



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 TWENTY-THIRD WEEK in ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	5.45 pm - Mass	Weekday in Ordinary Time	
Tuesday	5.45 pm - Mass	Weekday / The Most Holy Name of Mary	Amanda & Adam - 8 th wedding anniv.
Wednesday	5.45 pm - Mass	St John Chrysostom, bishop & doctor of the Church	
Thursday	5.45 pm - Mass	THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS	
Friday	9.00 am - Mass (Acacia) 5.45 pm - Mass	Our Lady of Sorrows	† faithful departed
Saturday	10.00 am - NO MASS	Weekday in Ordinary Time / SS Cornelius & Cyprian	

The TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

Saturday	4.30 pm - Mass 6.00 pm - Mass	† Santo Cipriano - 19 th anniversary for the parish
Sunday	9.00 am - Mass	

PARISH MINISTRIES ROSTER

09 - 10 September 2023	Saturday 4.30pm		Saturday 6.00pm		Sunday 9.00am	
Readers	A Iacopetta	L D'Orsogna	T Kelleher	M Ryan	Z Kirkup	C Moore
Acolytes	L Torre		R Novacsek		D Cleary	
Altar Servers	G D'Orsogna	M D'Orsogna	D & I Blinco	J Ryan	G & S Duncan	T Clare
Musicians	T Murphy-Jelley		T Murphy-Jelley		A Loiacono	T Murphy-Jelley
IT Operators	G Torre		Please volunteer		Please volunteer	
Counters	A Vajda	I Vajda				

Thank You

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.

Building Fund	03/09	Last Sunday's Contributions	03/09
Jar, envelopes, online	\$ 85.00	Online donations	\$ 1,464.36
Pledges	5,740.00	Loose	608.60
Containers for Change	19.10	Tap and Go	112.81
		Catholic Weekly	12.50
		Candles	90.10
		Columban calendars	40.00
TOTAL	\$ 5,844.10	TOTAL	\$ 2,328.37

Entrance Antiphon: You are just, O Lord, and Your judgement is right.
Treat Your servant in accord with Your merciful love.

Communion Antiphon: Like the deer that longs for running streams,
so my soul is yearning for You, my God;
my soul is thirsting for God, the living God.



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

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION
Please keep in mind our parish children who will receive Our Lord in the Eucharist for the first time this (Sunday) afternoon at 1.00pm Mass. The entire parish gains great blessings on First Holy Communion Day!

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

SPRING CLEANING DAY
Sat 16 Sept: 10am - noon. Bring brooms, mops, buckets, rags & cleaning stuff to help tidy up the church - dusting & polishing things like the Stations, speakers, AC units, candle stands, pews, windowsills. Lunch will be provided at noon.

BEHOLD! - A great opportunity to learn
Thu 12 Oct - [Highgate Parish](#)
OR Fri/Sat 13/14 Oct - [Whitford Parish](#)
After a 3 year hiatus, the WBC Annual Conference is returning to Perth. This year's BEHOLD Conference will centre on the Eucharist. For the first time, there will also be mini-retreats leading up to the main conference. Join world-renowned speakers **Tim Staples, Dr Stacy Trasancos** and **Cy Kellett** from [Catholic Answers](#) we spend time in prayer and discovery to renew and deepen our love for our Eucharistic Lord. Info / registration: www.evangelisationaustralia.com/events. Early Bird savings end on September 14.

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:
Fri 15 Sept 10-11am Online
Tue 19 Sept 2-3pm Monastery
Wed 04 Oct 10-11am Online
Thu 19 Oct 2-3pm Online
Tue 24 Oct 7-8pm Online
Tue 07 Nov 7-8pm Online
Fri 17 Nov 10-11am Online
Wed 06 Dec 10-11am Online

Access this online at home with this LINK: safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/training/. Thank you, everyone, for doing this!

