



## PARISH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION, NORTH WODEN

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**29-30 June 2024, Thirteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time, Year B**

### HOLY TRINITY CHURCH WEEKDAY AND WEEKEND MASSES, LITURGY and RECONCILIATION TIMES:

Monday	9.30am
Tuesday	9.30am
Wednesday	9.30am Lit of Word and H Comm
Thursday	5.30pm
Friday	9.30am (including Anointing on First Friday)
Saturday	Reconciliation 5.00-5.30pm; Mass 6.00pm
Sunday	9.30am and 5.30pm

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:** All peoples, clap your hands. Cry to God with shouts of joy!

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** Alleluia, alleluia! Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death and brought us life through his gospel. Alleluia!

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:** Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all within me, his holy name.

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

**Recently Deceased:** Jesse Lodder, Anthony Bayni, Ton Collingnon, Helen Robson, Greg Geering, Cheryl Ryan, Frances Smyth, Felix Lopilato, Pat Coffey, Elisabeth (Bet) McErlean, Giuseppe Italiano, Brian Bourke, Victims of PNG landslide, Les Beda, Laszlo Fenyvesi, Barry Flynn, Veronica Cornelly, Rita Cooper, Benjamin Ortile, Bishop Peter Ingham, Theresa Naijes, Katie Fonoti, Patrick Perkins, Lynton Ryan, Melvin Greenslade, Joe Sciberras, Sheila van Gent, Max Brennan, Keith Crowley, Maria Gallo, Sydney stabbing victims, Geradine Smith, John Maher, Laura Braido, Nick Toufexis, Judy Brown, Moscow shooting victims, Matthew Marlow, victims of war in Ukraine and Gaza.

**Anniversaries of Death:** Pasquale (Charlie) Lustri, Carmel Govaars, Tano Travia, Colleen McCann, Kathleen Majer, Ellen Woods, Barney Crowe, Gaie Ross, Hugh and Audrey Hartung, Veronica Beath, John Chesworth, Rick Woods, Cecily Howden, Malcolm Allison, Keith McLaughlin, John Frawley, Wendy Egan, Richard Pugh, George Varghese, Gary Parker, Henry and Flo Marlow, Josephine and Bill Hartung, Jess Venamore, Mary Huang, Gary Woods, Richard Raymond Spargo, Domingo Espayos, George Pugh, Kevin Wilson, Brian Brown, Frank Williams, Jim Molan, Desmond Lilley, Joanne Binutti.

### **MAY THE SICK BE COMFORTED BY OUR PRAYERS**

Marie Power, Anco Ceccarelli, Andrea Margio, Jeannette Clarke, Michael Higgins, Jarrod Clarkson, Karen Rankin, Pieter van Gent, David Garratt, Hugh Zockling, Marjorie O'Connor, Matthew Dwyer, Genevieve Crane, Maureen Sewell, Madeline McMahon, Jason Winstanley, Rosa Winstanley, Belinda Crawford, Elizabeth Pukl, Anthony Watt, John Warren, Lily Lim, Donald Stott, Genoveffa Ceccarelli, Bruno Sinuelli, John Woodward, Bill Grant, George Toth, Kathleen Belfanti, Jack Kennelly, Susie Menadue, Ljubica Gotovac, Jose Arquero, Olga Johnson, Patricia Zorzi, Wendy Altimore, Iole Cicolini, Carolyn Wightman.

### **LIFE NOW AND BEYOND DEATH**

I listened recently to part of a radio interview about helping children to cope with death. The advice was considered and professional. In essence, be honest with the child relative to their age. Later in the week I was out in Molonglo. The growth struck me. It pointed to confidence in the future. Families and couples will move in, babies be born and new stories created; in many instances long after my demise. **We have an insatiable thirst for life but death will claim all. Therefore, make the most of now is the default position. But is that it? Our Readings affirm that we all die but that life beyond death beckons. In other words, here and now is not the sum of the existence to which we are called.** Our First Reading insists that death was not God's will but rather the result of our being seduced by the devil and being unfit for life eternal. **However, "by raising Jesus from the dead God has triumphantly demonstrated that physical death, though unavoidable, does not have the last word" (Brendan Byrne).** Our Gospel records two miracles. Both are about life; life restored in community and life restored following physical death. Jairus, the

