



WOY WOY PENINSULA PARISH St John the Baptist Catholic Church

"He must increase, I must decrease" (Jn 3:30)



6th August 2023

The Transfiguration of the Lord

Under the Pastoral Care of
The Fransalians since 2016

FEASTS & MEMORIALS

8 August—St Mary of the Cross

10 August—St Lawrence

11 August—St Clare

12 August—St Jane Frances de Chantal

14 August—St Maximilian Kolbe

15 August—The Assumption of the
Blessed Virgin Mary

MASS TIMES & OTHER WORSHIP

Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil - 5.00pm

Sunday - 7.30am, 9.15am and 5.00pm

Weekday Masses

Monday - Friday: Morning prayer at 8.15am
followed by the Mass at 8.30am

Saturdays & Public holidays - 9.00am

Healing Mass

First Friday of the month during Mass at 4.00pm

Nursing Home Masses:

Hillview House—3rd Thurs of the month 10am

Peninsula Village—4th Thurs of the month 10am

BlueWave—2nd Fri of the month 9.30am

Reconciliation/Confession

Friday—9.00am

First Friday of the month - 3.30pm

Saturday - 9.30am and 4.30pm

Sunday - 7.00am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursday evenings from 7.00pm - 8.00pm

Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Mon—Fri - 8.30am—3.00pm

Divine Will Cenacle

Thursdays - 9.15am -10.30am

Christian Meditation

Monday evenings - 6.00pm - 7.00pm

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Today's liturgy invites us to celebrate the feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord. This feast calls to our attention the importance of this event in Jesus' life, further affirmed by its report in each of the Synoptic Gospels: Matthew, Mark, and Luke. In Cycle A, the reading for this feast is taken from the Gospel of Matthew. The Transfiguration occurs after Peter confesses his belief that Jesus is the Messiah and after Jesus predicts his Passion. In each of these Gospels, a discussion of the cost of discipleship precedes the Transfiguration.

In each Gospel, Jesus takes three of his disciples—Peter, James, and John—to a high mountain. While they are there, Elijah and Moses appear and converse with Jesus. Elijah and Moses are both significant figures in the history of Israel. Moses led the Israelites out of slavery in Egypt and received from Yahweh the Ten Commandments. Moses represents the Law, which guides the lives of the Jewish people. Elijah is one of the most important prophets of Israel who helped the Israelites stay faithful to Yahweh, and some believed that Elijah's return would signal the coming of the Messiah for the Jewish people. The appearance of these two figures from Israel's history indicated Jesus' continuity with the Law and the prophets. They also reveal that Jesus is the fulfillment of all that was promised to the people of Israel.

Upon witnessing Jesus' Transfiguration and seeing Jesus with Elijah and Moses, an awestruck Peter offered to construct three tents for them when a voice from Heaven affirms that Jesus is "my beloved Son" and commands the disciples to listen to him.

In each of the reports of the Transfiguration, Jesus instructed the disciples to keep secret what they had seen until after "the Son of Man has been raised from the dead." Until they witnessed Jesus' Passion and Death, the disciples could not possibly understand what he meant by being "raised from the dead." We, however, have the benefit of hindsight. In our hearing of the Transfiguration Gospel, we see an anticipation of Jesus' Resurrection, a foreshadowing of Christ's glory in Heaven, and the promise of our own resurrection.

<https://www.loyolapress.com/catholic-resources/liturgical-year/sunday-connection/transfigurationofthelordcyclea/>



We, The Woy Woy Catholic Parish acknowledge the Traditional Custodians who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of Reconciliation.

Cleaners for 11th August: Veronica Jordan, Laila Dawe, Christine French, Maria Wickens.

Readers for 12th & 13th August:

Saturday 5.00pm— Jane Somerville & Dawn Torrens
 Sunday 7.30am— Mabel Torres & Isaak Giunta
 Sunday 9.15am— Michael Dixon & Colleen McCormack
 Sunday 5.00pm— Sarah Hagarty & Marian Bowyer

Servers for 12th & 13th August:

Saturday 5.00pm— Jeff Freeman & Joel Bajo
 Sunday 7.30am— Kevin Glacken & Jose Torres
 Sunday 9.15am— Bob Wilson & Hanaa El-Khatib
 Sunday 5.00pm— Laurie Jarvis, Pio Savea, Allan Moore

Safeguarding Team: Should a parishioner have any safeguarding concerns please contact our Safeguarding Team Members: Jenny Dempsey 0438 423 293 or Margaret Dixon 0422 277 548.



Cash Housie at Peninsula Community Centre, Saturdays 7.30pm, 93 McMasters Road, Woy Woy. Proceeds benefit the Parish.

Parish Finance Committee/Parish Pastoral Council: There will be a combined Finance Committee/Pastoral Council meeting next Thursday, 10th August at 7.00pm.

Conversation on A Voice to Parliament - do you have questions about the upcoming referendum? Join a conversation on the Voice on Thursday 17th August at 9.30am in the Parish office. Parishioner Rebecca Beisler will lead the session with materials from Together, Yes. Morning tea provided. All welcome. RSVP Rebecca 0450790218.

Home Communion: If you would like to receive Communion at home please contact the Parish Office.

Volunteers needed at Mary Mac's Place: Please contact Sally Baker—tel 1300 324 924/0428 122 136 or email sally.baker@catholiccarebb.org.au for further details.

