



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 Epiphany of the Lord

Men from the East



Gold is the gift for a king. Seneca tells us that in Parthia it was the custom that no one could ever approach the king without a gift. And gold, the king of metals, is the fit gift for a king of men. So then Jesus was “the Man born to be King”.

Frankincense is the gift for a priest. It was in the temple worship and at the temple sacrifices that the sweet perfume of frankincense was used.

Myrrh is the gift for one who is to die. Myrrh was used to embalm the bodies of the dead. Jesus came into the world to die. Jesus came into the world to live for men, and, in the end, to die from men. He came to give for men his life and his death.

Gold for a king, frankincense for a priest, myrrh for one who was to die – these were the gifts of the Wise Men, and, even at the cradle of Christ, they foretold that he was to be the true king, the perfect high priest, and, in the end, the supreme Saviour of men.

William Barclay
The Gospel of Matthew

Entrance Antiphon

Behold, the Lord, the Mighty One, has come; and kingship is in his grasp, and power and dominion.

Entrance Hymn:

No 299 (Gather) We Three Kings

Opening Prayer

O God, who on this day revealed your Only Begotten Son to the nations by the guidance of a star, grant in your mercy, that we, who know you already by faith, may be brought to behold the beauty of your sublime glory.

First Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6

Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you! For darkness shall cover the earth and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms. Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm:

Lord, every nation on earth will adore you

Second Reading: Ephesians 3:2-3, 5-6

Surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humanity as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! We have seen his star in the East; and have come to adore the Lord. Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage". When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the messiah was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: 'And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.'" Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage". When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

Offertory Hymn:

No 298 (Gather) The First Nowell

Communion Antiphon: We have seen his star in the East, and have come with gifts to adore the Lord.

Communion Hymn: No 296 (Gather) O Little Town of Bethlehem

Recessional Hymn: No 287 (Gather) O Come All Ye Faithful

Let us pray for:

Recently Deceased: Dorothy Antico, Sue Bloomfield, Josephine Moron, Michael Deloughery, Johann Schoditsch, Tom Claffey, Janet O'Connor, Terry Millington, Paul Lynch, Marjorie Douglas, Bill Pincuis, Fr Laurie Christie, Lawrie Kennedy, Bobby Gordon, Harry Burke, Tim McEniery, Edith Meth, Robert Barnes, Peter Ferguson, Richard Heekis, Simon Bleasel, Winston Lindsay.

Anniversaries: Tristan Antico and Stephen Antico, Muriel Hardwick, Ken East, Mario Juka, Thomas Eugene Hemera, Mary Fear, Fr. Donal Taylor sj, John McAuliffe, Brian Cassidy, Arthur Kavanagh, Fortunato Edmond Mallia, Vic Zaknich and Mara Separovich. Helen McCarthy, Irene Harding, Jadvyga Venclovas, Antanas Svedas, Bridget Ohlsson, Angela Viola.

Recently ill: Sister Rita Hayes sgs (Railaco), John Hunter-Murray, Jane Bernstam, Jack Wilson, Richy Howard, Tim McCarthy, John Giblin, Dennis O'Brien, Jack Wilson, Rosa Maria, Cath Raper, Dorothy Harding, Elizabeth Lynch, Jill Rolfe, Zoe Dudley, Lee Tillam, Paul Taylor, Desmond Whelan, Geraldine Kavanagh-Ohlsson, Cythnia Daniel, Tony Musgrave, Wayne Laphorne, Richard Ellul, Eric Robinson, Siena Mainali, Brian Loughry, Alex Pemberton, Carlie Soussa, Davina Kohler, Colin Walke, Helen, Margaret Shoditsch, Elisa Pier De Siun Young, John Myers, Jeannette McSwini, Rosemary Nugent, Robert McCormack, Jean McInerney, Bernard McCauley.

Next Week's Readings: 11 January 2015

First Reading: Isaiah 55: 1-11
 Second Reading: 1 John 5: 1-9
 Gospel: Mark 1: 7-11

Roster for Eucharistic Celebrations

11-12 Jan 2014	Vigil 6pm	8.30am	10.30am
Greeters	G. Losurdo	V. Latkich	M. Musgrave
Readers	W. Fothergill	M. Topui	M. Woodburne
Ministers of the Eucharist	As available	As available	S. Buckingham C. Coggins K. Walsh M. Walsh

St Canice's Vinnies Conference News

Thank you to all those wonderful people who helped with the distribution of our Christmas hampers this year. We assisted nearly thirty people in need in the local area over the Christmas season. As well this year the students of St Vincent's College Potts Point contributed hampers to us for distribution to local women in need, a partnership our Conference looks forward to developing further in the future.

As is the case every first Sunday of the month throughout the year, this Sunday (4/1/15) is the Gorman House BBQ for those recovering from substance abuse. This is a wonderful opportunity to share part of the journey with people in need of kindly support at a time of considerable vulnerability. The BBQ is at Gorman House, St Vincent's Hospital, 11.45am until about 1.30pm. If you would like more information, call Mick McIntyre on 0414853650.

And all the best wishes of the St Canice's Vinnies Conference for you and your family in 2015

Seeking Work

Martin Nyame is a parishioner in the Parish and is looking for work and is available for any type of cleaning: home, car washing and gardening. If you are interested in engaging Martin you may contact him on 0416 748 091.

Parish Notices

East Timor - Railaco

For many years now the Christmas Masses Collections have been donated to help with the many works in East Timor - Railaco. We wish to sincerely thank everyone for your very generous support. The collection this year totalled \$3,748.70 that we will round up to \$4,000. Once again, many thanks for your continued support which is greatly appreciated.

The Wisdom of Teresa: Jan 30 – Feb 01 2015. Presenter: Fr Paul Maunder, OCD. Cost: \$220 (concessions available).

Where: Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, 247 St Andrews Road, Varroville, NSW, 2566. Contact: 02 8795 3400, email:

retreats@carmelite.com. www.carmeliteretreats.com.au.

Divine Friendship: spiritual guidance in prayer, holiness and mission from the writings of St Teresa of Avila.

Free e-book for computer or e-reader: *Son of God: The Daily Gospel Year B-1*

This e-book, which may be downloaded free of charge to a computer or e-reader and offers the Gospel for every day of this present Liturgical Year B-1 (Sundays Year B, weekdays Year1), together with a reflection of some 750 words on each daily Gospel. It contains the Gospel passages not only for this present year but for any B-1 Liturgical Year in the future, together with their respective reflections. It may be passed on to friends or acquaintances as desired. It carries the Imprimatur of the Archbishop of Sydney: *Son of God: The Daily Gospel Year B-1* may be accessed at the following address: www.catholic-thoughts.info/ebook/

Christmas at St Canice's - 2014

Father Chris Jenkins SJ welcomed many visitors to the Midnight Mass at St Canice's. The church was decorated this year with a dozen Cypress Pines and beautiful flowers in yellow and white to celebrate the birth of Christ.

In a small gesture to express our solidarity with our fellow Christians of the Middle East, Midnight Mass commenced with an Arabic Christmas Carol (Byzantine Hymn of the Nativity). In this carol, we hear a voice from the unheard voices of the Christians of the Middle East who have been witnessing to faith in the Saviour since His incarnation in their midst.

For Midnight Mass photos please refer to the following link: <http://www.stcanice.org.au/wordpress/?p=2902>

