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Catholic Parish of St Canice

We acknowledge the Gadigal people, the traditional custodians on whose land this Church was built.

21 November 2021

Our Lord Jesus Christ Universal King – Yr B

Parish Directory

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Masses

Tu 7am, W & Th 9am, F 12noon, Sa 9am
Sat 6pm, Sun 8:30am 10:30am.
Online: Sat 6pm Zoom Meeting ID: 893
9545 6461 Passcode: 990013

Weddings, Funerals

Contact Parish Office Tel: 9358 5229

Reconciliation

By arrangement

Viaticum (Last Rites) & Anointing

As requested - contact the Parish Office or
0427 566 324 after hours.

Healing Mass

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Baptism, Child Sacraments & RCIA

Contact Parish Office Tel: 9358 5229

World Television Day, World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims.

World Youth Sunday is an annual Catholic celebration. It links the three-yearly International World Youth Day celebrations that have offered Popes the opportunity to mingle with young people and young people the opportunity to celebrate faith in their own idiom. The celebration reminds us that all young persons have their own distinctive gifts. It also invites us to reflect on what those gifts are and how they might share them in their church and world.

The other observances marked on Sunday, November 21 this year suggest different aspects of the meaning of World Youth Day. It is also the annual feast of Christ the King which Pope Pius XI instituted almost a century ago in the face of what he saw to be a growing atheism and secularism. The feast emphasised that faith is a personal commitment, and that Jesus is the leader whom we should follow. Though the royal image suggests pomp and ceremony, the feast is actually counter-cultural. When we think of Jesus as king, our image is that of a prisoner mocked by State forces by being dressed in a dirty cloak and bleeding from a crown of thorns hammered into his head.



Jesus as king identifies with the excluded and unjustly treated in our world, a reproach to brutal governments identified with their cruel dictator. Christ the King was the poor-man king whose life judged such powerful rulers as Stalin, Hitler, Mussolini and similar dictators of our day. World Youth Day is focused on Jesus, as that kind of king. It appeals to the courage and generosity of young people in accompanying people who are poor and neglected.

November 21 is also the World Day of Remembrance for the Victims of Traffic Accidents. This day appeals to the compassion of young people not only for those killed on the roads but also for those whose lives have been forever chained to pain, loss of movement and brain function as a result of accidents, and the many more parents, brothers and sisters, children and friends whose lives have also been deeply affected. This remembrance day reminds us, too, that far too many victims of accidents are themselves young people. Many, too, have been responsible for these accidents by dangerous driving and risk taking.

The readiness to take risks for love and high ideals is one of the most attractive qualities of young people when it is inspired by love and respect and is joined to common sense. It expresses itself in volunteering, and in gathering with friends to begin enterprises that seem impossible. We need to think only of Frederic Ozanam who joined a few other Paris students in founding the Vinnies. The Vinnies began out of the same crazy-brave ventures of young people. This kind of risk taking lies at the heart of Christian faith and so of World Youth Day. And, of course, it echoes Jesus' life.

November 21, too, is World Television Day, which is such a central part of our culture both in providing entertainment and information and in its development into other digital media. In its derivation television means seeing what

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, UNIVERSAL KING – 21 NOVEMBER 2021

Online, click the reading heading or reference for the Sunday text.

Entrance Procession

How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honour. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.

Collect

Almighty ever-living God, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of the universe, grant, we pray, that the whole creation, set free from slavery, may render your majesty service and ceaselessly proclaim your praise. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son...

First Reading

Daniel 7:13-14

His sovereignty is eternal

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 93.1ab, 1c-2, 5 (R.1a)

R. The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty.

The Lord is king, he is robed in majesty; the Lord is robed, he is girded with strength. **R.**

He has established the world; it shall never be moved; your throne is established from of old; you are from everlasting. **R.**

Your decrees are very sure; holiness befits your house, O Lord, forevermore. **R.**

Second Reading

Revelation 1:5-8

The ruler of the kings of the earth ... made us a line of kings, priests to serve his God

Gospel Acclamation

Mark 11:9, 10

Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed is the one who inherits the kingdom of David our Father; blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Alleluia!

