



## PARISH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION, NORTH WODEN

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### 11-12 JULY 2020, Fifteenth 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:** As for me, in justice I shall behold your face; I shall be filled with the vision of your glory.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** Alleluia, alleluia! The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower; all who come to him will live for ever. Alleluia!

**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.

#### **MAY THE DECEASED REST IN PEACE AND RISE IN EASTER GLORY**

**Recently Deceased:** Leo Langtry, Lidia Montagner, Eileen Schofield, Cecilia Read, Fr Noel Connolly, Barney Crowe, John De Salis, Peter Tarantello, Fr Frank Morrissey OMI, Maria Phan Thi Nhung, 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:** Ron Beath, 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.

#### **MAY THE SICK BE COMFORTED BY OUR PRAYERS**

Jim and Maureen Daly, 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.

#### **THE HARVEST IS MORE THAN MATERIAL**

**Today's Gospel speaks of an extravagant sower. Seeds are spread here and there. In some instances no crop results. In rich soil the seed produces big time, thirty, sixty, even one hundred fold.** The latter is somewhat reflected in stimulus measures of governments in response to the pandemic. They have spread money in the hope of stimulating the economy as businesses, families and individuals have had to tighten their budgets. The challenges are ongoing and we are unsure just when it will end. The early church faced persecution not a pandemic. But the result was not dissimilar: concern if not fear and the need to persevere in the hope of better days ahead. Our concern for material well-being is understandable and must be addressed. But what is the vision we bring to the table? Is the common good found only in material well-being? **Pope Francis has called for Vatican agencies to prepare the future in contrast to preparing us for the future. The former affirms capacity and a vision, the latter reflects individualism and coping as best you can.** What do we need to address as individuals and as communities as we prepare the future? Fr Augusto, from the Vatican's Dicastery for Human Development in a recent video conference stated, *"We need a new economic model, not because I say so or Pope Francis is asking for one. . . . We need a new model because there's no alternative. Within the catastrophe of the pandemic [we see] people dying; people sick; countries forced to close because they cannot control the spread of the virus; people growing nervous because they can't take it any more; poor people who*

have to go to work because they don't receive a salary from either the private or public sectors. . . . Seeing all this calamity, we acknowledge that every crisis is an opportunity to see what's not working." **If our lives and our communities are the soil within which God's Spirit moves, what might need to be tilled or broken open for me to be receptive?** What is needed for the common good now and longer term? It is in this sense that the Church speaks of 'a consistent ethic of life'. It is a recognition that all is connected and that God's Spirit moves in and through it all and the mission of the Church is to be both 'a sign and instrument' of that movement. How might I be that 'sign and instrument' of life, love and truth? **Dare I suggest that the issue is not how bad it is but how good it might be?** And so back to today's Gospel message for the early Church to stay the distance in view of a promised harvest beyond their wildest imaginings. As Archbishop Thomas Wenski from the U.S Conference of Catholic Bishops Committee for Religious Liberty has noted, *"The right to religious freedom has its foundation in the very dignity of the human person. Religious freedom is the human right that guarantees all other rights – peace and creative living together will only be possible if freedom of religion is fully respected."* Fr John

**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/>

**SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION:** We congratulate and continue to pray for those children and their families who in recent weeks have gathered to celebrate **First Reconciliation**. They remind us that our thoughts, words and deeds have an impact for good or ill. May the children continue to grow in awareness of the love of God calling them to new life, always to new life. 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).**

**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](http://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](mailto:mulvaney@netspeed.com.au) . **Prayer Circle Support:** Cathy Harris, 6281 2574.

**Readings for next Sunday:** Wisdom 12: 13, 16-19; Romans 8: 26-27; Matthew 13: 24-43.

<b>LITURGICAL ROSTERS NEXT WEEK: 18-19 July, the Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)</b>			
<i>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Month</i>	<b>Curtin Sat. 6pm</b>	<b>Curtin Sun. 9.30 am</b>	<b>Curtin Sun. 5.30 pm</b>
<b>Acolyte</b>	Long Nguyen	Stafferd Fernandez	Gary Parker
<b>Servers</b>			Ava and Ella Morris
<b>Reader</b>	Volunteer required	Alan Grinsell-Jones	Robert Rice
<b>Commentator</b>	Emma Fairfax	Claire Frazer	
<b>Welcomer</b>	Kim Hofmeier	Lesley Kettle	
<b>Ministers of Comm.</b>	Christine McLaughlin, Nedra Kelaart	Claire Fraser, Marie O'Donnell, Juliana Maher	Lyn Granlund,
<b>Communion to Sick</b>	St Andrew's: <b>No visits at this time</b>	Fred Ward: <b>No visits at this time</b>	Homes: <b>No visits at this time</b>
<b>Collectors</b>	J David	Ted Fitzgerald	G Nash
<b>Collection Counters</b>	Margaret Wilson, M Flinn, Michael Higgins		

NOTE: We will continue to publish the rosters mindful not all are attending Mass at this time. You might need to step up in the absence of a rostered parishioner.