



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 SECOND WEEK in ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	9.00 am - Mass	Weekday in Ordinary Time	
Tuesday	5.45 pm - Mass	Weekday in Ordinary Time	† Judy Farrell - 2 nd anniversary
Wednesday	5.45 pm - Mass	St Anthony of Egypt, abbot	
Thursday	5.45 pm - Mass	Weekday in Ordinary Time	† Harry Stead - recently deceased
Friday	9.00 am - Mass (Acacia) 5.45 pm - Mass	Weekday in Ordinary Time	† faithful departed † Jan Margaret Kurak - 10 th anniversary
Saturday	10.00 am - NO MASS	Weekday in Ordinary Time / SS Fabian & Sebastian	

The THIRD SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

Saturday	4.30 pm - Mass 6.00 pm - Mass		for the parish † Francette Gallibardy - anniversary
Sunday	9.00 am - Mass		† Maria Grazia Bellandi - 8 th anniversary

PARISH MINISTRIES ROSTER

13 - 14 January 2024	Saturday 4.30pm	Saturday 6.00pm	Sunday 9.00am
Readers	L D'Orsogna F Jones	V Kurak C Ryan	G Saldanha L Bellandi
Acolytes	A Troy	G Hobbs	D Cleary
Altar Servers	X Torre L Ireland N Bowden-Jones	H Miles M Miles	S Macnish V Redcliff
Musicians	A Loiacono T Murphy-Jelley	A Loiacono T Murphy-Jelley	A Loiacono T Murphy-Jelley
IT Operators	See the new roster	Please volunteer	Please volunteer
Counters	L Bellandi A Vinciguerra	<i>Thank You</i>	

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	07/01	Last Week's Contributions	07/01
Planned Giving			
Online donations	\$ 1,905.20		
Loose	706.25		
Tap and Go	98.10		
Catholic Weekly	13.00		
Candles	92.85		
Columban calendars	35.30		
TOTAL	\$ 1,125.00	TOTAL	\$ 2,850.70

Entrance Antiphon: All the earth shall bow down before You, O God, and shall sing to You, shall sing to Your Name, O Most High!

Communion Antiphon: We have come to know and to believe in the love that God has for us.



Liturgical Ministries		
Acolytes	John Pereira	0401 623 521
Altar Linen	Lori Valerio * Maria Odorisio	
Altar Servers	Lilian Bellandi	0412 980 261
Collectors & Counters	Dianne Smith	0408 569 969
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	Nicola Lee, 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

HOLY HOUR & ST JOSEPH DEVOTION
Every Wednesday: Adoration 6.15-7.15pm; confessions; devotions to St Joseph; simple Benediction. *O come, let us adore Him!*

DONATIONS AT THE CRIB
To date: **\$2,950.00**. All offerings will be 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 Christ's little ones. Helping them, you have helped Him.

CAN YOU COUNT HIGHER THAN 10?
We need some more pairs of people to count the weekend collections on Sundays after Mass, downstairs in the undercroft. If you can help, please contact the parish.

CAN YOU PUSH A BUTTON?
We also need volunteers to operate the PowerPoint at weekend Masses. 4.30pm IT helpers will be trained to operate cameras for live-streaming, but for the other two Masses it's simply pushing a button to move the slides along. Please contact us.

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:

Wed	24 Jan	10-11am
Tue	06 Feb	7 - 8pm
Wed	14 Feb	2 - 3pm
Thurs	22 Feb	10-11am
Tue	27 Feb	7 - 8pm
Wed	06 Mar	7 - 8pm
Thurs	14 Mar	2 - 3pm

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: \$235,805.59
BUILDING FUND PLEDGES

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

ONGOING EXPENSES
internet - \$101.48 * underground power - \$500.00 * **TOTAL - \$601.48**

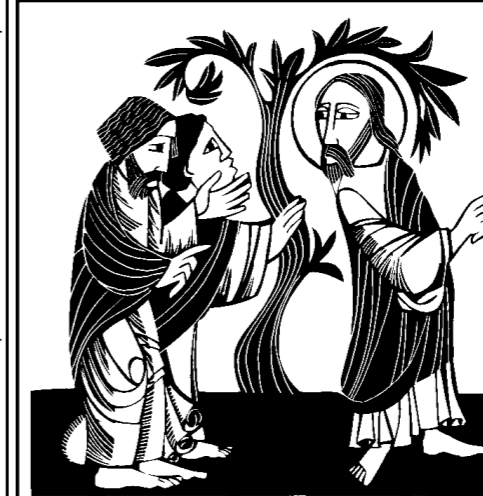
A PILGRIMAGE TO VIETNAM
March 4-14 with Msgr Michael Keating. Make this Lent a memorable one as you pray and reflect at Shrines dedicated to the martyrs of our Faith in Hanoi, Saigon (Ho Chi Minh), Gia Kiem, Vungtau, Da Nang, La Vang and other cities. Full board incl. flights, visa and 4*/5* accommodation: per person \$3,850, based on 25 paying persons. For itinerary and booking form, do [whatsapp us](https://www.whatsapp.com) or call Sheila at 0433 771 979 OR Veronica at 0402 290 827. Email: info@anawimjourneys.com