Gospel

John 18:33-37

You say that I am a king

General Intercessions

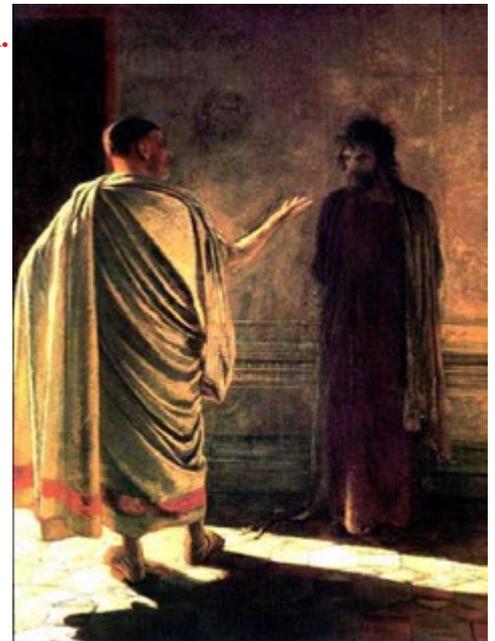
Lord, hear us. **R.** Lord, hear our prayer..

Memorial Acclamation

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

Communion Antiphon

The Lord sits as King for ever. The Lord will bless his people with peace.



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from p.1: lies at a distance. By bringing us close to distant places and by allowing us to communicate face to face at a distance, television has changed our lives. For young people it is central. It is a great gift, but it can be superficial. World Youth Day reminds us of the importance of also seeing what lies deeper. It celebrates the skills and initiatives of young people with technology and invites them to explore the world in depth.

Finally, World Youth Day occurs in Social Inclusion Week, which invites us to build friendships that cross boundaries and bring strangers together. The large gatherings of people from many nations on International World Youth Days do this splendidly. The yearly celebration invites them to reach out beyond their close friends to people from different faiths, racial origins and walks of life. It is a day for listening as well as for speaking, for growing in a love that reaches out to all.

Andrew Hamilton SJ

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A reminder that the Parish Priest suffers from being poor at recognizing faces (*prosopagnosia*).

Kitchen update:

On Monday 8th we resumed seated service for those fully vaccinated. Take away was available for others.

World Bishops Synod '21-'23

Launched worldwide recently by the Pope in Rome recently, it first seeks what experience Church members have of 'synodality'. cf. p5 online.

Ignatian Youth Festival

All Things New Ignatian Gathering 2022

<<https://www.facebook.com/allthingsnew2022>> on Facebook, @allthingsnew2022 is for **young adults** aged 18-30, at Newman College in Melbourne from 2pm 17th to 2pm 21st January 2022. See p7. Financial support may be possible for this.



Remembering those who have gone before us...

Recently Deceased: Bernard Adrian Fitzgerald, Peter Smol, COVID-19 victims (>160 Jesuits).

Anniversaries: Bill Dominguez, Mario Juka, Di Stewart, Geraldine Ohlsson, Lourdes Jacobs, Yvonne Nobbbs, Frances Amour, Mal Starkey, All in our *Book of the Deceased*.

Let us pray for...

Recently ill: Fr Ludwik Ryba SJ (Melb.), Bede Nichols, Andy Speir, Anne Nevill, Rin-ku Suzana, William Fothergill, Gek Jeavons, Michael Coleman, Mark Williams, Vance Velasco, John Harding, Paul Scharrer, Maurice Heading SJ, Jillian Wells, Alison Dudley, Marina Byron, Amanda Sinclair, Br Terry Kavenagh OSB, Fr Peter Maher, Wilhelmina van Wanrooy, Kevin Matthews, Gwen Feeney, Aloysious Mowe SJ, Anne O'Sullivan, Susanne O'Sullivan, Belen Latorre, Michael Taylor, Tony Catt, Siobhan Pearson, James Toohey, Maria Grazia Orlandi, Robert Horder, Clive Adams, Patrick Brogan, John Laing, Linda Stein, Ruby Naidu, Sandra Holyeak, Ray Walsh, Omar Soliman, Dulcie Kennedy, Flynn Cawood, Valentino Close, Ronald Soussa, Sophie Napier, Veronica Rainbird, Joan Agbor, Covid-19 victims. **Confirmation candidates. Neophyte:** Amanda Or Alegata.

