



## Catholic Parish of St Canice

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

9 April 2017

Palm Sunday - Year A

### Parish Directory

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### Jesuit Mission (National Office)

[www.jesuitmission.org.au](http://www.jesuitmission.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

## Compassionate Witness

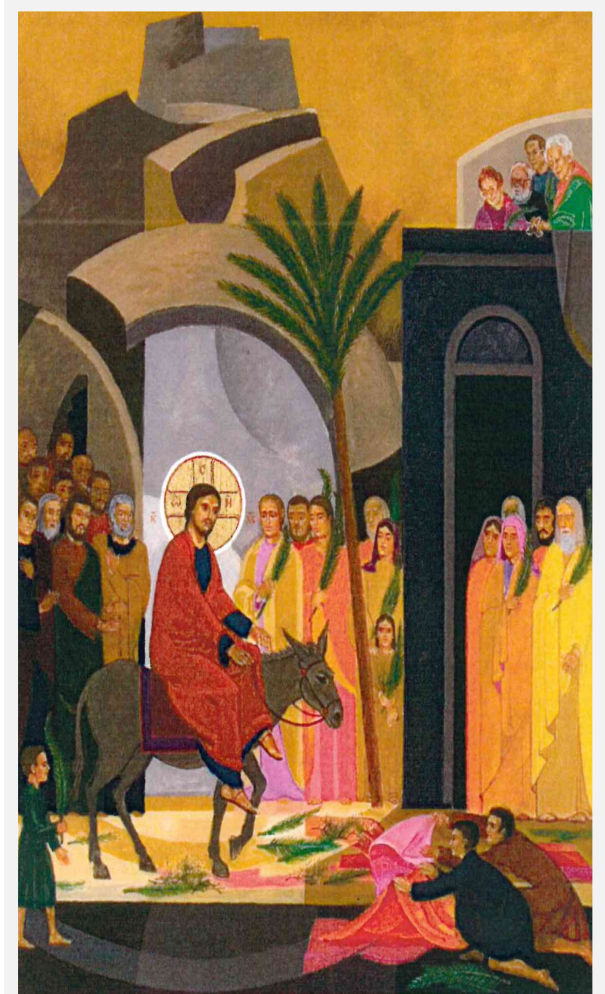
It is tempting to approach today's readings with "theological eyes" - to focus on Jesus' suffering as affirming the fullness of his humanity, on suffering as potentially graced and transformative, or to reflect on Eucharist and resurrection as an ever-present witness to Jesus' gift of self. Yet today's scripture draws our attention to the stark reality of suffering: to its difficulties, its cost.

We all know suffering. It is hard. It is painful: physically, emotionally, spiritually. Suffering is often lonely, a place of fear; isolation and vulnerability. Sometimes it takes all we have to endure, to get through it. Sometimes it seems unfair, unjust, more than we can or should have to bear. It is this *experience* of suffering we are invited to reflect upon during Holy Week.

In the gospel we encounter a Jesus who chooses a painful journey. Because we know suffering, we are able to walk with him, to be one with him. As we enter his passion, our relationship with Jesus deepens. In wonder and gratitude we recognise anew that God too knows our darkness, our suffering. No one is ever alone, even there.

Jesus' passion invites our *com-compassion*: our loving presence to his suffering. And Jesus' passion, makes way for the coming of the kingdom of God. Let us witness to the divine presence in our world through our compassion.

*Ella Allen*



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### **Entrance Antiphon**

Six days before the Passover, when the Lord came into the city of Jerusalem, the children ran to meet him; in their hands they carried palm branches and with a loud voice cried out: Hosanna in the highest! Blessed are you, who have come in your abundant mercy! O gates, lift your heads; grow higher, ancient doors. Let him enter, the king of glory! Who is this king of glory? He, the Lord of hosts, he is the king of glory. Hosanna in the highest! Blessed are you, who have come in your abundant mercy!

**Entrance Hymn:** No 390 (Gather) Hail Redeemer

### **Opening Prayer**

Almighty ever-living God, who as an example of humility for the human race to follow caused our Saviour to take flesh and submit to the Cross, graciously grant that we may heed his lesson of patient suffering and so merit a share in his Resurrection. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

### **First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7**

The servant of the Lord said: "The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens - wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. "The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward. "I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. "The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame". The word of the Lord.

### **Responsorial Psalm: No 22 (Gather)**

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

### **Second Reading: Philippians 2:6-11**

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. The word of the Lord.

### **Gospel Acclamation**

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! Christ became obedient for us even to death, dying on the cross. Therefore God raised him on high and gave him a name above all other names. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

### **Gospel: Matthew 26:14-27:66**

The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ

**Offertory Hymn:** No 308 (Gather) Jesus Remember Me

### **Communion Antiphon:**

Father, if this chalice cannot pass without my drinking it, your will be done.

**Communion Hymn:** No 336 (Gather) Were You There

**Recessional Hymn:** Leave in silence in preparation for Easter



## Let Us Pray For:

**Recently Deceased:** Tracey Leonard, Kurt Jacobs, Cynthia Daniel, Bruce Conolly

**Anniversaries:** Christine Pooley

**Recently ill:** Nola Rowe, Dulcie Kennedy, Sr Rita Hayes, Ling Yeo, Flynn Cawood, Pam Young, Valentino Close, Marcia McIlvenna, Wendy Watson, Peter Giles, Penelope Anne Quinn, Jayne Bernstan, Ronald Soussa, Albert Jacobs, Sophie Napier, Helena Herington, Jeanette Budak, Veronica Rainbird, Joan Agbor.

