Father Mariusz** for so generously shouldering the entire burden of parish ministry (with a funeral thrown in for good measure!). But he was appointed here to learn how to be a good parish priest. It's good for him to have total responsibility once in a while. I'm sure he did a good job.

Speaking of appointments, I had to laugh when I received this week a letter from the Archbishop appointing me to a **third term** as your parish priest. The appointment was effective this past 8<sup>th</sup> February 2022 - more than seven months ago!

This is the way of **bureaucracy**: If I am even one or two weeks late in completing and returning one of the many forms and surveys I receive every month from the Archdiocese, someone gets on the horn and 'gently' reminds me to get my you-know-what in gear and send in the form, pronto!

But the powers-that-be can be **more than seven months late** in appointing me to an important role as your parish priest, and that's okay - because they are **so busy**. (I'm being cynical, I know, but this is always the story: *do as I say, don't do as I do.*)

In the end, however, the Archdiocese has great **confidence** in our parish, and in me. We would not have the responsibility of training a younger priest to take charge of a parish of his own in the near future if we were perceived to be a group of lacklustre Catholics led by an incompetent priest.

No, the Archdiocese consults me quite often about my views on the future of parish life, good liturgical celebration and Catholic education. They know we are a vibrant community, and we are planted firmly in the middle of parish practice: *we don't have groups of dissidents, we don't foster practices and devotions that are not mainstream, and we strive to give the best worship that we can to Almighty God.*

We strive to grow in our Faith, intellectually and spiritually, through bible study (another session will be announced soon!), RCIA, catechesis of our children by the priests, and annual parish retreats.

So thank you, everyone, for your kindness to me and Fr Mariusz, and for your loyal support. Oh yes, there are a few **complainers** here and there; but here's the fly in the ointment: the complainers are not active in parish life, nor loyal to our community. So I take their complaints with a grain of salt.

I'll be **going home** to the USA from 6<sup>th</sup> October to 2<sup>nd</sup> November. Fr Mariusz needs more practice!