If you would like the parish to pray for someone or to bring them Holy Communion, please contact Lynelle at the Parish Office on 9358 5229 or email <lynelle@stcanice.com.au> Please note you must have a person's permission for their name to be on the bulletin's sick list.



Parish Calendar

Sun 21 JESUS CHRIST, UNIVERSAL KING. 11:15 Morning tea for Fr Dave:
Mass ALSO on Zoom @ 6pm Sat. (Video is copied to Facebook).

Wed 24 St Andrew Dung-Lac & comps, martyrs

Thu 25 6pm Laudato si' group meeting

Fri 26 St John Berchmans SJ, religious

Sat 27 6pm Vigil on Zoom.

Sun 28 First Sunday of Advent: Advent groups begin; Sun 5 Confirmation (10:30am)

QR Code or name&phone

Tue 23 Mass 7am

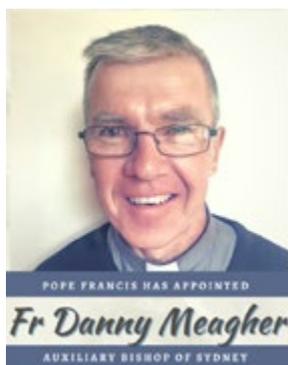
Wed 24 Mass 9am

Thu 25 Mass 9am

Fri 26 Mass noon

Sat 27 Mass 9am

Congratulations to Fr Danny Meagher on his appointment as a Sydney Auxiliary Bishop. He has taken an interest in David's Place here. His ordination will be 8 December.



Dear Parishioners

Dear Parishioners and Friends of St Canice's.

Thank you to the parishioners who provided feedback to our draft parish pastoral plan. It provided much discussion at our meeting on Tuesday 16th November and will certainly help finalise our plan which we foresee as being a truly pastoral plan. The final version will be shared with the community at our Joyful Sunday Mass on 12th December.

The Parish Pastoral Council was formally introduced to our new assistant priest Fr Dave Ryan SJ on Tuesday night. The team were delighted that Dave could join us and I hope that as many of you as possible can attend the 'Welcome Morning Tea' for Dave this Sunday 21st November after 10:30 mass.

At our latest PPC meeting, the team were fortunate to be joined by Sue Buckingham. Sue as many of you will know is a facilitator of David's Place. The team was engrossed by Sue's passion and tenacity as she

told us the history and current work of David's Place. St Canice's Parish is certainly blessed to be associated with such a dynamic and welcoming group.

Enjoy the week ahead.

Brian

Brian Anderson, Chairperson
St Canice Parish Pastoral Council.

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Parish Notices

Next Week's Readings:

28 November – First Sunday of Advent Yr C

First Reading: Jeremiah 33:14-16

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2

Gospel: Luke 21:25-28,34-36

Morning tea for Fr Dave Ryan SJ!

Dave Ryan SJ our new assistant priest, arrived recently. This Sunday 21st November, we will have a morning tea after the 10:30 am Mass to welcome him.

This is going ahead even if there is some rain, as we don't have another suitable time in the coming weeks.

Update: Laudato si' & a Call to Action

About 12 have met to make share their background and interests. The Pope's 'Call to Action' is a multi-year project re the parish, ecology and the environment. To learn more and possibly join the group, please email/ ring the PP <parishpriest@stcanice.com.au>. We meet again Thursday at 6pm

Comment on euthanasia bill

Complete the online questionnaire <<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XRQNHFZ>> by 22 Nov.– for NSW residents. PF

JRS needs computers/laptops

See flyer on page 6

In Ordinary Time we are called to live out the conversion and mission discerned during Lent & Easter.

'Live' masses

We are continuing to zoom 6pm mass (click, or see our front page, left); videos **only** on Facebook later <facebook.com/StCanicesElizabethBay/videos>.

Br Ian: Ignatian discernment

Available at <<https://fb.watch/5v3TgpNdSS/>>

The Church is open to ALL for Mass. Masks are mandatory. Those who cannot attend with un-vaxxed people should contact me! Mass may be held just for vaccinated people; but at a different time to normal masses. P Fyfe SJ, PP

Advent Study Group

Advent commences next Sunday 28 November. If you are interested in taking part in a small Advent Study Group, please contact Emma in the Parish Office on 02 9358 5229 or <parish@stcanices.com.au> We propose starting on Sunday 28 November between the two Masses, i.e. at 9:30 am. If there is enough interest, we may also form an evening group. I will confirm this shortly. – Emma

Remembering our deceased

You are invited to add names of deceased friends and relatives in the book, available in the Church. Mass will be offered for them during November.

