



Lord, it is wonderful
for us to be here.

PARISH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION, NORTH WODEN

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23-24 April 2022, Second Sunday of Easter, Year C.

WEEKDAY AND WEEKEND MASSES, LITURGY and RECONCILIATION TIMES:

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| 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 (NB: Sunday 22 May 9.30am Mass at Garran) |

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy those who have not seen me, but still believe! Alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.

MAY THE DECEASED REST IN PEACE AND RISE IN EASTER GLORY

Recently Deceased: David Sandground, Elsie Lanzon, Mark Williams, Peter Cox, Yi Jing, Bob Shearer, Senator Kimberley Kitching, Joan Waldren, Stuart Cox, Victims of war in Ukraine, Flood victims in Qld and NSW, Shane Warne, Rod Marsh, Steve Nadjeki, Betty McArdle, Geoff Hill, Ada Falez, Fr Henry Byrne, Damien Biddle, Thomas Crichton, Ian McDonald, Alex Fulop, Fr Laurie Blake, Johnny Raper, John Levitski, Connie Poe, Peter Daroczy and victims of COVID.

Anniversaries of Death: Vincent Marim, Trudy Dinn, Wendy Egan, Malcolm Allison, Cecily Howden, John Frawley, Keith McLaughlin, Gloria Villanueva, Sean Reiher, Richard Pugh, Patrick Kelly, Nell Smith, Jack Perry, Rod Frazer, George Pugh, Sylvia Cronin, Khanh Nguyen, Bich Nguyen, Maria Italiano, Kevin Wilson, Noel Lane, Eileen Cooper, Bill McKinnon, Peter Phillips and victims of COVID.

MAY THE SICK BE COMFORTED BY OUR PRAYERS

Pauline Murphy, Paul Brown, Bill Byrne, John Manning, John Della Libera, Iole Cicolini, Mark Williams, Graham Anderson, Gaie Ross, James Biddle, Carolyn Wightman, Peter Cox, Victims of the Tonga Tsunami, Emily Capper, John Barry, Peter McDade, Lorraine King, Greg Geering, Dianne White, Chandrika, Anselm and Venura Grero and those afflicted with COVID.

FAITH AND ACTION

Last Sunday we began the Season of Easter. The first eight days of the Season or Octave of Easter concludes today. As the Octave of Christmas celebrated God-with-us in the birth of Jesus, the Octave of Easter celebrates our new life in the Risen Christ. This message new life is reflected on in the ongoing Easter Season which continues up to Pentecost. However, in today's Gospel John depicts the promised outpouring of the Holy Spirit as occurring on the night of Easter Sunday, not fifty days later as we read in the Acts of the Apostles. Jesus' followers are empowered to continue his mission of reconciliation. Thomas was not there but eight days later he is, and his cynical insistence on physical evidence of the resurrection of Jesus is manifest and he proclaims, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus goes on to insist that blessed are those (us) who have not seen and yet believe. "Why 'blessed'? Because from them/from us a greater faith than that of Thomas and the others will be required: the greater the faith the more scope for the power of God" (Brendan Byrne). When the Spirit of the risen Lord is active in us, we are agents of faith, communion and support. So this week Bishop Vincent Long of Parramatta Diocese on behalf of his fellow Bishops noted in their message for the Feast of St Joseph the Worker, 1 May that many cannot cover the cost of living through a single job.

He urged whoever forms the next federal government to have a policy for “*decent work – work that is safe, secure and fairly paid*”. **If we are to put wheels on the notion of reconciliation we need to act out of our new life in Christ. Faith is both belief and action.** In that faith we will gather this **Anzac Day** and pray for those who have died in or as a result of war. We will also pray for those who each day deal with the scars of war. In acknowledgement of their sacrifice and for our common good we will pray for and recommit to peace founded in respect and justice for all. That we might be more engaging disciples of Jesus we continue to pray for our **Plenary Council, the Second Assembly of which will take place in Sydney in July. On Thursday night in our Parish Centre a large number attended the launch of Paul Collins’ latest book, “Recovering The ‘True Church’”.** Paul spoke of his hopes for the Plenary Council while insisting that the relatively recent monarchical model of church was not fit to engage the contemporary Australian society. I recall Pope Paul VI noting that the biggest issue for the Church is always the separation of faith and culture. **We seek the Spirit’s guidance and courage in truth and love to respond in a manner appropriate to our time and place.**

