



Lord, it is wonderful
for us to be here.

PARISH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION, NORTH WODEN

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4-5 June 2022, Pentecost Sunday, 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: The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world and that which contains all things understands what is said, alleluia.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: They were filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke of the marvels of God, alleluia.

MAY THE DECEASED REST IN PEACE AND RISE IN EASTER GLORY

Recently Deceased: Sir Gerard Brennan, Vince Basilisco, Valerie Gruzauskas, Victims of US shootings, Valerie Gruzauskas, Andrew Symonds, June Slocum, Peter McLeod, Bill Hibberson, David Sandground, Elsie Lanzon, Mark Williams, Peter Cox, Yi Jing, Bob Shearer, Senator Kimberley Kitching, Joan Waldren, Stuart Cox, Victims of war in Ukraine, Flood victims in Qld and NSW, Shane Warne, Rod Marsh, Steve Nadjeki, Betty McArdle, Geoff Hill, Ada Falez, Fr Henry Byrne, and victims of COVID.

Anniversaries of Death: Tano Travia, 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, Richard Pugh, Patrick Kelly, Nell Smith, Jack Perry, Rod Frazer, George Pugh, Sylvia Cronin, Khanh Nguyen, Bich Nguyen, Maria Italiano, Kevin Wilson, Noel Lane, Eileen Cooper, and victims of COVID.

MAY THE SICK BE COMFORTED BY OUR PRAYERS

David Swan, Margaret Perry, Grant Brookes, John Grant, Rosa Winstanley, Pauline Murphy, Paul Brown, Bill Byrne, John Manning, John Della Libera, Iole Cicolini, Graham Anderson, Gaie Ross, James Biddle, Carolyn Wightman, Peter Cox, Victims of the Tonga Tsunami, John Barry, Peter McDade, Lorraine King, Greg Geering, Dianne White, Chandrika, Anselm and Venura Grero and those afflicted with COVID.

TO LIVE UNDER THE SPIRIT

The setting for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit in our First Reading from the Acts of the Apostles has agricultural origins. For 'Pentecost', fifty days after Easter (cf the seven weeks of the Easter Season), people travelled to Jerusalem to offer thanks for the grain harvest and the gift of the land. This gathering of the Jewish diaspora was most apt as in contrast to the confusion of languages and division resulting from the people turning from God (as symbolized in the Tower of Babel, Gen 11:1-9), the Church, under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, is now empowered through many languages to speak of the marvels of God *"to the ends of the earth"* (Acts 1:8b). **The mission is one of reconciliation or of communion with God and others. This message of reconciliation is the emphasis in today's Gospel reading from John where Jesus breathes the Holy Spirit on his followers when he appears to them on the night of his resurrection. The Second Reading from Romans addresses both aspects in calling us to live in a spiritual, not unspiritual way. "To live 'according to the flesh' means to live selfishly – to place self and**

the concerns of self at the centre of existence. To live 'according to the Spirit' is to allow the utterly unselfish love of Christ – who 'gave himself up for us (Gal 1:4) – to take over one's life and set it on the path to sharing God's eternal life' (Brendan Byrne). Indeed, Jesus who uses the informal "Abba" ("Dad") in addressing God, moved his followers to appreciate that with Jesus they had intimacy with God, the upshot being "banishment of fear and hope of sharing Christ's risen life" (Byrne), now and beyond death. As Catherine of Sienna reminded us, "It is heaven all the way to heaven". **We have all been graced by people who lived under the influence of the Holy Spirit. Sir Gerard Brennan, former Chief Justice of the High Court who died on Wednesday night is surely one.** Sir Gerard believed that law was to protect those most in need, while affirming the rule of law and the limits arising. This interplay was very much to the fore in his lead judgement on the Mabo decision (1992) and his later dissenting Wik judgement (1996). While dealing with such weighty matters he also gave expression to his faith as a member of the St Vincent de Paul Society. He is predeceased by his wife Patricia and survived by his 7 children, the eldest being Fr Frank Brennan SJ who when resident in Canberra often presided at Sunday Mass here.

Fr John

LAUDATO SI: Further to a previous notice and information available in the foyer, you are invited to the first of 10 local online sessions commencing 7.30pm, 14 June exploring Pope Francis' encyclical in which he proposes 'integral ecology'. Register with TryBooking: <https://www.trybooking.com/BZMCP> Info: Roger Paul Tel: 0421612572 or LaudatoSiACT@gmail.com.

'THE CHURCH AND THE SECOND PLENARY COUNCIL ASSEMBLY: WHERE ARE WE NOW?' The Second Assembly of the Plenary Council occurs soon (4-9 July). **Concerned Catholics Canberra Goulburn** will host a Public Forum on 9 June. Sr Clare Condon sgs; Francis Sullivan; Andrea Dean and Paul Collins will address the Forum. Venue: 7.30-9pm, in the Chapel, Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture, Barton. All welcome.

THREE INFORMAL 'LIFE CHATS' 6PM – 7PM, PARISH CENTRE. Some pre-reading will prepare us for an informal and prayerful gathering to consider three questions, 'What do I hold dear and why?' (Mon 18 July), 'What does the Church offer?' (Mon 1 August), and 'How do my beliefs impact my engagement with others?' (Mon 12 September). All welcome. More details to follow.

VOCATION DISCERNMENT: If you or someone you know would be interested in a time of prayer and sharing over a meal with others discerning the possibility of a call to priesthood, join the gathering at the Archbishop's House (Commonwealth Avenue, Parkes - behind Regatta Point), 6pm, Thurs 9 June. For more info or to confirm your intention to attend contact Cathedral Administrator, Fr Trenton van Resch, cathedral@cg.org.au

CONGRATULATIONS to parishioner Clare De Salis who came second in Australia's richest and most decorated footrace, the Easter Monday Stawell Gift.

CONFIRMATION 21 -22 JUNE: Please keep the candidates and their families in prayer.

MEDITATION GROUP: 6pm, Wednesdays. All welcome. Contact Vikki, 0437 876 487, mulvaney@netspeed.com.au.

Prayer Circle Support: Cathy Harris, 6281 2574.

Readings for next Sunday: 11-12/6, The Most Holy Trinity, Year C; Prov 8:22-31; Rom 5:1-5; John 16:12-15.

LITURGICAL ROSTERS NEXT WEEK:			
<i>2nd Sunday of the Month</i>	Curtin Sat. 6 pm	Curtin Sun. 9.30 am	Curtin Sun. 5.30 pm
Acolyte	Dan McKay	Long Nguyen	Darryl Kite
Servers	Rose Jaram		
Reader	Helen Crain-Welsby	Tania/Stana Fernandez	Graham Anderson
Commentator	Rachel Smith	Juliana Maher	
Welcomer	Volunteer required	Juliana Maher	
Ministers of Comm.	Melissa Bray, Sarah Buchanan	Marie Docherty, Tania Fernandez	Pat Wadsworth, Cushla Sheehan, Barb Mills
Communion to Sick	St Andrew's: John Evers	Fred Ward: Margaret Ryan	Homes: Moya Kennelly
Collectors	J David	Volunteer required	P Kelly, Ava & Ella Morris
Collection Counters	<i>13 Jun</i> J Evers, Michael Duffy		
Wednesday Liturgy	<i>8 Jun</i> Prayer Leader: Alex Evers	Eucharistic Ministers: Marianne O'Connor, John O'Connor	