Lord, it is wonderful for us to be here.

PARISH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION, NORTH WODEN

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19-20 June, Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time (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: The Lord is the strength of his people, a saving refuge for the one he has anointed. Save

your people, Lord, and bless your heritage, and govern them for ever. **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**: Give thanks to the Lord, his love is everlasting.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people.

Alleluia!

<u>COMMUNION ANTIPHON</u>: The eyes of all look to you, Lord, and you give them their food in due season.

MAY THE DECEASED REST IN PEACE AND RISE IN EASTER GLORY

<u>Recently Deceased</u>: Joe Gellatly, Graham English, Joy Finlayson, Michael O'Keefe, Maxine Wilson, Sally-Anne Roberts, Debbie Kensey, Joe Winner, Elizabeth O'Brien, Fr Paul O'Neil (East Maitland), Elizabeth Archer, Mary Quinton, Christine Collins, Eleanor Dorman, Patricia Brill, Maj. Gen. (ret'd) Peter Day, Patrick O'Flaherty, Ivi Ward, Peter Verbeek, Frank Boyle, George Salvestro and victims of COVID.

<u>Anniversaries of Death</u>: Fr Leandro Infante, Patrick Keily, Ellen Woods, Gaetano Travia, Marilu Bottaro, Annie Jones, David jones, Barney Crowe, Cecil Wagstaff, John and Maria Nguyen, Angelina De Alemeida, Gerard Shiels, Bernie Carpenter.

MAY THE SICK BE COMFORTED BY OUR PRAYERS

Timothy Roberts, Chris Geraghty, Paul Brown, Fr Brian Maher, Fr Laurie Blake, Jeannette Clarke, Jim Molan, Elsy Poulse, 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, Emma Lowe, Rose Winstanley, Joseph Garside, those afflicted with COVID.

The Encouragement of Hospitality

Today's readings are about power. God's power. For the ancients the world of spirits (good and bad) was as real as the material world. The issue in the Gospel where Jesus calms the storm is 'where does his power come from?' **Today, Sunday 20 June is World Refugee Day. A day to celebrate and honour refugees from around the world. A day to acknowledge a power imbalance.** Fr Andrew Hamilton SJ last week noted that in the 19th century ironic version of the Ten Commandments of poet Arthur Hugh Clough, his Fifth Commandment was: *Thou shalt not kill, but needs not strive officiously to keep alive.*

- ". . . The lines implied that governments and employers were not entitled to kill the people who depended on them, but had no responsibility to prevent them from dying of starvation.
- ... Clough's lines speak to our world, too. Throughout the world preoccupied with coronavirus and the difficulties of overcoming it, people are tempted to be focused on their own lives, their own families, and their own nations . . .

This is a global phenomenon that threatens to erode compassion for all people who suffer from disadvantage or are different. The lack of sympathy for refugees is reflected in Australia in the separation of family members within Australia, the way in which security is appealed to in order to make detention centres inhumane, the sudden decisions to process people who have sought protection for seven years or more, with a finishing date that will prevent many from seeking legal advice essential for their cause, and in the cruel detention of people in hotels which offer the sights and sound of freedom while depriving people of its reality.

In the present climate it would be wishful thinking that things will change soon. In public debates governments will win more votes than they lose through the brutal treatment of refugees. If we care for refugees, then, we must be in for the long haul, encouraging one another 'officiously to keep alive', to take the opportunity to meet refugees, to speak on their behalf to our friends and institutions, to keep writing to government ministers and our members of parliament ins support of people in detention and in the community, and to ask more of our government" ('The Encouragement of Hospitality', Fr Andrew Hamilton SJ, Editorial Consultant at Jesuit Communications, 14 June 2021).

After the compassion of God revealed in Jesus, World Refugee Day calls us to draw on particular gifts of the Holy Spirit received in the Sacrament of Confirmation – which 71 young parishioners celebrated last week - namely, **Knowledge, Understanding, Wisdom, Courage and Right Judgement.** Locally, we are being called to discern **the future good of our parish.** This will be addressed in a presentation at all Masses, with supportive documentation in the foyer, including a request for your opinion on the future of St Peter and Paul Church, Garran. **In all things, where is God's Spirit calling?**

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL have arranged for guest speaker Alan Tongue, man of Christian faith, former Canberra Raiders player (2000-2011) and captain, creator of innovative programmes for teenagers and now NRL ambassador, 7.30pm, this Wednesday, 23 June, Parish Centre. Refreshments will be served. All welcome.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES for financial year 2021-2022 are available for collection in the church foyer. Please do <u>not</u> use old envelopes as some numbers have changed and donated amount may not be recorded correctly if old envelopes are used.

SPEAKERS: (1) Fr Frank Brennan SJ will address *The Pell Case: Lessons for Church and State* at the St Thomas More Forum, this Friday, 25 June, 7.30pm, St T M School Hall, 24 White Cres, Campbell, Inquiries: 6248 5472. (2) John Anderson AO, will address *Ethics & Political Life* at the Inaugural Tim Fischer Oration 6.30pm, 26 August, Great Hall, Parliament House. Tickets: www.tfo.org.au.

SUNDAY HOSPITALITY have two spots available for volunteers. Required only every second month after the 9.30am Mass. Training provided if needed. Come and join the fun!! Please text Michelle on 0423 692 543 if you can assist.

INDIGENOUS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT: During our 3-4 July Masses, at the commencement of NAIDOC Week, 4-11 July, we will bless a plaque prepared by the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic Council (www.natsicc.org.au). The plaque will be later placed in the church foyer. The assistance of a parishioner of Aboriginal descent at each Mass would be much appreciated. Please contact the Parish Office if you could assist.

ARCHDIOCESAN WOMEN'S TASKFORCE invite you to inaugural St Mary Magdalene Dinner, 6.30pm, Friday 16 July, Southern Cross Club, Phillip. Guest speaker Sr Margaret Beirne RSC, scripture scholar and lecturer. Cost \$65 per head. Enquiries: Beth 0432 608 310. Bookings at https://www.eventbrite.com/e/mary-magdalene-dinner-16-july-2021-tickets-153913775245

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: Wis 1:13-15, 2:23-24; 2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15; Mk 5:21-43.

LITURGICAL ROSTERS NEXT WEEK: 26-27 June, Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)					
4 th Sunday of the Month	Curtin Sat. 6pm		Curtin Sun. 9.30 am		Curtin Sun. 5.30 pm
Acolyte	Anthony De Salis		Dan McKay		Mark Murphy
Servers					
Reader	V Ciuffetelli		Juliana Maher		K Anderson
Commentator	Nedra Kelaart		Denis Howden		
Welcomer	Margaret Williams		Volunteer required		
Ministers of Comm.	Tony Butler, Rachel Smith,		Jane Hunt, Peter Wynter		Anne Hitchings
	Alex Eyers				
Communion to Sick	St Andrew's: Nedra Kelaart		Fred Ward: J O'Connor, M Crane		Homes: Moya Kennelly
Collectors	J David		Volunteer required		Volunteer required
Collection Counters	28 June Rosemary O'M	Rosemary O'Mally, Bryan Stevens			
Wednesday Liturgy	23 June Leader of Pray	Leader of Prayer: John & Alex Eyers Eucharistic Mini		ster: Emma Fairfax	