



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 FOURTH WEEK OF LENT			
Monday	5.45 pm - Mass	SAINT JOSEPH, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary	
Tuesday	5.45 pm - Mass	Lenten Tuesday	† Geraldine Merchant - anniversary
Wednesday	5.45 pm - Mass	Lenten Wednesday	
Thursday	5.45 pm - Mass	Lenten Thursday / St Turibius of Mogrovejo, bishop	Sr Regina Naisbitt RNDM - 9 th anniversary
Friday	9.00 am - Mass - Acacia 5.45 pm - Mass	Lenten Friday	† faithful departed † Jeannine Sheehan - recently died
Saturday	10.00 am - Mass	THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD	for our grandchildren
THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT:			
Saturday	4.30 pm - Mass 6.00 pm - Mass		for the parish
Sunday	9.00 am - Mass		† Bertha, Harry & Gerry Nation

MINISTRY	Saturday 4.30pm	Saturday 6.00pm	Sunday 9.00am
Readers	T Merchant L Plowman	E Gregory C Ryan	M Tinning K Hondros
Acolytes	G Hobbs	J Pereira	D Cleary
Altar Servers	C Odoriso A & A Fanowrios	N Adshead D & I Blinco	D Cadogan T Clare E Archer
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

Thank You

Last Sunday's Contributions		12/03
Planned Giving		\$ 1,480.82
Direct Debit		936.70
Loose		137.34
Tap and Go		26.00
Catholic Weekly	1,950.00	80.00
Votive candles	42.90	80.00
Sacramental fees		80.00
TOTAL	\$ 2,087.90	\$ 2,740.86

Entrance Antiphon: Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her!
 Be joyful, all who were in mourning!
 Exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.

Communion Antiphon: The Lord anointed my eyes:
 I went, I washed, I saw and I believed in God!



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	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

HOLY WEEK & EASTER BOOKINGS
 Please pick up a flyer from the entrances with details on booking seats for:

- ♦ Good Friday Stations - 10.00am
- ♦ Good Friday Liturgy - 3.00pm
- ♦ Holy Saturday Easter Vigil - 7.30pm
- ♦ Easter Sunday Masses - 8.00 & 9.30am

No booking will be necessary for Palm Sunday Masses, Holy Thursday 7.30pm Mass, or Good Friday 7.30pm Seven Last Words service.
 Please book early to guarantee your seats.

PARISH CENSUS UPDATE
 New to the parish? Changed any details (address, phone, new baby)? Please take a census form, complete & return ASAP.

SOLEMNITY OF SAINT JOSEPH
 Mon 20 March: Mass at 5.45pm.

CHOIR PRACTICE
 Mon 20 March: 6.30pm in church

BIBLE STUDY: The Chosen, Season 3
 Tue 21 March: Join us to watch episodes in the undercroft at 7.30pm, or use the app.

HOLY HOUR & ST JOSEPH DEVOTION
 Every Wednesday: Adoration 6.15 - 7.15pm; confessions; devotions to St Joseph; simple Benediction. Come, rest in the Lord.

RCIA / ADULT FAITH FORMATION
 Wed 22 March: 7.30 - 9.00pm. Topic - The Seventh thru Tenth Commandments of God.

SATURDAY: THE ANNUNCIATION
 Mass at 9am. Join us at Mass to celebrate Mary's 'Yes' to God's invitation.

STATIONS & BENEDICTION
 Lenten Fridays: 6.10pm, after 5.45pm Mass.

SAFEGUARDING INDUCTION
 A reminder: the Archdiocese asks that ALL of our parish workers - PAID AND UNPAID - take part in the Online Safeguarding Induction Level 1 Session. Online sessions dates & times:

- ♦ Tuesday 11 April 10.00 - 11.00am
- ♦ Monday 17 April 2.00 - 3.00pm
- ♦ Thursday 27 April 7.00 - 8.00pm

Access this online at home with this LINK: safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/training/

