



## Catholic Parish of St. Canice

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

**2 February 2014**

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[www.jrs.org.au](http://www.jrs.org.au)

**Mass Times**  
Sunday – 8:30am & 10:30am  
Tuesday to Friday - 7:00am  
Saturday – 9.00am Vigil - 6:00pm

**Public Holidays – 9:00am**

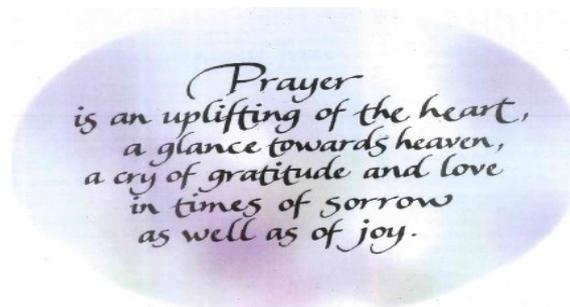
**Reconciliation**  
Before Vigil & Sunday masses or on request

**Anointing**  
Healing Mass 11:00am - First Friday of each month otherwise by request

## The Presentation of the Lord

### God in Contemplation

But the active side of Christianity is nothing without the hidden, passive and contemplative aspect. Indeed, without the secret, interior, lowly, obscure knowledge of God in contemplation, the activity of the Apostle is empty and fruitless. Indeed, it is perhaps because the contemplative aspect of Christianity has been to a great extent ignored by so many in the West, that Christianity has been less fruitful than it might have been in the East. It is the union with God in a darkness where nothing is seen or understood, that is the source of the mysterious love which is the life blood of Christianity. It is in the darkness of faith that the soul is united to Christ, and in the darkness the Holy Spirit, like an inexhaustible spring of living water, irrigates the dry wastes of the soul that is exhausted by attachment to the things of sense. This living water revives the soul and makes it capable of a love and compassion which are the most powerful of all spiritual forces because they are the power of God himself in us: and God is Love. *Thomas Merton*



*Fr Chris*



### Entrance Antiphon

**Your merciful love, O God, we have received in the midst of your temple. Your praise, O God, like your name, reaches the ends of the earth; your right hand is filled with saving justice.**

### Entrance Hymn:

No 423 (Gather) Lord of Creation

### Opening Prayer

**Almighty ever-living God, we humbly implore your majesty that, just as your Only Begotten Son was presented on this day in the Temple in the substance of our flesh, so, by your grace, we may be presented to you with minds made pure.**

### First Reading: Malachi 3: 1-4

Thus says the Lord God: 'See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming,' says the Lord of hosts. 'But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver; and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years

### Response: Saturday 6pm; Sunday: 8:30am. 10.30am

**Who is the king of glory? It is the Lord!**

### Second Reading: Hebrews 2: 10-11, 13-18

It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the source of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, saying "Here I am, and the children whom God has given me." Since the children share flesh and blood, Jesus himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. For it is clear that Jesus did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

### Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia! This is the light of revelation to the nations, and the glory of your people, Israel. Alleluia!**

### Gospel: Luke 2: 22-40

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, the parents of Jesus brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord. As it is written in the law of the Lord, "Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord", and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, "a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons." Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying, "Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to your people Israel." And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, "This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too." There was also a prophet, Anna, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband for seven years after her marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshipped there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem. When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

### Offertory Hymn:

No 534 (Gather) All the Earth Proclaim the Lord

### Communion Antiphon:

My eyes have seen your salvation, which you prepared in the sight of all the peoples.

### Communion Hymn:

No 404 (Gather) Christ Be Our Light

### Recessional:

No 417 (Gather) Glory and Praise to our God.

### Let us pray for:

**Recently Deceased:** Val Campbell, Annetta Barone, Mia Soussa, Kevin Moriarty, Ann O'Brien, Sr. Gemme Castello *rsj*, Dorothy Halpin, Julie Kelly, Max Redden, Fr Emmett Costello *sj*.

