



PARISH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION, NORTH WODEN

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3-4 April, Easter Sunday (Year B)

WEEKDAY AND WEEKEND MASSES, LITURGY and RECONCILIATION TIMES:

Monday	9.30am Curtin
Tuesday	9.30am 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, 5.30pm Curtin

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia. You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia. Too wonderful for me this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! Christ has become our paschal sacrifice; let us feast with joy in the Lord. Alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia; therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia.

MAY THE DECEASED REST IN PEACE AND RISE IN EASTER GLORY

Recently Deceased: Michael Horton, Caterina Res, Fr Harold Baker MSC, Bill Coyle, Bruno Wolnicki, Phil Smith, Bryan Kennedy (brother of Fr Bill Kennedy), Nora Brown, Jill O'Connor, Fr Kevin Barry-Cotter, Bette Sullivan, Bishop Bede Heather, former Bishop of Parramatta, Jim McMahan, Kathleen Hogan, Felicity Bearder, John Mason, Jim Daly, Janet Swan, Denis Lenihan, Archbishop Philip Wilson, Katerina Imsivovic, Fr Lino Zamperoni, Dave Barrow, Fr Tim Cahill, Maria Italiano, Maree Spillane, Bishop Geoffrey Robinson, Ellen Thompson, June Barrett, Audry Stilling, and victims of COVID.

Anniversaries of Death: Wendy Egan, Malcolm Allison, Cecily Howden, Keith McLaughlin, Richard Pugh, Joe Caruana, John Frawley, Jack Perry, Desmond Lilley, Patsy Edwards, Sylvia Cronin, George Pugh, Francesco Iacovetta, Kevin Wilson, Chris Perkins, Joanne Binutti, Peter Marlow, Margaret Frawley, Canico Gusmao Belo, John Holtzapffel.

MAY THE SICK BE COMFORTED BY OUR PRAYERS

Eleanor Dorman, Frank Boyle, Margaret Jones, Marilyn Pugh, Fred Schinkel, Jeffrey Harris, Peta Doyle, Nick Palethorpe, Mark Williams, Michael Baker, Andrea Miller, Grayham Rundle, Kyra Berger, Ian McDonald, Maureen Daly, Mark Tirrikainen, Fr Laurie Blake, Emma Lowe, Rose Winstanley, Joseph Garside, those afflicted with COVID.

TO LISTEN AMIDST THE CLAMOUR

Fr Michael Kelly SJ acknowledges that for all of us there are times when the 'wheels fall off'. The ongoing pandemic has writ large that reality for the world. Personally and more immediately, it can be a result of physical or mental health challenges, relationship breakdown, financial imposts, addictive behaviour, prejudicial attitudes (sexism, ageism, racism, bigotry) or the melancholia that results from a lack of trust in institutions or individuals. Whatever, Kelly comments:

What are we to do? What on earth might we find in the stories and personalities of this time in the Christian year – Holy Week – to illuminate these experiences that are what old-time spiritual guides used to call our "share in the Cross of Jesus"?

What is to be done? And if we are Christian and have a relationship with God who promises us joy in abundance if we ask, what are we to do to trigger the flow of that goodness?

This is what I do: the first thing is to accept that nothing can happen if I am not ready to fall silent for some time – silent so I can hear the still, silent voice of the Spirit at the core of my being inviting me to the place of contemplative stillness where God’s Spirit can have a say in my life.

Next, I strive for honesty in finding out what I really need, usually, it is peace – the pervasive and presence filled calm that lifts me from the driven, self-absorbed often panic-filled state of disturbance that can wreck my core being and keep me away from God.

The next step is to name what I really want from God – the gift I can’t will into life on my own to appear for me.

Then I let go into the emptiness of the knowledge that the desired outcome is beyond me to create, that I may well be kidding myself about God’s loving care.

Then I simply listen.

Once I have stilled the insistent clamour that indignation, anger or any number of discordant emotions can stir, I often move to the simple exercise of counting my blessings.

Reflecting on it afterwards, I always come back to the same things – the peace I really long for is better known as acceptance and the shortest way home to acceptance is to pray for the gift of gratitude, naming the gifts I’m grateful for.

This will be my prayer on Good Friday.

(Michael Kelly, “Some Thoughts During Holy Week”, in John Menadue’s online Public Policy Journal, ‘Pearls and Irritations’, Wednesday, 31 March 2021)

Fr John



EUCHARIST MINISTERS will resume next Sunday, see roster below.

RAAF CENTENARY: We give thanks for those men and women who have and those who continue to serve in the Royal Australian Airforce. May the 11,191 who died in service Rest in Peace.

CONCERNED CATHOLICS ZOOM FORUM, Thurs 8 April, 7.30-9.30pm, ‘A Diocesan Pastoral Council for the Archdiocese: Why Not?’. To connect, www.concernedcatholicscanberra.org/new-events, or Mark, 0417 603 697.

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: Acts 4:32-35; 1 Jn 5:1-6; Jn 20:19-31.

LITURGICAL ROSTERS NEXT WEEK: 10-11 April, Second Sunday of Easter(Year B)			
<i>2nd Sunday of the Month</i>	Curtin Sat. 6pm	Curtin Sun. 9.30 am	Curtin Sun. 5.30 pm
Acolyte	Anthony De Salis	Gary Parker	Mark Murphy
Servers	Rose Jaram		
Reader	G Jaram	Bianca D’Rosario	Rita Daniels
Commentator	Rachel Smith	Juliana Maher	
Welcomer	Volunteer required	Juliana Maher	
Ministers of Comm.	Melissa Bray, Sarah Buchanan, Dan Lee	Marie Doherty, Tania Fernandez	Pat Wadsworth, Cushla Sheehan, Barb Mills
Communion to Sick	St Andrew’s: Nedra Kelaart	Fred Ward: Margaret Ryan	Homes: Lyn Granlund
Collectors	J David	Volunteer required	P Kelly, Ava & Ella Morris
Collection Counters	<i>12 April</i>	Michelle Wilson, J Eyers, Michael Duffy	
Wednesday Liturgy	<i>7 April</i>	Leader of Prayer: Christine McLaughlin	Eucharistic Minister: Gael Nicholls