



24-25 May 2025

Sixth Sunday of Easter - Year C

"... BUT THE ADVOCATE, THE HOLY SPIRIT, WHOM THE FATHER WILL SEND IN MY NAME, WILL TEACH YOU EVERYTHING"



"Pentecost" by Jean Restout II (1692–1768), housed in the Louvre, is an immense and dramatic Baroque painting that powerfully captures the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles and the Virgin Mary. It was originally painted for the Abbaye royale de Saint-Denis (Royal Abbey of Saint-Denis), 6.5 kilometres north of the centre of Paris,

HYMNS AND MUSIC

Processional The Church's One Foundation (256)
Responsorial Psalm (Response) O God, let all the nations praise you!

Offertory Laudate Dominum (Taizé/Jacques Berthier)

Communion Ave Maria (Franz Schubert)

Post Communion Firmly I Believe and Truly (73)

Recessional Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee (138)

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Monday 19 May 2025 Monday of 6th

Week of Easter **St Philip Neri (M)**

No Mass

Tuesday 20 May 2025 Tuesday of 6th

Week of Easter **St Augustine of**

Canterbury (OM) Mass 8:00 am

Wednesday 21 May 2025 Wednesday of

6th Week of Easter **Mass 8:00 am**

Thursday 22 May 2025 **St Paul VI (OM)**

Thursday of 6th Week of Easter **Mass**

8:00 am

Friday 23 May 2025 Friday of 6th Week

of Easter **Mass 8:00 am**

Saturday 24 May 2025 Feast of the

Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Mass 9.00 am

Sunday 25 May 2025 The Ascension of

the Lord **Vigil Mass 7:00 pm (Saturday),**

Mass 8.30 am (Sunday) and Solemn

Mass 10.00 am (Sunday)

**ST CANICE'S - A
JESUIT PARISH IN
THE HEART OF
SYDNEY**



NEW TO ST CANICE'S?

Please scan the **QR code (see right)** to stay in touch with the various apostolates, services and events in our parish. We would love to keep you in the loop.



PARISH CLERGY

Fr Dave Braithwaite SJ Parish Priest

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PARISH HUB

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Rushcutters Bay NSW 2011

ST CANICE'S OFFERTORY COLLECTION

We recognise the move towards a cashless economy, so we have made it easier for you. Please scan the **QR code (see right)** to make your offertory collection donation.



PARISH APOSTOLATES

ST CANICE'S LITURGICAL MUSIC

St Canice's is expanding its liturgical music ministry to enhance worship through sacred music. We invite skilled musicians to join, including:

- Singers (all voice parts)
- Instrumentalists (organ, violin, cello, flute, etc.)

Music in our liturgy expresses prayer, joy and unity in Christ. Both experienced and privately trained musicians are welcome to enrich our parish worship. **To participate, please contact liturgy@stcanice.org.au**

SHARING GOD'S WORD @ ST CANICE'S

St Canice's invites parishioners to join the Ministry of Lector, proclaiming Sacred Scriptures during Mass. This ministry offers a way to serve the parish and deepen personal faith. Clear speaking and love for Scripture are the main requirements. No experience needed; training provided. **For information, please contact the Parish Hub (see see right)**

ALTAR SERVICE @ ST CANICE'S

St Canice's invites parishioners of all ages to serve as altar servers for Masses and liturgical celebrations.

This ministry is open to adults and children who have received First Holy Communion. Training is provided. **For information, please contact the Parish Hub (see see right)**

ST CANICE'S COLUMBARIUM

St Canice's offers a unique Columbarium within its neo-gothic church, providing a sacred space for cremated remains. **For information, please contact the Parish Hub (see see right)**

ST CANICE'S OP SHOP

St Canice's Op Shop supports parish works and provides clothes for kitchen guests. It is open four days a week i.e. Wednesday: 10:00 am - 2:00 pm and Thursday to Saturday: 10:00 am - 4:00 pm. To donate clean clothes, accessories, or goods, please drop off during open hours or leave at Parish Hub (24 Roslyn Street) during business hours.

ST CANICE'S CAMBODIA IMMERSION TRIP - 16 TO 20 NOVEMBER 2025

Register your interest for the next St Canice's Cambodia Immersion from 16 to 23 November 2025. Led by Fr Dave Braithwaite SJ, this journey will inspire you as we learn about social entrepreneurship. Spaces limited. For more information, **scan Parish Hub QR code above.**

RECENTLY DEPARTED AND MASS INTENTIONS

Recently Deceased HH Pope Francis, David Nolan, Dr Tara Lyn Fernandez, Marcia Brooks and all the recently deceased.

