

# **Catholic Parish of St. Canice**

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

# 27 April 2014

#### **Parish Directory**

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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

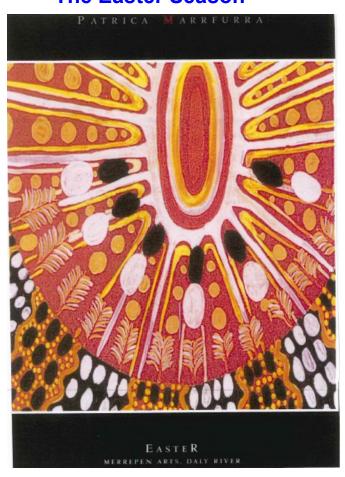
Reconciliation
Before Vigil & Sunday masses or on request

# **Anointing**

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

# **Second Sunday of Easter**

# The Easter Season



The period from Easter to Pentecost celebrates the presence of the risen Christ in the Church. The gift of the Spirit to the fearful disciples and the appearance to "doubting Thomas" complete the Easter octave, when early Christians doffed the white robes of baptism and entered a period of exploration of the deeper mysteries of the faith. Until Pentecost, the first reading is always from the Acts of the Apostles, which might be better called the "Acts of the Holy Spirit," since every important event in the early church is stimulated by the Spirit.

People frequently ask, "What is the Church?" Today's readings provide foundational images for God's own people. Three motifs characterise the appearance to Thomas: the greeting of peace, a gift of the risen Christ that casts out fear; the presence of the Holy Spirit manifest in the power to forgive and restrain sin; and the need for a faith that grows even without the tangible presence of Christ. Every Christian who envies the Easter experience of Jesus' first followers can pray daily Jesus' words to Thomas, "Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."

John R. Donahue, S.J.

## **Entrance Antiphon**

Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia.

**Entrance Hymn**: Be Thou My Vision (see separate sheet)

Opening Prayer: God of everlasting mercy, who in the very recurrence of the paschal feast kindle the faith of the people you have made your own, increase, we pray, the grace you have bestowed, that all may grasp and rightly understand in what font they have been washed, by whose Spirit they have been reborn, by whose Blood they have been redeemed.

## First Reading: Acts 2: 42-47

Those who welcomed the message of Peter were baptised and many were added to the community. They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

Response 8:30am: Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting Responsorial Psalm: 6:00pm & 10:30am: Give thanks to the Lord for he is good

#### Second Reading: 1 Peter: 1: 3-9

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead: a birth into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith - being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire - may be found to result in praise and glory and honour when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

#### **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia! You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy those who have not seen me, but still believe! Alleluia!

#### Gospel: John 20: 19-31

It was evening on the day Jesus rose from the dead, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the authorities. Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." But Thomas, who was called the Twin, one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Offertory Hymn: Open My Eyes, Lord (separate sheet)

Communion Antiphon: Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.

**Communion Hymn:** We Are Called (see separate sheet)

Recessional: Strong and Constant (separate sheet)

**Let us pray for: Recently Deceased:** Michael Lordan, Rosario Borja, Frans Van Der Lugt *sj,* Joan Beverley O'Hagan, John McInerney, Shirley Temple-Black, John (Giddy Up) Campbell, Claire Givney, Val Campbell, Annetta Barone, Mia Soussa, Ann O'Brien, Sister Gemme Castello *rsi,* Dorothy Halpin, Julie Kelly, Max Redden.

**Anniversaries:** Agnes Alexander and Arthur Alexander, Gertrude Brennan, Fr Adrian Lyons *sj*, William (Bill) Harding, Charles John Grace, Pamela and Patrick Shaughnessy.

