



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

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Est. 1956

**Parish Office Hours** MONDAYS 10am-12pm and THURSDAYS 10am – 2pm.  
**New Parishioners** Please complete a census form, found in the church foyer, and return it to the office or sacristy.  
**Baptism** Sunday afternoons. Please contact Fr Mariusz to make an appointment for instruction.  
**Reconciliation** WEDNESDAY 6.15 - 7pm and SATURDAY, 8 - 9am, 4.30 - 5.15pm, or please ring for an appointment.

The **SECOND WEEK** in ORDINARY TIME

<b>Monday</b>	<b>5.45 pm</b> - Mass	Weekday / SS Fabian, pope, & Sebastian, martyrs	† Francette Gallibardy - <i>anniv.</i>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>5.45 pm</b> - Mass	St Agnes, virgin & martyr	† Maria Grazia Bellandi - 9 <sup>th</sup> <i>anniv.</i>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>5.45 pm</b> - Mass	St Vincent of Saragossa, deacon & martyr	† Mary Colyer - <i>rec dec.</i>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>5.45 pm</b> - Mass	Weekday in Ordinary Time	† Olive McKay - 37 <sup>th</sup> <i>anniv.</i>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>9.00 am</b> - Mass - Acacia <b>5.45 pm</b> - Mass	St Francis de Sales, bishop	† faithful departed
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>9.00 am</b> - Mass	THE CONVERSION OF SAINT PAUL THE APOSTLE	conversion of family members

The **THIRD SUNDAY** in ORDINARY TIME

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>5.30 pm</b> - Mass		for the parish
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9.00 am</b> - Mass		for our nation

PARISH MINISTRIES ROSTER

MINISTRY	Saturday 5.30pm	Sunday 9.00am	Last Sunday's Giving 12/01
Readers	M Davila      L Plowman	S Horgan      J Sluckniak	Online donations \$ 587.50
Acolytes	N Yap (Snr Svr)	A Troy	Containers for change 22.70
Altar Servers	D & F Jordan, E & D Samanta	A Doherty      J Cherry	Loose 668.20
Musicians	A Loiacono      J Leong	A Loiacono      M Peters	Tap & Go 264.75
IT Operators	Please volunteer	Please volunteer	Catholic Weekly 20.00
Counters	V Kurak      M Bennett-Howe		Votive candles 109.75
			Columban calendars 20.00
			<b>TOTAL \$ 1,692.90</b>
			<b>** WEEKLY TARGET \$2,526 **</b>

Thank you for your contributions! Here are our parish account details:  
**Parish Account:** St Paul's Parish \* 086 006 \* 66717 2345  
**Priest's Account:** First Collection \* 086 006 \* 70782 9728  
**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*  
To our volunteers,  
and for your generous support of our parish!

**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 625 521
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	Alessio Loiacono	0466 461 892
Readers	Genevieve Saldanha	0405 806 848
Acacia Residence Chapel	Judith Paxman	9262 8533

**Parish Ministries & Activities**

<b>Finance Committee</b>	Michael Agostini	0416 376 793
<b>Community Care</b>	Francine Jones	0423 214 882
	Maree Clune	0429 722 846
<b>St Paul's Primary School</b>	Nicola Lee, Principal	9462 6000
<b>RCIA</b>	Fr Mariusz Grzech	9271 5253
<b>St Vincent de Paul Society</b>	Peter Quinn	0403 803 919
<b>Parish Social Committee</b>	TBA	
<b>Bible Study</b>	Fr Mariusz Grzech	9271 5253
<b>PREP Co-ordinator</b>	Susan Brown	0403 441 525
<b>Safeguarding Officer</b>	Stephen Cain	0412 277 994
<b>Safeguarding Officer</b>	Linley Plowman	0407 383 914

Community News

**PRAYING FOR OUR CHILDREN**  
Tue 21 Jan 9.30am: Join us in praying for our children and grandchildren. Rosary & Litany in church, then morning tea in the parish undercroft. All are welcome!

**HOLY HOUR & ST JOSEPH DEVOTION**  
Adoration 6.15 – 7.15pm, includes: Confession, Litany of St Joseph & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

**BUILDING FUND TO DATE**  
**TOTAL in Building Fund: \$260,728.86**  
**BUILDING FUND PLEDGES**  
Building Fund contributions are ON HOLD.

**ONGOING EXPENSES**  
**DUE THIS WEEK:** communion hosts - \$195.50 \* holy water bottles - \$132.00 \* bookkeeping - \$200.00 \* Internet - \$115.00 \* candles - \$350.25 \* bulletin covers - \$101.00  
**TOTAL \$1,093.75**  
**DUE NEXT WEEK:** council rates - \$308.69 \* underground power - \$300.00 \* air con repairs - \$990.00 \* catholic weekly - \$425.70  
**TOTAL \$2,024.39**

**GALA FOR LIFE - FUNDRAISING FOR PREGNANCY ASSISTANCE BUNBURY**  
A fun and glamorous evening and fundraising for Pregnancy Assistance, sponsored by Mt Lawley Golf club. **Wednesday 29 January at 6pm, Mt Lawley Gold club, 1 Walter Road, Inglewood.** Tickets on sale *Further info and tickets:* Bridget 0408 496 610.