BUILDING FUND TO DATE
TOTAL in Building Fund: \$211,946.54

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

ONGOING EXPENSES
insurance - \$1,505.57 * underground power - \$500.00 * votive candles - \$80.60 * bulletin covers - \$101.00 * Columban calendars - \$335.00 * **TOTAL: \$2,522.17**

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: Margaret Rowe, Andy Fanowrios, Augustine McDonnell, Stanley Surin, Mary Davis, Frank Bailey, Laurence Mahar, Stan Willcock, John Sheiles, Paul Marien, Margaret Ferguson, Gladys Canny

The Wisdom of the Saints: Death

Life is given to us so that we may learn to die well - yet we never think of that! To die well, we must live well. - St John Vianney

Many a person in better health than you enjoy, and more healthy in his personal habits, has gone to bed without a care - and then was not alive when morning came. Do not put your soul in such peril. By the love of Jesus Christ, by the Blood He shed to redeem your soul, prepare to give a good account of yourself and of all that Our Lord has given you to use. - St Ignatius of Loyola

To organise one's life properly, one must always think of being able to end it with a peaceful conscience, for it is more fearful to fall into the hands of the Eternal Judge knowing that we deserve punishment than it is to avoid the most intense physical sufferings. - St Nicholas of Flüe

I am waiting patiently for the day when I complete the offering of my life to God. It will actually mean giving my life, but I don't mind leaving this world. My thoughts are above, and beyond it all. I feel that my time here is just about at an end. I am getting nearer and nearer to our real Homeland. Earth is slipping away, and Heaven is drawing near. - St Theophane Venard (a martyr)



Where two or three meet
in My Name,
I shall be there with them.

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

Book 21 (cont): It is often more useful and safer not to have many comforts in this life, especially physical comforts. Yet, if we lack comforts from God, or do not feel them very often, it is our own fault, for we rarely take the time to recognise our sins and feel sorry for them.

When a person becomes filled with sorrow and regret for his sins, then the whole world looks different to him. A good person finds reason enough for mourning and weeping, for whether he thinks of himself or of his neighbour, he knows that no one lives without hardships in this life. And the more closely he examines himself, the more he grieves. We lie so entangled in our faults and sins that we are seldom able to concentrate on spiritual things.

If you thought more often of your own death than of having a long life, you would doubtless correct yourself more earnestly. I believe you would not be afraid to go to great extremes to be worthy of God's grace.

Pastoral Ponderings

It's been another difficult week. I learned, from the results of a 'poop test', that I contracted an infection called campylobacter jejuni, probably from eating contaminated food. It can take up to 2 weeks to fully recover (and I'm not fully recovered yet!).

I did offer Mass this past Monday - Thursday evenings, but I was so weak on Thursday that I had to pull up a chair and sit at the altar, lest I fall over from weakness.

But at least I now know what is wrong, and I'm taking a second round of antibiotics, hydrating, eating soft foods and trying to rest.

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I say 'trying to rest' because this has not been a time when the parish is in hiatus mode. Last Tuesday I heard school confessions, and then participated in the First Holy Communion retreat day, and taught Bible study in the evening. Wednesday was weekly Adoration & confessions. Thursday morning I read through 11 applications for the principalship of our school (plus at least 3 references for each applicant). In the afternoon I went to the Catholic Education Office for a meeting to discuss the applicants. On Friday I worked on getting the music together for the choir for First Holy Communion Mass. And now I'm doing the bulletin. Tomorrow (Saturday) I have to work on the Mass powerpoints, the music, the Prayer of the Faithful, etc. So it never ends.

But, believe it or not, offering Mass takes a lot out of me. So I'm very grateful to my brother priests who have stepped in for me the past two weeks, to allow me to get at least a little rest and, hopefully, banish this infection.

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You will have noticed that the Wisdom of the Saints (above) is focussed on death. I guess that's because as I get older, and am easily 'wiped out' by illness, I naturally think: How will I die? When will I die? Am I prepared to die?

Folks, this is not morbid - this must be part and parcel of our Christian living. We are not going to be here for ever. Our true homeland is in Heaven. For how long can we keep putting off preparing ourselves for that final journey, thinking, "Oh, I have plenty of time to prepare!"? Read what wise St Ignatius of Loyola wrote about that (above).

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Thank goodness I've had Theodore living with me - he has been a big help. Yes, last Sunday he did clean the house: cleaned both toilets, washed the floors, cleaned the hardwood floors, vacuumed the carpets, and washed the bath mats. He also has been running errands for me - to the shops, the school, the church. So he's not just another pretty face with a beautiful voice - he's been working for his keep!

