



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

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Gillian Theobald, Parish Secretary



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 THIRD WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME**

<b>Monday</b>	<b>5.45 pm</b> - Mass	Weekday in Ordinary Time	
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>5.45 pm</b> - Mass	St Francis de Sales, bishop & doctor of the Church	
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>5.45 pm</b> - Mass	THE CONVERSION OF SAINT PAUL, APOSTLE	for the parish's evangelisation efforts
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>5.45 pm</b> - Mass	AUSTRALIA DAY	for the nation
<b>Friday</b>	<b>9.00 am</b> - Mass - Acacia <b>5.45 pm</b> - Mass	SS Timothy & Titus, bishops & disciples of St Paul	† faithful departed for our parish priest
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>10.00 am</b> - NO MASS	St Thomas Aquinas, priest & doctor of the Church	-----

**The FOURTH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME**

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>4.30 pm</b> - Mass <b>6.00 pm</b> - Mass	for the parish
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9.00 am</b> - Mass	

MINISTRY	Saturday 4.30pm	Saturday 6.00pm	Sunday 9.00am
Readers	T Merchant L D'Orsogna	V Kurak A Tilbrook	G Saldahna C Moore
Acolytes	L Torre	J Pereira	D Cleary
Altar Servers	S Guelfi G & I Torre	R Arulraja J Adaikklam	D & F Jordan T Clare
Musicians	A Loiacono J Pinneri	A Loiacono J Pinneri	Fr T Deeter J Pinneri
IT Operators	G Torre	Please volunteer	D Agostini
Counters	F Farrington J Pearce		

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  
**Tap & Go:** A facility is on a table behind the last pew in church.

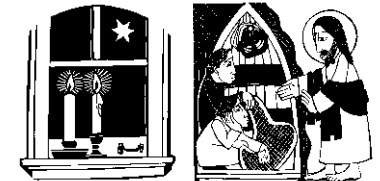
*Thank You*

Building Fund 15/01	\$ 177.00
BF Direct Debit	526.00
Containers for Change	49.50
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 752.50</b>

<b>Last Sunday's Contributions 15/01</b>	
Planned Giving	\$ 40.00
Direct Debit	892.90
Loose	711.05
Tap and Go	63.76
Catholic Weekly	33.20
Pledges	94.40
Special music donation	990.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 2,825.31</b>

**Entrance Antiphon:** O sing a new song to the Lord! Sing to the Lord, all the earth!  
 In His presence are majesty and splendour,  
 strength and honour in His holy place!

**Communion Antiphon:** I am the Light of the world, says the Lord.  
 Whoever follows Me will not walk in darkness, but will have the Light of life.



**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	Peter Merry, 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**

**PRAYING FOR OUR CHILDREN**  
 Tue 24 Jan: Rosary & Litany at 9.30am, then a cuppa in the undercroft. Join us!

**LET CHRISTMAS JOY GO ON AND ON!**  
 Tue 24 Jan: We'll have a beautiful Mass at 5.45pm, followed by a supper and showing of The Chosen's Christmas Special, a 30-min film, in the undercroft. Bring a plate to share if you can - the undercroft will be open before Mass for dropping off food.

**OUR PARISH FEASTDAY**  
 Wed 25 Jan: Come to Holy Mass at 5.45pm to celebrate the Conversion of St Paul. We are all on that 'road to Damascus' striving for spiritual conversion (read the bit from The Imitation of Christ in the next column) - our parish patron can help us by his example and his prayers. Stay for a bit of Holy Hour!

**HOLY HOUR & ST JOSEPH DEVOTION**  
 Every Wednesday: Adoration 6.15 - 7.15pm; confessions; devotions to St Joseph; simple Benediction. Be still, and know that I am God. Come to Me, and I will give you rest.

**VOLUNTEER MINISTERS WELCOME**  
 Acolytes and altar servers are welcome to assist at the special Masses on Wednesday and Thursday. The more, the merrier!

**DONATIONS AT THE CRIB**  
 Updated Final: \$1,675.20. All offerings are sent to the Holy Land, to help Christian & Muslim children and their mothers with nutrition, medical & educational needs. Thank you for your kind generosity to the poor.

**CHRISTMAS APPEAL FOR UKRAINE**  
 Thank you for your generous gift of \$3,770.00. This will be added to gifts of other Catholics across Australia. Christ, suffering with His people, is grateful to you.

**BUILDING FUND TO DATE**  
**TOTAL in Building Fund: \$171,172.42**  
**BUILDING FUND PLEDGES**  
 Please note your bank reference like this: Your surname - Pledge.