Call out! (Trainee) catechist(s)!

Our wonderful catechist, Helen Campbell is nearing the end of her sterling service to the parish. We would love to form a small team with one or more persons. This would prepare children (and parents) for Reconciliation, Communion and Confirmation. Another gap that might be filled is a lesson at the local primary school, currently done with Kindy.

Our RCIA program

During COVID people have thought more about religion. Someone you know may be wondering about becoming a Catholic. It's a good time for enquirers! You may not be aware you know one...

News, depth, spirituality

Australian Jesuit News– <www.jesuit.org.au>
Australian Catholics– <australiancatholics.com.au>
Eureka Street– <www.eurekastreet.com.au>
Madonna– <www.madonnamagazine.com.au>
Jesuit/Ignatian Spirituality– <jisa.org.au>
Pope's Intention Video–<thepopevideo.org/>
Catholic Weekly <www.catholicweekly.com.au>: *for the printed copy, \$2 to the StVdP box please.*

A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney

Child abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with a crime are the police. If you – or anyone you know – have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at (02) 9390 5810 or <safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org> You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.

[More Advent Preparation](#)

Since not everyone may be able to participate in our parish Advent group(s), the following archdiocesan resource may be helpful.

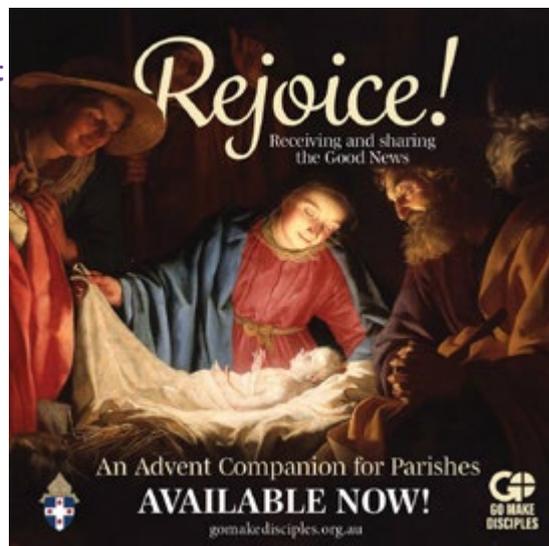
<<https://www.gomakedisciples.org.au/A4-Advent-Resource.pdf>>

The 2021 Advent Companion, (available Now)

Rejoice! Receiving and Sharing the Gift of the Good News

is available for download on the Go Make Disciples as above.

The booklet contains Gospel readings for Sundays and Christmas Day, spiritual reflections from Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP, Professor Tracey Rowland, Sr Susanna Edmunds OP, and others, reflection questions, and other resources. Advent is a wonderful opportunity to reconnect with members of your parish, and to prepare together for the coming of the Jesus at Christmas.



To date, over 65 people have participated in archdiocesan online training

on how to run an Advent group. The next training session will be held on Tuesday 23 November at 11:00am via Zoom.

Register (click) <<https://comms.sydneycatholic.org/ch/75218/v3yd1/2219143/SuiX5q4GtOmvRMK.Abm54plHjg1A9kLcP6jsXYw.html>> or email us for further training dates: <parishrenewal@sydneycatholic.org>

Some Thoughts on Voluntary Assisted Dying *Paul Fyfe SJ, PP*

The goodwill of many people putting forward this legislation is clear: they have compassion for those experiencing pain and suffering in the process of dying, and for their carers and relatives. This should not be forgotten. Indeed, some have been deeply scarred by the experience. For almost everyone, dying is not easy. But neither is it simple nor can it be made simple.

An elderly good Catholic and highly regarded former matron of a country hospital, when similar legislation was put forward, told me she was neutral about it. I detailed to her how many people needed to be involved in such a dying process—then, something like 9—and she immediately changed her mind. Decisions to die are not simply personal, just as a decision to be un-vaccinated is not.

