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N.B. Only Cantors may sing!

Catholic Parish of St Canice

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

7 February 2021

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time — Year B

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Masses

Tu 7am, W & Th 9am, F 12noon, Sa 9am
Register: Sat 6pm, Sun 8:30am 10:30am.
Online: Sat 6pm Zoom Meeting ID: 893
9545 6461 Passcode: 990013

Weddings, Funerals – for ≤100 people

Contact Parish Office Tel: 9358 5229

Reconciliation

By arrangement

Viaticum & Anointing

As requested - contact the Parish Office or
0427 566 324 after hours.

Healing Mass

Cancelled

Baptism, Child Sacraments & RCIA

Contact Parish Office Tel: 9358 5229

Anniversary of the National Apology to the Stolen Generations

This Anniversary takes place soon after Australia Day. The proximity can illuminate both events. Indeed the Apology of the then Prime Minister Kevin Rudd to the Stolen Generations on 13 February 2008 is the lens through which we should see the arrival in Sydney Cove of Governor Phillip and the First Fleet on 26 January 1788. However we refer to that Day, the arrival of the First Fleet was the beginning of Indigenous dispossession and of suffering and indignities that demanded a national apology. They continue to call for reconciliation and reparation.

In the Apology the Australian Government spoke on behalf of all Australians in recognising that Australia had acted wrongly in removing Indigenous children from their parents. The removal was dictated by the disrespectful claim that its targets were defined, not by a shared humanity, but by their race. This disrespect caused lasting damage to the children affected, to their families and their descendants.

It is highly significant that the Prime Minister made the Apology in person to representatives of the Stolen Generations. In doing so he emphasised that all Australians are equally entitled to respect, and that the Government is responsible to ensure that all Australians are treated equally regardless of their race and history. The Apology also recognised that Indigenous Australians have a special place in Australia as the first peoples.

Australia Day and the Apology are more than significant points along the history of the relationships between Indigenous Australians and the successors to Governor Phillip and the First Fleet. They mark the beginnings and goal of those relationships: the beginning of Indigenous dispossession, and the goal of respectful relationships between the First and Later Australians that find expression in constitutional and legal recognition, and in non-discriminatory treatment by Governments and their representatives. Australia Day remembers the beginning of a demolition. The Apology points to the future arrival point of reconciliation.

Between 1788 and 2008 **two Australian stories** of the relationship between Indigenous Australians and the later arrivals have coexisted. One is the Indigenous story. It tells of invasion, massacres, displacement, expulsion from land and the cultures it nurtured, violation of sacred places, the taking away of their children, discrimination enshrined in law and in custom, racism and condescension within Australian life, and imposed marginalisation—a story also of endurance, resistance, guarding of culture and language, organisation, pride and constant struggle for justice.

The second story is that of the new arrivals. It is one of conquest, taking over land, fencing it in, exploiting it for short term profit, protecting European identity, waiting for Indigenous Australians and their culture to die out, condescension and anger at their agency—a story also of growing recognition of wrongs done to Indigenous peoples, appreciation of the riches of their relationship to land and of the impoverished ways in which the newcomers themselves have treated it, and a growing desire for reconciliation, though preferably without change.

The Apology pointed forward to reconciliation. At Jesuit Social Services, as in so many other communities, the Apology brought joy and hope both to our Indigenous members and to others of us. But its ritual and its words both made clear that reconciliation will demand great change.

To accept and to implement that is our common challenge. *Andy Hamilton SJ*

Help everyone by promptly booking a place at mass!

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR B — 7 FEBRUARY 2021 — WORD OF GOD SUNDAY

We welcome (Fr) Ramesh Richards SJ from Bellarmine House, Broadway to our 6pm mass.

Entrance Procession

O come, let us worship God and bow low before the God who made us, for he is the Lord our God.

Collect

Keep your family safe, O Lord, with unfailing care, that, relying solely on the hope of heavenly grace, they may be defended always by your protection. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son...

First Reading

Job 7:1-4, 6-7 *I am filled with sorrow all day long*

Job spoke to his friends: "Do not human beings have a hard service on earth, and are not their days like the days of a labourer? Like a slave who longs for the shadow, and like labourers who look for their wages, so I am allotted months of emptiness, and nights of misery are apportioned to me. "When I lie down I say, 'When shall I rise?' But the night is long, and I am full of tossing until dawn. My days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle, and come to their end without hope. Remember that my life is a breath; my eye will never again see good."

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 146:1-6 *God lifts up the downtrodden*

R. Praise the Lord who heals the broken-hearted.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23 *Punishment will come to me if I do not preach the Gospel*

If I proclaim the gospel, this gives me no ground for boasting, for an obligation is laid on me, and woe to me if I do not proclaim the gospel! For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward; but if not of my own will, I am entrusted with a commission. What then is my reward? Just this: that in my proclamation I may make the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my rights in the gospel.