BUILDING FUND TO DATE
TOTAL in Building Fund: \$183,503.32

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

ONGOING EXPENSES
 water - \$440.01 * internet - \$100.88 * bulletin covers - \$101.00 * underground power - \$500.00 * church a/c unit repair - \$264.00 * presbytery office new a/c unit - \$2,394.70 * Archdiocesan assessment - \$1,000.00 *
TOTAL: \$4,800.59

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: Pina Fallara, Violet Cunningham, Len Watts, Mollie McNamara, Cecil Webster, Sister Regina Naisbitt RNDM, Gerard Pilkington

The Wisdom of the Saints: Trials

There are people who make capital out of everything, even the winter. If it is cold, they offer their little sufferings to God. - St John Vianney

I pray God may open your eyes and let you see what hidden treasures He bestows on us in the trials from which the world thinks only to flee. - St John of Avila

Place a nail on a board. Will it ever go through the wood on its own, no matter how sharp it is? No, indeed. You will only sink it into the plank by hitting it with a hammer. We are just the same: it is only by hammer blows that God manages to humble us, no matter how good our human disposition may be. - St Anthony Mary Claret

It wouldn't be hard for God to free us at once from all tribulation and sorrow. But instead He permits us, His friends, to suffer much in this world, so that instead He may crown us all the more gloriously in Heaven, and make us more like His Only Begotten Son. Jesus never ceased to do good and to suffer injury while He was on earth, that He might teach us patience by His example. - St Robert Bellarmine

We are too little to be able to always rise above our difficulties. Well, then, let us simply pass under them! - St Therese of Lisieux



God does not see as man sees.
 Man looks at appearances,
 but the Lord looks at the heart.

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

Ch. 13 (cont.): A person must be watchful when temptation begins, for then the Enemy is more easily overcome if he is not allowed to enter inside the mind's door, but is kept firmly outside the threshold while he knocks.

It is for this reason that someone said, "Resist the beginning - the remedy comes too late!" Because first a simply thought comes to the mind, and then a vivid picture takes shape. Afterward comes delight, then a small giving in by the mind, and finally total acceptance. This is how, little by little, the evil Enemy gains full entrance if he is not resisted at the very beginning. And the longer you put off your resistance, the weaker you will become each day, and the stronger the Enemy will grow.

Pastoral Ponderings

Last weekend I managed to report the Building Fund figures, but was distracted and didn't give the proper First Collection numbers. Here are the correct figures for Sunday 5th March:

Planned Giving	\$ 40.00
Online Direct Debits	2,056.60
Loose	660.60
Tap and Go	122.60
Catholic Weekly	22.50
Votive candles	114.45
Sacramental fees	270.00
Special donation	1,000.00
TOTAL	\$4,286.75

People tend to confuse the Annunciation (March 25th) and the Immaculate Conception (December 8th). The Immaculate Conception celebrates Mary being conceived through a normal act of sexual intimacy between her parents SS Joachim & Anne - BUT, unlike us, she was conceived free from any stain of original sin: the Immaculate Conception.

If Mary had been stained by original sin - which plants selfishness and disobedience in the hearts of us all - she may have said 'No!' when the Angel Gabriel came to her on the day we celebrate this Saturday, March 25th: the Lord's Annunciation.

This Saturday, we will actually celebrate the Conception of Jesus in the womb of Mary. Needless to say, that Conception was also immaculate, since Our Lord is sinless. But we only use the term 'the Immaculate Conception' to refer to the beginning of Mary's human life in her mother's womb.

For many centuries, when Europe was Christian, the civil new year began in March - and usually on March 25th! January 1st wasn't celebrated as New Year's Day - it was the Feast of the Circumcision of Jesus, on the eighth day of His human life.

Until the late 1800s, American presidents were always inaugurated, not in January, but in March - which then was the start of the civil year. Didn't know that, did you?

It would be wonderful if you could come to church this Saturday, for Rosary at 9.35am and then Mass at 10.00am, to celebrate the start of our redemption when Jesus was conceived in the womb of Mary.

How long does a baby gestate inside the womb? Nine months. Hence Christmas - the Nativity of Our Lord - will be celebrated on December 25th, nine months after the Annunciation.

Wait - only nine more months until Christmas? Time to start shopping!

