



PARISH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION, NORTH WODEN

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11-12 Jan., The Baptism of the Lord Year A

WEEKDAY AND WEEKEND MASSES, LITURGY and RECONCILIATION TIMES:

Monday	9.30 am Curtin
Tuesday	9.30 am Curtin
Wednesday	9.30am Curtin Liturgy of the Word and Communion
Thursday	5.30pm Curtin
Friday	9.30am Curtin (incl. Anointing of the Sick on First Friday)
Saturday	Reconciliation 5.00-5.30pm Curtin; Mass 6.00pm Curtin
Sunday	9.30am Garran, 5.30 pm Curtin

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: After the Lord was baptised, the heavens were opened, and the Spirit descended upon him like a dove, and the voice of the Father thundered: This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: The Lord will bless his people with peace.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! The heavens were opened and the Father's voice was heard: this is my beloved Son, hear him. Alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Behold the One of whom John said: I have seen and testified that this is the Son of God.

MAY THE DECEASED REST IN PEACE AND RISE IN EASTER GLORY

Recently Deceased: Ilario Ciacio, Yolanda Viovicente (mother of Fr Loi PP North Belconnen), Peter Macnicol, the victims of Australian bushfires and victims of Indonesian floods, Dea Cairns, Roger Morrissey, Therese Lees, Lorna Wharton, Victims of NZ volcano eruption, Pat Smith, Teresa Couacaud, Christopher Perkins, Elsie McIntyre, Clive James, Carmen Ramos, David Cusack, Margaret Mansfield, Tony Falzon, Brett Lentfer, James Spaile, Joy Murphy, Fr John Rate MSC, Kevin Gaughwin, Terrye Oborn, Michael Smyrk, Carmel Ryan.

Anniversaries of Death: Kevin Wilson, Pat Macnicol, John Page, Bryan Docherty, Noel Lane, Joanne Binutti, William Johns, David Power, Hannah and Bill Dix, Aileen and Brian Dix, Falzon family members, John Holtzapffel, Peter Marlow, Lewis Mesaros, Oreste Trimboli, Oreste Trinca, Paolo Trimboli, Peter Joseph Clarke, John Morris, Kathleen Greene, Mavis Hoffman, Melanie Swan, Pat Ryan, Jack Ryan, Mick and Beth Ahern, Frank Williams.

MAY THE SICK BE COMFORTED BY OUR PRAYERS

John Chesworth, Frederick Schinkel, Maree Peters, Witlock family, Timothy Francis Roberts, Rosa B Nguyen, Lourdes A Bautista, David Sandground, Kathleen Stuart, Dick Barry, Gary Pertzelt, Luke Ward, Eric Reiher, John Vincent, David Parker, Mark Shepherd, Violet Webster, Catherine Peachey, Lucy Duncan, Rod Duncan, Edith Schumann, Kevin Cains, Stephen Evans, Dermott Cummins.

IN SOLIDARITY

Today's celebration of the Baptism of the Lord marks the end of the Christmas Season. On Christmas Day we celebrated God being one with us. Last Sunday's celebration of the Epiphany saw us identify with the Magi who deferred to Jesus, the source of all wisdom. **Today's gospel sees John the Baptist defer to Jesus who identifies with all in their need. The voice of the Father vindicates the status of Jesus as beloved son.** It is in our need that God's Spirit seeks to identify with each and all of us as beloved sons or daughters. However the self-righteous have no need of John's baptism nor Jesus's ministry of healing and forgiveness. And so from the moment of Jesus's baptism a pattern is established: some acknowledge their need while others presume to deny it. **Yet while the self-righteous balk at putting their trust in the Lord, no one appears to be indifferent to the impact of the bushfires and the prolonged drought.** We are all in need, we are all humbled in our solidarity. Perhaps we might therein be open to the One who calls all? Meanwhile, in response to our shared need, **our Parish Pastoral Council and Parish Finance Council have decided to donate \$5000 to the Archdiocesan fund to support parishes impacted by the bushfires.** The

Australian Catholic Bishops Conference have also called for parishes to support the **Vinnies Bushfires Appeal by a 'retiring collection' over the Australia Day weekend.** Finally, those who wish to volunteer can contact emergencyvolunteering.com.au. These initiatives bespeak our solidarity in time of need, especially when we gather for the Sunday Eucharist, 'the source and summit' of our life in Christ. Fr John

Prayer in time of Bushfire and Drought

Eternal God, in wisdom and love you created and sustain us.

We ask you to look with favour on our drought-stricken land now ravaged by bushfires.

Send abundant rain and restore our parched land.

Sustain us as we come to terms with the havoc caused by bushfires.

Renew your people.

Renew the face of the earth.

Mary, Help of Christians – Pray for us.

St Mary of the Cross MacKillop – Pray for us.

PARISH MATTERS

Plenary Council Discussion: Discussion of the next four themes will be held in the Parish Centre in turn at 10am and 7.30pm on Friday 24 January, 31 January, 7 February and 14 February. All welcome.

Ride-On Mower: Would you be willing to volunteer to drive the ride-on mower to maintain the grass around Ss Peter and Paul Church? If so, please contact the Parish Office.

Sacraments of Initiation 2020: Please note the following dates for the Sacraments of Initiation in 2020:

Term One:	First Reconciliation	Parent Information Night	25 February 2020
		Sacramental Celebration	2 April 2020
Term Two:	Confirmation	Parent Information Night	5 May 2020
		Sacramental Celebration	16 & 17 June 2020
Term Three:	First Eucharist	Parent Information Night	4 August 2020
		Sacramental Celebration	12 & 13 September 2020

If you have any enquiries regarding these Sacraments please contact the Parish Office.

DELEGATES FOR PLENARY COUNCIL: Expressions of Interest are called for delegates to the Plenary Council.

Participants must attend a preparatory session and the gatherings of 4-11 October 2020 and 28 June-3 July 2021.

Forms available from the Parish Office. Expression of Interest due by 25 January 2020.

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC BISHOPS CONFERENCE SEEKS A CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER to manage the operations of the various portfolios of the Conference. For further information, Contact Kathy McLean, of Fish & Nankivell, 0414 376 698.

'FROM GANMAIN TO ROME AND BACK' is the title of an engaging reflection on the life of our former Archbishop Francis (Frank) Carroll. Frank emphasised the 'Church of the Baptised' in his 23 years ministry amongst us (1983 – 2006). See Fr John in the foyer (\$20 each).

Prayer Circle Support: Cathy Harris, 6281 2574.

Planned Giving and Loose Collection: \$1385.65.

Readings for Next Sunday: Is 49:3,5-6; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34.

LITURGICAL ROSTERS NEXT WEEK: 18-19 Jan., 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A			
<i>3rd Sunday of the Month</i>	Curtin Sat. 6pm	Garran Sun. 9.30 am	Sun. 5.30 pm
Acolyte	Gary Parker	Stafferd Fernandez	Darryl Kite
Servers			Ava and Ella Morris
Reader	Volunteer Required	Michael Wilcock	Robert Rice
Commentator	Emma Fairfax	Claire Frazer	
Welcomer	Kim Hofmeier	Lesley Kettle	
Ministers of Comm.	Christine McLaughlin, Nedra Kelaart	Claire Frazer, Marie O'Donnell, Juliana Maher	Lyn Granlund, Cecil Wagstaff
Communion to Sick	St Andrew's: Anne Perera	Fred Ward: Lina Vigliotta	Homes: Moya Kennelly
Collectors	J David, C Wagstaff	Ted Fitzgerald	G Nash, M Wong
Collection Counters	Margaret Wilson, Margaret Flinn		

