



## PARISH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION, NORTH WODEN

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**28-29 September 2024, The Twenty-Sixth 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 that you have done 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:** The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** Alleluia, alleluia! Your word, O Lord, is truth: make us holy in the truth. 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:** Mary Burt, Fr John Usher, Vanessa O'Brien, Anna Vincent, Tess Caruana, Fr Brian Ebert, Amelia Vecchi, Fr Gerald O'Collins SJ, Malcolm Redd, Carolyn Wightman, Jeffrey Thurlow, Rod Chidgey, John O'Kane, Patrick Jones, Jim Rogers, Antonio Vecchi, Robert James, Marie Power, Maureen Dinn, Polly Crowley, Terry Ball, Neville Larkins, Bishop Kevin Manning, Sari Montegner, victims of war in Ukraine and Gaza.

**Anniversaries of Death:** Melanie Swan, Denis Rowe, Charlie Morella, Gerry Smith, Marc Kelaart, Pam Dewhurst, Marie Pugh, Michael Duffy, Marjory Swan, Pauline and Ron McLennan, Erlinda and Nicostrato Dulay, Jose and Crispina Infante.

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

Ron Thornton, Mary-Anne Gormly, John Vincent, George Toth, Greg Nash, Romeo Cicolini, Francis Boyd, Beverly Lilley, Jeannette Clarke, Jarrod Clarkson, Karen Rankin, David Garratt, Hugh Zockling, Marjorie O'Connor, Matthew Dwyer, Genevieve Crane, Maureen Sewell, John Warren, Lily Lim, Donald Stott, Genoveffa Ceccarelli, Bruno Sinuelli, John Woodward, Jack Kennelly, Susie Menadue, Iole Cicolini.

### **FAITH IN ACTION – THE GREATER GOOD**

***“You don’t get it, do you? You are far from understanding what I am about, and what it means to follow me.”*** This might well have been the response of Jesus to his disciples who rebuked someone for acting in Jesus’ name. *“Jesus does not mind his name being used by another for a good purpose . . . The disciples, on the other hand, are . . . more concerned about an outsider’s use of what they see as their own prerogative and possession . . . This is not to play down the importance of being associates of Jesus. It is simply to insist that what is supremely important about such belonging is preparedness for costly service rather than resting on privilege and power”* (Brendan Byrne). **These reflections are pertinent as our Archdiocese today celebrates ‘Respect Life Sunday’ and the universal Church celebrates ‘World Migrant and Refugee Sunday’.** The needs of those who have fled their homeland, those granted migrant status and those innocent in the womb and those approaching the end of life have claims on us, all of us. **Indeed, the church joins with people of all religious faiths and none to uphold the dignity all.** This is more often but not always seen in the rule of law. **If people are proposing positions at law contrary to Catholic teaching, what should be done?** In the first instance, as is one’s right in conscience and at law, speak out. In commenting on Kamala Harris’s insistence on restoring the right in conscience for US women to seek abortion and Donald Trump’s call for the deportation of millions of refugees, Pope Francis insists: ***“Both [Harris and Trump] are against life.”*** What should

voters in the US [and here] do? **Mindful that we live in democracies and not theocracies, the Catholic Bishops of England and Wales in 1996 and since have stated that voters could chose the greater of two goods rather than the lesser of two evils:** *“The question must be: can an elector be confident that the person for whom he or she is voting is the best of those offering themselves . . . This consideration will discourage [choosing] solely on the basis of one policy issue, even where the attitudes of a candidate on such an issue are at variance with Catholic teaching.”* (Reported in ‘The Tablet’, 21 Sept 2024).  
Fr John

**RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY will be a prayer focus for at all Masses this weekend.** Following the Cathedral 11am Mass there will be a light luncheon expo of groups supporting vulnerable human life on the ground floor of the adjacent Cathedral offices. The ACT Right to Life Association is hosting Monica Doumit, 12:45pm in the Haydon Hall. Monica has been influential in legislative battles on life, marriage, and family issues. Q&A and refreshments. Contact [actrtlassoc@gmail.com](mailto:actrtlassoc@gmail.com)

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL:** Thanks to all who last weekend donated to our ‘Twinned Conferences Appeal’ for Vinnies in India and Indonesia. \$1027.00 was collected.