**Anniversaries:** Pamela and Patrick Shaughnessy.

**Recently ill:** John Hunter-Murray, Carlie Soussa, Claire Givney, Davina Kohler, Dorothy Loughry, Carmel Walke, Helen, Margaret Shoditsch, Elisa Pier De Siun Young, John Myers, Jeannette McSwini, Rosemary Nugent, Scott Mitchell, Robert McCormack, Jean McInerney, Bernard McCauley.

### **Next Week's Readings: 09 February 2014**

First Reading: Isaiah 58: 6-10

Second Reading: 1Corinthians 2: 1-5

Gospel: Matthew 5: 13-16

### **Roster for Eucharistic Celebration**

8-9 Feb 2014	Vigil 6pm	8.30am	10.30am
<b>Greeters</b>	GLosurdo	V Latkich	C Coggins
<b>Reader</b>	P Campbell-Hardwick	H Campbell	M Lynch
<b>Ministers of the Eucharist</b>	SVC students	As available	B Campbell T Hunt M Musgrave M Woodburne

**Invitation to visit our website:** For more information about St Canice's please visit our website [www.stcanice.org.au](http://www.stcanice.org.au). Therein, you can access details about our heritage, the people of our parish and the key events that are taking place.

A gentleman moving to **Sydney from Adelaide** to commence a new job is looking for accommodation; as a boarder, house sitter or renting a studio. **The family** are not able to move with him for another year due to work and school commitments and he has few contact in Sydney. The family are known to the Jesuits. If you are able to assist please contact him by email on [franbaum@bigpond.net.au](mailto:franbaum@bigpond.net.au).

### **Sisterhood - National Catholic Women's Conference 2014.**

Sisterhood a national Catholic Women's movement is holding their 2014 conference at Stanwell Tops, Sydney from **7 – 9 March**. The aim of the conference is to empower women to return to their own parish, community and work place to make a difference. For more information ring **0420 541 772** or to register on-line and view a list of speakers. Please visit: [www.sisterhood.org.au](http://www.sisterhood.org.au). Thank you.

## Parish Notices

**Friday the 7th February 2014**, being the first Friday of the month, there will be the Healing Mass at 11.00am followed by a cup of tea in the Parish House. All are welcome, and a chance to catch up in this New Year.

**Catechist Sunday 2 February 2014:** Pope Francis: *"Faith is a pure gift: a gift received and a gift given... A catechist is right there, at the centre of this exchange of Gift."* Give the Gift of Faith starting from today Catechist Sunday. Vacancies exist for catechist assistants at Darlinghurst Primary, Years 1 and 2 classes on Wednesdays from 9.00 to 9.30am commencing Term 1 2014. Courses and support offered FREE by CCD. *Become a catechist* and share your gift of faith with our young people. Please ask Tim McCarthy, St Canice's CCD Co-ordinator how - 04 123 678 11 or [timothyofs@gmail.com](mailto:timothyofs@gmail.com).

**Dialogue for Young Adults - Sunday, 2 Feb -7pm-8.30pm Lavender Bay.** 'Dialogue' is a friendly discussion group for Catholic young adults (age 20's / 30's). Join us for a talk, discussion and light refreshments at St Francis Xavier Parish Hall, Mackenzie St, Lavender Bay. This month's topic is 'Change - A Crucible for Leadership' with discussion facilitator Dominic Arcamone. For more info: [enquiries@yucan.org.au](mailto:enquiries@yucan.org.au).

