



St CANICE'S

PARISH

DOORWAYS TO THE HEART AT ST CANICE'S



SPIRITUALITY



COMMUNITY



SOCIAL
ENTERPRISE

ABOUT US



OUR VISION

To be a mission-driven parish that seeks to create more doorways to encounter the heart of Jesus.

These 'doorways to the heart' **SPIRITUALITY, COMMUNITY & SOCIAL ENTERPRISE** drive our parish to be always on mission to those living on its fringes.

We are never satisfied with a merely inward focus.



DOORWAYS TO THE HEART



**CREATING MORE DOORWAYS
TO ENCOUNTER
THE HEART OF JESUS**



REIGNITE THE HEART

Our church is a place
of welcome for all who
seek God.



BUILD COMMUNITY

We offer radical
hospitality to those
searching for community.



**DEVELOP SOCIAL
ENTERPRISE**

We seek to find creative
solutions to social
issues.





OUR STORY



St. Canice's is a Jesuit parish located in the heart of Sydney.

Deeply rooted in our Catholic faith and guided by Ignatian spirituality, our parish is a vibrant blend of worship and service, welcoming people from all walks of life.

Since its establishment in 1889, St. Canice's magnificent church has served our community throughout its rich and storied history.

The stained glass windows beautifully depict scenes from St. Canice's life, including the central window behind the altar, which portrays men struggling in a stormy sea, symbolizing Canice's role as the patron saint of the shipwrecked.



ABOUT US



OUR VALUES

CHRIST-CENTRED

We seek to know and love our Lord in all things.

COMPASSIONATE

We have and show compassion and hope.

CREATIVE

We are curious and open-minded to learn and experience. We value creativity.

RADICALLY HOSPITABLE

Everyone is welcome and invited.

LISTENING

We listen to each other with respect.



CONNECTING



St. Canice's is an open, inclusive and welcoming community and we thank God in the diversity that marks our parish.

Through various initiatives, we are committed to providing genuine hospitality and support to those who are hungry, isolated, facing daily challenges, or simply in need of a friend.

ST CANICE'S KITCHEN

IMMERSIONS

DAVID'S PLACE

COLOMBIÈRE VOLUNTEER RESIDENCE

LADY OF FATIMA RAILACO & TIMOR LESTE



SPIRITUALITY



Our parish seeks to accompany one another through every stage of life by celebrating the sacraments of the Church.

Together in the sacraments of the Church we are made into the Body of Christ. As Catholics we believe that our lives are graced by God through these sacraments and that they sustain and deepen our individual and shared faith journeys.

DAILY MASS

ALL SACRAMENTS

ADORATION HOUR

THE ROSARY

LADY OF FATIMA RAILACO & TIMOR LESTE



420 MARGINALISED & LOCAL
GUESTS WELCOMED

460 CUPS OF TEA, COFFEE & CAKES
SERVED

350 SAUSAGE SANDWICHES
SERVED

40 CHESS GAMES WITH
CURIOUS GRACE GUESTS

40 CHILDREN & ADULTS ENCOURAGED
TO PAINT & DRAW & KNIT

100 COMPLIMENTARY GIFT PACKS
FOR THE MARGINALISED

SPIRITUALITY



CURIOUS GRACE

Curious Grace is a new drop-in community centre model that St. Canice's is piloting. It offers generous hospitality, good company and a range of creative activities that encourage participation, connection, conversation and a sense of wellbeing.

It is a place for anyone and everyone in our parish and the wider community, no matter your faith, your age, or your stage in life.

We welcome volunteers and participants to Curious Grace on the first Sunday of every month at the Parish grounds.



SPIRITUALITY



WEDDINGS

Marriage is a covenant between husband and wife that is witnessed by the Church and made possible by the original gift of Divine Love.

A wedding is a celebration, which establishes this three-way bond between husband, wife and their Heavenly Father.

Our church is a magnificent, historical venue for your wedding, located in the very heart of Sydney – we'd be delighted to celebrate your marriage.

