

22nd-23rd of December 2024  4th Sunday of Advent – Liturgical Year C

HYMNS

Entrance: Magnificat (Tell out, my soul) GA 550

Psalm: Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.

Offertory: Wait for the Lord (Taize) GA 283

Communion: The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came

Recessional: O Come O Come Emmanuel GA 285

THIS MONTH'S POPE'S PRAYER



For pilgrims of hope

We pray that this Jubilee Year strengthen our faith, helping us to recognize the Risen Christ in our daily lives, and that it may transform us into pilgrims of Christian hope.

NEW TO ST CANICE'S? REGISTER WITH US TO STAY IN TOUCH



WHAT'S ON

Every Tuesday – Friday

8.00am Mass
8.30am Rosary

Every Saturday

9.00am Mass
6.00pm Vigil Mass

Every Sunday

8.30am Mass
9.30am Reconciliation
10.00am Mass

1st Sunday of the Month

11.00am Curious Grace

1st Friday of the Month

6.00pm Adoration Hour

ADORATION HOUR COMMENCES AGAIN 7th FEB 2025 AT 6pm



FOR INFORMATION ON A COLUMBARIUM NICHE EMAIL: columbarium@stcanice.org.au



JOIN US AFTER THE DAILY 8.00AM MASS TO PRAY THE ROSARY TOGETHER.



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✉ 3.00pm

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WE PRAY FOR OUR BELOVED DEPARTED

Recently Deceased:

Shaun Martin, David Cornwall

Anniversary of Death:

Special Mass Intentions:

Nicholas Pizzo, Ana Julia Potes, Yair Rivera

If you have a prayer intention for the deceased or a family member or friend who is sick, please contact the Parish Office to arrange a priest to pray or visit.



Parish Office will be closed December 23rd to January 7th.

READINGS

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

**Drop down dew from above, you heavens,
and let the clouds rain down the
Just One;
let the earth be opened and bring
forth a Saviour.**

FIRST READING

Micah 5:1-4 (NRSV)

**A reading from the book of the prophet
Micah**

***From you, O Bethlehem, will come the ruler
of Israel.***

The Lord says to his people: "You, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah, who are one of the little clans of Judea, from you shall come forth for me one who is to rule in Israel, whose origin is from of old, from ancient days."

Therefore he shall give them up until the time when she who is in labour has brought forth; then the rest of his kindred shall return to the people of Israel. And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of the Lord, in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God.

And they shall live secure, for now, he shall be great to the ends of the earth, and he shall be the one of peace.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 80.1ab+2, 14-15, 17-18 (NRSV)

**R. Lord, make us turn to you; let us see
your face and we shall be saved.**

1. Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, you who are enthroned upon the cherubim, shine forth. Stir up your might, and come to save us. **R.**
2. Turn again, O God of hosts, look down from heaven and see; have regard for this vine, the stock that your right hand has planted. **R.**
3. But let your hand be upon the one at your right, the one whom you have made strong for yourself. Then we will never turn back from you; give us life, and we will call on your name. **R.**

SECOND READING

Hebrews 10:5-10 (NRSV)

**A reading from the letter to the Hebrews
*I come to do your will***

When Christ came into the world, he said, "Sacrifices and offerings you have not desired, but a body you have prepared for me; in burnt offerings and sin offerings you have taken no pleasure. Then I said, as it is written of me in the scroll of the book, 'See, God, I have come to do your will, O God.'"

When Christ said, "You have neither desired nor taken pleasure in sacrifices and offerings and burnt offerings and sin offerings" (these are offered according to the law), then he added, "See, I have come to do your will." He abolishes the first in order to establish the second.

And it is by God's will that we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the servant of the Lord:
may his will for me be done.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 1:39-44 (NRSV)

A reading from the holy gospel according to Luke

Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth.

When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and exclaimed with a loud cry, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting the child in my womb leaped for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfilment of what was spoken to her by the Lord."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Celebrant: Let us now bring our needs to God, with great assurance of being heard.

1. For all world leaders, that they will govern with integrity and justice and work for a new era of peace.

Lord, hear us.

Lord, hear our prayer.

2. For those who find no meaning in their lives. May caring hands support them, offer them hope and show them evidence of God's unconditional love.

Lord, hear us.

Lord, hear our prayer.

3. For all Christians, that we, like Mary, may believe that God can and will do great things in and through our ordinariness.

Lord, hear us.

Lord, hear our prayer.

4. For families coming together for Christmas and people travelling far to be reunited with loved ones. May their journeys be safe and their gatherings graced with love, peace and gratitude.

Lord hear us.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Celebrant: God, hear these our prayers that we might one day enjoy everlasting glory with you and your incarnate Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.



ST CANICE'S
PARISH

Christmas Mass Times

**CHRISTMAS EVE TUESDAY 24
DEC**

5:30pm Carols, 6pm Mass

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DEC**

8:30pm Carols, 9pm Mass

CHRISTMAS DAY WEDNESDAY 25 DEC
8.30 and 10am Mass





ST CANICE'S Christmas RAFFLE

Proceeds from the raffle will support the restoration works of our Historic St Canice's Church. St Canice's Parish is a haven offering hospitality to those searching for spirituality, a meal & community. **BE IN THE DRAW FOR THESE FABULOUS PRIZES**

1st PRIZE: 1 NIGHT FOR 2 AT THE INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL DOUBLE BAY VALUED AT \$750

- 2nd PRIZE: CHRISTMAS HAMPER VALUED AT \$500
 - 3rd PRIZE: LADY CHU RESTAURANT \$300 VOUCHER
 - 4th PRIZE: THE HOOK OYSTER/PIANO BAR \$200 VOUCHER
 - 5th PRIZE: PICCOLO BAR \$200 VOUCHER
 - 6th PRIZE: VERMUTERIA RESTAURANT \$200 VOUCHER
 - 7th PRIZE: CASE OF SEVEN HILL WINE SOUTH AUSTRALIA
 - 8th PRIZE: SMOKED LEG OF HAM FROM HANDLERS
- PLUS: MANY MORE MYSTERY PRIZES!**



SCAN QR TO PURCHASE TICKETS FOR THE DRAW Drawn 25th December after 10am Mass 28 Roslyn St Elizabeth Bay



RAFFLE DRAWN CHRISTMAS MORNING AFTER 10am MASS!

FIRST PRIZE:
A night for 2 people at the InterContinental Hotel Double Bay and 9 other prizes

**SCAN THE QR
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PURCHASE
YOUR TICKETS**



**LAST CHANCE to
stop by our pop-
up Christmas
Shop for some
luxury hand-made
goodies and
beautiful piety
gifts.
After Sunday
Masses**



St Canice's Church Plate Collection

Recognising our move towards a cashless society, we've made it easier for you to contribute. Scan the QR code to make your donation to the collection



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.