Yet, we have to accept, at least for a few people, that good palliative care cannot prevent their suffering towards the end of their life. So, is that not a very good reason for such legislation?

Unfortunately, nothing is simple, especially legislating for exceptions. And there are some very profound issues about taking life that are easily glossed over or under-estimated. My dealing with them well would take much space so I can only sketch a few.

If we desire to lessen the pain of *many* when dying the first step would be to make good palliative care widely available. So why isn't this happening, if pain and suffering is the major issue?

What is our attitude to death? As a priest who is trained as and has worked as a hospital chaplain, and who deals with many families with dying relatives or planning funerals, I notice that many city Austra-

lians do not deal well with death; one tendency is to hide their children from it. They are shocked when I say that we had mum's body at home for 5 days and children wrote messages on the lining.

Over the years I have observed that seemingly powerful reasons given for VAD are the distress that the living experience, more so than that of the dying.

Some patients want to die because family and medical staff seem to want that—talk to oncologists who have close relationships with their patients!

Some next-of-kin don't want the responsibility of deciding to turn off life support.

It is not surprising that they can misinterpret some aspects of dying that disturb *them* more than they do the patient.

And the greed of, or massive neglect in some families ought not to be discounted.

For those of us who have worked for years in the prevention of suicide, whether of the dramatic kind or that resulting from e.g. body-hating disorders, we know how difficult success can be, especially when death is close for them. VAD sends a distinct signal to people in those despairing moments, that we would prefer them dead and free from suffering.

So, do not misjudge people's goodwill, but do not easily assume that VAD will be a better solution overall.

Separately, for us as people of faith who believe life is God's gift, we have a responsibility to not just live that out, but work for a society that lessens suffering and treasures those in their later years. One implication: save money not only to give your children what *they* need but for the ability to provide what grandparents and parents might need of your time and care!

BRIDGING THE DIGITAL DIVIDE



COMPUTERS FOR REFUGEES AND PEOPLE SEEKING ASYLUM

DURING THIS EXTENDED LOCKDOWN WE ARE SUPPORTING REFUGEES AND PEOPLE SEEKING ASYLUM IN FINDING MEANINGFUL WORK.

WE ARE CURRENTLY IN NEED OF COMPUTERS TO SUPPORT THOSE AT HOME WITH NO ACCESS TO TECHNOLOGY, LIMITING THEIR ABILITY TO ACCESS WORK AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES, AND TRUSTED RESOURCES OF INFORMATION, CONNECT WITH SERVICES ONLINE AND KEEP IN TOUCH WITH LOVED ONES BOTH IN AUSTRALIA AND ABROAD, AND SO MUCH MORE.

AS WELL AS AIMING TO BRIDGE THIS DIGITAL DIVIDE, THE JRS AUSTRALIA EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM PROVIDES TRAINING, WORK READINESS SUPPORT, AND ACCESS TO TRAINING AND WORK EXPERIENCE FOR REFUGEES AND PEOPLE SEEKING ASYLUM.



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Kings Cross NSW 1340



Contact

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To learn more about our employment work visit:
<https://aus.jrs.net/en/employment-assistance/>



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ALL THINGS New



 SCAN ME

IGNATIAN GATHERING FOR YOUNG ADULTS (18-30)

Newman College, Melbourne
17-21 January, 2022,
organised by the Society of Jesus (Jesuits).

Check out our FB page
<https://www.facebook.com/allthingsnew2022>
or scan the QR Code for more info!

SPIRITUALITY | SERVICE | WELLBEING

Recently in every diocese around the world,
was the launch of the preparation
for the Synod of Bishops,
taking place in Rome in 2023.

The Pope has asked every diocese to contribute
by asking **all the baptised** what their experience is
of the Church working together as it is supposed to.
The Pope uses the term 'synodality' as a catch-all notion
for that process of discerning together.
And the first step is to pray!

'Adsumus' prayer for the beginning of a Church Synod

We stand before You, Holy Spirit,
as we gather together in Your name.

With You alone to guide us,
make Yourself at home in our hearts;

Teach us the way we must go
and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful;
do not let us promote disorder.

Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path
nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity
so that we may journey together to eternal life
and not stray from the way of truth
and what is right.

All this we ask of You,
who are at work in every place and time,
in the communion of the Father and the Son,
forever and ever. Amen.