



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 EIGHTH WEEK in ORDINARY TIME

<b>Monday</b>	<b>5.45 pm</b> - Mass	Weekday in Ordinary Time	† Fr Thomas Smith - <i>rec. dec.</i>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>5.45 pm</b> - Mass	SHROVE TUESDAY/ <i>St Casimir</i>	Stephanie & Philip - <i>marriage blessings</i>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>9.00 am</b> - Mass <b>5.45 pm</b> - Mass	ASH WEDNESDAY	for peace † Fr Michael Byrne - <i>22<sup>nd</sup> anniv. (6<sup>th</sup> PP)</i>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>5.45 pm</b> - Mass	Thursday After Ash Wednesday	vocations
<b>Friday</b>	<b>9.00 am</b> - Mass - Acacia <b>5.45 pm</b> - Mass	Friday after Ash Wednesday / <i>Ember Day</i> / FIRST FRIDAY	† faithful departed
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>9.00 am</b> - NO MASS	Saturday After Ash Wednesday	

The FIRST SUNDAY in LENT

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>5.30 pm</b> - Mass		† Santo Cipriano - <i>21<sup>st</sup> anniv.</i>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9.00 am</b> - Mass		for the parish

PARISH MINISTRIES ROSTER

MINISTRY	Saturday 5.30pm	Sunday 9.00am	Last Sunday's Giving 23/02
Readers	L Plowman C Moore	G Saldanha S Horgan	Online donations \$ 849.37 Containers for change 24.00 Loose 556.30 Tap & Go 382.50 Catholic Weekly 33.00 Votive candles 90.50 <b>TOTAL \$1,935.67</b>
Acolytes	N Bowden-Jones (Snr Svr)	R Novacsek	<b>** WEEKLY TARGET \$2,526 **</b>
Altar Servers	A Bowden-Jones, R&J Araulja J Cherry	M Mai E Skrapac	
Musicians	A Loiacono E Bussanich	A Loiacono S Simmonds	
IT Operators	<i>Please volunteer</i>	<i>Please volunteer</i>	
Counters	M Bennett-Howe V Kurak		

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 Lord, I trust in Your merciful love. My heart will rejoice in Your salvation.  
I will sing to the Lord Who has been bountiful with me.

**Communion Antiphon** Lord, I have come to believe that You are the Christ,  
the Son of the living God, Who is coming into this world.



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

Community News

**SHROVE TUESDAY EVENTS Tue 4 Mar**  
**9.30am** Rosary & Litany for Children, in the church, followed by morning tea at **10am FRESH PANCAKES** in the undercroft.

**5.45pm CARNIVAL!** Join us for your last chance to celebrate before Lent starts. Starting with Mass at 5.45pm followed by a BBQ, desserts and festivities in the parish piazza.

**MARCH 5<sup>th</sup> ASH WEDNESDAY**  
8.00am - Ordinatee Mass in the church  
9.00am - School Mass in the church  
5.45pm - Mass in the church

**LENTEN REGULATIONS**  
Ash Wednesday is a day of **fast** (1 normal meal, 1 or 2 snacks to sustain strength) for all who are 18 through 59; and it is a day of **abstinence** from meat for all who are 14 and older. **All Fridays of Lent** are also days of abstinence from meat **throughout the Universal Church**. Make this your best Lent ever - *generously pray, fast and give alms.*

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

**RCIA / ADULT FAITH FORMATION**  
We will not meet on Ash Wednesday.

**FIRST RECONCILIATION**  
- Th 06 Mar: Parent-only meeting 6.30pm in the church  
- Tue 1 Apr: Retreat for all candidates 9.00am at St Paul's School  
- Th 3 Apr: FIRST RECONCILIATION 6.30pm in the church

**STATIONS & BENEDICTION**  
Fridays during Lent, beginning 4<sup>th</sup> March. Stations start at around 6.10pm, after 5.45pm Mass. Please pick up a Stations of the Cross Booklet when you enter the church.