**COME, HOLY SPIRIT - ARCHDIOCESAN ASSEMBLY 18-20 OCTOBER:** All are invited to the Archdiocesan Assembly under the theme ‘Come Holy Spirit’. Those gathered in person or online will explore new opportunities for evangelisation and synodality in the life and mission of our local Church.



**Where** Canberra + Narooma + Cooma + Young + Goulburn  
**When** Friday 18th October - Sunday 20th October 2024  
**Info** Detailed information, registration and formation materials available online at [cgevangelisation.org.au/assembly](http://cgevangelisation.org.au/assembly)

**CATHOLIC BALL** presented by the ANU Catholic Society, 7-11pm, Sat., 19 Oct., Juliet Room, Verity Lane Market. Theme “A Royal Affair”. Tickets \$120. Info. [catholicyoungadults.cbr@gmail.com](mailto:catholicyoungadults.cbr@gmail.com).

**ANNUAL MARIAN PROCESSION, SUNDAY, 27 OCTOBER, GOULBURN.** Commencing with a procession through the street, starting at St Saviours Anglican Cathedral and finishing at St Peter and Paul’s Old Cathedral. During the lunch break Reconciliation will be available. Pilgrims are encouraged to bring food or purchase some from the catering provided. In this midday period there will be a YES - Youth Rally for year 6-12 students. Mass will be celebrated at 2pm and include the installation of the reliquary of Ss Peter & Paul, Brigid, Charbel and Therese Lisieux.

**TERESA BENEDICTA HOUSE OF PRAYER FOR YOUNG ADULT WOMEN** in work or study and interested in communal living in a Red Hill house and participating in the life of the Cathedral Parish, \$400 per person, per week. Enquiries to [cathedral@cg.org.au](mailto:cathedral@cg.org.au)

**ARCHDIOCESAN WOMEN’S TASKFORCE FUNDRAISING DINNER** in support of MacKillop House for women in need, Fri., 1 Nov., Southern Cross Club, Woden; speaker, Sonia de Mezza, CEO of Migrant Refugee Settlement Services; tickets \$75 via <https://events.humanitix.com/2024-annual-dinner-m6ujpptb> . Enquiries to Monica on 0413 315 486.

**PARISH ASSEMBLY – All Masses 16-17 November.** Your sharing will enhance our community.

**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:** Twenty-Seventh Sunday In Ordinary Time Year B; Gen 2:18-24; Heb 2:9-11; Mark 10:2-16.

LITURGICAL ROSTERS NEXT WEEK: 5-6 October 2024			
1 <sup>st</sup> Sun. of the month	Curtin Sat. 6 pm	Curtin Sun. 9.30 am	Curtin Sun. 5.30 pm -
<b>Acolyte</b>	Anthony De Salis	Stafferd Fernandez	Mark Murphy
<b>Reader</b>	Desmond Strusz	Tania Fernandez	Greg Nash
<b>Commentator</b>	Alex Eyers	Alan Grinsell-Jones	
<b>Welcomer</b>	Jacqui Mullen	Max Grinsell-Jones	
<b>Ministers of Comm.</b>	Nanette Bonato	Peter Wynter	Gael Nicholls
<b>Communion to Sick</b>	Warr: Morna Falkland	FWG: Robert Shiner	Homes: Jane Brown
<b>Counters</b>	6 Oct.	Bernadette Carmody, Joanne Mitchell	
<b>Wednesday Liturgy</b>	2 Oct.	Prayer Leader: Christine McLaughlin	Eucharistic Minister: Gael Nicholls