



PARISH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION, NORTH WODEN

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16-17 January, the Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

WEEKDAY AND WEEKEND MASSES, LITURGY and RECONCILIATION TIMES:

Monday	9.30 am Curtin
Tuesday	9.30 am Curtin
Wednesday	9.30am Curtin – Liturgy of the Word and Communion
Thursday	5.30pm Curtin
Friday	9.30am Curtin (incl. Anointing of the Sick on First Friday)
Saturday	Reconciliation 5.00-5.30pm Curtin; Mass 6.00pm Curtin
Sunday	9.30am Curtin, 5.30 pm Curtin

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: All the earth shall bow down before you, O God, and shall sing to you, shall sing to your name, O Most High!

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Here I am, Lord; I come to do your will.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! We have found the Messiah: Jesus Christ, who brings us truth and grace. Alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: You have prepared a table before me, and how precious is the chalice that quenches my thirst.

MAY THE DECEASED REST IN PEACE AND RISE IN EASTER GLORY

Recently Deceased: Fr Tim Cahill, Maria Italiano, Maree Spillane, Bishop Geoffrey Robinson, Ellen Thompson, June Barrett, Audry Stilling, Tom Hayward, Eileen Cooper, Marisa Chupin, Mungo MacCallum, Jim Neill, Jack Stewart, Andrea Wheeler, Nicola Sheehan, Ida Feld (housekeeper to former PP of Garran, Msgr John Kelly), Steve James, Gordon Channell, Nell Stenning, Billy Jo Shaver, Alexis Saaghy, Andy Quaine, Patricia Barass, Louise Tarlinton, and victims of COVID.

Anniversaries of Death: Francesco Iacovetta, Kevin Wilson, Chris Perkins, Joanne Binutti, Peter Marlow, Margaret Frawley, Canico Gusmao Belo, John Holtzapffel, Lewis Mesaros, Peter Majer, Domenica D., Oreste Trinca, Friedrich Lueth, Helen Day, Nick Dulay, Jose Infante, Valerie Mills, Melanie Swan, Pat Ryan, Jack Ryan.

MAY THE SICK BE COMFORTED BY OUR PRAYERS

Betty Cole, Marilyn Pugh, Fred Schinkel, Fr Greg Beath, Fr Michael Mullen, Jeffrey Harris, Peta Doyle, Nick Palethorpe, Mark Williams, Michael Baker, Andrea Miller, Grayham Rundle, Kyra Berger, Ian McDonald, Jim and Maureen Daly, Mark Tirrikainen, Fr Laurie Blake, Emma Lowe, Rose Winstanley, Joseph Garside, those afflicted with COVID, Bella Davidson, Leah Yaxley, John Kololo.

“You talkin’ to me?”

In the classic 1976 movie ‘Taxi Driver’, Robert De Niro plays Vietnam veteran and disaffected New York cab driver Travis Bickle. Preparing to confront those who control the life of a young prostitute (played by Jodie Foster), he looks intently into a mirror as if addressing his future foe and asks, *“You talkin’ to me?”* Fast forward to 2019 and David Greenberg calls it *“an iconic image in cinematic history. That violent look says it all. Those dilated pupils. That menacing stare. Our ability to understand Travis’ core by a single glance is partly due to De Niro’s acting chops, but also emanates from something way more powerful. In an instant on the set of Marty Scorsese’s, ‘Taxi Driver’, Robert De Niro demonstrated to the world the sheer power of the human gaze.”* In today’s Gospel, John “stared hard” at the passing Jesus and later Jesus “looked hard” at Peter. *“The word appears ten times in the Gospels and twice in Acts and is variously translated. It seems to carry a subtle undertone; it is not merely looking or seeing, but looking more deeply or seeing more intently” (Joseph Sobb SJ).* **Of course, Jesus looks hard at us too, and, as with the two disciples of John, one of whom was Andrew, he invites us to “Come and see” where he lives. To see where he lives is to encounter who he is.** As the Prologue of John’s Gospel makes clear, the *“Son of God, Jesus ‘stays’ or ‘dwells’ eternally with the Father. As Word incarnate he has also ‘pitched his tent among us’ (1:14), come to ‘stay’ with us so that God’s power and presence (‘glory’), once remotely and terrifyingly revealed to Israel on Sinai, might appear in human ‘flesh’ – in the*

life-giving words and actions of Jesus" (Brendan Byrne). **Many have responded to the look, to the invitation of Jesus. The late Bishop Geoff Robinson has reflected on the varying quality of the response to that invitation in 'The Song'. I encourage you to pick a copy in the foyer. Read it and reflect on your part in the choir.** Fr John

