



## PARISH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION, NORTH WODEN

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**8-9 August, the Nineteenth 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:** Look to your covenant, O Lord, and forget not the life of your poor ones for ever. Arise, O God, and defend your cause, and forget not the cries of those who seek you.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** Alleluia, alleluia! I hope in the Lord, I trust in his word. Alleluia!

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:** O Jerusalem, glorify the Lord, who gives you your fill of finest wheat.

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

**Recently Deceased:** Victims of Beirut port explosion, Victims of COVID, Barbara Develin, Kathleen O'Shea, Pat Carter, Hilary Halpin, Gabriella Bufalo, Mary Flanagan, Brendan Laurie, Peter Hackwill, 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 Sowry, Victims of the Corona virus.

**Anniversaries of Death:** Marie Pugh, Marjory Swan, Tony O'Donnell, Pam Dewhurst, Arthur and Doreen Job, Peter Crane, Ron Beath, Antoine Chuc Nguyen, Anne Perkins, Patrick Kiely, Tano Travia, Ellen Woods, Kathleen Majer, Molly Poole, Brian Lacey, Vonnie Beath, Margaret Joyce, Wendy Egan, Cecily Howden, Frank Williams, Kathleen Rowe.

### MAY THE SICK BE COMFORTED BY OUR PRAYERS

Jim and Maureen Daly, Mark Tirrikainen, Nicola Sheehan, Fr Laurie Blake, Emma Lowe, 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.

### *Staying Focused*

**"He was ok so long as he kept his eyes on Jesus. When he didn't, he began to sink."** That comment was made by a member of our Parish Pastoral Council when we gathered last Thursday and reflected on this Sunday's Gospel. Close to twenty years ago, courtesy of my brother's generosity, I did some advance driving courses in a BMW M3 (manual transmission, of course) at Eastern Creek (now Sydney International Raceway). Having had an interest in cars from boyhood and with aspirations to race, I loved it. One of the many points made was that you drive where you are looking. It is true. Eyes up, focus ahead and drive appropriately. Driving down the Clyde Mountain at one with the car and looking ahead, apexing and exiting the corners at speed is one of (my) life's great pleasures. **Where are we looking? It is an appropriate question for each of us as we come to the end of Vocations Week (2-9 August). Mary MacKillop was working as a governess at Penola, South Australia and looking to follow her Lord.** It was in responding to the educational needs of neglected children that Mary felt called. The Sisters of St Joseph resulted and the rest is history. Countless children and many others are the beneficiaries of her focus on the Lord. Mary was canonised in 2010. **Another woman also inspired by St John of the Cross and honoured by the Church at this time is Edith Stein.** Edith was raised a Jew though a professed atheist as a teenager. She was later a student of philosophy working to doctoral level despite anti-Semitic attitudes and a misogynistic academia. Edith was received into the Church and joined the Carmelites, taking the religious name of Teresa Benedicta of the Cross having been inspired by the writings of St Teresa of Avila. Later transferred from Germany to Holland she had written to Pope Pius XI asking that he speak out against the Nazi regime. In July 1942 the Dutch Bishops condemned Nazi racism. In response, the Nazis ordered the arrest of all Jewish converts and Sr Teresa, along with her sister, Rosa who had also converted and joined the Carmelites, died in Auschwitz-Birkenau, 9 August 1943. Teresa was canonised in 1998 and is one of six patron saints of Europe. If God's

Spirit can move so powerfully in a fisherman, a governess and a philosopher then in us too, surely? Each of them had cause to cry out, **“Lord, save me”**. **They trusted and felt the Lord’s strong hand rescue them from the deep. They stayed the course. Might their intercession help us to do the same.** Fr John

**WEEKEND MASS REGISTRATION:** Go to <https://www.trybooking.com/> and follow 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.**

**CONFIRMATION:** Preparation is proceeding. Inquiries to the Parish Office, 6281 3999 or [wodennorth@cg.org.au](mailto:wodennorth@cg.org.au) .

**SUNDAY MORNING CUPPA:** We are in need of volunteers to serve a cuppa in the Parish Centre after the 9.30am Sunday Mass. Call Michelle, 0423 692 543 for more info.

