



## Catholic Parish of St Canice

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

24 July 2016

### Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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

### Knocking on Heaven's Door

Recognising the voice of Christ comes with practice and exposure to it. That's why we pray. The repetition of prayer isn't just about doing the same dumb things over and over. It is the practice we need to attune our hearing, to listen to the sound of God's voice so that even if it is faintly heard amidst the din, we pick it out, lift our head, turn our gaze, and walk toward it. These days there are a multitude of voices clamouring for our attention, and the loudest or the longest ones are often not the wisest ones. There are a lot of songs to sing. We need practice and listening, hearing, attuning our ears, and adding harmony.

*Why Bother Praying?* **Fr Richard Leonard SJ**

Although Christian faith is sure and certain, paradoxically there is also an element of doubt in it. We can all say 'Lord I believe; help my unbelief'. Obviously, it is most important to locate this doubt correctly, and the root of it lies in our human condition. Faith is a personal commitment to Jesus, but because we are flawed by sin we can never commit ourselves irrevocably, as if there were no possibility of ever taking back what we have given. We can commit ourselves irrevocably in the sense that we have no intention of taking back, but we can never eliminate the possibility of taking back, which we do every time we sin. However, there's a positive side to this too. When we sin, we are never completely given to our sin, and so, under grace, repentance is always possible

**Patrick O'Sullivan SJ**

A beginner must look upon himself as making a garden wherein our Lord may take his delight, but in a soil unfruitful and abounding in weeds. He roots up the weeds, and sets good plants in their place. We have then, as good gardeners, by the help of God to see that the plants grow, to water them carefully, that they may not die.

**Teresa of Avila**



*'Jesus is the door...'*

### Entrance Antiphon

**God is in his holy place, God who unites those who dwell in his house; he himself gives might and strength to his people.**

Entrance Hymn: No 526 (Gather) Gather Us In

### Opening Prayer

**O God, protector of those who hope in you, without whom nothing has firm foundation, nothing is holy, bestow in abundance your mercy upon us.**

### First Reading: Genesis 18: 20-21, 23-32

The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre and said, "How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me; and if not, I will know." Then Abraham came near and said, "Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?" And the Lord said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake." Abraham answered, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?" And the Lord said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there." Again Abraham spoke to him, "Suppose forty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of forty I will not do it." Then Abraham said, "Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there." The Lord answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there." Abraham said, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there." The Lord answered, "For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it." Then Abraham said, "Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there." The Lord answered, "For the sake of ten I will not destroy it."

Responsorial Psalm: **Lord, on the day I called for you, you answered me.**

### Second Reading: Colossians 2: 12-14

When you were buried with Christ in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross.

### Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia! You have received the Spirit which makes us God's children and in that Spirit we call God our Father. Alleluia!**

### Gospel: Luke 11: 1-13

Jesus was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." He said to them, "When you pray, say: 'Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial.'" And Jesus said to the disciples, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.' And your friend answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.' 'I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs. 'So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. 'Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? 'If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

Offertory Hymn: No 193 (Gather) One Bread, One Body

### Communion Antiphon

**Bless the Lord, O my soul, and never forget his benefits.**

**Communion Hymn:** No 221 (Gather) Seek O Seek the Lord

**Recessional:** No 477 (Gather) We Walk By Faith

**Let us pray for:**

**Recently Deceased:** John Lazanas, Barbara Surbey, Barbara Coyne, Margaret Mary Grusovin, Dr. Michael Burns, Bridget Olive Best, Corazon Owen, Andrew Young, Stella Mary Casey, Elizabeth Johnson, Baby Noah Thomas Purcell, Lillian Celio

**Anniversaries:** Keith Fear, Jean and Ted Sykes, Michael Brennan, Sr. Mary Brennan RSCJ, Peggy and Patrick Kavanagh, Fr Ted Kennedy, Fr Geoff King.

**Recently ill:** Anne O'Sullivan, Pauline Brogan, Joan Agbor, Veronica Rainbird, Clarita Cabrillos, Roland Soussa, Kerin Star, Bruce Conolly, Dolly East, Margaret, John D. Campbell, Sr. Marie Langtry.

