



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 **SECOND WEEK** of LENT

MASS INTENTIONS

<b>Monday</b>	<b>5.45 pm</b> - Mass	Lenten weekday	† Salvatore 'Sam' Bonavita - 13 <sup>th</sup> anniv
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>5.45 pm</b> - Mass	Lenten weekday / St Gregory of Narkek, abbot & doctor	† Gerard Voysey - recently deceased
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>5.45 pm</b> - Mass	Lenten weekday	† James P Weimer - 29 <sup>th</sup> anniversary
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>5.45 pm</b> - Mass	Lenten weekday	† Andrea Rogers - recently deceased
<b>Friday</b>	<b>9.00 am</b> - Mass (Acacia) <b>5.45 pm</b> - Mass	Lenten weekday / AUTUMN EMBER DAY/ FIRST FRIDAY	† faithful departed † Dulcie Goode - 25 <sup>th</sup> anniv
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>10.00 am</b> - Mass	Lenten weekday / FIRST SATURDAY	Our Lady's intentions

The **THIRD SUNDAY** of LENT

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>4.30 pm</b> - Mass <b>6.00 pm</b> - Mass	† Tommaso Pollio - anniversary Tony Valerio - birthday
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9.00 am</b> - Mass	for the parish

PARISH MINISTRIES ROSTER

24 - 25 February 2024	Saturday 4.30pm		Saturday 6.00pm		Sunday 9.00am	
<b>Readers</b>	F Jones	E Gregory	V Kurak	C Ryan	S Horgan	Z Kirkup
<b>Acolytes</b>	L Torre		Please volunteer		D Cleary	
<b>Altar Servers</b>	N Bowden-Jones	T Gregory	R & J Arulraja	J Ryan	P Tindale	M Mai
<b>Musicians</b>	A Loiacono	T Murphy-Jelley	A Loiacono	T Murphy-Jelley	A Loiacono	T Murphy-Jelley
<b>IT Operators</b>	B Mai		Please volunteer		Please volunteer	
<b>Counters</b>	A Zimarino	I Zimarino	<i>Thank You</i>		<b>Last Weekend's Contributions 18/02</b>	

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.

<b>Building Fund 18/02</b>		<b>Planned Giving</b>	
Jar, envelopes, online	\$ 105.00	Online donations	\$ 1,484.91
Pledges	400.00	Loose	751.90
Containers for Change	45.10	Tap and Go	264.87
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 550.10</b>	Catholic Weekly	30.00
		Candles	142.30
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 2,673.98</b>

**Entrance Antiphon:** Remember Your compassion, O Lord,  
and Your merciful love, for they are from of old.  
Let not our enemies exult over us.  
Redeem us, O God of Israel, from all our distress.

**Communion Antiphon:** This is My beloved Son, with Whom I am well pleased: listen to Him.



**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**

**LENTEN REGULATIONS**  
**Fridays of Lent** are days of abstinence from meat throughout the Universal Church. Make this your *best* Lent - do something extra in terms of prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

**BIBLE STUDY: The Gospel of St Mark**  
Tuesdays during Lent, 7.30 - 9.00pm in the undercroft. Video, teaching, discussion & fellowship. Spread the word and invite others!

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

**STATIONS & BENEDICTION**  
Fridays during Lent: Stations start about 6.15pm, following the 5.45pm Mass. Try to attend this devotion at least once during Lent.

**BOOK YOUR EASTER SEATS EARLY!**  
To ensure that everyone has a seat and is comfortable during Holy Week, please book your seats ASAP:

- ◆ Good Friday Stations - 10.00am [www.trybooking.com/CPHVQ](http://www.trybooking.com/CPHVQ)
- ◆ Good Friday Solemn Liturgy - 3.00pm [www.trybooking.com/CPHVT](http://www.trybooking.com/CPHVT)
- ◆ Holy Saturday Easter Vigil - 7.30pm [www.trybooking.com/CPHVM](http://www.trybooking.com/CPHVM)
- ◆ Easter Sunday Mass - 8.00am AND
- ◆ Easter Sunday Choral Mass - 9.30am [www.trybooking.com/CPHVL](http://www.trybooking.com/CPHVL)

NO bookings are required for Palm Sunday weekend Masses, Holy Thursday 7.30pm Mass or Good Friday 7pm Seven Last Words service.

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER**  
Fri 01 March: St Luke's Anglican Church in Maylands, 10am. Join with Christians from various denominations (including us!) to pray for Palestine. More info on the notice board.

**CAN YOU HELP TEACH CATECHISM?**  
We need catechists for our PREP program in Year 4 (First Holy Communion) and Year 6 (Confirmation). Classes are held at St Paul's School on Wednesdays, 4 to 5pm, during school term. Please consider helping!

**BUILDING FUND TO DATE**  
**TOTAL in Building Fund: \$250,282.29**  
**BUILDING FUND PLEDGES**  
Please note your bank reference like this:  
Your surname - Pledge.

