



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

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Gillian Theobald, Parish Secretary



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 TWENTY-FIRST WEEK in ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	5.45 pm - Mass	St Augustine of Hippo, bishop & doctor of the Church	† Kevin A Deeter - 2 <sup>nd</sup> anniversary
Tuesday	5.45 pm - Mass	The Passion of St John the Baptist	† Patricia 'Trish' Hancock - 1 <sup>st</sup> anniversary
Wednesday	5.45 pm - Mass	Weekday in Ordinary Time	
Thursday	5.45 pm - Mass	Weekday in Ordinary Time	† Moreno Bellandi - 31 <sup>st</sup> anniversary
Friday	9.00 am - Mass (Acacia) 5.45 pm - Mass	Weekday / SPRING EMBER DAY / FIRST FRIDAY	† faithful departed Ruth Yap - 12 <sup>th</sup> birthday
Saturday	10.00 am - Mass	Votive Mass of Our Lady / FIRST SATURDAY	Our Lady's intentions

The TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

Saturday	4.30 pm - Mass 6.00 pm - Mass	Carl & Maria Torre - 60 <sup>th</sup> wedding anniv. for the parish
Sunday	9.00 am - Mass	

PARISH MINISTRIES ROSTER

26 - 27 August 2023	Saturday 4.30pm		Saturday 6.00pm		Sunday 9.00am	
Readers	A Troy	E Gregory	M Ryan	C Ryan	J Sluchniak	C Moore
Acolytes	L Torre		N Cirillo		J Pereira	
Altar Servers	G & I Torre	S Guelfi	J Ryan	C Coletti	D & F Jordan	E Archer
Musicians	A Loiacono	T Murphy-Jelley	A Loiacono	T Murphy-Jelley	Fr T Deeter	E Foley
IT Operators	G Torre		Please volunteer		Please volunteer	
Counters	A Vajda	V Kurak				

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*

Online donations	\$ 1,417.55	Loose	830.00	Tap and Go	132.43	Catholic Weekly	29.00	Candles	166.45
<b>Building Fund</b>	<b>20/08</b>	Jar, envelopes, online	\$ 21.20	Pledges	515.00	Containers for Change	-----	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 536.20</b>
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**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	Peter Merry, Principal	9462 6000	
RCIA	Fr Tim Deeter	9271 5253	
St Paul's Youth Ministry	TBA		
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

**VINNIES WINTER APPEAL TODAY!** Your generosity will provide shelter, food & support to vulnerable souls who, more than ever, are in need in these difficult times. Last financial year, the N Perth/Mt Lawley Conference members visited 340+ needy people to assess their needs for assistance. In WA, 64,000+ people were assisted. Vinnies members will be at our church doors after Mass today to receive donations (cash, or credit card transfer). All gifts over \$2 are tax deductible, & every dollar given is spent in our own neighbourhood. Please be generous.

**STRANGERS IN A STRANGE LAND!** Tue 29 Aug: Bible study 7.30 - 9.00pm in the undercroft: Join us as we study the Book of Joshua and follow the challenges faced by God's People as they emerged from their 40 years in the desert to enter the Promised Land - it wasn't an easy task!

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

**FIRST FRIDAY \* FIRST SATURDAY** Friday Masses: 9am (Acacia) & 5.45pm. Saturday: 9am confessions, 9.35 Rosary, 10am Mass. All for Jesus, through Mary!

**THANK YOU FROM CARITAS** In Project Compassion this past Lent, we gave \$8,441.65 to help vulnerable people, both abroad and in Australia. God bless you!

**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:

Thurs 31 Aug 7 - 8pm online  
Access this online at home with this LINK: [safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/training/](http://safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/training/) Thank you, everyone, for doing this!

**CREATED IN THE IMAGE OF GOD** An Introduction to Christian Anthropology Four Saturdays, 2 - 23 Sept at The Catholic Pastoral Centre, Highgate, 10.30am - noon. Information is on the notice board.

**BUILDING FUND TO DATE**  
**TOTAL in Building Fund: \$205,098.94**  
**BUILDING FUND PLEDGES**  
Please note your bank reference like this: Your surname - Pledge.