**WEDNESDAY EVENINGS - COMMON GROUND - FOR YOUNG ADULTS**  
Wednesdays 6pm Catholic Pastoral Centre, 40A Mary St, Highgate (enter through Harold St). Common Ground is a space where Catholic Young Adults come together to grow in faith through formation, prayer, mission, ministry and social activities. Common Ground provides opportunities to grow in faith, deepen your relationship with God and explore what it means to live a meaningful life. For more information visit [www.cym.com.au](http://www.cym.com.au).

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - SHOPFRONT**  
The Shopfront, located in Bentley and open weekdays 11am-1pm, provides hospitality and emergency food support to the homeless and needy. Volunteers are needed to: (i) drive the van, which provides a shuttle service to the Centre, and (ii) serve meals. Visit [www.shopfront.perthcatholic.org.au](http://www.shopfront.perthcatholic.org.au) or contact Damian Walsh (Shopfront Director) on 08 9371 9109.

Please pray for **parishioners who are unwell:** Tony Bonavita, Anna Gamble, Billy Francis, Terry Merchant, Blanche Pereira, Lori Valerio, Rebecca Webster, Rhianna Powell, Sharon Mortimore, Bill Moncrieff, Frank Genovese.  
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The Wisdom of the Saints: The Marriage of Christ and the Church

Christ is the Head and we are the Body; together we are one, formed from many. Whether the Head or members speak, it is Christ Who speaks. He speaks both in His role as the Head and in His role as Body. So what does this mean?  
Well, recall how St Paul, quoting Our Lord Himself, says: "The two will become one flesh. This is a great mystery, and I am applying it to Christ and the Church." A bridegroom and bride are, in fact, two different persons, yet they are one in the union of marriage. So in His union with the Church, Christ the Head calls himself the Bridegroom; and as His Mystical Body, we call ourselves the Bride.  
So let us rejoice and give thanks that we have become not only Christians, but Christ Himself. Do you understand and grasp, brethren, God's grace toward us? Marvel and rejoice: we have become Christ! For if He is the Head, and we are the members of His Body, then He and we together are the whole person. So the fullness of Christ is the Head and the members - Christ and the Church. - St Augustine  
About Jesus Christ and the Church, I simply know they're just one thing; we shouldn't complicate the matter. - St Joan of Arc, when asked at her trial to define her faith in Christ and the Church



*This was the first of the signs given by Jesus; it was given at Cana in Galilee. He let His glory be seen, and His disciples believed in Him*

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

**Bk 2, Ch 12** There is no salvation for the soul, nor hope eternal life, except for the cross. So take up your cross, and follow Jesus, and you will go on to eternal life. He went before you carrying His cross, and on the cross He died for you, that you too may carry your cross, and that you too may die on the cross. If you flee with Him you will live with Him. If you join Him in suffering, you will join Him in glory.

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Pastoral Ponderings

On Thursday, May 9, 2024, the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord, Pope Francis officially proclaimed the Ordinary Jubilee of 2025 with the public reading of and delivery of a papal document which lays out the foundation for the 2025 Jubilee and its theme, "Pilgrims of Hope." The Jubilee began with the opening of the Holy Door of St. Peter's Basilica on **December 24, 2024**, and will last until **January 6, 2026**.

The concept of the Jubilee originates in the Old Testament. In Leviticus God commanded the Israelites to observe a Jubilee every 50 years. It was a time of liberation: debts were forgiven, slaves were freed, and ancestral land was returned. This sacred observance symbolized God's mercy and justice.

The Catholic Church adopted the Jubilee tradition, initiating the first Christian Jubilee in 1300 under Pope Boniface VIII. He declared it a year of grace, indulgence, and pilgrimage to Rome for spiritual renewal. Pilgrims were promised remission of sins upon fulfilling certain conditions, including confession, penance, and visiting the basilicas of St. Peter and St. Paul.

Initially celebrated every 50 years, Pope Clement VI shortened the interval to 33 years in 1343, symbolising Christ's earthly life span. Later, Pope Paul II set the Jubilee at every 25 years in 1470 to ensure each generation could experience this profound spiritual event.

At the heart of the Jubilee lies the concept of the plenary indulgence, which represents the remission of sins for the faithful who fulfill certain conditions: sacramental confession, participation in the Eucharist, prayer for to the Pope's intentions, and performing a work of mercy or a pilgrimage. This time also serves as an invitation for personal conversion and reconciliation with God and others.

The opening of the Holy Door is the most well-known and moving ritual, marking the beginning of the Jubilee. The first documented account of the Holy Door opening ceremony at St. Peter's Basilica for the Jubilee dates back to 1500 under Pope Alexander VI. The Holy Doors are only opened during the Jubilee Year. The four papal basilicas of Rome each have a Holy Door: St. Peter's Basilica in the Vatican, St. John Lateran, St. Paul Outside the Walls, and St. Mary Major. A Holy Door symbolizes Christ, who declared, "I am the door" (John 10:9). Walking through the Holy Door during a Jubilee year signifies a pilgrimage of faith and a journey to reconciliation with God. It represents leaving behind sin and stepping into a renewed life of grace. The door is sealed outside Jubilee years and opened ceremonially by the pope or a bishop at the start of the Jubilee.