



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

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Estab. 1956

Parish Office
New Parishioners
Baptism
Reconciliation

Please ring for an appointment.
Please complete a census form, found in the church porch, and return it to the office or sacristy.
Sunday afternoons. Please contact one of the priests to make an appointment for instruction.
WEDNESDAYS, 6.15 to 7.15pm and SATURDAYS, 3.30 to 4.30pm, or please ring for an appointment.

The SIXTEENTH WEEK in ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	5.45 pm - Mass	Weekday / St Sharbel Makluf, priest	† Georgia Goode - 53 rd anniversary
Tuesday	5.45 pm - Mass	ST JAMES, Apostle & martyr	† Jenny Marshall - 6 th anniversary
Wednesday	5.45 pm - Mass	SS Joachim & Anne, parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary	for our grandchildren
Thursday	5.45 pm - Mass	Weekday in Ordinary Time	
Friday	9.00 am - Mass (Acacia) 5.45 pm - Mass	Weekday in Ordinary Time	† faithful departed Anthony L Duong - 51 st birthday
Saturday	10.00 am - NO MASS	SS Martha, Mary & Lazarus, Disciples of the Lord	-----

The SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

Saturday	4.30 pm - Mass 6.00 pm - Mass	† Simon Lim - anniversary Hayward Family intentions
Sunday	9.00 am - Mass	for the parish

PARISH MINISTRIES ROSTER

22 - 23 July 2023	Saturday 4.30pm		Saturday 6.00pm		Sunday 9.00am	
Readers	<i>Please volunteer</i>	<i>Please volunteer</i>	V Kurak	M Davila	L Bellandi	F Jones
Acolytes	G Hobbs		R Novacek		D Cleary	
Altar Servers	T Gregory	<i>Please volunteer</i>	J Ryan	C Coletti	M Crock	G & S Duncan
Musicians	A Loiacono	Z Lancaster	A Loiacono	Z Lancaster	Fr T Deeter	Z Lancaster
IT Operators	G Torre		<i>Please volunteer</i>		<i>Please volunteer</i>	
Counters	L Bellandi	A Vinciguerra				

Thank you for your contribution. 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 Acc't: St Paul's Building Fund * 086 006 * 151619353
Direct Debit: Make arrangements with your bank to make regular deposits.

Thank You

Building Fund	16/07	
Jar, envelopes, online	\$ 125.00	
Pledges	1,325.00	
Containers for Change	-----	
TOTAL	\$ 1,450.00	

Last Sunday's Contributions	16/07
Planned Giving	\$ 3.80
Online donations	1,369.01
Loose	665.50
Tap and Go	88.28
Catholic Weekly	21.50
Candles	58.85
TOTAL	\$ 2,206.94

Entrance Antiphon: See - I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul.
I will sacrifice to You with willing heart, and praise Your Name, O Lord, for it is good.
Communion Antiphon: Behold, I stand at the door and knock, says the Lord.
If anyone hears My voice and opens the door to Me,
I will enter his house and dine with him, and he with Me.



Liturgical Ministries			Parish Ministries & Activities		
Acolytes	Wojciech Grzech	0411 551 213	Finance Committee	TBA	
Altar Linen	Lori Valerio * Maria Odorisio		Planned Giving	Andrew Vajda	9275 9328
Altar Servers	Lilian Bellandi	0412 980 261	St Paul's Primary School	Peter Merry, <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	TBA	
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	Safeguarding Officer	Stephen Cain	0418 515 889
Acacia Residence Chapel	Judith Paxman	9262 8533	Safeguarding Officer	Linley Plowman	0407 383 914
Sacristan	David Cleary	9272 5114	St Vincent de Paul Society	Peter Quinn	9375 1024

Community News

PRAYING FOR OUR CHILDREN
Tue 25 July: Rosary & Litany at 9.30am in church, followed by a cuppa. All welcome!

THE BIBLE & THE CHURCH FATHERS
Tue 25 July: Exactly who were the 'Fathers' of the Church? What did they do? Join us and find out! 7.30 - 9.00pm in the undercroft.

GRANDPARENTS DAY
Wed 26 July: Come to 5.45pm Mass for the feast of SS Joachim & Anne, the parents of Our Lady (and thus the grandparents of Our Lord!). A special blessing will be given.

HOLY HOUR & ST JOSEPH DEVOTION
Every Wednesday: Adoration 6.15-7.15pm; confessions; devotions to St Joseph; simple Benediction. Jesus says: *Peace! Be still.*

SCAPULAR ENROLMENT MASS
Thu 27 July: You're welcome to join our school community for the Term 3 Opening Mass, which will include the annual giving of the Brown Scapular to all our students. 9.00am in Barbier Hall at the school.

INTERESTED IN JOINING US?
We may begin a new 2-yr series of RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) sessions in the spring (if there is sufficient interest). We meet Wednesdays, 7.30 - 9.00pm in the undercroft. If you, or someone you know, may be interested, please get in touch with Fr Tim or Fr Mariusz.

CONTAINERS FOR CHANGE: Notice
Most aluminium, glass, plastic, steel, and liquid paperboard drink containers that are 150ml to 3L can be returned to Containers for Change - just check for the 10c mark.

