



Catholic Parish of St Canice

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

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21st Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

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Mass Times

Sunday- 8:30am and 10:30am

Tuesday to Friday- 7:00am

Saturday- 9:00am Vigil- 6:00pm

Public Holidays- 9:00am

Reconciliation

Before Vigil and 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

And what about you, do you want to go away too? A pathetic question which impels us to take up a stand for or against Jesus: are we going to join the ranks of the incredulous, or join instead the group of the Twelve with Peter? Lord, who shall we go to? You have the message of eternal life'. The flickering quality of faith, the decision which is never absolutely settled once for all. Rather we undertake to follow in the way of Christ, fortified by the bread which he gives and relying on him alone. What Christian, if he or she strives to be a believer, will not suffer every day because of the gulf which exists between his or her profession of faith has the value of an appeal: it is a cry which the Father listens to with particular attention every time he makes us the gift of the very life of his Son in the Eucharist, so that we may run together the risk of love.

The Second Vatican Council seem to make it clear that the Eucharist should be at the heart of every Christian community, as the sacred meal unites us with Christ and forms us to be ever more perfectly into his living body in the world.

The teaching of the two previous popes with the emphasis of the gradual development of the Eucharistic adoration, we are presented with the understanding of the Eucharist as the means by which Jesus makes himself present in the Eucharistic Bread to be adored.

It treats the Eucharist as an object for the gathering, not an activity of our gathering. The fact that the Lord whom we receive at the Eucharist is the one whom we go out to serve, and dare I say, to adore in our neighbour, this seems to have disappeared. The injunction to "take and eat" seems to have been replaced by an order we are not aware that Christ ever gave: to kneel and adore. May our Eucharist create a space for gracious welcome where we all have a full share in the heavenly banquet.



Entrance Antiphon:

Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me; save the servant who trusts in you, my God. Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

Entrance Hymn: No 498 (Gather) City of God

Opening Prayer:

O God, who cause the minds of the faithful to unite in a single purpose, grant your people to love what you command and to desire what you promise, that, amid the uncertainties of this world, our hearts may be fixed on that place where true gladness is found.

First Reading: Joshua 24: 1-2, 15-18

Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. And Joshua said to all the people, "If you are unwilling to serve the Lord, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living. As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord." Then the people answered, "Far be it from us that we should forsake the Lord to serve other gods; for it is the Lord our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; Therefore we also will serve the Lord, for he is our God." The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: No 33 (Gather)

Taste and See the Goodness of the Lord.

Second Reading: Ephesians 5: 21-32

Beloved, be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. Therefore, be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. Be subject to one another out of reverence for Christ. Wives, be subject to your husbands as you are to the Lord. For the husband is the head of the wife just as Christ is the head of the church, the body of which he is the Saviour. Just as the church is subject to Christ, so also wives ought to be, in everything, to their husbands. Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, in order to make her holy by cleansing her with the washing of water by the word, so as to present the church to himself in splendour, without a spot or wrinkle or anything of the kind—yes, so that she may be holy and without blemish. In the same way, husbands should love their wives as they do their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. For no one ever hates his own body, but he nourishes and tenderly cares for it, just as Christ does for the church, because we are members of his body. "For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two will become one flesh." This is a great mystery, and I am applying it to Christ and the church. The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation: cf John 6:63. 68

Alleluia, alleluia! Your words, Lord, are spirit and life: you have words of everlasting life. Alleluia!

Gospel: John 6: 60-69

Jesus said to his disciples: "Unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you". When many of his disciples heard this, they said, "This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?" But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, "Does this offend you? Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. But among you there are some who do not believe". For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. And he said, "For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father". Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. So Jesus asked the twelve, "Do you also wish to go away?" Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God".

The Gospel of the Lord.

Offertory Hymn: No 487 (Gather) The Servant Song

Communion Antiphon:

The earth is replete with the fruits of your work, O Lord; you bring forth bread from the earth and wine to cheer the heart.

Reflection Hymn: No 200 (Gather) Song of the Body of Christ

Recessional: No 463 (Gather) Love Divine, All Loves Excelling



Let Us Pray For:

Recently Deceased: Mary Leonard, Julie Morgan, Albert Jacobs (Fr Greg Jacobs SJ father), Heather Ingram nee Haining

Anniversaries: Margaret Osborne

Recently ill: May Walsh, Genevieve Buckingham, Kevin Carter, Di Stewart, Lourdes Jacobs, Bronwyn Clulow, Duncan Campbell, Patrick Brogan, John Laing, Linda Stein, Rosheen O'Hare, Fachtna De Siun-Young, Ruby Naidu, James Toohey, Sandra Holyeak, Ray Walsh, Omar Soliman, Yvonne Nobbs, Lisa Powell, Tony Musgrave, Dulcie Kennedy, Flynn Cawood, Valentino Close, Ronald Soussa, Sophie Napier, Veronica Rainbird, Joan Agbor

