



Catholic Parish of St. Canice

We acknowledge the Gadigal people, the traditional custodians on whose land this Church was built.
28 September 2014

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Social Justice Sunday

Today is Social Justice Sunday and our Australian bishops have published a statement '*A Crown for Australia: Striving for the best in our sporting Nation*', addressing the important role of sport in our society. (Copies at the back of church).

The Church has long recognised the value of sport as a binding, positive force, an agent for inclusion and recognition; as the bishops say "it provides a spectacular avenue for justice and peace".

But there are clouds beneath the silver lining; it can reflect the worst in us, showing us a side of society that is not only ugly but unjust as well. Along with community and spiritual benefits, the bishops warn of the dangers inherent in the increasing commercialisation of sport and the "win-at-all-costs" mentality that can produce abuses and exclusion.

The 'crown' of the Statement's title recalls St Paul writing to the Corinthians of an athlete's rigorous training in order to win "a wreath that will wither". The athlete's reward is a forerunner of the imperishable crown that we strive for in our spiritual lives.

A crown of glory is the prize for winners while for others "a crown of thorns can weigh heavily as it mocks and undermines the true worth of sport and its participants".

While sport brings us together, builds communities and lets us celebrate movement and skill, it is increasingly marked by violence and abuse of drugs and alcohol on and off the field as its commercial power is harnessed for private gain. It can become a megaphone for racism and sexism.

At its best, the bishops remind us, sport builds perseverance and resilience, encourages co-operation and hard work and teaches coping with success and failure, those twin imposters in every life. But when it loses sight of human good, we need to think hard about it; what do its failures tell us about ourselves as individuals and as a society? *Fr Chris.*



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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

Entrance Antiphon:

All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

Entrance Hymn:

No 422 (Gather) Glory Be to God in Heaven

Opening Prayer

O God, who manifest your almighty power above all by pardoning and showing mercy, bestow, we pray, your grace abundantly upon us and make those hastening to attain your promises heirs to the treasures of heaven.

First Reading: Ezekiel 18: 25-28

The Lord says this: "You object, O House of Israel! You say, 'The way of the Lord is unfair.' Hear now, O house of Israel: Is my way unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair? "When the righteous turn away from their righteousness and commit iniquity, they shall die for it; for the iniquity that they have committed they shall die. "Again, when the wicked turn away from the wickedness they have committed and do what is lawful and right, they shall save their life. Because they considered and turned away from all the transgressions that they had committed, they shall surely live; they shall not die."

Responsorial Psalm:

Remember your mercies, O Lord.

Second Reading: Philippians 2: 1-11

If there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, then make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. Therefore God highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me. Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 21: 28-32

When Jesus entered the temple, the chief priests and elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and challenged his authority. So Jesus asked them this question. "What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.' He answered, 'I will not'; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, 'I am going, sir'; but he did not go. "Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him."

Offertory Hymn:

No 318 (Gather) A New Commandment

Communion Antiphon:

Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.

Communion Hymn:

No 506 (Gather) The Lord is My Shepherd

Recessional Hymn:

No 414 (Gather) Sing A New Song

Let us pray for:

Recently Deceased: Lawrie Kennedy, Harry Burke, Tim McEniery, Edith Meth, Dr John Crotty (Fr Phil Crotty's brother), Robert Barnes, Peter Ferguson, Richard Heekis, Simon Bleasel, Winston Lindsay, Cardinal Edward Bede Clancy AC, Sr. Philomene Tiernan *rscj*, Anna De Giorgi.

Anniversaries: John McAuliffe, Brian Cassidy, Arthur Kavanagh, Fortunato Edmond Mallia, Vic Zaknich and Mara Separovich. Helen McCarthy, Irene Harding, Jadvyga Venclovas, Antanas Svedas, Bridget Ohlsson, Angela Viola.

Recently ill: Bobby Gordon, Cath Raper, Paul Lynch, Dorothy Harding, Elizabeth Lynch, Jill Rolfe, Zoe Dudley, Lee Tillam, Paul Taylor, Desmond Whelan, Geraldine Kavanagh-Ohlsson, Cythnia Daniel, Tony Musgrave, Wayne Laphorne, Richard Ellul, Eric Robinson, Siena Mainali, Brian Loughry, Alex Pemberton, Carlie Soussa, Davina Kohler, Colin Walke, Helen, Margaret Shoditsch, Elisa Pier De Siun Young, John Myers, Jeannette McSwini, Rosemary Nugent, Robert McCormack, Jean McInerney, Bernard McCauley.

Next Week's Readings: 5 October 2014

First Reading: Isaiah 5: 1-7
 Second Reading: Philippians 4: 6-9
 Gospel: Matthew 21: 33-43

Roster for Eucharistic Celebrations

4-5 Oct 2014	Vigil 6pm	8.30am	10.30am
Greeters	W Fothergill	N Rowe	P Benson
Readers	B McSoriley	A Weeks	C Coggins
Ministers of the Eucharist	As available	As available	B Campbell B Clulow T Hunt M Musgrave

ST CANICE FEAST DAY Celebration on Sunday 12th October we will have a BBQ in the Peace Park after the 10.30am mass starting at about 11.30am. Help required with salads and deserts if you are able to help please contact Eimer.Boyle@depont.com or Elizabeth in the Parish Office. If you can let us know what you propose to bring this would be most helpful. Thank you.