AUSTRALIA DAY MASS, Tuesday, 26 Australia will be celebrated at 9am, not the usual 9.30am. Besides offering Mass in thanksgiving for God's blessing of our nation and seeking the Spirit's guidance into the future, we will be remembering **the 50th anniversary of the tragic drowning in the parish of seven young people following a flash flood on Australia Day, 1971.** Three of the drowned were parishioners, Carmel (19), Margaret (15) and Michael (6), children of Mona and Ben Smith; Ben was a Parish Acolyte. Two other victims, Jennifer (12) and Dianne (8) were their cousins visiting from Wangaratta. The other two victims were Lon (18) and Roderick (20). **There will be a public remembrance service at the memorial site of the tragedy, accessed off Service Street, Curtin, commencing at 7pm.**

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL (PPC) MEMEBERSHIP: Perhaps you might consider being a member of the PPC? Any parishioner or regular worshipper would be most welcome to attend the **7.30pm, Thursday, 18 Feb. 'Discernment Night'** when the rationale for the PPC and a discernment process will be offered to see if membership is for you. Further info is available from the Parish Office. Meanwhile, the copies of the PPC's **'Parish Pastoral Plan'** and the initial **'Transfiguration Newsletter'** are available in the foyer.

ARCHDIOCESAN MEN'S CURSILLO WEEKEND RETREAT commencing the evening of Thursday 25 through to Sunday 28 March. Contact Geoff (chantel1997@hotmail.com, 0451 013 772).

CLAIM THE DATES 2021: In anticipation of your diaries filling up with appointments for the coming year, please note the following dates for the Sacraments of Initiation in 2021:

Term 1	First Reconciliation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parent Information Night - Tuesday, 16 February 2021, 6pm via Zoom Sacramental Celebration – Thursday, 25 March 2021, 6pm in Holy Trinity Church
Term 2	Confirmation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parent Information Night - Tuesday, 4 May 2021, 6pm via Zoom Sacramental Celebration – Tuesday and Thursday, 15 and 17 June 2021, 6pm in Holy Trinity Church
Term 3	First Eucharist	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parent Information Night - Tuesday, 27 July 2021, 6pm via Zoom Sacramental Celebration – Saturday-Sunday, 4-5 September 2021

If you have any enquiries regarding these Sacraments please contact the Parish Office.

'ENGAGED ENCOUNTER RETREAT: A weekend opportunity for engaged couples to gain deeper insights into each other and married life. Weekends on 20-21 Feb, 1-2 May, 7-8 August & 13-14 Nov. Info at www.engagedencounter.org.au

CONGREGATIONAL SINGING WILL RESUME AT WEEKEND MASSES IN FEBRUARY: Perhaps you sing and, or play an instrument and would like to enhance congregational singing at weekend Masses? If so, please contact the parish office.

PARISH MEDITATION GROUP meet weekly. Details Vikki McDonough, mulvaney@netspeed.com.au or 0437 876 487.

Prayer Circle Support: Cathy Harris, 6281 2574.

Readings for next Sunday: Jonah 3:1-5,10; 1 Cor 7:29-31; Mk1:14-20.

LITURGICAL ROSTERS NEXT WEEK: 23-24 January, the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)			
<i>4th Sunday of the Month</i>	Curtin Sat. 6pm	Curtin Sun. 9.30 am	Curtin Sun. 5.30 pm
Acolyte	Dan McKay	Long Nguyen	Darryl Kite
Servers			
Reader	H Honey	A L Kimpton	Volunteer required
Commentator	Nedra Kelaart	Jane Hunt	
Welcomer	Robert & Moya Kennelly	Volunteer required	
Communion to Sick	St Andrew's: John Evers	Fred Ward: John O'Connor and Marianne Crane	Homes: Lyn Granlund
Collectors	J David	Volunteer required	Volunteer required
Collection Counters	Rosemary O'Mally, Bryan Stevens		

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