Please pray for **parishioners who are unwell**: Tony Bonavita, Billy Francis, Terry Merchant, Blanche Pereira, Lori & Tony Valerio, Rebecca Webster, Thelma Hannigan, Franceska Fairclough, Thomas Chong, Rhiana Powell

parishioners whose anniversary of death occurs at this time: Pearl Weir, Frank Cunningham, Mary Waring, Rita Willcock, Felix Hunt, Margaret Broadley, Annie Lonnergan, Monica McGillivray, John Laurence, Maria Grazia Bellandi

The Wisdom of the Saints: The World

We ought to love those things that Christ loved on earth, and set no store by those things which He regarded as being of no account. - St John Vianney
Every created thing in the world will raise our hearts to God if we look upon it with a good eye. - St Felix of Cantalice
Perfection doesn't consist in ignoring the world, but in not being fixated on it. - St Francis de Sales
If created things are so full of loveliness, how resplendent with beauty must be He Who made them!
The wisdom of the Worker is evident in His handiwork. - St Anthony of Padua
Our work here on earth is brief, but the reward is eternal. Do not be disturbed by the clamour of the world - it passes like a shadow. Do not let the false delights of a deceptive world deceive you. - St Clare of Assisi
It is of little use to expect anything from the powerful ones of this world. For the most part, they leave the poor to their poverty. They are selfish and ungenerous, so they turn a deaf ear to the cry of those who are weak and helpless. - Br Placid Riccardi



Two of John's disciples said to Jesus, "Rabbi, where do You live?" He answered, "Come and see!" So they went and stayed with Him.

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

Chap 25: Be watchful and diligent in God's service, and often think over why you chose to serve God in the first place. Was it not so that you might live for God and become a spiritual person?

Be fervent, then, in going forward, for you will soon receive the reward of your labours, and then there will be no more fear or sorrow in you.

By working a little now, you will find great rest later; indeed, you will find endless joy.

If you remain faithful and fervent in what you do, God will doubtless be faithful and generous in rewarding you.

You must keep good hope of attaining the victory, but you must not become overconfident, lest you grow lazy or self-satisfied.



Pastoral Ponderings

The story of the boy Samuel sleeping in the Lord's Sanctuary (today's First Reading) is one that made a huge impression on me when I myself was a boy. In my day in Catholic school, we were often taken to church to 'make a visit' - that is, to spend a few moments in quiet prayer before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. My Mum also took me and my brothers to 'make a visit' many times on our way home from shopping or from the local park. She would let each of us light a candle, and then we'd kneel and pray for few moments in silence.
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I and some of my school buddies would sometimes stop in church on our way home from a ball game to 'make a visit'. I'd usually go home afterwards, but as I grew up, I began to stay behind to pray on my own. I can recall the church growing dark as the sun set. Sometimes I would fall asleep in the pew.

More than once, Mum would send a couple of my brothers to bring me home for dinner - they knew I'd be in church. Even in my teens, I sometimes went to church in the afternoon to practice on the organ, and then would sit in the stillness of our church. That is how my vocation to the priesthood developed: by 'making a visit' to Our Lord in church.
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When I first arrived at St Paul's in 2009, I was very much taken aback by the noise in church before Mass began: loud conversation, children running around. I know this goes on in many parishes, and some of my brother priests encourage it as 'welcoming' and 'gathering the community'. But it is not conducive to doing what God asks: "Be still, and know that I am God." And again, "My soul is longing for Your peace, near to You, my God." Or, "Like a weaned child on its mother's breast, so is my soul, O Lord."

The parish has matured in its spirituality. I have no big problem with people greeting one another and conversing a bit after Mass, but I am glad that you have learned to be quiet before Mass: to kneel, or sit, and make that transition from the busyness and the noise of the outside world, and prepare your hearts to listen to whatever God will say to you today.
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As a reminder, I am speaking at the 34th Annual **Flame Congress** at John XXIII College in Mount Claremont this weekend. The theme is "Rejoice" and speakers include Archbishop Costelloe and yours truly. There are free evening rallies on Sat & Sun at 7.00pm. Day sessions Sun 9.00am - 5.00pm. Food & drinks available; air-conditioned. A detailed timetable and more info are posted on the notice board in the foyer. I spoke on Saturday morning, and on Sunday (today) I'm offering Mass and preaching at 11.30am, as well as speaking 7.35 - 9.15pm. Who knows: I may say something new!