MONDAYS, TUESDAYS, WEDNESDAYS
& FRIDAYS 7.00AM - 1.00PM

VOLUNTEER NEEDED

EXPERIENCE IN COOKING FOR LARGE NUMBERS REQUIRED

MARY MAC'S PLACE
WOY WOY

Please give generously this weekend. There is no place like home—but for many, having a home is not a reality. The causes may be diverse, but the impact is the same—a loss of dignity and a sense of hopelessness.

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Please help us fundraise for CatholicCare's homelessness services across the Diocese

Donor envelopes available during Mass Saturday 5 & Sunday 6 August.

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11.00AM TO 1.00PM

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 JASON SOUNNESS - COMPASSIONATE CLOTHING

Thanks to Joe & Rose Mondal at Bakers Delight Umina, for donating all the bread for the BBQ.

 **LITURGY OF THE WORD**

Reading 1: Dan 7:9-10, 13-14

As I watched: Thrones were set up and the Ancient One took his throne. His clothing was bright as snow, and the hair on his head as white as wool; his throne was flames of fire, with wheels of burning fire. A surging stream of fire flowed out from where he sat; Thousands upon thousands were ministering to him, and myriads upon myriads attended him. The court was convened and the books were opened. As the visions during the night continued, I saw: One like a Son of man coming, on the clouds of heaven; When he reached the Ancient One and was presented before him, The one like a Son of man received dominion, glory, and kingship; all peoples, nations, and languages serve him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not be taken away, his kingship shall not be destroyed.

Responsorial Psalm: 97:1-2, 5-6, 9**R. The Lord is King, the Most High over all the earth.**

The LORD is king; let the earth rejoice;
let the many islands be glad.

Clouds and darkness are round about him, justice and judgment are the foundation of his throne.

R. The Lord is King, the Most High over all the earth.

The mountains melt like wax before the LORD, before the LORD of all the earth.
The heavens proclaim his justice, and all peoples see his glory.

R. The Lord is King, the Most High over all the earth.

Because you, O LORD, are the Most High over all the earth, exalted far above all gods.

R. The Lord is King, the Most High over all the earth.**Reading 2: : 2 Pet 1:16-19**

Beloved: We did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honour and glory from God the Father when that unique declaration came to him from the majestic glory, "This is my Son, my beloved, with whom I am well pleased." We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven while we were with him on the holy mountain. Moreover, we possess the prophetic message that is altogether reliable. You will do well to be attentive to it, as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts.

Alleluia:**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased;
listen to him.

R. Alleluia.**Gospel: Mt 17:1-9**

Jesus took Peter, James, and his brother, John, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became white as light. And behold, Moses and Elijah appeared to them, conversing with him. Then Peter said to Jesus in reply, "Lord, it is good that we are here. If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." While he was still speaking, behold, a bright cloud cast a shadow over them, then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." When the disciples heard this, they fell prostrate and were very much afraid. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Rise, and do not be afraid." And when the disciples raised their eyes, they saw no one else but Jesus alone. As they were coming down from the mountain, Jesus charged them, "Do not tell the vision to anyone until the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

Keep Us In Your Prayers— pray for the souls of:

Recently deceased: Alan Jones, Joan Claxton, Kevin Booth

Anniversary: Sergei de Souza, Enrico Zappavigna, Giuseppina Sergi, Duncan Wagner, Faela Casey, Mary Dolan, Teresa Lee Min-Yong

Remembrance: Umiliano Menezes

Sick: Melissa Bezzina, Lisa Ryan, Marie Head, Lisa Yeo, Marta Panczyna, Oscar James Moretti, Linda Italiano, Eneio Wolfgram, Emma Matthews, Eileen Jones, Kathleen Bezzina, Moya Jones, Chris Mitchell, Trish Stuart, Colleen Garland, Robert Baker, Josephine Weate, Ed Hyland, Sheila Rogan, Pat Savage, John Mitchell, Donna Vella, Jo Farrelle, Donna Briemer, Malin Tugaga, Pamela Power, Rose Aloisio, Tina Cohen, Amanda Sheridan, Audrey Barsenbach, Therese Horner, Jack Dummett, Robert Parker, Maureen Wardrop, Ros Harbig, Georgie Brigdale, Sue Campbell, Bobby Brame, Kerrie Roberts, Lauren Alchin, Bruce Yip, Ada Primrose Murphy, Cathy Eades, James Matthews, Doreen Arahill, Theresa Mitchell, Anita Servi, Jean Pierre, Michael Tannous, Marsha Burzynski, Emma Mitchell, Vince Weigold, Lola DeSouza, Bev Purser, Joseph King, Christine Semark, Vicki Leach, Willy Woods, John Zdilar, Alison Richmond, Saxon Smith, Jack Rogan-Clark, John Farnham, Chris Parker, Alana Rose, Joy Burt, Stan Page, Serge Fauvette, Roger Lambert, Ron Manning, Ken Dixon, Maria Lourenco, Doris Coleman, Alice Lynn, Dianne Smyth, Gail Smith, Roy Cutrone, Wendy Cohen, Bill Hunt, Patricia Quinn, Alan Ball, Betty McDermott, Jacki Asic, Lucrecia Nunes-Rebelo, Marie Sourini, David Pragasam

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for August



For World Youth Day

We pray the World Youth Day in Lisbon will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their own lives

PARISH COLLECTIONS

1st collection: goes to the Clergy Remuneration Fund for the financial support of the priests

2nd Collection: Funds the operational management of the Parish

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