



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 OCTAVE WEEK of EASTER

Monday	5.45 pm - Mass	EASTER MONDAY	† Fr Antony Brennan- <i>rec. dec.</i>
Tuesday	5.45 pm - Mass	EASTER TUESDAY	for our grandchildren
Wednesday	5.45 pm - Mass	EASTER WEDNESDAY	special intention - <i>conversion and healing</i>
Thursday	5.45 pm - Mass	EASTER THURSDAY	thanksgiving for health
Friday	9.00 am - Mass - Acacia 5.45 pm - Mass	EASTER FRIDAY / ANZAC DAY	† faithful departed † Filomena Manso - <i>month's mind</i>
Saturday	9.00 am - Mass	EASTER SATURDAY	† Gerard Leahy - <i>2nd anniv.</i>
SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER: Divine Mercy Sunday			
Saturday	5.30 pm - Mass		for the parish
Sunday	9.00 am - Mass		† Jan Grzech - <i>75th b'day anniv.</i>

PARISH MINISTRIES ROSTER

MINISTRY	Saturday 7.30pm - Easter Vigil	Sunday 9.00am - Easter Sunday	Last Sunday's Giving 13/04
Readers	<i>Special Easter Roster</i>	V Kurak C Archer	Online donations \$ 875.48 Containers for change 13.60 Loose 853.95 Tap & Go 653.40 Catholic Weekly 15.00 Votive candles 66.40 TOTAL \$2,477.83 ** WEEKLY TARGET \$2,526 **
Acolytes	L Torre A Troy	D Cleary N Yap (Snr Svr)	
Altar Servers	T Clare I Torre T Gregory (Snr Svr)	<i>Special Easter Roster</i>	
Musicians	A Loiacono Cantors	A Loiacono Cantors	
IT Operators	N/A	N/A	
Counters	P Quinn B Moncrieff		

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: The Lord is truly risen: Alleluia!
To Him be glory and power for all the ages of eternity: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Communion Antiphon: Christ our Passover has been sacrificed: Alleluia!
Therefore let us keep the Feast
with the unleavened Bread of purity and truth, alleluia.



Liturgical Ministries		Parish Ministries & Activities	
Acolytes	John Pereira 0401 623 521	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

CHRIST IS RISEN: ALLELUIA!
A happy and blessed Easter to one and all. May the Risen Christ bless you and your loved ones as you gather to celebrate.

DIVINE MERCY FEAST
We are praying in preparation for the **Feast of Divine Mercy** this coming Sunday. The Novena began on Good Friday, but you can begin any day this week, completing it nine days after you begin. Novena prayers are available in booklets at the back of the church, and on the parish website.

Next Sunday, 27th April, we will have **Divine Mercy devotions** in church from 2.30 to 3.30pm: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, scripture readings and the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy.

HOLY HOUR & ST JOSEPH DEVOTION
Wednesday 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. Meetings will resume on 7 May.

PROJECT COMPASSION
Here's how you can turn in your donations to Project Compassion during April & May:

- ♦ **donation boxes** - Please bring them to church no later than the weekend of 18/19 May, and leave them on the table in the church porch.
- ♦ **envelopes** - Please deposit them in the baskets next to the Mass collection boxes. Do not send them to Sydney, or the parish won't get credit.
- ♦ **EFT** - Caritas' banking details at NAB: BSB 086 006 Account no. 826 198 877 Account name Caritas Australia WA Project Compassion Reference Mount Lawley Parish
- ♦ **mail** - if by cheque or credit card, post to 40-A Mary St, HIGHGATE WA 6003 *don't forget to credit Mount Lawley Parish* office in Highgate: 9422 7925.

ONGOING EXPENSES
DUE THIS WEEK: internet - \$115.00 * candles - \$25.10 **TOTAL \$140.10**
DUE NEXT WEEK: council rates - \$308.69 * underground power - \$300.00 * church cleaning - \$407.0 * catholic weekly- \$236.50 * bulletin covers - \$101.00 **TOTAL \$1,353.19**

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 Bernadette Taylor.
parishioners whose anniversary of death occurs at this time: Eugene Moldrich, David Leahy, Gerard Leahy, Percy Catlin, Mary Medes, Germano Pasquana, Pasquale Leuzzi, Gerald McGuire, Shirley Turnbull, Bob Pike.