Fr John

GOOD FRIDAY HOLY LAND COLLECTION: thank you to those who supported this collection. Your donations will be forwarded to support parishes, schools, seminarians, aged care and sacred sites in the Holy Land.

LISMORE FLOOD RELIEF: Rod has forwarded a list from the co-op formed by folk at Woodburn, a small town between Lismore and Ballina. Copies of requested items to assist immediate and pressing needs are to be found in the foyer. Donations can be brought to any Mass or dropped at the Parish Office.

UKRAINE APPEAL: Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) is the only international Catholic Charity dedicated to the pastoral support of suffering and persecuted Christians. An initial \$2 million was sent in the days following the invasion. Now your assistance is sought for both Eastern and Western Catholic Churches, Religious Orders and social projects run by priests and religious all over Ukraine. See appeal forms in the foyer.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION: Enrolments are now open for the Sacrament of Confirmation for students in Year 6 and above. Parent Information Night, via Zoom, 6pm Tues., 3 May. Information available from the Parish Schools and the Parish Office.

ST CLARE’S COLLEGE OPEN DAYS: Parents are asked to contact the college for details regarding ‘Try a Day’ (4 May) and ‘Open Evening’ (5 May). Phone: 6260 9400. Email: enrolments@stcc.act.edu.au

‘LOOKING BACK – LOOKING FORWARD’: The 9.30am Mass on Sunday 22 May will be celebrated at Ss Peter and Paul’s, Garran. We will be giving thanks to God, acknowledging the grief for some in moving away and looking forward. Afterwards there will be refreshments and a rolling photo display of memorabilia. **If you have photos or personal recollections from the former Parish of Ss Peter & Paul which you’d like to share in the display, please contact John Eyers / 0408 497 899 / jeyers@webone.com.au.**

BUILDING THE CHURCH WE NEED: A series of Zoom events focused on Church renewal. Mondays – May 2, 9, 16 & 23, 7:30-9pm. Cost: \$22 (covers all four sessions). Bookings: via TryBooking (link will be provided upon booking).

CHRISTIANS FOR AN ETHICAL SOCIETY: Talk on ‘*Christ, Compassion and Context following the Christ who calls to live*’ Speaker - Tom Henderson-Brooks, Wed. 18 May, 7pm, Chapel, Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture, Barton.

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: 30/4-1/5, Third Sunday of Easter, Year C; Acts 5:27-32, 40-41; Rev 5:11-14; John 21:1-19.

| LITURGICAL ROSTERS NEXT WEEK: | | | |
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| 1 st Sunday of the Month | Curtin Sat. 6 pm | Curtin Sun. 9.30 am | Curtin Sun. 5.30 pm |
| Acolyte | Long Nguyen | Stafferd Fernandez | Darryl Kite |
| Servers | | | William and Samuel Cains |
| Reader | Alex Eyers | Denis Howden | Greg Holland |
| Commentator | Alex Eyers | Volunteer required | |
| Welcomer | Margaret Wilson | Maureen Jeffrey | |
| Ministers of Comm. | David Swan, Mary Gellatly | Volunteers required | Gael Nicholls, Anne Maher |
| Communion to Sick | St Andrew’s: Morna Falklandt | Fred Ward: Julia Carter | Homes: Volunteer required |
| Collectors | J David | Volunteer required | G Freebody, P Hughes |
| Collection Counters | 2 May | B Carmody, Joanne Mitchell | |
| Wednesday Liturgy | 27 Apr. | Prayer Leader: John and Alex Eyers | Eucharistic Minister: Emma Fairfax |