For though I am free with respect to all, I have made myself a slave to all, so that I might win more of them. To the weak I became weak, so that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that I might by all means save some. I do it all for the sake of the gospel, so that I may share in its blessings.

Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 8:17

Alleluia, alleluia! He bore our sickness, and endured our suffering. Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 1:29-39 *He cured many who suffered from diseases of one kind or another*

As soon as Jesus and his disciples left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever; and they told Jesus about her at once. He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her; and she began to serve them.

That evening, at sundown, they brought to Jesus all who were sick or possessed with demons. And the whole city was gathered around the door. And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him.

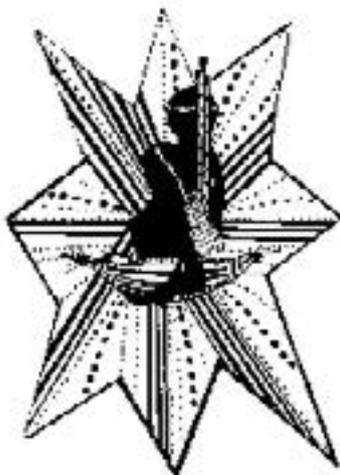
In the morning, while it was still very dark, Jesus got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. And Simon and his companions hunted for him. When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." He answered, "Let us go on to the neighbouring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." And Jesus went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

Memorial Acclamation

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

Communion Antiphon

Let them thank the Lord for his mercy, his wonders for the children of men, for he satisfies the thirsty soul, and the hungry he fills with good things.



Senior Australian of the Year

Many may not realise that Dr Miriam-Rose Ungunmerr-Baumann did the iconic artworks for the Jesuit Social Institute, *Uniya* that was housed for many years (from about 1990) together with Jesuit Refugee Service in our corner building. Copies of the artwork are still around. She also designed Fr Frank Brennan's priestly vestments.



Remembering those who have gone before us...

Recently Deceased: Eric Bureau, Patricia Horsley, Peter Young. COVID-19 victims.

Anniversaries: Pamela Shaughnessy, Werner Tervoert, Ross McDonald, Paul Pennacchia



Let us pray for...

Recently ill: Harry Tsagaris, Aristeo Albay, Josie Lynch, Caroline Crilly, Kathleen Doherty, Mary Woodburne, John Harding, Paul Scharrer, Maurice Heading SJ, Jillian Wells, Alison Dudley, Marina Byron, Amanda Sinclair, Br Terry Kavenagh OSB, Fr Peter Maher, Wilhelmina van Wanrooy, Kevin Matthews, Gwen Feeney, Aloysious Mowe SJ, Anne O'Sullivan, Susanne O'Sullivan, Belen Latorre, Michael Taylor, Tony Catt, Siobhan Pearson, James Toohey, Maria Grazia Orlandi, Robert Horder, Clive Adams, Patrick Brogan, John Laing, Linda Stein, Ruby Naidu, Sandra Holyeak, Ray Walsh, Omar Soliman, Dulcie Kennedy, Flynn Cawood, Valentino Close, Ronald Soussa, Sophie Napier, Veronica Rainbird, Joan Agbor, those with Covid-19.

Catechumen: Amanda Or. **Baptisms & Presentations:** Georgia Dellar & Madeline Sheehy, Yasmin.

If you would like the parish to pray for someone or to bring them Holy Communion, please contact Lynelle at the Parish Office on 9358 5229 or email <lynelle@stcanice.com.au> Please note you must have a person's permission for their name to be on the bulletin's sick list.

COVID-19: Please remind yourself of the expectations listed on the sheet at the desks: we should (and are obliged legally) to follow our plan!

Parish Calendar

Sun 7	5th Sunday Ordinary Time (on Zoom, Sat 6pm).
Wed 10	St Scholastica <i>virgin</i>
Thu 11	World Day of Prayer for the Sick
Sat 13	6pm vigil—live Zoom/ recorded
Sun 14	6th Ordinary, Zoom –Project Compassion Sunday Prior booking preferred! 6pm, 8:30am, 10:30am.
Wed 17	ASH WEDNESDAY. Multiple masses/services

Complete an attendance form at church	
Tue 9	Mass 9am
Wed 10	Mass 9am
Thu 11	Mass 9am
Fri 12	Mass 12 noon
Sat 13	Mass 9am

Save the Date:

Sat. 6 Mar, 3pm, Parish Hall: Women's **High Tea & Speakers**. 1: Alison Rahill Executive Officer, Sydney Archdiocese's Anti-Slavery Taskforce 2: To be announced next weekend. **Ticket details** by email this week and in next weekend's bulletin.

Kitchen: success!

