



PARISH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION, NORTH WODEN

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2-3 December 2023, First Sunday of Advent, Year B

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH WEEKDAY AND WEEKEND MASSES, LITURGY and RECONCILIATION TIMES:

Monday	9.30am Curtin
Tuesday	9.30am Curtin
Wednesday	9.30am Curtin (Lit of Word and H Comm)
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: To you, I lift up my soul, O my God. In you, I have trusted; let me not be put to shame. Nor let my enemies exult over me; and let none who hope in you be put to shame.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Lord, make us turn to you, let us see your face and we shall be saved.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation. Alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: The Lord will bestow his bounty, and our earth shall yield its increase.

MAY THE DECEASED REST IN PEACE AND RISE IN EASTER GLORY

Recently Deceased: Wolfgang Hoeful, Sr M Barbara Fogarty, rsj, Hennie Timmerman, Kathleen Stewart, Seamus O’Kane, Josefa Pivar Sullivan, Patricia Belden, Michael Morrisroe, Kathryn Keane, Victims of Israel-Palestine war, shooting victims of Maine, USA, Rob Docker, Frank Boyle, Libby Roberts, Peggy Denny, Peter Hewitt, Mary McNamara, Denise Lynch, Jennifer O’Shannassy, Peter Nally, Raphael, Evita & Philomena Smith, victims of Israel-Palestine conflict, Tim Eaton, Victor Marillanca, Peggy Denny, victims of war in Ukraine and victims of COVID.

Anniversaries of Death: Christopher Perkins, John Holtzapffel, Sharon Woods, Peter Majer, Peter Marlow, Mary Huang, Adam Ryan, Oreste Trinca, Gaetano & Diomina De Simone, Tiffen family, Frank Smith, Josh McKinnon, Vincent Huang, Jerome Woods, Anne Taylor, Giovanni Mammoliti, Melanie Swan, Marc Kelaart, Pat and Jack Ryan, Gerard Smith, Paul Murphy, Charlie Morella, Marjory Swan, Brian Kain, Felicisima Villafuerte, Carlo Binutti, Jim Woods, Marie Pugh, Daniel Joyce, Pam Dewhurst, Ron and Pauline McLennan, and victims of COVID.

MAY THE SICK BE COMFORTED BY OUR PRAYERS

Lorraine Davis, Greg Nash, John Warren, Lily Lim, Donald Stott, Genoveffa and Anco Ceccarelli, Bruno Sinuelli, Richie Noonan, John Woodward, Maria Gallo, Troy Anderson, Maureen Adam, Bill Grant, Tom Brewer, George Toth, Kathleen Belfanti, Stephanie De Jongh, Jack Kennelly, Susie Menadue, Ljubica Gotovac, Jose Arquero, Olga Johnson, Patricia Zorzi, Wendy Altimore, Iole Cicolini, Carolyn Wightman, Greg Geering and those afflicted with COVID.

ALL SHALL BE WELL

Mary Gilmore’s picture is on our ten dollar note. From 1908 until 1930 she edited the Women’s Page in the Australian Worker, allowing women to express views that would not be heard otherwise. Gilmore suffered from mental illness but from her depression she learnt compassion for others. **In the fourteenth century a thirty-year old woman called Julian of Norwich wrote ‘Revelations of Divine Love’.** It was the first book written by a woman in the English language. While the sharing of her visions speaks of love and contentment, it would seem that she too suffered from depression. Perhaps her *“discovery of serenity on a rocky road is what makes her appealing to people who struggle today. Perhaps it is her clear-sightedness (the real meaning of vision) in a dark world, one in which she said, despite the reality of sin and evil, ‘all shall be well and all manner of things shall be well’,* or again, her seeing that *‘God is truly our Mother as he is our Father’ (Michael McGirr).* **Today is the First Sunday of Advent. It is a season of hope. We look forward to the Saviour’s return as our ancestors in faith longed for his first coming which we will celebrate at Christmas. God is faithful, such that our hope is not deceptive (Rmns 5:5-11).** While we await the consummation of our salvation, the Lord’s *“grace and power continually knock at the door of our lives, seeking to move us along his way” (Brendan Byrne).* This will include a share in his sufferings to overcome sin and evil so as to share in his glory. **Attentive**

and awake to the Lord's call, we are like the 'doorkeeper' in today's Gospel. *"The rest of the world may 'sleep', but we are children of the light and of the day (1 Thess 5:5), our lives bathed in the dawning light of the risen Lord and enriched by the hope of his final coming" (ibid).* **And yet there is much that challenges our faith, hope and love.** During Advent the Parish Liturgy Committee is drawing on the ancient image of the Church as a boat, sometimes storm tossed, sometimes moving in calm waters. **Over the weeks of Advent, you are invited to compose and fold a prayer of thanks (yellow paper) and, or a prayer of petition (mauve paper), and place in our stylised boat in front of the altar. The lantern in front of the same reflects the founded Advent hope that 'all shall be well and all manner of things shall be well'.**
Fr John

