



## Catholic Parish of St. Canice

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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

## Third Sunday of Lent

### Bushed?

The Church—and in her, Christ—still suffers today. In her, Christ is again and again taunted and slapped; again and again an effort is made to reject him from the world. Again and again the little barque of the Church is ripped apart by the winds of ideologies, whose waters seep into her and seem to condemn her to sink.

Yet, precisely in the suffering Church, Christ is victorious. In spite of all, faith in him recovers ever new strength. The Lord also commands the waters today and shows that he is the Lord of the elements. He stays in his barque, in the little boat of the Church. Thus, on the one hand, the weakness proper to human beings is revealed in Peter's ministry, but at the same time, also God's power: in the weakness of human beings itself the Lord shows his strength; he demonstrates that it is through frail human beings that he himself builds his Church. *Pope Benedict XVI*

*Your love for each other comes from God's first love. Keep claiming that love. Your love for each other is a forgiving love. Keep talking to each other, pardoning each other's shortcomings, and praising each other's gifts. Your love for each other is for others, your children, your guests, the poor. Keep your attention focused on those who need to be nurtured by your love.*

**Henri J.M. Nouwen**

*I travel slowly, one step at a time, towards eternity, because I am carrying two big suitcases. One of them contains my sins, and in the other, which is even heavier, are the infinite merits of Jesus. When I reach heaven I will open the suitcases and say to our eternal Father: "Now you can judge." I'm sure I won't be sent away! Then I'll turn to St Peter and say: "Close the door, because I'm staying."*

**St Josephine Bakhita**  
**Holiness and the Feminine Spirit**



Moses at the Burning Bush

### Entrance Antiphon

**My eyes are always on the Lord, for he rescues my feet from the snare. Turn to me and have mercy on me, for I am alone and poor.**

### Entrance Hymn:

No 423 (Gather) Lord of Creation

### Opening Prayer

**O God, author of every mercy and all of goodness, who in fasting, prayer and almsgiving have shown us a remedy for sin, look graciously on this confession of our lowliness, that we, who are bowed down by our conscience, that we may always be lifted up by your mercy.**

### First Reading: Exodus 3: 1-8, 13-15

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; Moses looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up." When the Lord saw that Moses had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And Moses said, "Here I am." Then God said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." God said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God. Then the Lord said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey. "But Moses said to God, "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you', and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" God said to Moses, 'I AM WHO I AM.' He said further, 'Thus you shall say to the Israelites, "I AM has sent me to you. God also said to Moses, 'Thus you shall say to the Israelites, "The Lord, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you. This is my name forever, and this my title for all generations."

Response: No 61 (Gather)

**The Lord is kind and merciful.**

### Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 10: 1-6, 10-12

I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud; all passed through the sea; and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea; and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ. Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of our ancestors, and they were struck down in the wilderness. Now these things occurred as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil as they did. And do not complain as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. These things happened to our ancestors to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come. So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall.

### Gospel Acclamation

**Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ! Repent, says the Lord; the kingdom of heaven is at hand.**

**Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!**

### Gospel: Luke 13: 1-9

Jesus was teaching the crowds; some of those present told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. Jesus asked them, "Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them, do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did." Then Jesus told this parable: "A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. So he said to the gardener, 'See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?' The gardener replied, 'Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig round it and put manure on it. If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.'

**Offertory Hymn**

No 202 (Gather) Our Supper Invitation

**Communion Antiphon**

**For anyone who drinks it, says the Lord, the water I shall give will become in him a spring welling up to eternal life.**

**Communion**

No 303 (Gather) Grant to Us O Lord

**Recessional**

No 437 (Gather) Amazing Grace

**Let us pray for:**

**Recently Deceased:** Pat Bullen, David Hotton, Tony Gale, Hannah Alum, Nancy Gomes, Mario Campagnola, Elisa Pier De Siun Young, Brian Francis Michael Johns AO, Elizabeth Lynch, Terry Campbell, Rosemary Nugent, Michael McPake, Vasile Cotutiu, Kathleen Adams, Martin McNamara, Francis Montenegro.

**Anniversaries:** Charles John Grace, Constance Musgrave, Candelario (Eliot) Perez-Rull, Ilva Pepper, Bruno Facin, Muriel Hardwick, David Miron, Esther & Allan Higgins, Max Higgins, Mary Fear, Pamela & Pat Shaugnessy, John & Jane Kelly and John & Jean Sykes, Carlos Henrique, Thomas Eugene Hemera, Dan O'Brien.

