



Catholic Parish of St Canice

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

1st October 2017

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

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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

As requested - please contact the Parish Office

Healing Mass

11:00am - First Friday of each month - otherwise by request

Blessed are the Peacemakers

Tomorrow, October 2 is International Day of Non-Violence, celebrated, appropriately on the birthday of Mahatma Gandhi.

One of the great witnesses to peace and non-violence in our Catholic tradition is St Francis of Assisi, whose feast we celebrate this Wednesday, October 4. While many associate Francis with nature, not many know the story of his voyage and witness to the Moslem world as a peacemaker.

It was at the time of the Fifth Crusade, in the 13th Century, at Damietta in Egypt, that Francis, who opposed all killing, sought the blessing of the chaplain of the Crusade to go and preach the Gospel to the sultan.

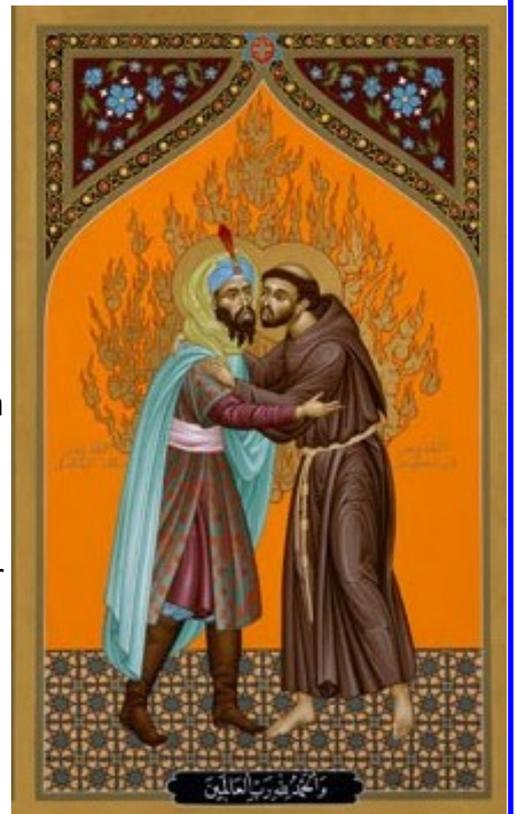
The chaplain advised against it, as the Muslims, he said, only understood violence and he would surely be killed as a martyr. Francis ignored his advice and went to contact the sultan. For a month they met each day, sharing their beliefs and discussing matters of common interest. Though neither converted the other, the sultan had such warmth for his guest that he not only spared his life but gave him a passport allowing him to visit the Christian holy places under Muslim control in the Holy Land. He presented Francis with a carved ivory horn which is now among the relics of the saint at Assisi. Francis and Malik-al-Kamil parted as brothers.

We too are called to be witnesses to peace and non-violence in our living; it is so easy to be at 'war' with ourselves, at 'war' with each other, especially when we 'crusade' against individuals and groups, seeing them as rivals and enemies.

A life of peace and non-violence means daily struggling to make peace with ourselves and to cultivate an interior 'non-violence'. We need to take the inner journey with the saints and mystics. Reading the Beatitudes in quiet meditation can be healing; a spring of peace wells up in us.

Our mission as peacemakers then follows. Christ did not say 'blessed are those who prefer peace, wish for peace, await peace or praise peace.' He blesses the makers of peace. He requires an active rather than a passive role. When we do this we are called children of God - a noble title.

Fr Chris



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 526 (Gather) Gather us in

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. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

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." The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 24:4-9

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. The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation: John 10:27

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." The Gospel of the Lord.

Offertory Hymn: No 211 (Gather) Seek O Seek the Lord

Communion Antiphon:

By this we came to know the love of God: that Christ laid down his life for us; so we ought to lay down our lives for one another.