Synagogue official is told to persevere in faith, even after news of his daughter's death. Meanwhile, Jesus responds to the faith of the woman who touches his garments. Jesus identifies her as being cured and in so doing publicly restores her to the community. The woman had been 'unclean' and isolated for 12 years. The daughter of Jairus is 12 years old. *"Jesus raises the girl so that, now arrived at marriageable age, she may take up her adult life, just as the woman returns to life in the community – including the possibility of marriage – after a 12-year exclusion"* (ibid). **Fair enough but what consolation is that to parents who have lost a child? Or those facing the sudden and tragic death of a loved one?** Nothing will assuage the deep and immediate pain. Loved ones support but the wound is so deep. We find consolation in the crucified one who died innocent and alone but for his mother and a few others. He rises from the dead, the author and giver of life eternal. **While resurrection is assured, it is often not realised in a mere three days.** A more common experience is that people feel uncomfortable that the Church's funeral liturgy prays for mercy and forgiveness for the deceased. Michael Mc Girr comments: *"They think that we should speak no ill of the dead, least of all at their own funeral, and that perhaps a few funny stories may not capture the full complexity of any individual but at least they will make us feel better on a sad day. Of course, a funeral involves the celebration of a life and a funeral can sometimes be a place for laughter as well as tears. But the Church believes that a funeral should be real in the most profound way and part of the reality of every life is sin. Nobody is perfect and most of us are far from it. We appreciate that God knows us better than we know ourselves and trust that God's love will be more powerful than our self-centredness."* Fr John

**VOLUNTEER FOR VINNIES ROADHOUSE:** Roadhouse is a service of Vinnies providing a hot meal, groceries, and somewhere to have a chat and coffee. We would love you to come and see what we do and get a taste of what Vinnies is about. If you would like any more info, please call 0480311050. God bless you, Tim Murray, *Roadhouse Officer*.

**THE CANBERRA CHORAL SOCIETY, THE NATIONAL CAPITAL ORCHESTRA AND THE LLEWELLYN CHOIR** present Beethoven's Magnificat & Missa Solemnis, 3:00pm, Saturday, 6 July, Llewellyn Hall. Tickets <https://premier.ticketek.com.au/>

**'POETRY, PRESENCE & PAYDAY: AQUINAS ON THE EUCHARIST':** To mark the occasion of the 750th anniversary of the death of St Thomas Aquinas and the 50th anniversary of the founding of St Thomas Aquinas Parish, Charnwood, a commemorative talk will be presented by Rev Dr Joseph Vnuk OP, 7:00pm, Thursday., 18 July, St Thomas Aquinas Primary School Hall, 25 Lhotsky St Charnwood. RSVP [charnwood@cg.org.au](mailto:charnwood@cg.org.au) 10 by July 2024

**VOCATIONS DISCERNMENT DINNERS** with discussion and prayer on the second Thursday of the month for men discerning a call to the priesthood. RSVP Vocations Director Fr Emil [emil.milat@cg.org.au](mailto:emil.milat@cg.org.au). **ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD OF REV. MARK HA:** 5:00pm, Thursday, 17 October, St Christopher's Cathedral Forrest, Canberra. All welcome. Please pray for more vocations.

**MACKILLOP EDEN PILGRIMAGE,** Saturday, 3 August, commencing at 11am with (optional) walk from Eden AFL grounds to Our Lady Star of the Sea Church for 12 noon Mass with Archbishop Christopher, followed by 1pm lunch provided by Pambula Parish. Mary MacKillop established a school at Eden and she visited Eden in 1899 and 1901. Further info: Sue Heffernan, 0405 251 947.

**TIM FISCHER ORATION ON ETHICS IN PUBLIC AND POLITICAL LIFE:** 6pm, Wednesday, 7 August. Professor Helen Alvare, George Mason Univeristy USA will be the speaker, followed by Q&A hosted by Chris Uhlmann. Info and tickets at <https://www.tfo.org.au>

**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:** Fourteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time Year B; Ezek 2:2-5; 2 Cor 12:7-10; Mk 6:1-6.

<b>LITURGICAL ROSTERS NEXT WEEK: 6-7 July 2024</b>			
<i>1<sup>st</sup> Sun. 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>	Anthony De Salis	Long Nguyen	Marianne Crane
<b>Reader</b>	Desmond Strusz	Tania Fernandez	Greg Nash
<b>Commentator</b>	Alex Eyers	Therese Keily-Wynter	
<b>Welcomer</b>	Jacqui Mullen	Maureen Jeffrey	
<b>Ministers of Comm.</b>	Nanette Bonato	Peter Wynter	Gael Nicholls
<b>Communion to Sick</b>	Warr: John Eyers	FWG: Betsy Joseph	Homes: Moya Kennelly
<b>Counters</b>	<i>8 July</i> Bernadette Carmody, Joanne Mitchell		
<b>Wednesday Liturgy</b>	<i>3 July</i> Prayer Leader: Margaret Ryan	Eucharistic Minister: Sr Frances Fitzpatrick	