**‘CARE TAXI’ generously covered the cost of our beautiful votive candle display adjacent to the statue of Our Lady.** If you would like regular transport to and from Mass with other parishioners at a very reasonable rate, please call Danny M: 0451 734 334 or E: [services@caretaxi.com.au](mailto:services@caretaxi.com.au)

**‘SHOW ‘n SHINE’:** I have had discussions with the ACT Street Machine Club about hosting an event in our carpark later this year, COVID permitting. Would you be interested in helping to organise the same from the parish side contact Fr John 0418 208 129 or the Parish Office, 6281 3999

**For Women: (1) ‘Women Alive’** (local Indian, Pakistani and Sri Lankan Catholic women) warmly invites all Catholic women to their monthly rosary and reflection, 4.30pm, Sun, 8 August. Contact Winniefred, 0451 015 527, [winrebello09@gmail.com](mailto:winrebello09@gmail.com) . **(2) Retreat based on St Catherine of Siena** offered in-person at St Thomas the Apostle, Boddington St., Kambah, 9am until dinner, Sat 22 August, or online. Inquiries to [mgl sisters@gamil.com](mailto:mgl sisters@gamil.com). **(3) ‘Women’s Reflection Afternoon’**, hosted by Archdiocesan Women’s Taskforce, 2-4pm, Sat 29 Aug. Inquiries, [catholic.women@cg.org.au](mailto:catholic.women@cg.org.au) or Lara, 0429192869.

**For the Young: (1) Last Sunday afternoon, our Youth Workers Grace and Maddie, who regularly work in our Parish Schools, facilitated engaging activities for our upper Primary students who gathered at 4.30pm in the Parish Centre.** The meetings will continue on the first Sunday of the month and we are looking forward to a **Youth focus Mass** down the line, as well as **‘Youth Nights’** which will have a wide appeal. This weekend we are recommencing **Children’s Liturgy** during the 9.30am Mass and it will continue on a fortnightly basis. Would you be willing to assist? Contact the Parish Office. Finally, check our **Parish Facebook page** which has been updated. **(2) My Voice** is an archdiocesan initiative inviting students in Years 4 to 7 to articulate their rights and responsibilities within the Church. Go to [cgyouth.org.au/myvoice](http://cgyouth.org.au/myvoice) or email [youth@cg.org.au](mailto:youth@cg.org.au) for more information.

**National Men’s Gathering, 15 August** is an online event of four pre-recorded sessions suitable for individuals or groups of men offering inspiration for discipleship in the family and beyond. Register at [bit.ly/cm2020event](http://bit.ly/cm2020event)

**Young Adults Spring Ball:** This is being organised by Canberra students and young professionals for 9 October (or later depending on COVID). They are seeking expressions of interest by end of July. More info on Canberra Spring Ball Facebook page, or via Belle Joseph, 0412 689 976, or <https://cgatholic.org.au/canberraspringball/>

**TAX RECEIPTS (2019-20)** are available on request from the Parish Office on 6281 3999 or [wodennorth@cg.org.au](mailto:wodennorth@cg.org.au) .

**PARISH MEDITATION GROUP** meet weekly. Details Vikki McDonough, [mulvaney@netspeed.com.au](mailto:mulvaney@netspeed.com.au) or 0437 876 487  
**Prayer Circle Support:** Cathy Harris, 6281 2574.

**Readings for next Sunday:** Is 56:1, 6-7; Rom 11:13-15, 29-32; Mt 15: 21-28.

<b>LITURGICAL ROSTERS NEXT WEEK: 15-16 August, the Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)</b>			
<i>3rd 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>	Gary Parker	Stafferd Fernandez	Darryl Kite
<b>Servers</b>			Ava and Ella Morris
<b>Reader</b>	Volunteer required	Therese Keily-Wynter	Dennis Granlund
<b>Commentator</b>	Emma Fairfax	Michael Wilcock	
<b>Welcomer</b>	Kim Hofmeier	Margaret Ryan	
<b>Ministers of Comm.</b>	Christine McLaughlin, Nedra Kelaart	Anne Perera, 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	Volunteer required	G Nash
<b>Collection Counters</b>	M Flinn, Michael Higgins		