Reflection Hymn: No 391 (Gather) Keep in Mind

Recessional: No 513 (Gather) For the Healing of Nations



Let Us Pray For:

Recently Deceased: Michael Bradley, Patricia Bracker, Elizabeth Todd,

Anniversaries: Arthur Kavanagh, Bridget Ohlsson, Greg Woodburne

Recently ill: Ray Walsh, Omar Soliman, Yvonne Nobbs, Lisa Powell, Tony Musgrave, Nola Rowe, Dulcie Kennedy, Flynn Cawood, Pam Young, Valentino Close, Wendy Watson, Penelope Anne Quinn, Jayne Bernstan, Ronald Soussa, Albert Jacobs, Sophie Napier, Hélène Herington, Jeanette Budak, Veronica Rainbird, Joan Agbor

Roster for Eucharistic Celebrations			
7/8th October	Vigil 6pm	8.30am	10.30am
Greeters	W. Fothergill	J. Freckman	M. Musgrave
Readers	W. Fothergill	A. Weeks	
Ministers of the Eucharist	As available	As available	B. Anderson C. Coggins M. Musgrave 1 other as available

Next Week's Readings:
7/8th October

First Reading:

Isaiah 5:1-7

Second Reading:

Philippians 4:6-9

Gospel:

Matthew 21:33-43

Parish Calendar	
<u>Fri 6th October</u>	Healing Mass Please join us for morning tea afterwards
<u>Sun 8th October</u>	St Canice Feast Day Mass - 10.30am BBQ - after Mass
<u>Sun 15th October</u>	Confirmation Information Meeting - 9.30am Parish Hall
<u>Fri, Sat, Sun 8/9/10 December</u>	Parish Retreat - Canisius More details will be provided late September

NEXT SUNDAY 8TH OCTOBER - ST CANICE FEAST DAY BBQ

To celebrate the feast of St. Canice we warmly invite all our parishioners and visitors to come and celebrate together with a lunch time BBQ in the Peace Park (next to the church) after the 10.30am Mass on **Sunday 8th October**. ***If you are able to help out on the day, please complete the slip available at the back of the church and return to Lynelle at the parish office.*** The slip can be placed in any of the collections at Masses this weekend, dropped into the parish office or details emailed to lynelle@stcanice.com.au (by Wednesday if possible)

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on the 11th November at the 6pm Mass. If you feel that your son or daughter is ready to receive this sacrament of continuing initiation into the community of church please contact Fr Chris or Lynelle at the parish office on 9358 5229 or lynelle@stcanice.com.au. Please note that your child must be in Year 5 or above at school.



Kitchen News

St Canice's Kitchen Kings Cross Market Stall Saturday 14th October

Following on from the success of the market stall earlier this year, where we raised approximately \$1,500 and promoted the Kitchen to the local community, the Kitchen Committee is holding another stall on Saturday 14th October.

We would love some people to join us to help out on the day – simply talking to people who show an interest in what we do or receipting donations and sale of merchandise. If you are interested in helping out at the stall (for at least an hour) please contact Lynelle at the parish office on 9358 5229 or lynelle@stcanice.com.au.

Otherwise we'd love you to stop by and say hello.

St Canice 's Kitchen Volunteers thank you evening - Thursday 19th October

St Canice's Kitchen Committee on behalf of Fr Chris Jenkins SJ and the St Canice's Parish community, would like to invite all past and present St Canice's Kitchen volunteers to a thank you evening on Thursday 19th October at 6pm (until about 8.30pm) in the Parish Hall. This evening is to recognise the enormous contribution all volunteers have made to what is now part of the inner city's fabric, a place where the disadvantaged are freely fed and, more importantly, a place where they know they will be treated with dignity and respect. Please RSVP by 13th October to Lynelle on 9358 5229 or lynelle@stcanice.com.au

Thank you - Lendlease Foundation

A few weeks ago a team of willing volunteers from the Lendlease Foundation joined us at St Canice's Kitchen for their annual community day. We thank them for their contribution and hope their visit raised an awareness of the wonderful work we do here at St Canice. We also thank Michael from the Friday group and Osai for assisting with the planning and co-ordination of the day.

