

PARISH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION, NORTH WODEN

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4-5 JULY 2020, Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (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 Curtin, 5.30 pm Curtin

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Your merciful love, O God, we have received in the midst of your temple. Your praise, O

God, like your name, reaches the ends of the earth; your right hand is filled with saving justice.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, you have revealed to

little ones the mysteries of the kingdom. Alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed the man who seeks refuge in him.

MAY THE DECEASED REST IN PEACE AND RISE IN EASTER GLORY

<u>Recently Deceased</u>: Eileen Schofield, Cecilia Read, Fr Noel Connolly, Barney Crowe, John De Salis, Peter Tarantello, Fr Frank Morrissey OMI, Maria Phan Thi Nhuong, Paul Rollings, Fr Michael O'Dea, Hannah Sowy, Ruth Dunn, Colleen Cotter, Sr Mary Agnes (Carmelite Convent, Red Hill), Alec Reynolds, Cecil Wagstaff, Denis Hogan, Victims of the Corona virus.

Anniversaries of Death: Antoine Chuc Nguyen, Anne Perkins, Gerald Whittaker, Patrick Kiely, Tano Travia, Ellen Woods, Kathleen Majer, Molly Poole, Brian Lacey, Vonnie Beath, Margaret Joyce, Wendy Egan, Cecily Howden, Frank Williams, Kathleen Rowe, John Frawley, Doris Falzon and Falzon family members, Hartung and Marlow family members, Richard Pugh.

MAY THE SICK BE COMFORTED BY OUR PRAYERS

Nicola Sheehan, Leo Langtry, Fr Laurie Blake, Emma Lowe, Hilary Halpin, Margaret Wilson, Rose Winstanley, Joseph Garside, those afflicted with Corona virus, Bella Davison, Leah Yaxley, John Kololo, Frederick Schinkel, Maree Peters, Witlock family, Timothy Francis Roberts, Rosa B Nguyen, Lourdes A Bautista, David Sandground, Kathleen Stuart, Dick Barry, Luke Ward, Eric Reiher, John Vincent, David Parker, Mark Shepherd, Violet Webster, Lucy Duncan, Rod Duncan, Edith Schumann, Kevin Cains, Stephen Evans, Dermott Cummins.

CHILD-LIKE AND DISCERNING

After talking to children preparing to celebrate their First Reconciliation, I asked them if they had any questions. One boy asked, "Why are all priests so very old?" After composing myself, I told him that I had been a priest a long time. He then seemed impressed to hear that I was younger than Raiders Captain Jarrod Croker when I started out as priest. Children are disarming. As Brendan Byrne SJ notes children receive and in return give affection and love. "Jesus comes back again and again to this image of the child to communicate a sense of human relationship to God." Thus the biblical understanding of knowing God that Jesus speaks of in today' Gospel is reflected in the openness of children. Such knowledge is a gift, a grace to be received by all and no respecter of socio-economic circumstances. At the same time, our faith seeks understanding and engagement. Our faith is child-like in its openness but discerning in its living. When Jesus says "Come to me all you who labour and are overburdened" he portrays himself as the one who lifts burdens, and not just the burden of sin. As the Body of Christ or as a pilgrim people accepting the yoke of his love, as today' Gospel would have it, we are called to be 'burden lifters'. "For Jesus, God did not give the law to Israel to impose or add to the burdens of the human race but rather to regulate a way of life worthy of a people chosen

by God." And so in our Second Reading where Paul contrasts 'flesh' and 'Spirit' he does so to distinguish life under the burden of the law and life "pulsating with Christ's unselfish love".

This weekend we celebrate 'Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday' and 'Seafarers Sunday'. How might we acknowledge the unique gifts yet too often burdensome experience of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in forging a common good "pulsating with Christ's love"? As Pope John Paul said at Alice Springs in 1986: "You are part of Australia and Australia is part of you. And the Church herself in Australia will not be fully the Church that Jesus wants her to be until you have made your contribution to her life and until that contribution has been joyfully received by others." The first ever live-streamed Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Patrick O'Regan at St Francis Xavier's Cathedral in Adelaide from 10am AEST. The live-stream will be available from the NATSIC homepage www.natsic.org.au. Seafarers supply so much of what we take for granted. They experience the burdens of prolonged separation from loved ones, often harsh conditions and at this time the particular restrictions of COVID-19. The Apostleship of the Sea reaches out to seafarers in material and spiritual ways in Australian ports and in ports around the world. Our parish will be forwarding a contribution to support this valued ministry.

ALL PARISH MASSES HAVE RECOMMENCED WITH A CEILING OF 100. To register for a Sunday Mass, that is, the Sat 6pm Vigil, the Sun 9.30am (at Curtin not Garran for now due to physical distancing regulations) or the Sun 5.30pm, you can do so online at https://www.trybooking.com/ following the prompts. Claim the places(s) you want, if still available. Alternatively, you can notify the parish office (6281 3999) leaving your name, the number of places requested and your contact details. If the places are not available you will be notified and asked to consider an alternative Mass. There is no need to register for a weekday Mass. Please note that the Sunday Mass obligation still does not apply. Live streaming of 11.00am Sunday Mass from St Christopher's Cathedral continues. Go to https://www.catholicvoice.org.au/mass-online/

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES: Parents of children eligible for the **Sacrament of Confirmation (usually in Year 6 and above)** must attend the Parent Information Night (PIN) on Tues 28 July in the Parish Centre followed by Home Group preparation before celebration of Confirmation on Tues 15 and Wed 16 Sept. Parents of children eligible for the celebration of the celebration of **First Eucharist (usually celebrated in Year 4 and above)** must attend the PIN night on Tues 20 Oct in the Parish Centre followed by Home Group preparation before celebration at a Mass on 28 or 29 November. **Further details are available from the Parish Office (6281 3999).**

PLANNED GIVING RENEWAL 2020-2021: Next weekend we will have our annual Planned Giving Renewal. Options for electronic giving and assistance in so contributing will be addressed.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL COVID-19 APPEAL, in lieu of the usual Winter Appeal and in response to increasing need as a result of the pandemic, seeks your support. You can donate at www.vinnies.org.au/covid19crisisappeal or by calling 13 18 12.

PARISH MEDITATION GROUP will continue to meet. Details from Vikki McDonough, 0437 876 487 / mulvaney@netspeed.com.au . **Prayer Circle Support:** Cathy Harris, 6281 2574.

Readings for next Sunday: Isaiah 55:10-11; Romans 8: 18-23; Matthew 13: 1-23.

LITURGICAL ROSTERS NEXT WEEK: 11-12 July, the Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)						
2 nd Sunday of the Month	Curtin Sat. 6pm	Curtin Sun. 9.30 am	Curtin Sun. 5.30 pm			
Acolyte	Dan McKay	Long Nguyen	Mark Murphy			
Servers	Rose Jaram					
Reader	G Jaram	Bianca D'Rosario	Rita Daniels			
Commentator	Rachel Smith	Margaret Frawley				
Welcomer	Volunteer required	Ted Frawley				
Ministers of Comm.	Melissa Bray, Sarah Buchanan, Dan Lee	Sue Phillips, Mary Henry, Amy Deszpot	Pat Wadsworth, Cushla Sheehan, Barb Mills			
Communion to Sick	St Andrew's: No visits at this time	Fred Ward: No visits at this time	Homes: No visits at this time			
Collectors	J David	Ted Fitzgerald	P Kelly, Ava and Ella Morris			
Collection Counters	Michelle Wilson, J Eyers, Michael Duffy					