



Parish Office
New Parishioners
Baptism
Reconciliation

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

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Rev Fr **Timothy E Deeter**, Parish Priest
Rev Fr **Mariusz Grzech**, Assistant Priest

Gillian Theobald, Parish Secretary

*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.*



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The THIRD WEEK in ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS

Day	Mass Time	Feast / Theme	Intention
Monday	9.00 am	Mass	Weekday / St Vincent of Zaragoza, deacon & martyr
Tuesday	5.45 pm	Mass	Weekday in Ordinary Time
Wednesday	5.45 pm	Mass	St Francis de Sales, bishop & doctor of the Church
Thursday	5.45 pm	Mass	THE CONVERSION OF ST PAUL THE APOSTLE
Friday	9.00 am - Mass (Acacia) 5.45 pm - Mass	MASS	AUSTRALIA DAY
Saturday	10.00 am	NO MASS	Weekday in Ordinary Time / SS Timothy & Titus, bps

The FOURTH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

Saturday	4.30 pm - Mass 6.00 pm - Mass		† Mary Lanigan Snr - 12 th anniversary for the parish
Sunday	9.00 am - Mass		† Saverio Ammoscato - 50 th anniversary

PARISH MINISTRIES ROSTER

20 - 21 January 2024	Saturday 4.30pm	Saturday 6.00pm	Sunday 9.00am
Readers	X Torre	L Plowman	M Davila <i>Please volunteer</i>
Acolytes	A Troy		R Novacsek
Altar Servers	A, A & C Fanowrios		G & S Duncan
Musicians	A Loiacono	T Murphy-Jelley	A Loiacono T Murphy-Jelley
IT Operators	<i>See the new roster</i>		<i>Please volunteer</i>
Counters	A Vajda	V Kurak	<i>Please volunteer</i>

<i>Thank You</i>		<u>Last Weekend's Contributions 14/01</u>	
Building Fund	14/01	Planned Giving	\$ 1,124.45
Jar, envelopes, online	\$ 93.10	Online donations	\$ 705.80
Pledges	400.00	Loose	156.96
Containers for Change	60.60	Tap and Go	31.00
		Catholic Weekly	106.85
		Candles	
TOTAL	\$ 553.70	TOTAL	\$ 2,125.06

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.

Entrance Antiphon: O sing a new song to the Lord! Sing to the Lord, all the earth!
In His presence are majesty and splendour, strength and honour in His Holy Place.
Communion Antiphon: I am the Light of the world, says the Lord. Whoever follows Me will not walk in darkness, but will have the Light of life.



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

PRAYING FOR OUR CHILDREN

Tue 23 Jan: Rosary & Litany at 9.30am, then a cuppa on the veranda. Y'all join us!

HOLY HOUR & ST JOSEPH DEVOTION

Every Wednesday: Adoration 6.15-7.15pm; confessions; devotions to St Joseph; simple Benediction. We find our rest in the Lord.

COME, CELEBRATE SAINT PAUL!

Thu 25 Jan: Mass at 5.45pm. Let us pray.

AUSTRALIA DAY

Fri 26 Jan: Masses at 9.00am (RSL) and 5.45pm (church). Let us pray for the nation.

CAN YOU COUNT HIGHER THAN 10?

Helpers needed to count the weekend collections on Sundays after Mass, downstairs in the undercroft. Contact the parish.

CAN YOU PUSH A BUTTON?

Volunteers needed to operate the Power-Point at weekend Masses. IT helpers at 4.30pm Mass will be trained to operate cameras for live-streaming; for the other two Masses it's simply pushing a button to move the slides along. Please contact us.