Recently ill: Robert Barnes, Tony Musgrave, Jeremy Proctor, Wayne Lapthorne, Richard Ellul, Eric Robinson, Siena Mainali, Brian Loughry, Alex Pemberton, Carlie Soussa, Davina Kohler, 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: 04 May 2014

First Reading: Acts 2: 14, 22-28
Second Reading: Peter 1: 17-21
Gospel: Luke 24: 13-35

### **Roster for Eucharistic Celebrations**

3-4 May 2014	Vigil 6pm	8.30am	10.30am
Greeters	W Fothergill	N Rowe	P Awit M Spencer K Tetai
Readers	SVC Students	A Weeks	K Walsh B Campbell
Ministers of the Eucharist	SVC Students	As available	M Musgrave N White M Walsh M Woodburne

**Invitation to visit our website:** For more information about St Canice's please visit our website <a href="www.stcanice.org.au">www.stcanice.org.au</a>. Therein, you can access details about our heritage, the people of our parish and the key events that are taking place.

The **Justice and Peace Office of the Archdiocese of Sydney**, invites parishioners to take part in their bi-annual gathering of parishioners Saturday, 3<sup>rd</sup> May from 10:30am to 3:30pm at St. Patrick's Hall in Summer Hill. Address: 5 Drynan St, Summer Hill NSW 2130. The topic will be Religious Freedom. Please see Fr Chris.



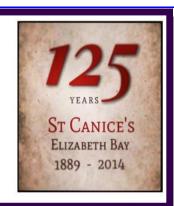
'Behold the Wood of the Cross'. Fr Chris Jenkins sj at the Passion of the Lord on Good Friday.

Our Easter Day Mass was celebrated with great solemnity with a renewal of Baptismal Vows and a sprinkling with water that had been blessed at the Viail.



# Invitation

We invite you to be present at the Celebratory Sung Mass at 10.30 am next Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2014. The Apostolic Administrator, Bishop Peter Comensoli will preside.





## Requiescat In Pace - Mick Lordan.

The Requiem for Mick Lordan will take place at St Canice's Catholic Church Wednesday 30 April 2014 at 11am.

Mick Lordan was born in County Cork and came to Australia in '68. Mick had three grown children – two of whom live in Queensland. Mick has been part of St Canice's since 1995. That's nearly twenty years. He said recently, 'Retirement was a little too quiet, so I started out in the parish doing building repairs two hours/day, for 2-3 days a week. Now I look after the kitchen, which means 20 hours a day 7 days/week!' Mick could be found in the kitchen setting up from 5am. He went on to say, 'I have a coffee and there's always someone around outside wanting one too, that I end up feeling sorry for. When I take something on I commit myself to it. There's something different every day'. May Mick rest in peace.

**Graham Fear** has been appointed a Board Member of Jesuit Refugee Service by Fr Stephen Curtin *sj*, the Jesuit Provincial. Congratulations Graham!

**St Canice's Rooftop Garden.** In a few months we will commence the building of our rooftop garden. This is a parish initiative that has support of the City of Sydney and the Royal Botanic Gardens. The garden aims to create a space of meaningful activities for asylum seekers and the less fortunate amongst our community. We are all excited about its potential. If you would like to become a volunteer or learn more about the project please register your interest here: email <a href="refugeegarden@gmail.com">refugeegarden@gmail.com</a>.

**First Holy Communion:** Later in the year, St Canice's Parish will be offering the sacrament of Holy Communion to children within our local community. Prior to receiving this important sacrament, your child will be required to participate in some preparation training on Sunday mornings. Our parish warmly welcomes you and your family to be part of this special occasion. If you are interested in your child receiving the sacrament of Holy Communion, please contact Helen McPake, who is more than happy to answer any questions you may have: helenmcpake@yahoo.com.au.

Brigidine Randwick Ex-Students Association: Annual Reunion Mass and Luncheon will be held in the Synan Hall, Brigidine College, Randwick Sunday, 4th May at 11.00 a.m. for Mass. Please contact Dianne Mullin on telephone (02) 9665 0346.

A wonderful shot of our hard-working choir on Good Friday afternoon!

We thank them and all those who made our Easter Celebrations such a great occasion.