Please rinse open containers of things like Yokult drinks, otherwise the bags/boxes attract insects. Lids can be turned in, but kept separately from containers.

BUILDING FUND TO DATE
TOTAL in Building Fund: \$201,091.04
BUILDING FUND PLEDGES
Please note your bank reference like this: Your surname - Pledge.

ONGOING EXPENSES
insurance - \$1,505.57 * Archdiocesan tax - \$1,000.00 * church & undercroft cleaning - \$374.00 * air con repair - \$331.65 * altar breads - \$270.00 * underground power - \$500.00 - **TOTAL: \$3,981.22**

ARCHDIOCESAN MARRIAGE MASS
Sat 19 Aug: All are invited to this special 10.00am Mass at the Cathedral. A blessing will be given to all married couples present. Commemorative certificates will be given to couples with milestone anniversaries (10, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 or 50+ years). Register at:
<https://bit.ly/mmariagemass202>

Please pray for parishioners who are unwell: 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: John Furlong, Kathleen Armstrong, Joseph Casey, Kathleen Edwards, Fred Liggins, Joy Blanksby, Doreen Pilkington, Ken Chidlow

The Wisdom of the Saints: Paganism

If you want to go to Heaven, avoid the company of pagans. They worship demonic forces; immoral behaviour is pleasing to them. Let all pagan gods be erased from their worship by a Christian cleansing, just as censors have removed all immoral plays from viewing by honourable society. - St Augustine

Absolutely reject all fortune-telling, magic charms, sorcery, and all other sacrilegious practices which are popular in pagan countries. - St Gregory III

There are some in our city who shave their heads and their eyebrows because they have been initiated into the mysteries of the Egyptian goddess Isis. But if they encounter a procession through the streets with the newly-baptised in their white garments, and the priests in their vestments, these same pagans cry out at what they consider an indignity to our city. Such hypocrisy! - St Ambrose of Milan

In your dealings with others, you will encounter much prejudice, many strange ideas and perversions of the truth, because society has become thoroughly corrupt. In times past, only the truly perverted dared to disregard certain social morals. Religion was the accepted foundation of our society. But now, all of these moral safeguards are either removed or ignored. - Bl Theophane Venard



The darnel will be collected and burnt, the while the wheat will be gathered into the owner's barn at the harvest.

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

Book 19 (concl.): Obey every observance strictly, as if God were to return shortly and reward us for our labours. If our reward is delayed, let us consider that we are still in need of preparation to receive the glory that shall be revealed to us at the proper time.

Let us eagerly prepare ourselves all the better for our departure to eternal life. St Luke says in his Gospel, *Blessed is the servant whom the Lord finds keeping watch for His return. Truly I say to you, the Lord will set him over all that He has.*

Book 20: Seek a proper time to take leisure, and think often about God's kindness. Don't be too curious about foolish things. Read books that touch your heart rather than books that simply waste your time.

If you will avoid needless talk and idle pastimes, and not listen to the latest gossip you will find plenty of suitable time for good spiritual meditation.

Pastoral Ponderings

As you know, the ACT Government unilaterally took over Calvary Hospital earlier this month. Of course, this was because the Catholic hospital would not perform abortions, tubal ligations, etc.

The adjoining hospice for palliative care was also coopted, because it didn't permit euthanasia.

The Prime Minister, a nominal Catholic, approves of this activity, which is undemocratic and immoral.

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The latest assault on the Christian religion came this week with the release of a draft of a bill proposing new legislation to censor 'misinformation' and 'disinformation' on digital platforms.

There are exemptions: Government entities, Government educational providers, news agencies, and entertainment venues and media platforms.

NOT exempt: any online content published by religious or faith-based organisations, on grounds that churches & church-based educational venues might publish content that demonstrates 'hatred' against a group based on ethnicity, nationality, race, gender, sexual orientation, age, religion, or physical or mental disability, or be 'harmful' to these groups.

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Just as the Calvary Hospital takeover was a ploy to enforce abortion and euthanasia, so this 'censorship' legislation is a ploy to silence any questioning of gay marriage, gender swapping, and the like.

Will the Government be able to fine me, or jail me, for writing this column - which is published online via our parish website?

Will the Government be able to fine me, or jail me, for reading in church the Scriptural texts from both Genesis and the Gospel of Christ which affirm that "God made them male and female"?

Will the Government be able to fine our Catholic schools, or jail teachers, for classes on the Catholic beliefs about marriage, parenting, and procreation of children? Will we be forced to have Drag Queens reading to primary school children in our libraries?

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Note that the box above, 'The Wisdom of the Saints', focusses on Paganism. Christians had to struggle against this in pagan Rome, but they triumphed. They struggled against this in pagan Revolutionary Paris, but they triumphed. They struggled against this in pagan Nazi Berlin, but they triumphed.

Australians all, will you struggle against these latest assaults on Christian morality, or will you roll over and accept them? Who will carry the banners of Christ into battle? Who will triumph in the end?

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Last Tuesday I turned 73 - thank you to all who sent greetings and gifts. I value your love and support.

This coming Wednesday I begin my 15th year as your parish priest. Please keep me in your prayers.