**ONGOING EXPENSES**  
 water - \$443.86 \* altar bread - \$188.30 \* underground power - \$500.00 \* workers compensation insurance - \$1,013.98 \* Catholic Weekly - \$378.40 \* photocopier - \$610.96 \* **TOTAL - \$3,135.50**

**Around the Archdiocese**

**33rd ANNUAL FLAME CONGRESS**  
 Jan 27-29: Mater Christi Parish Community Centre, 340 Yangebup Rd, Yangebup. Speakers include Fr Joseph Laundry, Mario Borg, Kaye Rollings & Cyrus D'Souza. Info: [www.flameministries.org](http://www.flameministries.org) or see the poster in the church porch.

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: Bill Donovan, Albert Budge, Hannah Wardrop, Fred Ardon, Kathleen Skeats, Clarice Day, Gerard O'Loughlin, Molly Miller, Anne Gould

**The Wisdom of the Saints: Teaching**

When I saw these children, I realised what a mistake it is not to train them from the very start, when they are like wax which can be shaped to receive impressions for good or for ill. There are so many souls who would attain holiness if only they were taught well. - St Thérèse of Lisieux

If you will send me your little Paula, I promise to be both a teacher and foster-father to her. Old as I am, I will carry her piggy-back on my shoulders and train her stammering speech. Far more glorious than the career of a worldly professor shall my task be, for I shall not be instructing an earthly princess, but a handmaid and bride of Christ preparing for the Kingdom of Heaven! - St Jerome

What is nobler than to mould the character of the young? The one who knows how to form youthful minds is truly greater than all painters and sculptors. - St John Chrysostom

You can do nothing with children unless you win their confidence and love, and put them in touch with their inner selves. - St John Bosco

I think that the Angels themselves, if they were to be teachers, would find it hard to control their temper in a classroom. Only with Our Lady's help do I keep from murdering some of them! - St Benildus



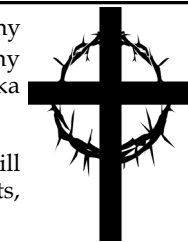
Jesus began preaching:  
 "Repent, for the Kingdom of Heaven is close at hand!"  
 He said to some fishermen:  
 "Come, follow Me!"

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

**Ch. 11 (cont.):** If we made an effort to stand firmly and courageously in the struggles of life, doubtless we should see the help of Our Lord from Heaven, for He is ready to help those who trust in His grace. He gives us occasions to fight, so that we may win!

If our spiritual progress relies only on our outward observances, our devotion will not last long. Let us lay the axe to the root, so that being purged of unruly passions, we may have peace of mind.

If we uprooted just one fault every year, we would soon become perfect! But it's true that we often feel that we were better and more pure when we were young, at the beginning of our spiritual lives, than we are now after many years of living our baptismal vows. What a pity!



**Pastoral Ponderings**

This past Friday, Father Mariusz and I met with Mr Peter Merry, our school principal, to plan the year's liturgies and spiritual events. It's always a bit depressing for me to fill up my new diary with a long list of Masses, class prayer services, devotions, student catechism lessons, teacher workshops, sacramental celebrations and the parent meetings and student workshops connected to these events.

But the spiritual life of a good Catholic school cannot be left to the occasional or once-a-term Mass or prayer service. If we want our children (and our teachers) to grow in solid Catholic religious life, we must provide Mass, prayer and teaching on a very regular basis. Practice makes perfect.

Those of us who are older and who regularly come to Holy Mass and confession, pray the Rosary and other prayers, learnt to do so from parents who did the same, and from our teachers and priests in our schools who led us in daily prayer and teaching.

As parish priest, and as a teacher myself, it has always been my goal to give to our children (and to you parishioners as well) the same, solid type of true Catholic teaching and practice that I experienced as I grew up. It worked for me, and it can work for you and your children. Help me, won't you?

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Speaking of help: the Archdiocese asks that ALL of our parish workers - PAID AND UNPAID - take part in the Online Safeguarding Induction Level 1 Session. Dates and times of the online sessions are:

- ◆ Thursday 02 February 10.00am
- ◆ Monday 13 February 2.00pm
- ◆ Tuesday 21 February 7.00pm

You can access this online at home with this LINK: [safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/training/](http://safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/training/)  
 For help, RING: Safeguarding Office - 9221 7762 - or EMAIL [safeguarding@perthcatholic.org.au](mailto:safeguarding@perthcatholic.org.au)

This applies to those 18 and older (younger people are exempted): acolytes, readers, cantors, choir members, organists, AV technicians, cleaners, counters & collectors, EMHCs, flower arrangers, welcomers, gardeners, offertory organisers, finance council members, sacristans, safeguarding officers, youth ministry team, parish secretary and clergy.

SOME of you (acolytes, youth leaders, catechists and clergy), plus any active EMHCs, are required to get a WWC (Working With Children) certification from the Government and keep that up to date. This does not apply to all church workers - only those who work with children on a regular basis.

But ALL of you are asked to cooperate with this effort of the Church to ensure that our churches and schools are safe places where children can grow in faith, free from fear. Thank you most sincerely.