



Lord, it is wonderful
for us to be here.

PARISH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION, NORTH WODEN

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26-27 September, the Twenty-Sixth 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: All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Remember your mercies, O Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me. Alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.

MAY THE DECEASED REST IN PEACE AND RISE IN EASTER GLORY

Recently Deceased: Joan Allan, Sebastian Webb, John Fahey, Tony Patterson, Maria Pullin (sister of Bishop Pat), Kevin Fitzpatrick, Barbara Koren, Janette Edwards, Joan Maher, Toni Clark, Mary Grech, Sr Mary Paul OLHC, Louise Tarlinton, Victims of Beirut port explosion, Victims of the Corona virus, 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.

Anniversaries of Death: Helen Day, Nick Dulay, Jose Infante, Valerie Mills, Pat Ryan and Jack Ryan, Melanie Swan, Jeanette Webster, Nicanor Pazcoquin, Paul Murphy, Sr John Keenan RSM, Sr Germaine RSM, Marie Pugh, Marjory Swan, Tony O'Donnell, Pam Dewhurst, Arthur and Doreen Job, Peter Crane, Ron Beath, Antoine Chuc Nguyen, Anne Perkins.

MAY THE SICK BE COMFORTED BY OUR PRAYERS

Kyra Berger, Ian McDonald, Jim and Maureen Daly, Mark Tirrikainen, Nicola Sheehan, Fr Laurie Blake, Emma Lowe, 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.

TO WALK THE TALK

The difference between honour and obedience underpins today's Gospel. Our western minds would have it that I should do what I say. However, in the honour-based society of the Middle East one could publicly honour one's father by speaking respectfully if not acting accordingly. And so, the first son dishonoured his father in public by refusing to go into the vineyard (though he later did), whereas the second son honoured his father in public by saying he would go (though he did not). **However, Jesus did not ask which son honoured his father but, "Which of the two did the father's will?" Of course, the first son did. Jesus goes on to have a crack at those who publicly honour or pay lip service to God but whose actions are inconsistent with what they profess.** They 'talk the talk but they don't walk the talk'. *"The toll collectors and harlots are like the first son. Initially they said no to God, but hearing John the Baptist's preaching they converted and are doing what pleases God. The chief priests and elders are like the second son. They too heard John's preaching and saw the responses of the toll collectors and harlots. They feigned acceptance but refused to accept John as a messenger from God. They gave an honourable word, but that is not enough. "Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord', will enter reign of God, but only the one who does the will of my Father in heaven" (Matt 7:21) (James J Pilch).* Further, our First Reading from Ezekiel strongly challenges the idea that one is punished for the sins of past generations. Ezekiel is at pains to emphasise that we are only punished for our own sins. This is not to question that

bad things happen to the virtuous and evil alike. And so, as our Second Reading exhorts, in the face of whatever one's circumstances the proper disposition should be that of Jesus: obedience to or conformity with the will of the Father, even to the point of death. It is not possible to comply with will of God if we go it alone. We need the reassurance of God's Word, the nurture of the Eucharist and the presence of each other. We need community. We need to gather. We need Sunday Mass. Please encourage family and friends to gather: we need them, they need us and we all need the embrace of our loving God. COVID has reminded us of this. **Yet God is not hampered by social distancing; God seeks intimacy with us, all of us and especially together.** 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.**

Liturgical Rosters: Until Mass numbers can be increased beyond the current 100, it is not proposed to renew the liturgical rosters. If you notice the need for the exercise of a liturgical ministry, mindful that we are not having liturgical ministers assist with the distribution of Holy Communion or parishioners bring forward the offertory gifts, please step forward. The ministry of welcomer at this time can be especially helpful in offering a warm welcome, directing people to sign in and to collect a parish bulletin.

Sacrament of First Eucharist: Children in Year 4 or above who have celebrated their First Reconciliation may be enrolled in the Parish's Family-Based Sacramental Program for First Eucharist. Enrolments will commence shortly. Please contact the Parish Office if your child does not attend a Parish school. The enrolment form and associated fee must be received by 13 October.

ANNUAL ST VINCENT DE PAUL RETIRING COLLECTION will be held after all Masses this weekend, 26-27 Sept. for the support of twinned conferences in Indonesia and India. Receipts available. Online donations to: BSB 062-786, A/C 14760, Code: Oznam Curtin.

COMMUNION TO THE AGED AND HOUSEBOUND: We would like to resume the taking of Holy Communion to those in homes and aged care residences. Visitation of the latter will require proof of having a flu vaccine. If you would like to assist, please contact the Parish Office this week so that a current roster might be drawn up, mindful that some who previously undertook this ministry are not regularly attending Mass at present.

BRICKLAYER WANTED: We need a bricklayer to repair the brick work around the water drainage pits under the eaves of the church. After repaired we plan to place wooden seats on the same to improve the amenity and ambience of the church surrounds. Pls contact the Parish Office or Fr John

CONFIRMATION: We extend prayerful congratulations to the young parishioners and their families who gathered for the celebration of Confirmation on Tues and Wed and the previous Tues and Wed.

Season of Creation finishes on 4 Oct. the feast of St Francis of Assisi. Pope Francis is calling us to ecological conversion. If you would like to participate making two large banners "Care for Creation" to be displayed in front of our Parish churches please contact Vikki, 0437 876 487. The workshop will take place 1-4pm Sat. 3 Oct.

2021 Columban Art Calendars can now be ordered via the Parish Office.

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

Readings for next Sunday: Is 5:1-7; Phil 4:6-9; Mt 21:33-43.

LITURGICAL ROSTERS NEXT WEEK: 3-4 October, the Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)			
<i>1st Sunday of the Month</i>	Curtin Sat. 6pm	Curtin Sun. 9.30 am	Curtin Sun. 5.30 pm
Acolyte	Long Nguyen	Stafferd Fernandez	Mark Murphy
Servers			William and Samuel Cains
Reader	Tony Butler	Claire Frazer	Greg Nash
Commentator	Alex Eyers	Alan Grinsell-Jones	
Welcomer	Jacquie Mullen	Max Grinsell-Jones	
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	Volunteer required	G Anderson, G Freebody, P Hughes
Collection Counters	B Carmody, Joanne Mitchell		