



## PARISH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION, NORTH WODEN

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### 6-7 December; First Sunday of Advent, Year A

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

<b>Monday</b>	9.30am – Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of Mary - <b>Mass</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	9.30am – <b>Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	9.30am – <b>Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	5.30pm – <b>Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion</b>
<b>Friday</b>	9.30am – <b>Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	5.00 - 5.30pm - Reconciliation; 6.00pm - <b>Mass</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	9.30am and 5.30pm - <b>Mass</b>

*We acknowledge the Ngunnawal peoples, Aboriginal peoples and Torres Strait Islander peoples, who are traditional custodians and first peoples of this land. We pay respect to their elders past and present and to the memory of their ancestors. We acknowledge that they have occupied and cared for this land over countless generations and we celebrate their continuing contribution to the life of our city and region. We also extend our respect to all Aboriginal peoples living in our community.*

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

**Recently Deceased:** Mona Smith, Iris Lacey, Joey Henry, George Toth

**Anniversaries of Death:** Chris Perkins, Judith Whittaker, Margaret Frawley, Nicostrato Dulay, Erlinda Dulay, Jose Infante, John Nguyen

#### May the sick be comforted by our Prayers

Michael Higgins, Geraldine Ford, Gary Watkins, Rosemary Phillips, Emily Capper, Mary Hayes, David Swan, Mary Clark, Antonio Zarco Navarro, Lex Govaars, Tom Gravanic, Carmel Coleman, Jeanette Ford, Richard Foote, Chris Feeny, Olga Johnson, Margaret Williams, Pieter van Gent, Mark Lodder, Ted Lindsay, Greg Nash, Francis Boyd, Jeannette Clarke, Jarrod Clarkson, David Garratt, Marjorie O'Connor, Matthew Dwyer, Genevieve Crane, Maureen Sewell, John Warren, Lily Lim, Donald Stott

#### **Prepare the Way of the Lord**

Has Jesus Christ come or is he still to come? For many he has not yet come, for most of the world does not follow him. Even among his followers, many do not live in the way he taught us. The world he wanted us to build up is still a dream of the future, not the reality of the present. What are we going to do about it? We must change, and then our world will change. We ask the Lord Jesus in this eucharist to prepare his deeper coming among us.

Marivoet, Fr. Camilo J. (2000). *Liturgy Alive Models of Celebration (Year C)*. Quezon City, Claretian Publications

**Birthday congratulations!!** Bill Reginatto has just turned 101 and Maureen Jeffrey is having a special birthday this week! We wish them both a very happy birthday!!!

**Fr James** is away until the Friday 12 Dec, Liturgies of the Word and Communion will replace **weekday** Masses apart from the Monday Mass during this period.

**Rosters for 2026** If you would like to join or rejoin any of our ministries, please let the Parish Office know. Rosters are being prepared for the new year.

## St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal

Donations of food suitable for hampers are most welcome and can be brought to the Church. The Poor Box in the foyer can be used for much needed cash donations. It is expected that 50 hampers will be delivered within our parish.

## Parish Pastoral Council Report

2025 has seen the PPC focussing on implementing the agreed suggestions emanating from the Parish Renewal process in 2024.

Specifically, we have attempted to:

- Encourage a broader participation in parish ministries
- Revitalize the ministries with fresh perspectives
- Acknowledge the generosity of parishioners both past and present
- Develop a closer relationship of schools with parish
- Encourage parishioners to get to know each other more comfortably via social gatherings and the wearing of name tags
- Explore the creation of a Parish Pastoral Care Group

As well, the Parish Pastoral Council has played a role in communicating developments around the Affordable Housing project

## Tuesday 16 Dec 6pm | Second Rite of Reconciliation

Mary Help of Christians Parish, Pearce. This is an opportunity for the entire Woden Valley and Weston Creek to come to together in spiritual readiness for the season.

## Christmas Mass Times

Christmas Vigil      6pm Outdoor Mass HT School Grounds      9pm Church  
Christmas Day      8am Church      10am Church

## Wed 31 Dec 8pm | New Year's Eve Prayer Vigil, Mary Help of Christians Church, Pearce

Hosted by the Marian Movement of Priests, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 8pm until midnight with the mysteries of the Rosary prayed at the start of every hour from 8pm to midnight.

**MEDITATION GROUP:** 6pm, Wednesdays. All welcome. Contact Vikki, 0437 876 487, [mulvaney@netspeed.com.au](mailto:mulvaney@netspeed.com.au)

**Readings for next Sunday:** Third Sunday of Advent Year A: Is 35:1-6, 10, James 5:7-10, Mt 11:2-11

Please sign on for your ministry in the folder in the foyer of the church

<b>LITURGICAL ROSTERS NEXT WEEK:</b> 13-14 December		Second Sunday of the Month	
	<b>Saturday 6pm</b>	<b>Sunday 9.30am</b>	<b>Sunday 5.30pm</b>
<b>Acolyte</b>	Anthony De Salis	Maryanne Crane	Mark Murphy
<b>Lector</b>	Noel Egan	Stana Fernandez	Volunteer required
<b>Commentator</b>	Emma Fairfax	Bob Perkins	NA
<b>Welcomer</b>	Gerard Hogan	Kerry Lehoczky	Glenn Roff
<b>E. M. of Communion</b>	Alex Eyers	Brendan Ryan	Volunteer required
<b>E.M. Comm to the Sick</b>	Warr: Liz Anderson	FWG: Margaret and Lorraine Ryan	Homes: Jane Brown
<b>Counters</b>	<i>15 Dec</i> John Eyers		
<b>Wednesday Liturgy</b>	<i>10 Dec</i> Alex Eyers		Liz Anderson

**Parish Safeguarding commitment:** our parish is committed to safeguarding and upholding the dignity and rights of all our children and vulnerable people. If you have concerns about these matters please contact Fr James, or our safeguarding volunteer Anne Hitchings through the parish office, or Maria Hicks [ipss@cg.org.au](mailto:ipss@cg.org.au) the Manager for the Archdiocese's Institute for Professional Standards and Safeguarding.