Roster for Eucharistic Celebrations			
1/2 Sept	Vigil 6pm	8.30am	10.30am
Greeters	W. Fothergill		M. Musgrave
Readers	SVC Student	A. Weeks	B. Campbell
Ministers of the Eucharist	As available	As available	S. Buckingham C. Coggins M. Woodburne S. Woodburne

Next Week's Readings:

1/2 September

First Reading:

Deuteronomy 4:1-2. 6-8

Second Reading:

James 1:17-18. 21-22. 27

Gospel:

Mark 7:1-8. 14-15. 21-23

Parish Calendar

<u>Saturday, 25th August</u>	David's Place Mass , David's Place
<u>Friday 7th September</u>	Healing Mass , 11am, Church
<u>Sunday, 14th October</u>	St Canice Feast Day BBQ , after 10.30am Mass
<u>Thursday, 18th October</u>	Kitchen Volunteer Thankyou Night , 6pm, Parish Hall

Kitchen 30 Year Anniversary: On the 22nd October we are celebrating the 30th Anniversary of St Canice's Kitchen. We would like to put a photo presentation together to celebrate and also see how our kitchen and outreach into the local community has changed over time. If you have any photos or articles that you can share with us it would be very much appreciated. We are hoping to show this presentation at our kitchen volunteers thankyou evening on the 18th October and make it available to parishioners afterwards. Please contact Hana or Lynelle in the parish office to discuss further. Email: hana@stcanice.com.au or lynelle@stcanice.com.au

Jesuit Mission Indian bazaar - can you help? The Indian Bazaar will be held at Riverview College on Saturday 15 September 2017. St Canice's will be hosting a wine stall where we will be selling wine from Sevenhill. We are looking for people to help at the stall throughout the day. Even if you can only help for a few hours it would be greatly appreciated.

The NSW liquor laws mandate that any person working at the stall selling alcohol must have a current RSA Certificate. If you have a current RSA certificate and are able to help out, please contact Lynelle at the parish office by phone on 9358 5229 or email lynelle@stcanice.com.au for further information.

Parish Notices

Bread Pickup - Can You Help? One of the generous supporters of St Canice's Kitchen is Baker's Delight Rose Bay who provide any unsold bread/cakes to us at the end of each day.

We are hoping to form a team of people who may be able to help out with this task. It would involve going to Baker's Delight at Rose Bay at around 6pm to collect the unused bread and then delivering it to the kitchen.

The more people we have to assist with this task the better as we could share the workload amongst a number of people resulting in a lesser time commitment. Osai Topui is currently undertaking this and is more than happy to work with you until you are comfortable with the role. If you think you can help out with this please contact Lynelle at the Parish Office on 9358 5229 or lynelle@stcanice.com.au

Harbourside North Catenians - Guest Speaker Father Richard Leonard SJ: Wed 5th Sep @ 7 - 9:30pm, Ron Dyer Centre, Fr Richard Leonard will address the subject "Will our Faith have Young People in the 21st Century". Finger food and drinks provided. Cost is \$25 pp. Wives/partners are welcome. For catering purposes, RSVP to Peter Walden at peterchona@gmail.com or 0448 474 629

The World Meeting of Families: has been held in Dublin this week. We direct you to our facebook page and our webpage where we have published a couple of articles. One of these addresses Pope Frances and his address on the family. Another is from Jesuit Fr James Martin SJ on welcoming LGBT Catholics.

Gorman House BBQ this Sunday and next Sunday: As always, this BBQ takes place at Gorman House, St Vincent's Hospital Drug Rehab Unit, on the first and last Sunday of every month, beginning at 12pm, the next BBQ being this Sunday, 26/8/18, and the next being on the 2/9/18. We have also taken over responsibility for the BBQ on each 3rd Wednesday, beginning at 5pm.

If you are interested in being involved in any of these valuable BBQs, please contact the organiser, Mick McIntyre, on **0414853650**, or at: melville@hotmail.com

Brendan O'Dowd: R.I.P. *Reflection by Fr Steve Sinn*

During my time as Parish Priest at St. Canice's I got to know Brendan. He was working at Mother of Pearl, at that time a hardware shed on McLachlan Ave where now stands an apartment block and Bar Machiavelli. Mother of Pearl was like an Aladdin's Den. It sold all sorts of brass door handles, locks, knockers, numerals, metal boxes. I think I was looking for a door handle and there I met Brendan and struck up a friendship. Over time I realised that he was an icon painter. I knew that at one time there were two marble angels on either side of our main altar and always wanted to do something with that empty space. So I asked Brendan if he would paint two angels. And so we have them, guarding the altar.

Brendan was a man of many parts. He restored the stained glass windows that are in the small kitchen off the hall. You can see them as you come down the slate stairs that lead to the kitchen. He painted the icon of St. Canice that greets you as you enter the presbytery and the Madonna and Child in the dining room. He did all this out of love. Some may remember an exhibition of his icons that we held in the annexe of the hall."

He died of cancer on August 9 aged 70. Please remember his partner Eran.

May Brendan's soul Rest In Peace.

