



Lord, it is wonderful  
for us to be here.

## PARISH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION, NORTH WODEN

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**23-24 July 2022, Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C.**

### 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:** God is in his holy place, God who unites those who dwell in his house; he himself gives might and strength to his people.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** Alleluia, alleluia! You have received the Spirit which makes us God's children, and in that Spirit we call God our Father. Alleluia!

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:** Bless the Lord, O my soul, and never forget all his benefits.

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

**Recently Deceased:** Paul Mansfield, Dana Rimanic, Phil Adam, Jim Perkins, Graham Anderson, Grace Njoku, Kevin Gascoigne, Carmel Govaars, Regina Lewis, Victims of Chicago shooting, Robyn Murphy, Bruce Lotton, Frs Javier Campos SJ, Fr Joaquin Mora SJ, Afghanistan earthquake victims, Walter Schweiger, Margaret Perry, Paul Brown, John Barry, Norma Crosbie, Paolo Duangbuth, Vince Basilisco, Fr Eric Hodgens, victims of US shootings, Valerie Gruzauskas, Andrew Symonds, June Slocum, Peter McLeod, victims of war in Ukraine and victims of COVID.

**Anniversaries of Death:** June and Terry Freebody, Gerald Whittaker, Anne Perkins, Sr Elizabeth, Sr Gabriel Anne, Benjamin Jesus, Esperanza Gementera, Milena Ceccarelli, Ahern family members, Barney Crowe, Kathleen Majer, Brian Lacey, Sr Mary Agnes, Sr Tharsi, Rosie Ortile, Vincent Marim, Trudy Dinn, Wendy Egan, Malcolm Allison, Cecily Howden, John Frawley, Keith McLaughlin, Gloria Villanueva, Sean Reiher and victims of COVID.

### MAY THE SICK BE COMFORTED BY OUR PRAYERS

Karen Lloyd, David Swan, John O'Connor, Grant Brookes, John Grant, Rosa Winstanley, Bill Byrne, John Manning, John Della Libera, Iole Cicolini, Gaie Ross, James Biddle, Carolyn Wightman, Peter McDade, Lorraine King, Greg Geering, Dianne White, Chandrika, Anselm and Venura Grero and those afflicted with COVID.

### TEACH US TO PRAY

Last week it was hospitality. This week it is prayer. And again, Abraham provides background to the Gospel in our First Reading. Abraham haggles with God. There "is a touching familiarity in the divine-human relationship" (Brendan Byrne). This familiarity is reflected in Jesus telling his followers when they pray to literally address God as Abba or 'Dad'. "This address, and the Lord's prayer which begins with it, express the truth they now enjoyed an intimate filial relationship with God into which Jesus had drawn them" (ibid). The sequence of the petitions is instructive of the nature of prayer. "First there is the focus solely upon God, then a focus on God's "agenda" (that God's name be held holy, that God's kingdom come, etc). Only after this Godward focus do the petitions turn to address human need (for sustenance, for forgiveness and finally protection in the hour of trial)" (ibid). With the latter there is an acknowledgement of trials and temptations but no implication that God would lead people into such but rather that they would not be undermined by them. "As a whole, the prayer is the prayer of a community that knows it constitutes the loved family of God, to whom, on its journey through life, it constantly turns in confidence and trust to receive those benefits that only God can give" (ibid). The parable that follows draws on everyday examples to make the point that if we respond to the needs of others "how much more inconceivable it is that God would remain inactive when his

community is in need" (*ibid*). Indeed, the intent of the Readings is to emphasise the image of God communicated by Jesus.

Fr John

**SECOND WORLD MEETING OF GRANDPARENTS AND ELDERLY** is celebrated this Sunday. The Pope's message for the day can be found at <https://tinyurl.com/4pf4dp74>

**TRANSFIGURATION NEWSLETTER:** Latest edition is available in the foyer. Check out some parish happenings. Ideas for future editions are gratefully received.

**INFORMAL LIFE CHATS NO. 2, 6-7PM, MONDAY, 1 AUGUST, PARISH CENTRE:** 'What does the Church have to offer?' Preparatory reading material is in the foyer. All welcome. This chat will follow on the engaging conversations of last Monday.

**REGISTRATION FOR FIRST EUCHARIST now available via Qqr! Preparation will commence with the online Parent Information Night (PIN), 6pm, Tues, 26 July** followed by group gatherings, retreat day, presentation Mass and celebration at either the 6pm, Sat 17 Sept Mass or the 9.30am Sun 18 Sept Mass. Inquiries to the Parish Office.

**VOLUNTEERS FOR COMMUNION TO THE AGED AND HOUSEBOUND:** If you could assist in this most valued ministry, please contact the parish office.

**PARISH FINANCES: Thanks again for your ongoing support.** Forms for new or amended electronic contributions are in the foyer. Also, in the foyer are two-sided summary sheets of parish finances and a new 'Tap N Go' machine with four amount options. You can tap or insert your card after selecting the amount.

**CONGRATULATIONS to Rev Gavin Keating ordained to the Permanent Diaconate on Friday at Holy Family Church, Corpus Christi Parish, Gowrie where he was on pastoral placement.** Gavin is married and was a Colonel in the Army. He will serve Defence Force personnel as part of the Military Ordinariate (/Diocese).

**PLENARY COUNCIL REFLECTIONS:** Further to last week's comments of Archbishop Christopher re the Plenary Council, this week you will also find in the foyer a copy of the reflections of Archbishop Peter Comensoli of Melbourne.

**DATA ENTRY: Would you be willing to assist with loading data from our hand-written parish registers (baptisms, confirmations, weddings and funerals) on to our computer database?** The hope is that you might assist for a time on a Tuesday or a Thursday that fits with your commitments otherwise. If so, please contact the parish office.

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**ARCHDIOCESAN CLERGY RETIREMENT FOUNDATION** seeks the volunteer services of a Minutes taker for three meetings per year. If interested, contact Fr John.

**'UNHOLY WAR'** is an insightful short article from the 'Messenger of St Anthony' examining the history of the religious issues at play in the Ukraine war. Copies available in the foyer.

**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:** 30-31/7, Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C; Eccl 1:2, 2:21-23; Col 3:1-5, 9-11; Lk 12:13-21.

<b>LITURGICAL ROSTERS NEXT WEEK:</b>			
<i>5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Month</i>	<b>Curtin Sat. 6 pm</b>	<b>Curtin Sun. 9.30 am</b>	<b>Curtin Sun. 5.30 pm</b>
<b>Acolyte</b>	Dan McKay	Stafferd Fernandez	Darryl Kite
<b>Servers</b>			
<b>Reader</b>	H Gulan	Volunteer required	Annie Gordon-Crothers
<b>Commentator</b>	Emma Fairfax	Margaret Ryan	
<b>Welcomer</b>	Robert and Moya Kennelly	Lyn Bliss	
<b>Ministers of Comm.</b>	Christine McLaughlin, Nedra Kelaart	Anne Perera, Juliana Maher	Lyn Granlund
<b>Communion to Sick</b>	St Andrew's: Helen Crain-Welsby	Fred Ward: Margaret Ryan	Homes: J & B Ryan
<b>Collectors</b>	J David	Volunteer required	Volunteer required
<b>Collection Counters</b>	<i>1 Aug.</i> T Frawley		
<b>Wednesday Liturgy</b>	<i>27 Jul</i> Prayer Leader: Emma Fairfax		Eucharistic Minister: Liz Anderson