



Lord, it is wonderful
for us to be here.

PARISH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION, NORTH WODEN

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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: All that you have don't to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Praise the Lord, my soul!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus Christ was rich but became poor, to make you rich out of his poverty. Alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.

MAY THE DECEASED REST IN PEACE AND RISE IN EASTER GLORY

Recently Deceased: Gary Lee, Sr Roberta Robinson RSM, Colleen McPhillips, Moira Sheehan, Buxton teenagers, Queen Elizabeth II, Marc Kelaart, Imelda Gildea, Allan Hawke, David Campbell, Mikhal Gorbachev, Robert Tiffen, Pakistan flood victims, Cecil Pearson, Kieran O'Connor, Kay Pyket, Olivia Newton-John, Judith Durham, Paul Green, Marie Hargreaves, Clare Wilson, Grace Njoku, Felipe Nunag Sr and Lorna Nunag, Johnny Famechon, Jock Campbell, Shinzo Abe, Joseph Nagle, Judith Newton, Paul Mansfield, Dana Rimanic, Phil Adam, Jim Perkins, Graham Anderson, Grace Njoku, Kevin Gascoigne, Carmel Govaars, Regina Lewis, Robyn Murphy, Bruce Lotton, victims of war in Ukraine and victims of COVID.

Anniversaries of Death: Melanie Swan, Gerry Smith, Pat and Jack Ryan, Paul Murphy, Alan Jones, Leo Morrissey, Barney Crowe, Winifred Mona Spargo, Charlie Morella, Maurice Cronin, John Maher, Tony O'Donnell, Marie Pugh, Jim Woods, Mary Carmody, Vincent Huang, Ron and Pauline McLennan, Pam Dewhurst, Marjory Swan, June and Terry Freebody, Anne Perkins, Sr Elizabeth, Sr Gabriel Anne, Benjamin Jesus, and victims of COVID.

MAY THE SICK BE COMFORTED BY OUR PRAYERS

Ljubica Gotovac, Jose Arquero, Olga Johnson, Sharon Woods, Anne Taylor, Noel Egan, Trevor Forner, Patricia Zorzi, Wendy Altimore, 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.

TO SUPPORT THE STRANGER

Our Gospel account of poor Lazarus and the rich man sees Luke again address the theme of the 'coming great reversal'. At death the rich man goes to Hades and Lazarus to 'Abraham's bosom'. "These "destinations" reflect conventional imagery of the afterlife at the time. They do not need to be dwelt on. . . as though [they] had something important to communicate regarding Hell as a place of fiery torment and so forth. The chief point that the parable makes is that across the change from this life to the next the fixed nature of the situation remains" (Brendan Byrne).

On earth Lazarus longed for food and the rich man was indifferent. Now the rich man is the one longing for comfort and the poor man is in comfort. However, there now exists "an eternal fixity that cannot be dissolved" (*ibid*). The rich man pleads for his brothers on earth. Abraham notes that if they will not accept the scriptural exhortations to care for the widow, the orphan and the needy stranger, then they will not change even if someone should rise from the dead. Of course, Christians see this as an allusion to the resurrection of Jesus. **Today is World Migrant and Refugee**

Sunday and a week of prayer and action (25-30 September) to build a better future together. Pope Francis urges us to act *“wherever we might be right now”*. Fr Andrew Hamilton SJ says we can all *“take refugees into our heart by reading their stories, listening to them speak, allowing time to imagine what it must be like to flee from Ukraine fearing for your life and desperate to find food and a night’s shelter for your family, or what it must be like to be locked in a Melbourne hotel room, able to see people living normally outside but unable to join them.”* Hamilton goes on to say, *“if our heart is moved the way we spend our time will naturally follow.”* **The Catholic Alliance for People Seeking Asylum (CAPSA) offers suggestions as how we might welcome those seeking asylum and treat them with humanity and respect.** See www.capsa.org.au/nwpa_2022/ (and see notice below). **To hear and to respond to the cry of the displaced can have life-changing consequences, now and beyond death.** Fr John

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE OR RECONCILIATION: The sacrament will resume in the Confessional on the left side of the Church, with a new screen allowing anonymous or ‘face-to-face’ celebration, 5-5.30pm every Saturday.

WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES: We remember in prayer the refugees in Australia in detention or on temporary visas, over 200 people still held in PNG and Nauru, the people of Ukraine and Afghanistan, and the many in other countries displaced from their homes. Resources can be accessed at <https://www.acmro.catholic.org.au/resources/migrant-refugee-kit/>, and to register for a webinar on Tuesday 27 September visit <https://events.humanitix.com/nwpa2022>.

ANNUAL ST VINCENT DE PAUL RETIRING COLLECTION will be held after Masses this weekend, 24-25 Sept. The annual OZANAM appeal supports twinned conferences in Indonesia and India. Twinning is the program by which members support fellow Vincentians in developing countries. Receipts will be available.

SEASON OF CREATION: Archbishop Christopher, Greek Orthodox Bishop Bartholomew, and other faith communities will be present at an ecumenical tree planting and prayers 10.30am for 10.45am, Tues., 4 Oct., in the grounds of St Peter Chanel’s Yarralumla (entry off 2 Loch Street). There will be a brief morning tea and social networking after with a view to an ongoing chapter of the Laudato Si movement in southern suburbs. All welcome. LaudatoSiACT@gmail.com

INFORMAL LIFE CHAT NO. 3: *“What am I to do about it?”* building on the second gathering which considered *“What does the Church have to offer?”* will be from 6 – 7pm, Mon 26 September in the Parish Centre. All are most welcome. Preparatory reading material is in the foyer. **The new date is a consequence of unforeseen commitments.** Fr John.

UNDER THE STARS CHARITY EVENT: meet other young Catholics (18-40) and support Good Shepherd Seminary. Saturday 8 October 6:30-9:30pm at East Hotel Kingston. Tickets: <https://www.trybooking.com/CCFTY> Facebook: Canberra Cathedral Young Adults group. Email catholicyoungadults.cbr@gmail.com.

PARISH DINNER: On Saturday 5 November, 6.30pm for 7.00pm you are invited to the Parish Centre to enjoy good company and to support the work of Kate Cleary at ‘The Farm’, Galong, for women in need. Organised by the Parish Pastoral Council. Details to follow. Claim the date.

EMAIL DISTRIBUTION OF THE BULLETIN: There have been problems with the email distribution of the Bulletin on Fridays. We have been in contact with IT Support but they don’t expect that the problem will be fixed until there is an upgrade to the email transfer system in the Melbourne Archdiocese’s Support Centre. The Bulletin, Prayers, Readings and Fr John’s reflection are uploaded to our website each Friday, and are available at <http://cg.org.au/wodennorth>.

Meditation Group: 6pm, Wed. Vikki, 0437 876 487, mulvaney@netspeed.com.au. **Prayer Circle Support:** Cathy Harris, 6281 2574. **Readings for next Sunday:** 1-2/10, Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ord. Time, Year C; Hab 1:2-3, 2:2-4; 2 Tim 1:6-8, 13-14; Lk 17:5-9.

LITURGICAL ROSTERS NEXT WEEK:			
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
Server			William and Samuel Cains
Reader	Tony Butler	Volunteer required	Greg Nash
Commentator	Alex Eyers	Alan Grinsell-Jones	
Welcomer	Jacque Mullen	Max Grinsell-Jones	
Ministers of Comm.	David Swan, Mary Gellatly	Volunteers required	Gael Nicholls
Communion to Sick	St Andrew’s: Helen Crain-Welsby	Fred Ward: Siji Devasia	Homes: Volunteer
Collectors	J David	Volunteer required	G Freebody, P Hughes
Collection Counters	3 Oct.	B Carmody, Joanne Mitchell	
Wednesday Liturgy	28 Sept.	Prayer Leader: Emma Fairfax	Eucharistic Minister: Liz Anderson