**Next Week's Readings: 31 July 2016**

**First Reading:** Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23

**Second Reading:** Colossians 3: 1-5, 9-11

**Gospel:** Luke 12: 13-21

Roster for Eucharistic Celebrations			
30-31 July 2016	Vigil 6pm	8.30am	10.30am
<b>Greeters</b>	G Losurdo		
<b>Readers</b>	B McSorley	A Weeks	T Hunt
<b>Ministers of the Eucharist</b>	As available	As available	B Clulow M Musgrave M Woodburne S Woodburne

**PARISH NOTICES:**

**ST CANICES EVENTS:**

St Ignatius Feast Day Mass - 31st July

Lay Leadership update talk - Sept 7th - Post 10.30 mass (11.30am) in the Hall - Chris Gration

Spirituality Talk Between the Masses - 9:30am - 26th August

Movie Night In the Hall - Healing facilitated by Fr Steve Sinn - 15th September

**CHANGE IN MASS TIMES – 11TH JULY TO 4TH AUGUST:** Fr Chris will be in Poland for World Youth Day until August 4th. During his absence, Masses at St Canice's will be as follows:

Sat July 23 9am Fr Holder 6pm Fr Jeevan

Sun July 24 8:30am and 10:30am Fr Phil Crotty

Tues July 26 to Fri July 29 No weekday Masses

Sat July 30 No 9am Mass 6pm Fr Jeevan

Sun July 31 8:30am and 10:30am Fr Phil Crotty

Tues Aug 2 to Thurs Aug 4 No weekday Masses

Fri Aug 5 7am Mass Fr Chris 11am Healing Mass Fr Chris

Sat Aug 6 8am Fr Chris 6pm Fr Chris

Sun Aug 7 8:30am and 10:30am Fr Chris

## Parish Notices

**A CHORISTER CELEBRATION:** The boy-choristers of The Temple Church, London, the boy-choristers of St Mary's Cathedral and St Andrews Cathedral, Sydney. **Tuesday, 26 July 11.30am-12.45pm.** A rare opportunity to see the world-famous English boy-choristers of The Temple Church in the beautiful St Mary's Cathedral including the boy-choristers of St Mary's Cathedral & St Andrew's Cathedral. Works include music especially written for boys' voices by Benjamin Britten, and others including Vaughan Williams and John Rutter. Also the first time in history that the Cathedral Choirs, two oldest continuing musical institutions in Australia are singing together. Tickets range between \$5-\$15 and can be purchased from <https://www.sticktickets.com.au/39442>.

**FOLLOW THE AUSTRALIAN JOURNEY TO WORLD YOUTH DAY WITH LIVE WEB CAST ON XT3.COM** Xt3, meaning Christ in the Third Millennium, is a website and digital resource that began in 2008 during World Youth Day, Sydney, as a way to connect pilgrims. It has since developed into a hub of Catholic online resources. Many friends, family and parishioners will have the opportunity to follow Australia's journey to the city of mercy as 2,500 World Youth Day pilgrims travelling to Poland. From 26-31 July, main events from Krakow will be broadcast live at: [www.xt3.com/live](http://www.xt3.com/live)

**SOCIAL JUSTICE STATEMENT 2016-2017:** Social Justice Sunday will be celebrated on **25 September** this year. The title of the 2016-2017 Statement is "*A Place at the Table: Social justice in an ageing society.*" The Statement will be **launched on 06 September.** Copies of the Statement can be ordered from the Australian Catholic Social Justice Council by using the attached order form. The Statement will be available to download from the following websites from 06 September – Australian Catholic Bishops Conference [www.catholic.org.au](http://www.catholic.org.au) or Australian Catholic Social Justice Council [www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au](http://www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au).

**AMORIS LAETITIA – THE JOY OF LOVE An Apostolic Exhortation from Pope Francis:** The Parishes of our Lady of the Way in North Sydney have prepared a program to explain and encourage discussion about the important Apostolic Exhortation by Pope Francis, *Evangelii Gaudium* and *Laudato Si*. Moderated by Geraldine Doogue, six expert speakers over two nights will break open this important work for us and explain how the Pope is encouraging us to recognise that people do not come to believe and transform their lives according to the Gospel until they first belong.

Following the presentations, there will be time for questions, comments and discussion. Eats and drinks from 6.15pm (doors open). \$10 voluntary donation at the door. Registration not necessary.  
Enquiries Michael Gill: [mjg60@internode.on.net](mailto:mjg60@internode.on.net)

This informative evening will be held over two evenings from 7pm to 9pm:  
-The Ron Dyer Centre at St Marys Church North Sydney Friday August 5th and  
-Mosman Parish Hall at Sacred Heart Church Mosman Wednesday August 10th

What the Pope is saying to us about:

- Reaching out to the divorced, gays and others who feel unwelcome within the Catholic Church
- The true and complete meaning of love
- The relationship between the doctrines of the Church and the example of Jesus Christ
- The role of mercy, love, prayer and conscience



### Special Mass on the Feast Day of St Ignatius

Celebrant: Fr Phil Crotty SJ

at 10.30 am on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> July 2016

We invite you to come along and bring your friends.