



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 THIRD WEEK in ORDINARY TIME

Monday	5.45 pm - Mass	SS Timothy & Titus, companions of St Paul, bishops	† Mary Lanigan (Snr) - 13th anniv.
Tuesday	5.45 pm - Mass	St Thomas Aquinas, priest & doctor of the Church	Pohto family – thanksgiving
Wednesday	5.45 pm - Mass	Weekday in Ordinary Time	† Luigi Zimarino - 24th anniv.
Thursday	5.45 pm - Mass	Weekday in Ordinary Time	† Aunty Hilda - month's mind
Friday	9.00 am - Mass - Acacia 5.45 pm - Mass	St John Bosco, priest	† faithful departed † Emmet Haigh - rec. dec.
Saturday	9.00 am - Mass	FIRST SATURDAY / Blessed Virgin Mary	for our grandchildren

The FOURTH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

Saturday	5.30 pm - Mass		† Assunta & Furino Di Fulvio - anniv.
Sunday	9.00 am - Mass		for the parish

PARISH MINISTRIES ROSTER

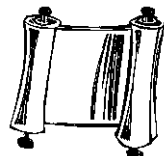
MINISTRY	Saturday 5.30pm	Sunday 9.00am	Last Sunday's Giving 19/01
Readers	F Jones C Ryan	L Bellandi <i>Please volunteer</i>	Online donations \$ 1,317.50
Acolytes	T Gregory (Snr Svr)	D Cleary	Containers for change -
Altar Servers	N & A Bowden-Jones, M&C Zimarino	P Tindale M Mai	Loose 771.40
Musicians	A Loiacono J Leong	A Loiacono M Peters	Tap & Go 284.25
IT Operators	<i>Please volunteer</i>	<i>Please volunteer</i>	Catholic Weekly 21.40
Counters	L Bellandi G Di Latte		Votive candles 78.45
			TOTAL \$ 2,473.00
			** WEEKLY TARGET \$2,526 **

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: 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		Parish Ministries & Activities	
Acolytes	John Pereira 0401 625 521	Finance Committee	Michael Agostini 0416 376 793
Altar Linen	Lori Valerio * Maria Odorisio	Community Care	Francine Jones 0423 214 882
Altar Servers	Lilian Bellandi 0412 980 261		Maree Clune 0429 722 846
Collectors & Counters	Dianne Smith 0408 569 969	St Paul's Primary School	Nicola Lee, Principal 9462 6000
Extraordinary Ministers	Simon Hehir 043 778 6023	RCIA	Fr Mariusz Grzech 9271 5253
Flowers	Jasmin Biagioni 0411 123 575	St Vincent de Paul Society	Peter Quinn 0403 803 919
Liturgy Committee	TBA	Parish Social Committee	TBA
Music	Alessio Loiacono 0466 461 892	Bible Study	Fr Mariusz Grzech 9271 5253
Readers	Genevieve Saldanha 0405 806 848	PREP Co-ordinator	Susan Brown 0403 441 525
Acacia Residence Chapel	Judith Paxman 9262 8533	Safeguarding Officer	Stephen Cain 0412 277 994
		Safeguarding Officer	Linley Plowman 0407 383 914

Community News

HOLY HOUR & ST JOSEPH DEVOTION
Adoration 6.15 – 7.15pm, includes:
Confession, Litany of St Joseph &
Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.
Come, let us adore Him!

NEXT SUNDAY: Feast of the Presentation of the Lord: bring your candles to Mass. The traditional blessing of candles will take place at the start of each weekend Mass.

BUILDING FUND TO DATE
TOTAL in Building Fund: \$261,381.15
BUILDING FUND PLEDGES
Building Fund contributions are ON HOLD.

ONGOING EXPENSES

DUE THIS WEEK: council rates - \$308.69 *
underground power - \$300.00 * air con
repairs - \$990.00 * Catholic Weekly -\$425.70
8 IT support - \$40.00 * lawnmowing -
\$40.00 **TOTAL \$2,104.39**

DUE NEXT WEEK: holy water bottles -
\$22.77 * MYOB - \$43.40 **TOTAL \$66.17**

GALA FOR LIFE - FUNDRAISING FOR PREGNANCY ASSISTANCE BUNBURY
A fun and glamorous evening and fundraising for Pregnancy Assistance, Bunbury sponsored by Mt Lawley Golf Club. **Wednesday, 29 January at 6pm, Mt Lawley Gold club, 1 Walter Road, Inglewood.** Further information 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.