For more information contact office or visit website: stcanice.org.au



SPIRITUALITY



COLUMBARIUM

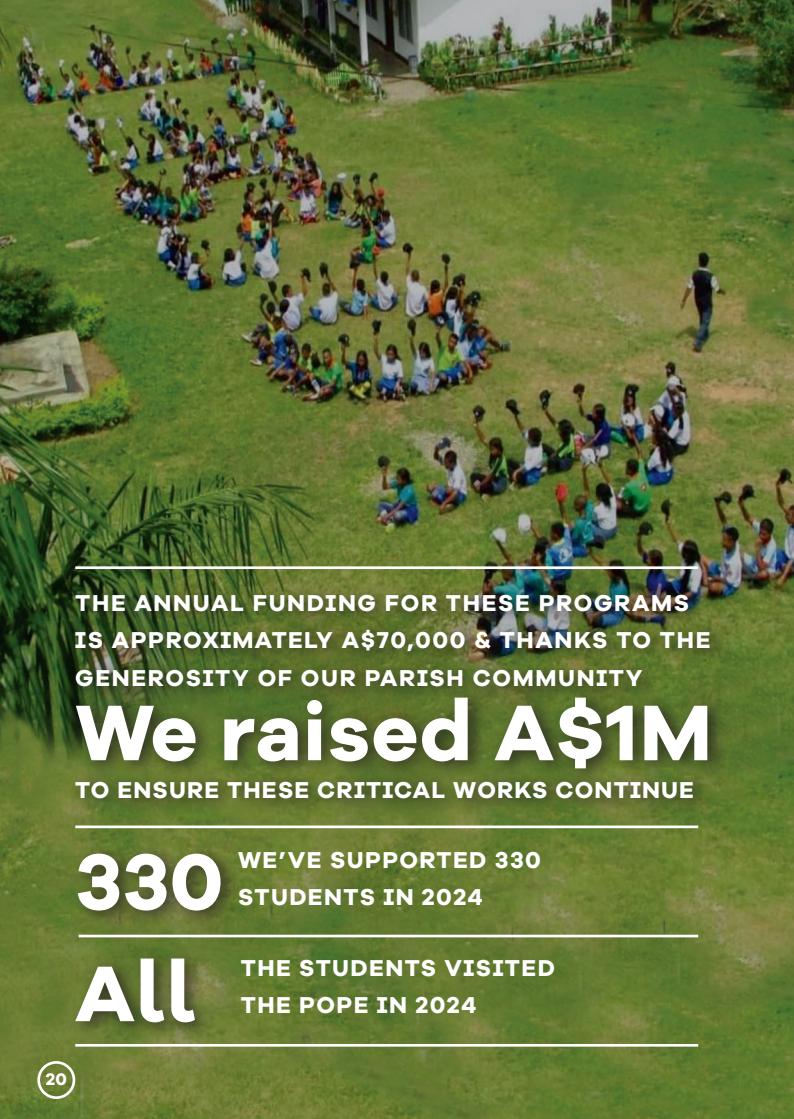
Within the Neo-Gothic walls of St Canice's, we offer you an extraordinary opportunity to pray for the souls of your loved ones through our unique Columbarium at St. Canice's.

Our Columbarium seamlessly blends into the sanctity of the church, becoming an integral part of its sacred tapestry and creating a serene resting place for those who have passed.

This setting serves as a place of deep prayer for the souls of the departed and for the intercession of all the Saints who have gone before us.

If you would like to pre-purchase a niche in our Columbarium please contact Anne Kennedy in our office.

Phone: 02 9358 5229
Email: columbarium@stcanice.org.au
or visit:
www.stcanice.org.au
for more information.



THE ANNUAL FUNDING FOR THESE PROGRAMS
IS APPROXIMATELY A\$70,000 & THANKS TO THE
GENEROSITY OF OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

We raised A\$1M

TO ENSURE THESE CRITICAL WORKS CONTINUE

330 WE'VE SUPPORTED 330
STUDENTS IN 2024

All THE STUDENTS VISITED
THE POPE IN 2024

SPIRITUALITY



TIMOR LESTE

For nearly 20 years St. Canice's Parish has supported our sister Parish, Our Lady of Fatima in Railaco.

We help to support a feeding program, providing nutritional meals to children, a mobile medical clinic and an education program through the jesuit run NOSSEF Secondary School.

We have been making a commitment to the welfare, healthcare, nutrition and educational needs of their children since 2004.

To make a donation to Railaco Jesuit Mission, visit: jesuitmission.org.au/donate-railaco



SPIRITUALITY



MARY, MOTHER OF GOD, PRAY FOR US

We entrust all of our parish works and initiatives to the care and protection of Mary, Mother of the Church and Queen of Peace.

From Tuesday to Saturday after the morning Mass our Parish Rosary group prays after Mass for the intercession of Our Lady in our beautiful chapel dedicated to Her.



COMMUNITY



ST CANICE'S KITCHEN

What began as a Sunday community meal over 35 years ago has evolved into St. Canice's Kitchen, a daily service supporting individuals facing homelessness and social exclusion. With the help of over 400 volunteers, we offer a safe space for guests to connect and enjoy home-cooked meals.

The St. Canice's Kitchen & Community Hub redevelopment project aims to update our facilities to better meet the growing demand for services.

By transforming the kitchen, we will increase our capacity to serve over 300 guests daily and integrate essential support services that can significantly change lives. This project, planned for 2025 is made possible by the generosity of the PAYCE Foundation.

VOLUNTEER



St CANICE'S
KITCHEN



COMMUNITY

St CANICE'S
KITCHEN
SERVING OUR
COMMUNITY
Since 1988

400+ VOLUNTEERS

1000+ FREE MEALS PROVIDED
EACH WEEK

60 SHOWERS PER WEEK

1200 ITEMS OF CLOTHING
PROVIDED ANNUALLY

50+ GUESTS ASSISTED BY ALLIED
SERVICES EACH WEEK

150+ GUESTS DAILY
AND INCREASING



400

**EASTER & CHRISTMAS CARDS
DELIVERED EVERY YEAR**

20-30

**PEOPLE MEET 3 TIMES A WEEK FOR
LUNCHES & SPIRITUAL SUPPORT**

10

**PEOPLE MEET 3 TIMES A WEEK FOR
LUNCHES & SPIRITUAL SUPPORT**

150

**PEOPLE UNITE FOR CHRISTOPHER
PRAYER CIRCLE**

Funerals

**WE PAY & PROVIDE FUNERALS
FOR THE DP COMMUNITY**



COMMUNITY



DAVID'S PLACE

For the past 25 years, David's Place has provided spirituality and community to those experiencing homelessness and social exclusion in our local community hosted by St. Canice's Parish.

