



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 of LENT			
Monday	5.45 pm - Mass	Lenten weekday	† Sr Regina Naisbitt RNDM
Tuesday	5.45 pm - Mass	THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD	for our grandchildren
Wednesday	5.45 pm - Mass	Lenten weekday	Lisa Ebsary
Thursday	5.45 pm - Mass	Lenten weekday	Margaret Laundry
Friday	9.00 am - Mass - Acacia 5.45 pm - Mass	Lenten weekday	† faithful departed
Saturday	9.00 am - NO MASS	Lenten weekday	
THE FOURTH (LAETARE) SUNDAY OF LENT			
Saturday	5.30 pm - Mass		special intention
Sunday	9.00 am - Mass		for the parish
PARISH MINISTRIES ROSTER			

MINISTRY	Saturday 5.30pm	Sunday 9.00am	Last Sunday's Giving 16/03
Readers	M Tinning A Iacopetta	S Horgan Z Kirkup	Online donations \$ 1,035.48
Acolytes	L Torre	T Gregory (Snr Svr)	Containers for change 10.90
Altar Servers	V Horgan, I Torre, A Fanowrios, L Ireland	S Macnish M Mai	Loose 691.75
Musicians	A Loiacono J Leong	A Loiacono O Langmar	Tap & Go 599.55
IT Operators	Please volunteer	Please volunteer	Catholic Weekly 18.00
Counters	E White E Menion		Votive candles 174.40
			TOTAL \$2,538.08
			** 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: When I prove My holiness among you, I will gather you from all the foreign lands, and I will pour clean water upon you and cleanse you from all your impurities, and I will give you a new spirit, says the Lord.
Communion Antiphon The sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for her young: by Your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they who dwell in Your House, for ever singing Your praise.



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

PARISH SCHOOL MASS - Sun 30th Mar
 Come along to the 9am Mass on the 4th (Laetare—rejoicing!) Sunday of Lent to pray for the Year 5 & 6 students and their families who will join us. After Mass we will enjoy a morning tea and fellowship in the undercroft!

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

RCIA / ADULT FAITH FORMATION
 Want to know more about the Catholic faith? Join us on Wednesdays in the undercroft, 7.30 - 9pm.. The topic this week is: *The Jesus of the Gospels*. Come join us!

LENTEN REGULATIONS
 All Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence from meat throughout the Universal Church. Make this your best Lent ever - generously pray, fast and give alms.

STATIONS & BENEDICTION
 Every Friday of Lent: Stations start at about 6.10pm, after 5.45pm Mass. Please pick up a Stations of the Cross Booklet when you enter the church.

ALTAR SERVERS: Please volunteer!
 Two servers are needed for Mass and the Stations of the Cross on Friday evenings. Make this part of your Lenten observance!

PREP CLASSES ARE UNDERWAY!
 Children who attend state schools in Years 3, 4 & 6 are welcome to come to our Parish Religious Education Program (PREP) classes every Monday during school term, 4-5pm at the undercroft (rear of the church). For admission to the Sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation, contact Sue Brown - 0403 441 525 - for information and enrolment.

ONGOING EXPENSES
DUE THIS WEEK: council rates - \$308.69 * underground power - \$300.00 * internet - \$115.00 * catholic weekly - \$189.20 * water - \$433.83 **TOTAL \$1,346.72**
DUE NEXT WEEK: MYOB subscr.- \$43.40

FIRST RECONCILIATION
 - Tue 1 Apr: Retreat for all candidates 9.00am at St Paul's School
 - Thu 3 Apr: **FIRST RECONCILIATION** 6.30pm in the church



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: Violet Cunningham, Len Watts, Mollie McNamara, Cecil Webster, Sr Regina Naisbitt RNDM, Gerard Pilkington, Edward Dwyer, Giuseppe Princi, Maria Grazia Bertone, Margaret Leck, Eileen Valentine, Ella Crilly, Mario Pollio.

Spirituality & Prayer

SOME FOOD FOR THOUGHT... After reading the Gospel (Luke 13:1-9), reflect on Jesus' words: How 'fruitful' has your life been? What 'fruit' have you borne? Do you need a second chance to bear good fruit? In what ways can you make it even more fruitful?

CHALLENGE... The vineyard was often used in Scripture as a symbol of Israel, the people of God. He Himself is presented as the owner of the vineyard, and He tends it with great care—planting, cultivating, feeding and pruning the vines to make them fruitful and abundant. Israel will be judged on what fruit it bears or fails to bear. So, too, will we be judged on how fruitful our lives are. Attend carefully this week to cultivating your own relationship with God. Try to bring out the best in someone else as well.

PRAYER... *The Lord is compassion and love, slow to anger and rich in mercy. For as the heavens are above the earth, so strong is His love for those who fear Him.*



Moses, take off your shoes, for the place on which you stand is holy ground.
I am the God of your fathers: I AM WHO I AM.

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

Bk 2, Ch 12 Even if you were caught up to the third heaven with St Paul, that would be no guarantee that you will not suffer adversity. "I shall show him," said Jesus, "how much he must suffer for my name." So, it remains for you to suffer if you wish to love Jesus and want to be with Him always.
 If only you were worthy of enduring something for the name of Jesus! What great glory would be yours! How much joy would be given to God's saints! What an example you would be to your neighbour! For everyone praises willingness to endure hardships, but only a few are willing to do it. So, You gladly ought to suffer a little for Christ; many people suffer much heavier things for the world.
 Know for certain that you must lead a life that focuses less and less on yourself.

Pastoral Ponderings

We had two beautiful, and very well attended, Masses for the solemnities of Saint Patrick and Saint Joseph last week. We can excuse ourselves from our Lenten penances on solemnities in Lent because solemnities are like a Sunday, the highest form of liturgical worship we can offer. Think of it as a major celebration and time rejoicing. So, you can excuse yourself from your Lenten penance again on Tuesday as we celebrate another solemnity in the Church—the Angel Gabriel's Annunciation of the Lord to the Blessed Virgin Mary, (which means that it's nine months until Christmas!). That day we will rejoice that Mary said "Yes" to God's invitation to be the mother of the Saviour. But amidst the celebrating the noble thing to do would be to come to Mass and give thanks to God for His goodness to humanity.

Have you heard of the Easter Duty? It is like a (necessary!) 'spiritual spring clean' for your soul. The Easter Duty forms part of the five Precepts of the Church. The Precepts of the Church are fundamental obligations that Catholics are required to follow in order to live in harmony with the faith and grow in holiness. They provide the minimum requirements for being a faithful Catholic.

The five precepts listed in the Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC 2041–2043) are:

1. **Attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation**
2. **Confess your sins at least once a year**
3. **Receive the Eucharist at least once during the Easter season (The Easter Duty)**
4. **Observe days of fasting and abstinence established by the Church**
5. **Provide for the material needs of the Church according to your ability**

The Precepts of the Church serve as a foundational guide for Catholic life. They help Catholics stay in a state of grace, grow in faith, and remain in communion with the Church. Confession and the Eucharist are central to this life, and the Easter Duty ensures that all Catholics receive the graces of these sacraments at least once a year.

Confession times at the parish are: **Saturdays 8-9am and 4.30-5.15pm, and Wednesdays 6.15-7.10pm.** During the Sundays in Lent I will provide an ADDITIONAL Confession time: **Sundays 8.15-8.50am.** If you haven't been to Confession in a while, don't worry, we have excellent 'how to' booklets called **Pardon and Peace** available at the back of the church.

*Have you taken your **Project Compassion** box or envelope?*