**Recently ill:** Vicki McCarthy, Cynthia Klippel, Sr. Marie Langtry, Margaret Walsh, Archbishop Anthony Fisher *OP*, Ben Licuanan, Mark Fitzgerald, David Miron, Sarah Kerr McPake, Diana Reid, Judy Hughes, Kerin Star, Dorothy Harding, Bruce Field, Barbara Surbey, Pat Bracher, Giuseppina Soliman, Joseph Spiegel, Ambra Davies, Barbara Coyne,

**Next Week's Readings: 06 March 2016**

First Reading: Joshua 5: 9-12  
 Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 5: 17-21  
 Gospel: Luke 15: 1-3, 11-32

**Roster for Eucharistic Celebrations**

5-6 March 2016	Vigil 6pm	8.30am	10.30am
<b>Greeters</b>	W Fothergill	N Rowe	
<b>Readers</b>	SVC Student	A Hurst	B Campebell
<b>Ministers of the Eucharist</b>	As available	As available	S Buckingham C Coggins M Woodburne

**Lenten Reflections**

**LENTEN PRAYER & REFLECTION:** Our Lenten prayer and reflection group has begun to meet in the church, Wednesday evenings at 7pm. All are welcome to come along.

**'BETWEEN THE MASSES' SUNDAY REFLECTIONS:** You are invited to come to our 'Between the Masses' Sunday Reflections on the Readings as you journey through Lent.

**A RETREAT:** Oasis Day at Peter Canisius House 11th and 12th March

This an opportunity for a day apart from our busy lives, a day to place God in the centre as we move toward Easter. Starting on the evening prior 11th March at 4 pm, there is time to arrive, to settle and take in the beauty of the bush. You will meet with others and enjoy the delicious food provided at Canisius. There are four periods of recollection to aid your interior silence and presence with God which concludes at 4pm on Saturday 12th March. These days offer time to be away from daily life and it's pressures, to rest and listen, to wait on God. Peter Canisius house is at Pymble a short train or car ride from Sydney; it has been a Jesuit place of formation for many years. The total cost is \$100 (day and night) or \$40 for the day. Everyone is welcome, so if this is difficult financially please let us know. Please contact Caroline Coggins on 0407 575 557 if you would like more information. if you would like to come to the Retreat please contact Caroline, or Elizabeth at the Parish Office, by the 4th March at the latest.

## Parish Notices

**Antiphony Friday 4 March 2016:** The music in MEMORIAE contemplates the passage of time, change and progress, and new beginnings. Featuring the stunning six-voice Richafort Requiem at its core, MEMORIAE is a showcase of works both ancient and new, also featuring works by Josquin, Machaut, Ockeghem, Poulenc, Takemitsu and Australian composer, Chris Williams. You can find tickets at [trybooking.com/KIXL](http://trybooking.com/KIXL). Taking place at St Canice's Church, 7:30pm, Friday March 4th.

**Thanks** to those who contributed to our new dryer and washer in the Kitchen.

### UNSW Design Studio to focus on St Canice in 2016

The Sustainable Community Group that is part of the parish renewal process has invited the UNSW Faculty of the Built Environment to explore St Canice's site as part of a design studio in the Master of Architecture special program, *Architecture and Social Agency*.

International disaster risk-reduction expert Professor David Sanderson has been appointed the inaugural Judith Neilson Chair in Architecture at UNSW. The Chair, the first of its kind in Australia, was established in 2015 with a \$10 million endowment from philanthropist and White Rabbit Gallery founder Judith Neilson. It aims to lead research and education to support disadvantaged communities displaced by natural disasters, geo-political conflicts, socio-economic exclusion and environmental factors.

The final year architecture students will be working out of the church hall over the coming year, and the intention is to involve the St Canice's community every step of the way. The work will include analysis of the site and the existing building fabric, and understanding the current needs and longer term aspirations of the different groups and communities that live and work at St Canice's. The first half of the year will focus on research and scenario planning and will end with initial master plans and site designs. In the second half of 2016, the focus will involve detailed design of redevelopment options.

Our key objective is to generate a number of development options on the site to help everyone understand what's possible. We will use the schemes to help us secure funding and support for a building project that will create a sustainable parish community that serves a modern, urban church. If you have any questions about the studio please contact Sue Wittenoom on 0401 715 293 or by email: [swittenoom@thesoftbuild.com](mailto:swittenoom@thesoftbuild.com).

This project which will help us dream our future, will put us under no obligation and will cost the parish nothing. All are welcome to participate.  
*Fr Chris*

## CANICE CONNECTIONS

### More than a 'Soup Kitchen'

Liz has just finished pouring hot soup into cups while Kate is making sure the fresh salad servings are ready. Dudy is flipping the last of the ham and cheese toasties on the hot plate and Gabrielle is taking the hot sausage rolls out of the oven.

It's 11 am, and I hear Karen, the leader of this Tuesday group calling out, "ready to roll, ladies?"

The guests are already lining-up with plates at the ready, but some preferring to make a bee-line straight to the large bowls of fresh fruit – bananas and watermelon.

The Tuesday group this week is a happy group of volunteers, comprised mainly of mothers who have had sons at St Aloysius' in Milsons Point with a couple of local St Canice parishioners assisting. They tell me that the guests are motivated by the freshness and variety of what is always a feature of their Tuesday menu.



Building Community to Enrich Parish Life