



## Catholic Parish of St. Canice

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

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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

## The Baptism of the Lord

### Rebirth

Today we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord. As well as recalling the start of Christ's public ministry, this feast - and our church font itself - are reminders of our continuing rebirth as we make our Christian journey towards the enduring city.

The Lord's baptism by John is one of the major epiphanies or revelations of God to humanity: the birth of Christ at Christmas revealed Christ to Israel; its revelation of Christ to the Gentiles in the visit of the Wise Men to Bethlehem; the Baptism of the Lord which reveals the Trinity; and the miracle at the wedding at Cana which reveals Christ's transformation of the world.

The Second Vatican Council re-emphasised the primacy of the sacrament of Baptism in the life of the Church; Christians have their identity as the royal people of God, as prophets, priests and kings, marked out and signed by the ritual of Baptism. Here they are welcomed by the assembly to a new life in a new community.

Our font is a reminder to us all of our rebirth not just at Baptism but at each Sunday Eucharist, each time we gather to celebrate what God has done for us in Jesus. *Fr Chris.*



*Rainer of Huy . Baptismal font.  
(detail) 1107—1118 . Cast bronze.*

*Heavenly Father, open our hearts to  
the silent presence of the spirit of your Son.  
Lead us into that mysterious silence where your love  
is revealed to all who call -  
Maranatha. Come Lord Jesus.  
John Main OSB (1926-82)*

### Entrance Antiphon

**After the Lord was baptised, the heavens were opened, and the Spirit descended upon him like a dove, and the voice of the Father thundered: This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.**

### Entrance Hymn:

No 496 (Gather) Here I Am Lord

### Opening Prayer

**Almighty ever-living God, who, when Christ has been baptised in the River Jordan and as the Holy Spirit descended upon him, solemnly declared him your beloved Son, grant that your children by adoption, reborn of water and the Holy Spirit, may always be well pleasing to you.**

### First Reading: Isaiah 42: 1-4, 6-7

Thus says the Lord: "Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. He will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. He will not grow faint or be crushed until he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his teaching. "I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness."

### Response 6pm, 8:30am, 10.30am

**The Lord will bless his people with peace.**

### Second Reading: Acts 10: 34-38

Peter began to speak to those assembled in the house of Cornelius: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ - he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him."

### Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia! The heavens were opened and the Father's voice was heard; this is my beloved Son, hear him. Alleluia!**

### Gospel: Matthew 3: 13-17

Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfil all righteousness." Then John consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased."

### Offertory Hymn:

No 179 (Gather) Baptised in Water

### Communion Antiphon:

**Behold the One of whom John said: I have seen and testified that this is the Son of God.**

### Communion Hymn:

No 490 (Gather) Prayer of St Francis

### Recessional:

No 423 (Gather) Lord Of Creation

**Let us pray for:**

**Recently Deceased:** Kevin Moriarty, Ann O'Brien, Sr. Gemme Castello *rsj*, Dorothy Halpin, Julie Kelly, Max Redden, Fr Emmett Costello *sj*, Eliseo Cancio, Carmen Dougall, Maureen Ramsey.

**Anniversaries:** Muriel Hardwick, Dan O'Brien, Helen Munro (Smith), Thomas Eugene Hemera, Mary Fear (Graham's sister), Father Donal Taylor *sj*, Arthur Joseph Kavanagh, Fortunato Edmond Mallia, Helen McCarthy, Kathleen Marie Quinn, Martin F X Quinn.

**Recently ill:** Claire Givney, Davina Kohler, Dorothy Loughry, 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: 19 December 2013**

First Reading: Isaiah 49: 3, 5-6

Second Reading: 1Corinthians 1: 1-3

Gospel: John 1: 29-34

**Roster for Eucharistic Celebration**

18-19 Jan 2014	Vigil 6pm	8.30am	10.30am
<b>Greeters</b>	W Fothergill	A Hurst	I Jarosiewicz
<b>Reader</b>	B McSoriley	A Weeks	T Hunt
<b>Ministers of the Eucharist</b>	As available	As available	B Campbell B Clulow M Musgrave M Woodburne

**Message from Fr Chris:**

Our Jesuit Provincial, Father Steve Curtin has announced in the Province Status for 2014 that Fr Aloysius will be moving to live in the North Sydney community after three years here at St Canice's. Fr Aloysius will continue to run the JRS office here, commuting each day across the harbour.

A Jesuit scholastic (student), Justin Glyn, will be joining us here at St Canice's working at JRS.

I would like to thank Fr Aloysius for his very generous support of the parish life here at St Canice over the past three years. He has been generously available for Sunday and weekday Masses when he is in town, and his pastoral presence and friendship have been much appreciated by many parishioners. We wish him well in his new community and hope to see him around the JRS office in 2014. *Fr Chris.*

**Invitation to visit our website:** For more information about St Canice's please visit our website [www.stcanice.org.au](http://www.stcanice.org.au). Therein, you can access details about our heritage, the people of our parish and the key events that are taking place.

**We are looking for assistance** in cleaning the Church. If you are able to assist we would love to hear from you. Please contact the Parish Office or email [elizabeth@stcanice.com.au](mailto:elizabeth@stcanice.com.au). Thank you.

**World Day of Migrants and Refugees 2014 - 19 January 2014:** The theme is - "Migrants and Refugees: Towards a Better World". The text message from the Holy Father Pope Francis can be found on the Pontifical Council website [www.pcmigrants.org](http://www.pcmigrants.org).

**Australia Day Celebrations at St Mary's Cathedral:** The Cathedral community and clergy are looking forward to welcoming hundreds of visitors on Australia Day with a host of special activities including: **Organ Recital:** Listen to an organ recital in the ambiance of the Cathedral taking in the magnificent stained glass windows, carved sandstone, towering columns and arches. Conducted at **2.45 pm**; **Opera Recital** by emerging young singers from the Opera & Arts Support Group. Performance at **2.00 pm**; **History and Crypt Tours of the Cathedral** at **1.30 pm & 3.30 pm**; **Special Mass** to pray for God's blessings on the Australian people. **10.30 am** and **Tours of the Bell Tower** at **12.30 pm & 3.30pm**. Requires reasonably good state of health and sensible shoes. Numbers are limited.

## Parish Notices

**Inviting Young Women aged 18-35 to discover** a self-knowledge weekend on identity, personality, dignity, womanhood, personal ideal, vocation and mission: **24 - 26 January** at Mount Schoenstatt Retreat Centre. Registration essential. For further information or to register contact **Sister M Julie Brcar**: [juliebrcar@gmail.com](mailto:juliebrcar@gmail.com) .

**Malayalam Mass.** The Sydney Malayalee Catholic Community extends an invitation to Malayalees to attend a Mass to be held at St. Martha's Church, Strathfield on **Saturday, 11 January 2014** to celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of The Lord. Following is the program: 6.30 – 7.00pm Rosary, 7.00 – 8.15pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and 8.15 – 9pm Mass in Malayalam by Fr Gabriel Maliakkal, OCD. Entrance to the church is via Churchill Avenue, at the corner of Homebush Road, 70 Homebush Road, Strathfield.

**Lent 4 Real. Join the Journey!** Inviting young men and women (18-35) to a Lenten retreat at Mount Schoenstatt. This weekend aims to help young adults make the most of their Lent. Begins 7pm **Friday, 28 February - 4pm Sunday, 2nd March**. For further details or to register, contact **Sister M Julie Brcar** e: [juliebrcar@gmail.com](mailto:juliebrcar@gmail.com) or m: 0408 738 334 .

## 2013 at St Canice's