**ONGOING EXPENSES**  
underground power - \$500.00 \* gardening - \$256.30 \* electricity - \$1,483.42 \* Catholic Weekly - \$189.20 \* Christmas & Easter envelopes - \$352.00 \* **TOTAL: \$2,780.92**



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:** Jesse Martin, Olive Roach, Gwenn Plant, Eric Burrell, Brian Felton, Jack Cramer, Aris Bertone, Dulcie Goode, Margaret Gardner, Antonio Di Pietro, Elizabeth May

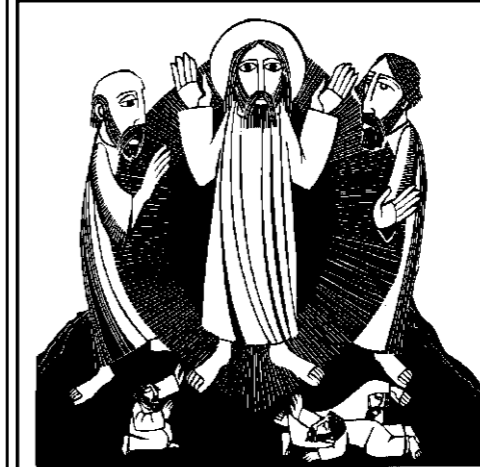
**The Wisdom of the Saints: Trials**

Put a nail on a plank. Will the nail ever go through the plank on its own, no matter how sharp the nail is? No, indeed. You can only sink the nail into the plank by hitting it with a hammer. We are just the same: it is only by hammer blows that God manages to humble us and conform us to His will, no matter how good our intentions might be. - St Anthony Mary Claret

There are people who can turn anything difficult into something positive - even the winter. If it is cold, these people offer their little sufferings to God. - St John Mary Vianney

I pray that God may open your eyes and let you see what hidden treasures He bestows on us through the trials from which the world thinks only to flee. - St John of Avila

It wouldn't be hard for God to free us from all trials and sorrows. But He permits us to suffer now, so that He may crown us gloriously in Heaven. He is making us more and more like His Son Jesus, Who suffered here on earth, and teaches us patience in trial by His own example. - St Robert Bellarmine



A Voice from the cloud said:  
"This is My Son, the Beloved.  
Listen to Him."

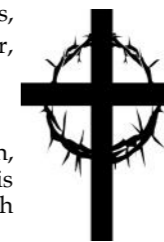
A Short Meditation  
from **The Imitation of Christ**  
by Thomas à Kempis (1379-1471)

**Chap 25 (cont.):** An undisciplined person opens himself to serious ruin. A person who seeks only ease and relaxation in life will be limited in his spiritual development, because one thing or another will always displease him.

Many other people simply 'make do'. They limit their social life, dress simply, work hard, eat sensibly, read often, pray much, and keep control over themselves in every way.

Some orders of monks and nuns rise at night to sing psalms to the Lord. You should be ashamed of yourself for being so lazy in prayer when so many others are praising God even before the sun rises!

When you realise that your best comfort comes from God, then you will begin to know God perfectly, and then, too, you will be quite content, no matter what happens in life.



**Pastoral Ponderings**

In his reflection from **The Imitation of Christ** (see the middle column), Thomas à Kempis challenges us to avoid **laziness** in prayer. In his original text, he mentions the Carthusians and Cistercians, very strict orders of monks who rise during the night to pray what is called 'Vigils' because they are keeping vigil, or 'watching' during the night, as Our Lord asked His disciples to do in the Garden of Olives on the night before He died.

I adapted Thomas' text to read, 'some orders of monks or nuns' - because I was thinking also of our own Benedictine monks in **New Norcia**. They're up at 4.30am to pray the psalms and reflect upon the Scriptures. Some of you who have come with me to New Norcia for retreat weekends have also gotten up early to join the monks at their **Vigils**.

I myself am not much of a 'morning person'. A lot of my work is done in the evening - bible study, RCIA, marriage preparation, etc. Then I have to prepare my dinner afterwards. I can't just go to bed right away - I need time to 'wind down', so I read or watch TV. When I go to bed, I say my prayers and then read some more. I go to sleep rather late!

But when I'm at New Norcia, I do get up to pray with the monks. I myself was an Augustinian friar for 20 years, and praying the **psalms** early in the morning was part of my life at that time. So when I'm with the monks at New Norcia, it's like being back 'at home' in a spiritual way.

It's good to know that the Benedictine monks of New Norcia are praying for us every day, several times a day, from early morning to evening. They are very aware of our needs, and they pray for us faithfully.

The Carmelite nuns in **Nedlands** are another group of religious who faithfully pray for us, rising before dawn and praying for us in their chapel at several times throughout each day. This is the main purpose of their life: to pray for us. They do other work to support themselves (they make the **hosts** we use in Holy Communion). But their main job is to pray for us. So let's pray for them, too!

We badly need volunteers to teach or serve as classroom assistants for our **PREP** (Parish Religious Education Program) classes, held on Wednesdays, 4 to 5pm, at our school.

As it stands, **Sue Brown** (the Coordinator) will also take the Year 3 (First Reconciliation) students, while I and **Fr Mariusz** will take the Year 4 (First Holy Communion) and Year 5 (Confirmation) students. But if any of you can help out, it would be very much appreciated.

Please note the **corrected booking code** for our Good Friday Stations: it's **CPHVQ**, not CPHVO.