### Roster for Eucharistic Celebrations

15-16th April	Vigil 6pm	8.30am	10.30am
<b>Greeters</b>	<b>Easter Vigil</b>	H. Campbell	C. Coggins
<b>Readers</b>		M. Topui	M. Byron
<b>Ministers of the Eucharist</b>		As available	B. Clulow M. Musgrave M. Woodburne S. Woodburne

### Next Week's Readings: 15-16th April 2017

First Reading:  
Acts 10:34,37-43

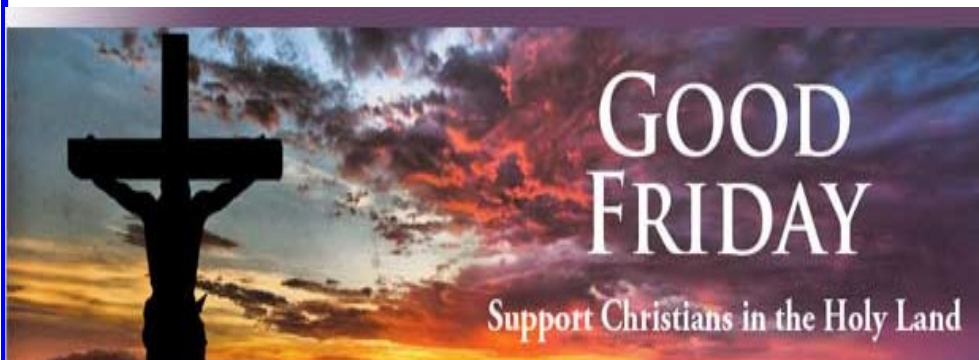
Second Reading:  
Colossians 3:1-4

Gospel:  
John 20:1-9

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## Parish Calendar

<b><u>Sunday 9th April</u></b> <b>This Weekend</b>	Nominations for Parish Pastoral Council Due
<b><u>Wednesday 12th April</u></b>	<b>2nd Rite Reconciliation</b> , Church, 7pm
<b><u>Thursday 13th April</u></b>	<b>Holy Thursday</b> - Celebration of the Lord's Supper, 7pm
<b><u>Friday 14th April</u></b>	<b>Good Friday</b> 10am Stations of the Cross (Church) 11am Walk through the Cross 3pm The Passion of the Lord Jesus
<b><u>Saturday 15th April</u></b>	<b>Celebration of the Easter Vigil</b> , 7pm Join us for drinks on the JRS roof afterwards
<b><u>Sunday 16th April</u></b>	<b>Easter Sunday Mass</b> - 8.30am and 10.30am



Next Friday at the 3pm Good Friday Service there will be a leaving collection for the Holy Land Appeal.

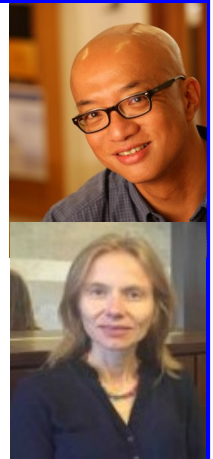


## Parish Notices

### Farewell Fr Aloysious SJ

Fr Aloysious who was with us for several years here at St Canice's has left Australia to take up a new role with Jesuit Refugee Service in Rome. We thank him for his ministry among us and wish him the best in the Eternal City.

His replacement as Country Director for JRS in Australia is Ms Caroline Gottardo. Carolina was until recently Director of the Latin American Women's Rights Service (LAWRS) in the United Kingdom. She has had an extensive career in the fields of human rights, international development, and forced displacement in Australia and overseas. We welcome her here to Kings Cross.



### First Holy Communion

First Holy Communion will be held this year on Sunday June 18 at the 10.30am Mass. If you would like your child to receive their First Holy Communion we ask that you contact Lynelle at the parish office on 9358 5229 or [lynelle@stcanice.com.au](mailto:lynelle@stcanice.com.au). The child must be baptised Catholic and be in year 3 or above at school.



### Reminder - Nominations for Parish Pastoral Council are due this weekend.

The purpose of the PPC is to promote and develop the Parish and provide opportunities for parishioners to engage in Mission within our community. We are looking for people to join the PPC who can bring a variety of gifts to the role - spiritual, professional or personal. If you think you may be interested, please contact Lynelle or Fr Chris at the parish office for more information.

**NOMINATIONS ARE DUE BACK AT THE PARISH OFFICE ON 9TH APRIL 2017**

### St Canice's Kitchen Merchandise on Sale in Parish Office

St Canice's Kitchen branded aprons and wooden spoons are available for sale at the parish office, during office hours. All of the proceeds of this merchandise goes back into the kitchen, which serves approximately 50,000 meals free of charge to our community throughout the year. Aprons are \$20, Wooden spoons \$10. If you are interested in purchasing please see Lynelle or any of the office staff during office hours.



**We accompany, we follow Jesus, but above all we know that he accompanies us and carries us on his shoulders.**

*Pope Francis*

Palm Sunday 2013