



*Lord, it is wonderful  
for us to be here.*

## PARISH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION, NORTH WODEN

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### 11-12 February 2023, the Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

#### 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 (including Anointing on First Friday)
Saturday	Reconciliation 5.00-5.30pm; Mass 6.00pm Curtin
Sunday	9.30am and 5.30pm Curtin

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:** Be my protector, O God, a mighty stronghold to save me. For you are my rock, my stronghold! Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** Happy are they who follow the law of the Lord!

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom. Alleluia!

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:** They ate and had their fill, and what they craved the Lord gave them; they were not disappointed in what they craved.

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

**Recently Deceased:** Earthquake victims in Türkiye and Syria, Fr Neville Drinkwater, Kyra Berger, Victims of US shootings, Sheila Langtry, Wendy Poole, Paul Bryant, Joyce Theodore, Janice Orr, Jim Molan, Renee Gayer, Lisa Marie Presley, Jeff Beck, Cardinal George Pell, Michael Keech, Vin Kane, Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, John Suckling, Pele, Fr Desmond Purcell, Yongrae Lee, Connie Vella, Kate Madden, Romano Ippoliti, Henry Keough, Katie Smith, Bill Byrne, Dao Jensen, Margaret Linden, Shooting victims in Qld, Mary Milton, Robynne Morton, Ramil S. Cruz, Roderick M. Pagdanganan, West Java earthquake victims, Sharon Woods, Fr Peter Maher, Nessa Delaney, Scott Roberts, Leodegario Alimangohan, Veronica Sen, Adam Ryan, victims of war in Ukraine and victims of COVID.

**Anniversaries of Death:** Rod Frazer, George Pugh, Jack Perry, Mary Taxworth, Desmond Lilley, Kevin Wilson, Laurence Raymond Spargo, Noel Lane, David Power, Dix and Keily families, Margaret Cusack, Brian Brown, Joanne Binutti, Christopher Perkins, John Holtzapffel, Peter Marlow, Vincent Huang, Ellen Stening, Peter Majer, Bali bombing victims, Denzil Gomez and victims of COVID.

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

John O'Connor, Hennie Timmerman, Jan Chesworth, Peter Hewitt, Stephanie De Jongh, Shaun Clancy, Patrick Jones, Julianna Maher, Jack Kennelly, Susie Menadue, Philomena Fisher, Rajan Fernandez, Kathleen Belfanti, Ljubica Gotovac, Jose Arquero, Olga Johnson, Patricia Zorzi, Wendy Altimore, Karen Lloyd, David Swan, Grant Brookes, John Grant, Rosa Winstanley, John Manning, John Della Libera, Iole Cicolini, Gaie Ross, James Biddle, Carolyn Wightman, Peter McDade, Lorraine King, Greg Geering, Chandrika, Anselm and Venura Grero and those afflicted with COVID.

#### **BEYOND THE LAW**

Laws, orders, commandments, who likes them? Don't they take away our freedom? Yet the word of God tells us: make your free choice between life and death. We see Jesus make his free choice repeatedly, as at his baptism, his temptations, during his agony in the garden. He chose God, his mission, for that was his life. He lives in us; in us and with him he invites us to choose life and love and to go with him beyond the commandments. Then we will be really free.

*Marivoet, Fr. Camilo J. (1998). Liturgy Alive Models of Celebration (Cycle A).*

**HIP REPLACEMENT RECOVERY:** During my absence following hip surgery, weekday Masses will be celebrated by visiting clergy at 9.30am Mon, Tues and Fri, with a Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion at 9.30am Wed, and at 5.30pm Thurs in lieu of the usual evening Mass. Weekend Masses will continue as usual. On Ash Wednesday, 22 Feb, the beginning of Lent (but not a holy day of obligation though many gather for Mass), there will be only one parish Mass at 9.30am. Thank you for your understanding and support of your fellow parishioners and visiting clergy who will variously assist. *Fr John*

**TEACHERS' PRESENTATION:** teachers from our two schools will be presented and prayed for at next Saturday's 6pm Mass.

**MINISTRY ROSTER RENEWAL:** Thank you to all of those who have served on rosters in the parish during the past few years. However rosters have not been updated for several years and need updating. At all Masses at the next two weekends members of the parish Liturgy Committee will invite parishioners to volunteer for liturgical ministries for the next two years. Information will be provided and there will be short information/training sessions in March. We will commence the new rosters after Easter.