**Red Mass: Monday, 3 February 2014.** The annual Red Mass will be celebrated by His Eminence Cardinal Pell at St Mary's Cathedral, Sydney, on Monday, 3 February 2014 at 9.00 am, followed by morning tea at Cathedral House. The Red Mass marks the commencement of the judicial term and invokes the guidance of the Holy Spirit on those who seek and administer justice. All welcome to attend. Inquiries and RSVP: Mary Joseph, St Thomas More Society, 9390 5222 or [mary.joseph@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:mary.joseph@sydneycatholic.org)

**Cherry Blossom Tour of Japan. In Search of Hidden Christians – Kumamoto Japan Cherry Blossom Tour:**  
22 March – 31 March 2014 From \$3900 per person. Kumamoto, Kyushu which is the southernmost island of Japan, was the principal stronghold of *kakure-kurishitan*; Japanese who converted to Christianity after the arrival of the Portuguese in the 16th Century and subsequently maintained their faith despite severe punishments, including torture and death, meted out to those who disobeyed the Shogunate's prohibition on their religion. Today, though, Japan is a very much more benign country and these buildings, a charming amalgam of Japanese and western architecture in beautiful environs, are slated to be listed by UNESCO as World Heritage Sites in 2015. Download the brochure on Japan Holidays and details from <http://bit.ly/1iKHrLZ>. This Tour provides you with an opportunity to see the real Japan i.e. the people, places, cuisine and culture that you would not normally experience travelling this country. Led by Fr Joe Duffy along with a professional Japanese English Speaking Guide this authentic Tour will deliver encounters that are second to none.

Did you know **CatholicCare Sydney** employment services can help you find a job, whatever your circumstances? Direct Employment assists people with disability to find and maintain employment. Local Employment & Training Solutions (LETS) helps people to re-enter the workforce and address barriers to employment (eg. recent retrenchment, mental illness etc.) If you, or someone you know, would like to find a job, or if you are an employer looking to fill a vacancy, please visit [www.catholicare.org](http://www.catholicare.org) or call (02) 9390 5377

**A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend** is a *Marriage Enrichment* experience for married couples – set in peaceful, picturesque surroundings, away from the distractions of everyday life. During the weekend, couples have a unique opportunity to reconnect, rekindle and refresh their relationship. Take time out of your busy schedule, to invest in your most precious asset . . . your Marriage! Weekend date: 21 – 23 March at Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville, NSW  
Bookings: Ardell & Bill Sharpe tel. 02 4283 3435 or [wsharpe@bigpond.net.au](mailto:wsharpe@bigpond.net.au), [www.wwme.org.au](http://www.wwme.org.au); or [www.facebook.com/WWMEasternUnit](http://www.facebook.com/WWMEasternUnit) .

**Carmelite Retreats February 2014:** **At the threshold of Teresa 2015:** 01 February 2014: Saturday day retreat. Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, 247 St Andrews Road, Varroville. Registration: 900 – 1000am. Retreat: 1020 – 400pm. Suggested donation: \$20. Enquiries: 02 8795 3400. Email: [retreats@carmelite.com](mailto:retreats@carmelite.com); [generalmanager@carmelite.com](mailto:generalmanager@carmelite.com). [www.carmelite.com](http://www.carmelite.com)  
**'I want to give myself but who am I':** 7-9 February 2014: Pondering the Ignatian daily "Examen Prayer" as an aid to self-discovery and ability to love. Fr Gerard Moran OCD.  
The Daily Examen is a technique of prayerful reflection on the events of the day in order to detect God's presence and discern his direction for us. The Examen is an ancient practice in the Church that can help us see God's hand at work in our whole experience. Cost: \$220.00. Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, 247 St Andrews Road, Varroville. Enquiries: 02 8795 3400. Email: [retreats@carmelite.com](mailto:retreats@carmelite.com), [generalmanager@carmelite.com](mailto:generalmanager@carmelite.com); [www.carmelite.com](http://www.carmelite.com).

**City Silence** – An weekly event for young adults. *Catholic Youth Services* is excited to invite all young adults aged 18-35 to a new event every Tuesday evening (6.30-7.30pm) from February onwards at St Mary's Cathedral Sydney. *City Silence* is a weekly Holy Hour which will be led by a different priest or bishop each week, and animated by different musicians; it will include times of silence, reflection, scripture, and song; confessions will also be available. Immediately following City Silence all are invited for dinner at a local restaurant. Hope to see you there! For more information visit [www.catholicyouthservices](http://www.catholicyouthservices).