



Lord, it is wonderful  
for us to be here.

## PARISH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION, NORTH WODEN

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### 30-31 July 2022, Eighteenth 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:** O God, come to my assistance; O Lord, make haste to help me! You are my rescuer, my help; O Lord, do not delay.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** Alleluia, alleluia! Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs! Alleluia!

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:** You have given us, O Lord, bread from heaven, endowed with all delights and sweetness in every taste.

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

**Recently Deceased:** Joseph Nagle, Judith Newton, 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.

#### WHAT PROMOTES OUR DIGNITY?

**Our readings are all about getting our priorities in order.** Luke would have it that humans are insecure. As a result, we strive after wealth because of its perceived benefits. The peasant audience of Jesus, who are totally dependent on the whim of the weather, the landowner and the occupying Romans, would have been envious of the man who asks Jesus to settle a disputed inheritance. In reply, and to the liking of the audience, Jesus gives him a reality check in the parable of the rich man. His vast wealth will do him no good when out of the blue God asks for an account of his life. The point is to be 'rich' in God's sight as it *"is the only relationship or attachment that can transcend the barrier of death"* (Brendan Byrne). Besides, the overriding desire to acquire and enhance wealth *"erodes the concern for others that is the basis of community"* (ibid). The point is that *"a sense of the immense dignity that they [we] already have in a hidden sense should have a transformative effect upon the way we live now"* (bid). **It has been a revealing week.** The Senate president wants the Lord's Prayer gone. A Senator will not subscribe to the acknowledgment of country. An NRL team wanted their players to wear a Gay Pride jumper. Some years back a cartoon of social commentator Michael Leunig had a person standing before a sign headed **WARNING**. It then read: **'THIS IS AN INCLUSIVE SOCIETY AND IF WE FEEL YOU ARE TALKING, THINKING OR BEHAVING IN A NON-INCLUSIVE WAY YOU WILL BE EXCLUDED'**. Our dignity does not arise from subscribing to political correctness, especially if enforced. Our dignity and the dignity

of others arises from our innate worth. It is the basis of community. To that end, Archbishop Francis Carroll in 1989 at the Archdiocesan Synod, the first in Australia since the Second Vatican Council, spoke of the discernment of the Spirit. As opposed to a parliamentary or confrontational model in which numbers determine winners and losers, and lingering resentment, he called for all to contribute his or her part to the whole such that there is a consensus or a *“a decision with which all members of the group can live gracefully”*. No one gets everything they want, but we can live and progress together. **The challenge in our nation and in our Church is to listen respectfully in the belief that we will hear the movement of God’s Spirit. We all belong and we have a contribution to make.** **Fr John**

**PARISH FEAST:** Next weekend will be celebrating our parish feast, The Transfiguration of the Lord. The prayers and readings will be for the feast, not the Nineteenth Sunday.

**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, THIS MONDAY, 1 AUGUST, PARISH CENTRE:** *‘What does the Church have to offer?’* Preparatory reading material is in the foyer. All welcome. This is the second of three light chats.

**SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM FOR FIRST EUCHARIST:** students are currently preparing for celebration at either the 6pm, Sat 17 Sept Mass or the 9.30am Sun 18 Sept Mass. Inquiries to the Parish Office. Please keep them in your prayers.

**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.

**VOCATIONS PROMOTION:** Serra Australia, a lay foundation promoting vocations to the diaconate, priesthood and religious life, seeks your financial support for their work. Similarly, the Knights of the Southern Cross seek your prayerful support for the good of Australian Defence Forces, here and deployed overseas. Material for both is found in the foyer.

**MARYMEAD CARD AND GAMES DAY:** Mon. 15 Aug., Royal Canberra Golf Club. \$50pp, lunch with a glass of wine, tea and coffee and petit fours. Tables of 4 and start time 10am. RSVP <https://www.marymead.org.au/card-games-day/>

**TIM FISCHER ORATION:** The delayed presentation (due to the pandemic) by John Anderson AO, *“Ethics in Public and Political Life”*, will be 6.00pm – 8.00pm, Thursday, 18 August, Great Hall, Parliament House. Cost \$30. Purchase tickets at [www.tfo.org.au](http://www.tfo.org.au). Info: [Jeanine.alberto@cg.org.au](mailto:Jeanine.alberto@cg.org.au)

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

**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:** 6-7/8, The Transfiguration of the Lord, Year C; Dan 7:9-10, 13-14; 2 Peter 1:16-19; Luke 9:28-36.

<b>LITURGICAL ROSTERS NEXT WEEK:</b>			
<i>1<sup>st</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	Long Nguyen	Mark Murphy
<b>Servers</b>			William and Samuel Cains
<b>Reader</b>	Alex Eyers	Denis Howden	Greg Holland
<b>Commentator</b>	Alex Eyers / Volunteer required	Alan Grinsell-Jones	
<b>Welcomer</b>	Jacquie Mullen	Max Grinsell-Jones	
<b>Ministers of Comm.</b>	David Swan, Mary Gellatly	Volunteers required	Gael Nicholls
<b>Communion to Sick</b>	St Andrew’s: Morna Falkland	Fred Ward: Volunteer required	Homes: Volunteer required
<b>Collectors</b>	J David	Volunteer required	G Freebody, P Hughes
<b>Collection Counters</b>	<b>8 Aug.</b> B Carmody, Joanne Mitchell		
<b>Wednesday Liturgy</b>	<b>3 Aug.</b> Prayer Leader: Christine McLaughlin		Eucharistic Minister: Gael Nicholls