David's Place provides an inner-city space where Sydney's homeless and those living on the margins gather to pray, receive pastoral and spiritual care, attend Mass and experience acceptance, fellowship and solidarity with the wider community.

David's Place meets regularly at St. Canice's and has become a valued part of our parish community.



Together

COLOMBIÈRE
SOCIAL ENTERPRISE

Dozens

OF IMMERSIONS
SOCIAL EVENTS

Hundreds

OF CLOTHING ITEMS
SOLD EVERY MONTH AT
ST. CANICE'S OP-SHOP

SOCIAL ENTERPRISE



COLOMBIÈRE

Colombière Social Enterprise is a new parish initiative led by young people to engage other young adults in the mission of the Church.

One successful local Social Enterprise is St. Canice's Op-Shop which raises much needed funds to support the works of the parish.

Our community of young adults volunteer their developing professional skills to facilitate and support the set up, running and delivery of social enterprise projects run by our partner communities within Jesuit and catholic networks locally and abroad.

There are many opportunities for young adult participation across the parish.

If you would like to get involved, please email: contact@cse.org.au



SOCIAL ENTERPRISE



IMMERSIONS

Colombière Social Enterprise Immersions offer a transformative journey for young adults seeking a more purpose-driven life.

Prepare to be inspired, challenged, and motivated as we navigate the intersection of spirituality, business and social change together. Witness the great work of our long-standing overseas partners and connect with like-minded peers to be part of the change you wish to see in the world.

In addition to the young adult immersions, we offer immersions and pilgrimages to parishioners who wish to embark on a transformative spiritual journey of self-discovery and reflection. Our pilgrimages offer participants a unique opportunity to deepen their faith, discernment, and connection to God while journeying in companionship with other like-minded peers.

Register your interest at: stcanice.org.au/immersions



SOCIAL ENTERPRISE



OP-SHOP

St. Canice's Op-Shop is open three days a week, raising money to support the works of the parish while also allowing us to donate clothes to our kitchen guests.

We cannot accept damaged, stained or well worn goods.

We are also unable to accept bulky items such as furniture or mattresses.

If you have quality pre loved clothes, shoes, bags & accessories or books that you would like to donate, you can drop them directly to the Op-Shop when it's open or leave them at the Parish Hub during business hours.

Please remember – if you wouldn't give it to a friend then please don't donate it.

See our website for opening hours.
www.stcanice.org.au



BEQUEST



LEAVE A LEGACY

Consider a bequest to support our parish.

As we continue to strengthen and grow our parish community, we invite you to consider leaving a lasting legacy through a bequest to St. Canices Parish. A gift in your will, no matter the size, can help ensure that future generations will benefit from the spiritual and community support the parish provides.

Your bequest can fund important ministries, outreach programs, or the maintenance of our sacred historic spaces,

allowing your faith and and commitment to live on long after your time with us.

Please prayerfully consider how you can help sustain and enrich our parish for years to come.

For more information or guidance on making a bequest, feel free to reach out to us. Please email: finance@stcanice.org.au
Phone: 02 93585229
Address: 24 Roslyn St, Elizabeth Bay, 2011



THANK YOU



TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

The Parish Council Volunteers

St. Canice's Kitchen Volunteers

Curious Grace Volunteers

Op-Shop Volunteers

Adoration Hour Volunteers

Music Volunteers

Church / Parish Community Volunteers





JOIN US / PLEASE DONATE



Come and experience the warmth of our inclusive community, where all are welcome.

Whether you're a long time parishioner or new to the area, there's a place for everyone.

Join us for Mass, engage in our various ministries, participate in social events or lend a helping hand in any outreach program.

Together, let's journey to faith, support one another and make a positive impact in our neighbourhood and beyond.

PARISH DONATIONS

Please consider donating to the parish to help support our works and the ongoing restoration and maintenance of our historic church.

KITCHEN DONATIONS

Please consider donating to our Kitchen. Your donation goes directly towards supporting our guests. Donations to the Kitchen, over \$2 can be tax deductible.







MASS TIMES: Tues-Fri 8am
Sat 9am & 6pm Vigil
Sun 8.30 & 10am

ADORATION: First Friday of the month 6-7pm

CONFESSION: Between the two Sunday morning
Masses (after 8.30am & before 10am)

HOLY ROSARY: After morning Mass - Tues-Sat

MORNING TEA: After the first & third Sunday
morning Masses - 8.30 & 10am

**CURIOUS
GRACE:** First Sunday of the month after
10am Mass - 11am - 1pm

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