SAFEGUARDING INDUCTION

ALL of our parish workers - PAID & UNPAID - must take part in the Online Safeguarding Induction Level 1 Session. Online sessions:

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: \$236,568.29

BUILDING FUND PLEDGES

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

ONGOING EXPENSES

internet - \$101.48 * underground power - \$500.00 * water - \$511.94*TOTAL: \$1,113.42

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, whatsapp us 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, Francesca Fairclough, Thomas Chong, Rhiana Powell

parishioners whose anniversary of death occurs at this time: Bill Donovan, Albert Budge, Hannah Wardrop, Fred Ardon, Kathleen Skeats, Clarice Day, Gerard O'Loughlin, Molly Miller

The Wisdom of the Saints: Conformity to the Will of God

If all I want is pure water, what does it really matter whether I drink it from a vessel of gold or of glass? What does it really matter whether God's will be presented to me in tribulation or consolation? I seek only to obey the Divine Will. - St Francis de Sales

If you want to do God's will, then you must set aside your own wishes. The more you die to yourself, the more you will live for God alone. - St Peter Claver

Feed upon the will of God, and drink the chalice of Jesus with your eyes shut, so that you will not see what is inside. - St Paul of the Cross

For some time, I indulged the fantasy of offering myself up to the Child Jesus as His plaything, for Him to do as He liked with me. I don't mean an expensive plaything - give a child an expensive toy, and he will sit there looking at it without daring to touch it! But a toy of no value - for example, a ball - is at the child's complete disposal. He can throw it on the ground, kick it around, punch a hole in it, leave it lying in a corner, or press it to his heart if he feels that way about it. - St Therèse of the Child Jesus

Doing God's will is the only reason why we are in the world at all. - St John Eudes



Jonah preached God's word, and the people of Nineveh believed, and they repented.

A Short Meditation

from The Imitation of Christ

by Thomas à Kempis (1379-1471)

Chap 25 (cont.): There was once a certain anxious man who often wavered between fear and hope. Exhausted with grief, he prostrated himself in prayer before the altar in church: "Oh, if only I knew that I shall persevere!"

At that very moment, he heard the Divine answer in his heart: "What if you did know this? What would you do? Do now what you would do then, and you'll be very safe."

Comforted and strengthened by this, he surrendered himself to God's will, and his anxiety ceased. He no longer worried about his future. Instead, he sought to know God's will for accomplishing today's good works.

Hope in the Lord and do good, says the Prophet, and dwell in the land, and you shall be fed with riches.

Pastoral Ponderings

I did quite a bit of preparation for last weekend's **Flame Ministries Congress**. After all, I had been given two 70-minute timeslots for presentations, plus a Sunday Mass and homily. (I had been asked to give a third talk, but I balked at that because I had originally been asked to give only one talk, and then my involvement was suddenly growing exponentially!)

The Archbishop spoke on Friday evening, and then I spoke on Saturday morning and Sunday evening, along with Mass on Sunday morning.

I had spoken at a Flame Congress about 20 years ago, and there were hundreds of people attending. Last weekend: 17 for my first talk, 30 for Mass, and about the same for the evening 'rally'. Talk about being underwhelmed!

I had to quickly adapt my style: there's a world of difference between speaking to a large room full of people, and speaking to 17 people scattered around a large room!

So I pulled up a chair, sat down, and - following my prepared talks as a guide - I spoke very simply to the people. After about an hour of that each time, I opened up for 20 minutes or so of questions.

The people were very appreciative, and I'm glad I was able to be with them to guide and encourage them. I had a chance to speak with the leaders, and gave them some suggestions for building up the group in the future.

Films about the life of Our Lord sometimes give the impression that He was always speaking to huge crowds on hillsides. But the only times we hear of large crowds is in the two stories of His multiplying loaves and fishes: once for 5,000 people, and another time for 3,000 people.

On most other occasions, He spoke in synagogues, which perhaps seated 100 in most small towns. Or he spoke in private homes, or from a boat on the lakeside. Jesus dealt with **small groups** of people.

We get 150 to 200 people at our Saturday 4.30pm and Sunday 9.00am Masses, and another 40 to 60 people at our Saturday 6.00pm Mass. At 5.45pm weekday Masses, we get 20 to 30, maybe 35 to 40, each day. **Small groups** of people - although more than some other parishes are getting these days.

Jesus can work with small groups of people. In fact, most of His most powerful miracles of healing and exorcism were worked in the context of **small groups**.

Why not join one of our small groups this week? Who knows what God will say to you there?