**ONGOING EXPENSES**  
insurance - \$1,505.57 \* underground power - \$500.00 \* City of Stirling rates - \$1,020.00 \* power - \$660.74 \* livestream camera repair - \$165.00 \* parents' sacramental booklets - \$457.70 \* Catholic Weekly - \$256.30 \*  
**TOTAL: \$4,545.51**

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: Jim Sutherland, Francis Hewitt, Pasquale Germano, Maria Rosa Carbone, Alice Bull, Leonard Anthony, Francesca Ammoscato, Anthony Huston, Giuseppe Rossi, Emilio Franz, Nora Donnell

The Wisdom of the Saints: Charity

Don't grieve or complain that you were born in a time when you can longer see God in the flesh. He did not take this privilege from you! As He says, "Whatsoever you do for the least of My brothers or sisters, that you do unto Me." - St Augustine of Hippo

Our Saviour said that a good tree - that is, a good heart that is on fire with charity - can do nothing except good and holy works. That's why St Augustine once said, "Love, and then do what you will." In other words, a truly charitable person is unable to sin. - St Angela Merici

If you really want to help the soul of your neighbour, then go to God first, and pray to Him with all your heart. Ask Him to fill you with charity - it's the greatest of all virtues, and with charity you can accomplish whatever good you then want to do. - St Vincent Ferrer

If someone says something uncharitable about someone else in your presence, the either say something in favour of the absent person, or leave, or if possible, stop the conversation. - St John Vianney

Not to hurt our brethren is our first duty to them - but to stop there is not enough. We have a higher mission: to help our neighbour whenever they need us. - St Francis of Assisi



I will give you the Keys of the Kingdom of Heaven.

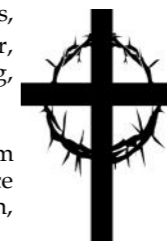
A Short Meditation from The Imitation of Christ by Thomas à Kempis (1379-1471)

**Book 21:** If you want to make any spiritual progress, let a deep love for God be your foundation in life. Don't be too free and easy in life, but try to maintain an inner calm in your heart, and don't chase after empty pleasures.

Regret your sins from the bottom of your heart - then you will find true devotion. Remorse opens up many good things which laxity is usually quick to ruin. It's a wonder that a person can ever enjoy life if he truly reflects on how far he has strayed from God and how to how many dangers he has exposed his soul.

When we are casual about our spiritual lives and indifferent to our faults, we fail to feel sorrow for our sins - in fact, we often laugh, when we should be weeping.

There is no true freedom of spirit nor real joy, except in loving God, and in having a good conscience.



Pastoral Ponderings

In today's Responsorial Psalm, we sang: **The Lord is high, yet He looks on the lowly, and the haughty He knows from afar.**

As you leave church today, please be generous to the Vinnies - the St Vincent de Paul Society. It is through our charity that the Lord can reach out to the lowly. Thank you for your goodness to them.

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This weekend's First Reading and Gospel speak of the 'keys of the Kingdom'. But the Second Reading reminds us of something that should spur us on to ever greater generosity to those in need: **All that exists comes from God. Everything is by Him and for Him. To Him be glory for ever! Amen.**

When we not only realise this, but embrace this as the foundation of our lives, then we can do good and great things for others.

Yes, everything we have - our talents, the world in which we live, and our very life-breath - it all is a gift to us from our good God. As we say at every Mass, "Let us give thanks to the Lord our God." That is the meaning of the Greek word 'eucharist': giving thanks.

So when we come to Mass, of course we have our intentions and our needs that we can lay before the Lord. But at every Mass - and especially in those moments immediately after receiving Our Lord in Holy Communion, we should make a sincere act of **thanksgiving**.

Today, do that: thank our good God for what He has given you, and for what He has done for you. Then, when you leave church today, try to share some of your money with the representative of the **St Vincent de Paul Society** (the Vinnies) at the door. You will be giving to Christ Himself as an act of thanksgiving for all His goodness to you.

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We had a good number come together on Tuesday evening for **bible study**. I'm always glad to see our people gather to read the Scriptures, ask questions, and also share a bit of fellowship. Come join us!

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More than 50 copies of the **Holy Land** pilgrimage brochure were taken last weekend - we've had to print more! However, most airlines are playing games with flights and seating these days. Rather than have two flights in a day that are 2/3 full, they suddenly decide to cancel one and force everyone to squeeze into the other flight, or change their reservations! This has happened with our Emirates flights - seats are suddenly disappearing or reappearing with no rhyme or reason. So I urge you who want to join the pilgrimage to book your seats ASAP - then book the land package later. We are now holding seats on both Emirates and Qatar to get to the Holy Land!