Mass Intentions Graham John Fear (24/05)

POPE'S INTENTIONS FOR MAY 2025

Let us pray that through work, each person might find fulfilment, families might be sustained in dignity, and that society might be humanised.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE (RECONCILIATION)

Sunday 9.30am

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT (First Fridays)

Friday 6 June 2025 6.00pm - 7.00pm

CONTACT ST CANICE'S PARISH HUB

To contact St Canice's about:

- St Canice's Columbarium
- St Canice's Sanctuary Guild
- St Canice's Altar Service
- Anointing of the sick
- Deceased anniversaries
- Prayers for an ill friend or family member
- Mass intentions
- David's Place
- Curious Grace @ St Canice's
- St Canice's Kitchen
- Railaco Timor Leste
- Colombière Social Enterprises
- Holy Communion for the housebound
- Sharing God's Word at St Canice's
- St Canice's Op Shop
- St Canice's Bequests

please scan the Parish Hub QR code below



CURIOUS GRACE @ ST CANICE'S

A Time for Community and Gratitude

On Sunday, 4 May 2025, St Canice's hosted another Curious Grace, our popular monthly drop-in community event. Blessed with sunny skies, the gathering brought together people from diverse backgrounds for a time of connection, creativity and shared joy.



Next Curious Grace: Ascension Sunday, 1

June 2025 11:00 am

Details: Sonia +61 414 376 868.

SUBSCRIBE TO ST CANICE'S ON YOUTUBE

Subscribe to the [St Canice's YouTube channel](#) for more content from our Parish.



DAVID'S PLACE

David's Place offers spirituality and community to Sydney's homeless and marginalized. For 19 years, it has provided a space for prayer, pastoral care, Mass, and fellowship.

Website: www.davidspplace.com.au

Visitors always welcome

FR DAVE RYAN SJ

Fr Dave is still in Melbourne receiving facial radiotherapy at the same clinic as he was treated previously. Let us all pray for him.

Heavenly Father, we come before You with hearts full of faith and hope, lifting up our beloved brother, Fr Dave, as he undergoes facial radiotherapy. Guide the hands of his medical team and let their work be a channel of Your divine healing. Grant him strength, peace and the comfort of Your presence in every moment of this journey. Through Your grace, may he find restoration in body, mind and spirit.

Our Lady of the Way, pray for your son and our brother.

St Ignatius of Loyola, pray for your son and our brother. Amen

VOCAL RECITAL @ ST CANICE'S

WEDNESDAY, 28 MAY 2025 @ 7:00 PM

Autumn MELODIES

A vocal recital featuring:

- Francesca Calvert - Royal Conservatoire of Scotland
- Chris Wilmot - Trinity College London
- Lydia Marshall - Royal Academy of Music

28th May 2025
7pm - 8.30pm

Saint Canice's Church
28 Roslyn St, Rushcutters Bay NSW 2011

\$35 Entry

Proceeds will support St Canice's Parish & Kitchen

To purchase Tickets search autumnrecital.eventbrite.co.uk or contact +61 410 784 830 or scan the QR code

St CANICE'S
A JESUIT PARISH
& KITCHEN

MEDITATION ON JOHN 14:23 WITH ST AUGUSTINE OF HIPPO

“Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them.”

-John 14:23

In reflecting on these words, St Augustine of Hippo teaches that Christ’s promise is not for the world at large, but for those who truly love Him and keep His word.

Augustine observes, *“those who love Christ keep His word, and thus become a dwelling place for the Father and the Son,”* emphasising that God’s indwelling is reserved for the soul that responds in love and obedience.

Love for Christ, Augustine reminds us, is not a mere sentiment but a lived reality - expressed by treasuring His teachings and allowing them to shape our lives.

Augustine invites us to consider that the ability to keep God’s word is itself a gift of grace, a sign that God is already at work within us. The indwelling presence of the Father and the Son is the fruit of this divine love:

“We will come unto him, and make our abode with him.”

In this, Augustine sees the fulfilment of the deepest human longing - to become a home for God, to experience the peace and unity that only His presence brings.

Let us, then, echo St Augustine’s prayerful desire: that our hearts may be opened by grace, that we may love Christ by keeping His word, and so become a dwelling place for the living God.

May we welcome the Father and the Son into the sanctuary of our souls and there find the peace and joy that Jesus promises to those who love Him.

“O Lord, as St Augustine teaches, grant that I may love You truly by keeping Your word, so that You and the Father may come and make Your home within me. Let my heart be a place where Your presence dwells in peace and love.”



St Augustine of Hippo (354–430) was one of the most influential theologians and philosophers in Christian history, serving as bishop of Hippo Regius (now Annaba, Algeria) from 396 until his death. Born in Roman North Africa, Augustine’s early life was marked by spiritual searching and intellectual exploration, including a period with the Manichaean sect and studies in Neoplatonism, before his dramatic conversion to Christianity and baptism in 386. As a prolific writer, preacher and defender of the faith, he authored seminal works such as *Confessions* and *The City of God*, which shaped Western Christian thought and practice for centuries. His theology emphasised the necessity of divine grace, the reality of original sin and the mystery of God’s presence within the soul. Renowned for both his intellectual rigour and his passionate preaching, Augustine is honoured as a Doctor of the Church.

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@sydnecatholic.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.