EUTHANASIA: The Australian Bishops have released a document, *'To Witness and to Accompany with Christian Hope'* to assist those journeying with folk considering voluntary assisted dying. Accompaniment is an act of charity which does not require one to suspend commitment to the Church's clear teaching that euthanasia is never morally permissible. Copies available at the exits.

CHRISTMAS MASSES: With Christmas Day falling on a Monday this year, there will be **NO** 5.30pm Sunday Mass on 24 December. **Christmas Eve Masses** on Sunday, 24 December will be **6pm** in Holy Trinity Church (not as in past years on the school grounds due to irrigation work being carried out) and **9pm**. **Christmas Day Masses** in Holy Trinity Church will be at **8am and 10am**. NB There is no Christmas Day evening Mass.

ENRICHING THE DOMESTIC CHURCH is an initiative to promote a synodal model of church in our archdiocesan 'Year of the Holy Spirit'. Gather this Thursday, 7 Dec, 7:00pm-8:30pm, St Christopher's Pastoral Centre or online after registering at www.cgevangalisation.org.au/roundtables/ to discuss family and marriage issues preparatory to our 2024 Archdiocesan Assembly.

MARIAN MOVEMENT OF PRIESTS is holding their 17th New Year's Eve Prayer Vigil at St Brigid's, Bancroft St, Dickson, Sun 31 Dec, from 8pm until Midnight. All welcome. Info at www.mmp-oceania.net

PLENARY COUNCIL INTERIM REPORT: Following the conclusion of the Plenary Council in July 2022 and prior to the Vatican's 'recognitio' of the Council's nine decrees, an interim report has been released. Copies are available at the exits.

SUNDAY MORNING CUPPA: Each Sunday after the 9.30am Mass parishioners gather in the Parish Centre for a cuppa and chat. All are welcome. **To ensure that this lovely initiative continues, Libby Cremen seeks your assistance before drawing up the 2024 roster.** Rostered duties are a little pre-Mass preparation and then assisting with serving of tea/coffee and biscuits after Mass. A great way for singles, couples or families to serve their parish. If you would like to know more or sign up, contact Libby on 0459 853 552 or libbycremen@hotmail.com by 10 December.

SECOND RITE OF ADVENT RECONCILIATION for the parishioners of Weston Creek, North and South Woden will be celebrated, 7pm, Wed, 13 December, St John Vianney's, 87 Namatjira Dr, Waramanga. Claim the date.

PARISH CHRISTMAS MORNING TEA will be held on Sunday 10 Dec after 9.30am Mass in the Parish Centre. Come along for a chat, coffee or tea, finger food and some Christmas cake.

MEDITATION GROUP: 6pm, Wednesdays. All welcome. Contact Vikki, 0437 876 487, mulvaney@netspeed.com.au.

PRAYER CIRCLE SUPPORT: Cathy Harris, 6281 2574.

Readings for next Sunday: Second Sunday Of Advent, Year B, Is 40:1-5, 9-11; 2 Peter 3:8-14; Mk 1:1-8.

LITURGICAL ROSTERS NEXT WEEK: 9-10 December			
<i>2nd Sunday of the month</i>	Curtin Sat. 6 pm	Curtin Sun. 9.30 am	Curtin Sun. 5.30 pm
Acolyte	Anthony De Salis	Melissa Bray	Darryl Kite
Reader	Noel Egan	Stana Fernandez	Loreain Quipot
Commentator	Rachel Smith	Bob Perkins	
Welcomer	Gerard Hogan	Ted and Margaret Frawley	
Ministers of Comm.	Alex Eyers	Brendan Ryan	John Welsby
Communion to Sick	St A's: Morna Falkland	FWG: Margaret Ryan	Homes: Jenny and Brendan Ryan
Counters	<i>11 Dec.</i> John Eyers		
Wednesday Liturgy	<i>6 Dec.</i> Prayer Leader: Christine McLaughlin	Eucharistic Minister: Gael Nicholls	