The first week back inside went quite smoothly, and the numbers are quickly building. A few hiccoughs were solved by assistance from staff and office volunteers. The coffee shop (in the garage), upgraded electrically over summer, is now open from 9:30am to 12:30pm. And lunch runs from 11am to 12:30pm. the toilet and shower block continues to provide great service. Prior team training has helped everything run smoothly. Over the next week or so, all the new teams will get their chance to shine. PF

Lent: 400 minutes 4 refugees

Looking to give up something for Lent? Why not 10 minutes every day and dedicate it to solidarity with refugees? How? By offering moments of your day to prayer, to fasting and almsgiving in solidarity with refugees. An offering of Oz Jesuits in company with JRS/USA. More next week. Preview: <<https://www.jrsusa.org/take-action/400-minutes-4-refugees/>>.

Fr Gaetan has returned!

Lenten opportunities

Copies of the Lenten program, "**Comfort**", from Wollongong, are now available from the parish office \$10 per book. See Emma or Lynelle to obtain a copy.

Bill Barry SJ is highly regarded. His Lenten meditations provide brief help every day through Lent. <<https://issuu.com/loyolapress/docs/lenten-meditations-seeinside>> has the 1st week. If this appeals **let us know ASAP**.

Child sacraments

Is your child in Year 3 or higher, needs to make their first Holy Communion and Reconciliation? Or is still to be confirmed? Let us know!

Added rules for mass

- Use our QR code on entry if possible.
- Masks are mandatory except at Communion.
- No singing except for the cantors.
- The congregation mostly remains seated.

In Ordinary Time we are called to live out the conversion and mission discerned last Lent & Easter.

Parish Notices

Next Week's Readings:

13 / 14 February – Ordinary 6

First Reading: Leviticus 13:1-2,44-46

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 10:31–11:1

Gospel: Mark 1:40-45

Getting back to normal?

The **Parish Office** is now open Monday to Friday, 8.30am – 3.30pm. The preferred contact is via email to <parish@stcanice.com.au>

This last week in Church we have had 3 funerals, two with over 70 people attending, as well as all the new SVC Year 7s (in 2 groups); each event took the staff a lot of preparation because of the corona-virus. The major project of cleaning and polishing the columbarium began. The PP blessed the opening of the Kitchen, said mass at Vincentian Aged Care for the first time in quite a while, accepted half a wagon of books collected by SVC students, and administered Viaticum.



The Pope's Prayer in the Year of Laudato si'
*Loving God, Creator of Heaven, Earth,
and all therein contained.*

*Open our minds and touch our hearts,
so that we can be part of Creation, your gift.
Be present to those in need in these difficult times,
especially the poorest and most vulnerable.*

*Help us to show creative solidarity
as we confront the consequences
of the global pandemic.*

*Make us courageous in embracing
the changes required to seek the common good.
Now more than ever, may we all feel
interconnected and interdependent.*

*Enable us to succeed in listening and responding
to the cry of the Earth and the cry of the poor.
May their current sufferings become the birth-pangs
of a more fraternal and sustainable world.*

*We pray through Christ our Lord,
under the loving gaze of Mary Help of Christians,
Amen.*

Word of God Sunday

Pope Francis inaugurated Word of God Sunday in 2019 “to be devoted to the celebration, study and dissemination of the Word of God”. The Pope alludes to Luke’s Gospel describing how the Risen Jesus appeared to his disciples, and how “he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures”. It challenges us to be well-prepared for, and to better present the Liturgy of the Word at mass. Reflection on it after in households or small groups is important.

Buildings, planning etc.

Though we can no longer house anyone in Blaiket, a vision for its use continues to evolve, though still subject to many factors.

A small team has formed to care for Peace Park and the presbytery garden; volunteers to help with gardening and grounds work would be welcome. We have been very grateful to have Emma on our office staff over this Christmas and holiday period. PF.

PPC

Our incipient PPC is full of ideas and plans, and 2021 plans continue to take shape. I want to make a formal announcement soon. Ideas etc. can be sent to Brian Anderson via <ppc@stcanice.com.au>. PF

'Live' masses

We stream 6pm mass on Zoom (see front page, left for details). Videos are posted afterwards to our Facebook page here.
<facebook.com/StCanicesElizabethBay/videos>.

The video for the **Pope's monthly intention** is advertised below. February: Violence against women.

News, depth, spirituality:

Australian Jesuit News– <www.jesuit.org.au>,
Australian Catholics– <australiancatholics.com.au>,
Eureka Street– <www.eurekastreet.com.au>,
Madonna– <www.madonnamagazine.com.au>,
Jesuit/Ignatian Spirituality– <jisa.org.au>
Pope's Intention Video–<thepopevideo.org/>,
Catholic Weekly <www.catholicweekly.com.au>: *for the printed copy, \$2 to the StVdP box please.*

Remember to register: online / email / phone

A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney

Child abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with a crime are the police. If you – or anyone you know – have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at (02) 9390 5810 or <safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org> You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.