**'TRIUMPH' is the title of the Diocese of Wollongong 2023 Lenten program.** Limited copies will be available free over the weekend of 19-20 Feb.

**ST CHRISTOPHER'S CATHEDRAL 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF CONSECRATION:** A year of celebration is proposed, including a 'more formal' celebration with Archbishop Christopher on 17 March, the Feast of St Patrick.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT** was held this week. Families are now preparing their children to celebrate the sacrament. Please keep them in your prayers. Further details are available from the RECs at Holy Trinity School and St Peter and Paul School or the parish office.

**CHRISTIANS FOR AN ETHICAL SOCIETY FORUM – 'Beyond Self-Centeredness: Is Economics Built on the Right Foundation?'** Peter Martin AM, 7pm, Tues., 21 Feb., Chambers Pavilion, ACCC Barton.

**TRIVIA NIGHT (AND 'TRASH AND TREASURE' SALE) IN SUPPORT OF AFGHAN REFUGEE FAMILY,** 6.30pm, Thursday, 23 February, Parish Centre. Tickets \$30 ea. RSVP by Monday, 21 February, to Robin at [onebigmother8@gmail.com](mailto:onebigmother8@gmail.com).

**SHOW'N SHINE 2023** will be held in the school/church carpark on Sunday, 26 March, following morning Mass commencing that day at 8.30am. Proceeds raised in conjunction with ACT Street Machine Association will assist Camp Quality.

**PARISH BULLETIN:** is available online at <http://cg.org.au/wodennorth> alternatively if you would like to receive a copy via email please contact the Parish Office and provide your contact details to [wodennorth@cg.org.au](mailto:wodennorth@cg.org.au).

**MEDITATION GROUP:** 6pm, Wednesdays. All welcome. Contact Vikki, 0437 876 487, [mulvaney@netspeed.com.au](mailto:mulvaney@netspeed.com.au).

**PRAYER CIRCLE SUPPORT:** Cathy Harris, 6281 2574.

**Readings for next Sunday:** Seventh Sunday in Ord. Time Year A, 19/2; Lv 19:1-2. 17-18; 1 Cor 3:16-23; Mt 5:38-48.

<b>LITURGICAL ROSTERS NEXT WEEK:</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>	Gary Parker	Stafferd Fernandez	Darryl Kite
<b>Servers</b>			Ava and Ella Morris
<b>Reader</b>	Margaret Ryan	Therese Keily-Wynter	Dennis Granlund
<b>Commentator</b>	Emma Fairfax	Volunteer required	
<b>Welcomer</b>	Kim Hofmeier	Volunteer required	
<b>Ministers of Comm.</b>	Christine McLaughlin, Nedra Kelaart	Anne Perera, Juliana Maher	Lyn Granlund
<b>Communion to Sick</b>	St Andrew's: Liz Anderson	Fred Ward: Emma Fairfax	Homes: Moya Kennelly
<b>Collectors</b>	J David	Volunteer required	G Nash
<b>Collection Counters</b>	<i>20 Feb.</i> Michael Higgins		
<b>Wednesday Liturgy</b>	<i>15 Feb.</i> Prayer Leader: Lijoy Lukose	Eucharistic Minister: Deepthi Mathew	

Parish office hours: Monday 9am-3.30pm, Wednesday 9am-4.30pm and Friday 9am-3.30pm (excluding public holidays).