On **Sunday the 23rd of November, 2014** St Canice's Parish Elizabeth Bay will be offering the sacrament of **First Confirmation**. If you would like your son or daughter to receive this important sacrament please contact the Parish office to register your interest. Please note that this will involve your child attending some preparation classes on Saturdays prior to the confirmation day.

Jesuit Mission 2014 . Thank you to everyone who contributed to, and participated in, the Indian Bazaar at Riverview College, Saturday 13 September 2014. It has been a wonderful success, once again. Thank you for giving willingly and generously of your time. *Fr Chris*



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Fr Phil Crotty sj - Midday Mass in the Dalton Chapel Riverivew - 13/9/14



Parish Notices

FAREWELL MASS FOR LAWRIE KENNEDY: The Requiem for parishioner Lawrie Kennedy will take place this **Tuesday, 30 September at 10.30am at St Canice's**. Please join us in farewelling Lawrie.

St Canice's St Vincent de Paul Conference News: Lawrie Kennedy: As many of you may know, Lawrie Kennedy, who ran the Piety Shop as well as the garage sale, and worked as a volunteer for St Canice's Vinnies Conference for many years, passed away last weekend. We wish to acknowledge Lawrie's long service to those in need, and to extend our deepest condolences to his friends and family.

Piety Shop: With Lawrie's passing, the Piety Shop is now unattended. As the shop provides a wonderful service to parishioners as well as helping to fund our St Vincent de Paul activities, it would be great if one/two people at each Mass could attend to the shop at the beginning and end of that Mass for perhaps ten minutes in total. Please let Fr Chris know if you are interested. Your assistance would really help [our work](#).

Gorman House BBQ: A number of members of the Conference were involved in the Gorman House BBQ recently and provided great support to those there who are recovering from addiction. We attend the BBQ on the first Sunday of each month, and you are always welcome to join us there. The next BBQ will be on Sunday 5/10/14. Please contact Mick McIntyre on 0414853650 if you are interested.

Province Residential Retreats will take place between 28 September - 7 October 2014 at Peter Canisius House, Pymble, presented by Brendan Byrne SJ. **'To Live is Christ' (Phil 1:21)**. There is a choice of a 4 day retreat from 28/9/14 - 3/10/14: cost \$495.00 **or** an 8 day retreat from 28/9/14 - 7/10/14: cost \$891.00. For more details please see the pamphlet at the back of the Church. You are very welcome.

Parish Calendar

28 Sept - 7 Oct: Jesuit Province retreat (see bulletin notice). Please contact: Peter Canisius House Administrator: canisius@cis.jesuit.org.au

12 October: St. Canice Feast day BBQ. Help required with salads and deserts. Please contact Eimer Boyle at: Eimer.Boyle@dupont.com.

15 -22 October: A week of guided prayer. Please contact: carolinecoggins@exemail.com.au or 0407575557

26 October: Sisters of Charity laying plaque.

Late October: Our Lady of the Way Spiritual Exercises North Sydney: (see bulletin). Please contact: Frances Tilly via email: FrancesT@sjparishnsw.org.au or Gracelyn Vega; esrvega@yahoo.com

05 November : Midday : Sister Margaret Beirne RSC: talk and light lunch. Please contact: Tony Hunt at: tranbow@tig.com.au.

19 November: Prayer day at Canisius, Pymble. Please contact: carolinecoggins@exemail.com.au or tel: 0407 575 557

23 November: Confirmation.

From 30 November: Advent meditations 9.40 -10.20am. Contact : carolinecoggins@exemail.com.au

Week of guided prayer 15th to 22nd October, 2014

We pray as a community in the Mass, and this gives us shape and sustenance in our lives. But praying alone, or 'desert prayer' as Sr Ruth Burrows likes to call it, is a solitary and very different experience, it can be harder and not as gratifying as receiving the sacraments. We can yearn to be close but find it difficult to get a regular routine and thus this solitary prayer is more easily forgotten. Yet our God calls us to be alone with Him in that private place within us, regularly as you would with any person in your life that you love.

St Ignatius desired for us all to find this intimacy with Christ, God and the Spirit, and this was the basis of the Spiritual Exercises. This week of guided prayer in daily life gives a taste of the Exercises, and the opportunity to meet each day with a prayer guide over the eight days. Each of us is different, and each of us will find ways of prayer that we find more helpful, that will 'fit'.

Put the week aside, come and see!

We will start as a group on Wednesday 15th October and conclude as a group on Wednesday 22nd October.

You will meet with your guide in the evenings of the weekdays, and in the later afternoons on the weekend.

Please contact Caroline Coggins for further information: Tel: 0407 575 557.