The Wisdom of the Saints: New Life in Heaven

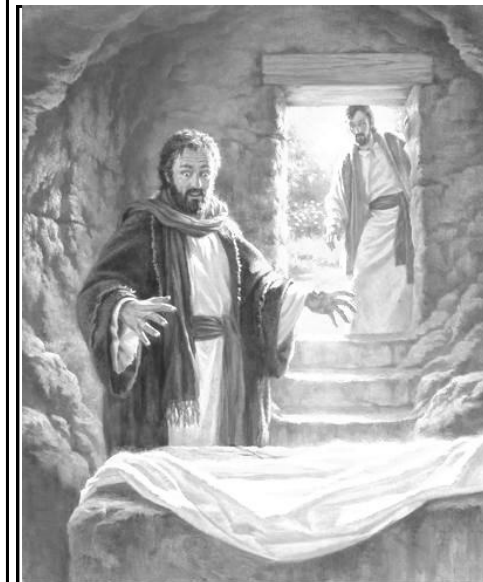
When we rise again with glorified bodies in the power of the Lord, our flesh will be as resplendent as the new-fallen snow, more brilliant than the sun, more transparent than crystal. Each person's body will have a special mark of honour and glory on it, according to how much suffering that person freely and willingly endured for the love of God. - Bl Jan van Ruysbroeck

Heaven is our true home. On earth we are like travellers staying at a hotel. We are away from home, and always thinking of going home. - St John Vianney

The access to Heaven is through our desire to go there. The one who longs to be there is already there in spirit. The path to Heaven is measured by desire, not by kilometres. - The Cloud of Unknowing

From this moment on, resolve to keep Heaven always in mind, and be ready to forego anything that would hinder you from going there, or cause you to stray from the path. - St Francis de Sales

When we are with God at last, He will give us everything for which we have longed. His promise to us will be fulfilled, and we will be free from every vice that has tempted us on earth. Can you imagine what Heaven will be, when our warfare is at last ended, and we are at peace? - St Augustine of Hippo



Peter and John entered the empty tomb. They saw, and they believed.

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

Bk 3, Ch 2 In days gone by the children of Israel said to Moses, "speak to us and we shall listen, do not let the Lord speak to us, lest we die." This is not how I pray Lord. No. With the great prophet Samuel, I humbly and earnestly beg, "Speak, Lord, Your servant is listening."

Do not let Moses or any other prophet speak to me. You speak to me, O Lord God, You who implore and enlighten all the prophets, for You alone, without them, can perfectly instruct me, while they without You can do nothing. They indeed can utter words, but they cannot convey the spirit of these words. They say beautiful things, but with You silent, they do not set the heart on fire.

Pastoral Ponderings

Today we celebrate the greatest feast of our faith – **Easter**, the day Jesus Christ rose from the dead. The Church proclaims, with joy and conviction, that **the tomb is empty, Christ is risen, and death has been defeated!** The Catechism of the Catholic Church calls the Resurrection "the crowning truth of our faith in Christ" (CCC 638). Jesus truly died and was buried, and on the third day He rose again – not in spirit only, but in a glorified Body. He appeared to His disciples, ate with them, and invited them to touch His wounds. His Resurrection confirms everything He taught, proves His divine identity, and opens the way to eternal life.

"If Christ has not been raised, your faith is in vain" (1 Corinthians 15:17). The Resurrection is not a myth or a metaphor. It is a real, historical event. Some have claimed the disciples were hallucinating, or that they stole the body, or that Jesus never really died. But these ideas don't stand up to scrutiny:

- The tomb was heavily guarded and sealed.
- The disciples were fearful and in hiding, not plotting.
- They touched, saw, and ate with the risen Lord. Many of them died as martyrs for proclaiming this truth.

As the Catechism teaches, "Christ's Resurrection-and the risen Christ Himself – is the principle and source of our future resurrection" (CCC 655). Because He lives, we too have hope beyond death.

Thank you to everyone who has made renewed effort to attend Mass during Lent - both on the weekends and on weekdays as well.

Thank you to all who have availed themselves of the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation during Lent, preparing your souls to make a worthy Holy Communion this Easter.

Thank you to have come at least once this Lent to Wednesday night Holy Hour, silently adoring Our Lord in His Eucharistic Presence and keeping Him company.

Thank you to you who have come to the fortnightly Rosary every other Tuesday morning. Our little band of prayer warriors helps fuel the entire parish with God's grace.

Thank you to all who have ministered in various ways in our Lenten and Holy Week liturgies. Your names are written in Heaven.

This Easter, let us rejoice in the risen Lord. Let us renew our baptismal promises with faith and gratitude. And let us share the joy, peace, and mercy of Christ with the world.

Alleluia! Christ is risen! He is truly risen!