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 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.
parishioners whose anniversary of death occurs at this time: Rita Willcock, Margaret Broadley, Felix Hunt, Annie Lonergan, Monica McGilvray, John Lawrence, Bill Donovan, Maria Grazia Bellandi, Albert Budge, Hannah Wardrop, Kathleen Skeats, Clarice Day, Molly Miller, Anne Gould, John Lace, Henry Spears

The Wisdom of the Saints: The Scriptures

What moved and stimulated me most was reading the Holy Bible, to which I have always been very strongly attracted. There were passages that impressed me so deeply that I seemed to hear a Voice telling me the message of what I was reading. - St Anthony Mary Claret

The collection of Psalms in the Scripture, composed under divine inspiration, has - from the very beginnings of the Church - shown a wonderful power of fostering devotion among Christians. - Pope St Pius X

The Psalms seem to me to be like a mirror in which one can see himself and the stirrings of his own heart. He can recite the Psalms against the background of his own emotions. - St Athanasius

How I wept when I heard Your hymns and canticles, being deeply moved by the sweet singing of Your Church. Those voices flowed into my ears, truth filtered into my heart, and from my heart surged waves of devotion. - St Augustine

Some people read the Scriptures literally, not with spiritual understanding. They have lost the light by which the Scripture was formed and proclaimed. - St Catherine of Siena



The people were all in tears
as they listened to Ezra
read the words of the Law.

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

Bk 2, Ch 12 Listen closely. Everything is founded on the cross, and everything consists in dying on it, and there is no other road to life and to true inner peace than the road of the holy cross and of our daily dying to ourselves. Walk where you will, seek where you will, and you will find no loftier way above, nor safer way below, than the way of the holy cross.

Plan as you like and arrange everything as best you can yet you will always encounter some suffering whether you want it or not. Go wherever you will, you will always find the cross. Either you will physical pain or spiritual pain. Sometimes God will leave you, or sometimes a neighbour will upset you; even worse, you will sometimes be a burden to yourself! You will find no remedy nor comfort which can free you or relieve you, but you must bear it as long as God wishes.

Pastoral Ponderings

In last week's Pastoral Ponderings I wrote about the Jubilee Year of 2025, its origins and what it means for us Catholics. This week, we continue to learn about the Jubilee. Pilgrimage, gaining a plenary indulgence, and Holy Doors are integral to the Jubilee year. I read recently that Rome is expecting up 39 million more visitors throughout the 2025 Jubilee Year. There will thousands of tour groups and millions of people lining up to walk through the Holy Doors of the four papal basilicas of Rome: St. Peter's Basilica in the Vatican, St. John Lateran, St. Paul Outside the Walls, and St. Mary Major. Due to the large volume of people, and to honour the great women saints of the Church, other churches in Rome have also been designated as pilgrimage destinations (in case you are going to Rome this year!): St. Catherine of Siena at the Basilica of Santa Maria sopra Minerva; St. Brigid of Sweden at Campo de' Fiori; St. Teresa of Avila at the Church of Santa Maria della Vittoria; St. Thérèse of Lisieux at Trinità dei Monti; and St. Monica at the Church of St. Augustine. Pilgrims to the Holy Land also can receive the Holy Year indulgence by praying at the Basilica of the Holy Sepulchre in Jerusalem, the Basilica of the Nativity in Bethlehem or the Basilica of the Annunciation in Nazareth.

For those who cannot travel abroad, local bishops around the world can designate their cathedral or another church or sacred place for pilgrims to obtain the indulgence, to take into account the needs of the faithful as well as the opportunity to reinforce the concept of pilgrimage with all its symbolic significance. In the Archdiocese of Perth the following churches have been designated as pilgrimage sites where a plenary indulgence can be obtained: St Mary's Cathedral in the city, the Basilica of St Patrick in Fremantle, St John Paul II Parish, Banksia Grove Schoenstatt Shrine, Mount Richon Carmelite Monastery, Nedlands and Sacred Heart Parish, Highgate (right next door to us!).

So, just to recap: An indulgence in the Catholic Church refers to the remission of temporal punishment due to sin, granted through the Church's authority. While sin's guilt is absolved in confession, temporal punishment may remain, often understood as purification in this life or purgatory. Indulgences, reduce or eliminate this purification. During a Jubilee, plenary indulgences are offered to the faithful who meet specific conditions: Confession, receiving Holy Communion, praying for the pope's intentions, and performing acts such as passing through a Holy Door or works of charity.