**FIRST FRIDAY**  
Make a good start to Lent AND honour the Sacred Heart: Masses: 9am \* 5.45pm

**ONGOING EXPENSES**  
**DUE THIS WEEK:** confession cards - \$275.00 \* bulletin covers - \$101.00 \* MYOB subscr. - \$43.40 **TOTAL: \$419.40**

**DUE NEXT WEEK:** bookkeeping \$200.00 \* copier lease - \$63.65 **TOTAL \$ 263.65**

**BUILDING FUND TO DATE**  
**TOTAL in Building Fund: \$261,496.15**  
**BUILDING FUND PLEDGES ON HOLD.**

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, Geraldine Taylor.  
**parishioners whose anniversary of death occurs at this time:** Catino (Gino) Lombardo, Antonio Di Pietro, Aris Bertone, Dulcie Goode, Margaret Gardner, Elisabeth May, Teresa Caefano, Fr Michael Byrne (PP 1984-1993), Bernard Quinn, Frank Sonneman, Henry Kenny, Rene Raphael.

The Wisdom of the Saints: Sacrifice

When we do something we dislike, let us say to God: "My God, I offer this to You in honour of the moment when You died for me." - St John Vianney

The Lord's command seems difficult and painful when He says that anyone who wants to follow Him must deny himself. But it's not really so, because He helps us to do what He commands. He fulfils His own words: "My yoke is easy, and My burden is light." Love is the answer: love makes it easy to carry out whatever is difficult about the Lord's command. - St Augustine of Hippo

We shouldn't attach so much value to what we give to God, or give up for Him, because for the little we give Him or do for Him, we shall receive so much more, both in this life and in the next. - St Teresa of Avila

I thank God that I have contracted leprosy from the lepers whom I was serving. Now, when I preach, instead of saying, "Dear brethren", I shall be able to say, "My fellow lepers." - St Damien of Molokai

I have begun to understand that devotion to the Sacred Heart without having a spirit of sacrifice is just an empty illusion. - Bl Maria Droste



**LENT**

Jesus replied: "Scripture says: Man does not live on bread alone."

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

**Bk 2, Ch 12** It is not in our nature to bear the cross, to love the cross, to discipline ourselves, to avoid seeking praise to suffer insults willingly, to think humbly of ourselves, to appear humble to others, to endure adversity and loss, and to not seek prosperity as our first goal. If you take a look at yourself, you will see that you have done none of this alone, but if you confide in the Lord, He will give Heavenly strength and all that you have chosen to do will become easier. You will not even fear your enemy, the devil, if you are armed with faith and sealed with the Cross of Christ.

So, as a good and faithful servant of Christ, brace yourself to bear the Lord's cross with valour; out of love for you He was nailed to it.



Pastoral Ponderings

Are you coming to our parish **Shrove Tuesday mini-Carnival** on the 4th of March? I hope so. Many parishioners and school parents have been working behind the scenes to prepare a joy-filled parish event. The evening will commence with Mass at 5.45pm, followed by festivities: a free BBQ, child-friendly meal options, sweets, mask and 'Alleluia' decorating, and music!

Ash Wednesday, the start of the holy season of Lent, is upon us! For all of us, young and old alike, Lent is an opportunity for us to make small sacrifices each day:

- ♦ a sacrifice of time, to enable us to pray & think
- ♦ a sacrifice of appetite, to discipline our will
- ♦ a sacrifice of treasure, to make room for others.

Check out the box above, which gives us reflections of some of the Saints on the concept of sacrifice.

'Sacrifice' in Latin actually means 'make sacred'; it doesn't mean giving things up. Yet we don't become holy people by indulging ourselves, always putting ourselves first. No, we become holy by following Jesus' advice: love God, love our neighbour, love ourselves - in that order. And this kind of love often requires some sacrifice.

As you read this in church, you have made a small sacrifice of time to be at Mass. We call Mass 'the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass' precisely because it sets before us, over and over again, the once-for-all yet ongoing Sacrifice of Our Lord on the Cross.

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday: what sacrifices will we make to follow Jesus' three-part program of spiritual renewal - prayer, fasting and almsgiving?

As you leave Mass today, you can take a copy of the booklet Remember (one per household), to assist you in growing spiritually this Lent. Unite yourself to Christ in His Sacrificial death for the world.

5 Minutes with Father a short catechesis (teaching) will start this weekend after each Mass, to help children preparing for the sacraments to understand the inside of a church building, what we do at Mass, and why. Everyone is welcome to attend these sessions!

Last month I gave out 50 MAGNIFICAT monthly magazines - samples which we received from the publishers. I'm interested to know what you thought? Did like it? Did you use it? Did you end up subscribing? Send me an email with your feedback.

We still need more counters - are you able to volunteer? Please contact **Dianne Smith**.