



**Parish of St Matthew  
& St Vincent de Paul**  
South Belconnen

1st Sunday of Lent

Year B

17/18 February 2018

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**St Matthew's Church**  
12 Chewings Street, Page

**St Vincent de Paul Church**  
7 Bindel Street, Aranda

**St Matthew's**

**Masses:**

Saturday Vigil 6.00pm  
Sunday 8.30am  
Tuesday 5.30pm  
Wednesday 7.00am  
Thursday 7.00am  
Friday 9.30am  
Saturday 12.00pm

**Children's Liturgy:**

(During school terms)

Sunday 8.30am

**Confessions:**

Saturday 11.00am-11.50am

**Baptisms:**

2nd Sunday 11.30am

**Weddings:** By appointment

**Mass of Anointing:**

1st Friday in Mar, Jun, Sept, Dec

**St Vincent's**

**Masses:**

Saturday Vigil 6.00pm  
Sunday 10.00am  
3.00pm (Korean)

Tuesday to  
Friday 9.30am

**Children's Liturgy:**

1st & 3rd Sunday 10.00am

**Legion of Mary**

Saturday 10.30am

**Confessions:**

Saturday 5.00pm - 5.30pm

**Baptisms:**

4th Sunday 11.30am

**Weddings:** By appointment

**Mass of Anointing:**

2nd Friday in Apr, Aug, Dec

**These Mass times will NOW change  
from 8 APRIL. Please see second  
page.**

**This Week:**

Gen 9:8-15; 1 Pet 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15

*Hearing Aid Loop is installed in both  
church centres, turn your hearing aid to  
the T switch*

**Entrance Antiphon:** *(not said if hymn is  
sung)*

When he calls on me, I will answer  
him; I will deliver him and give him  
glory, I will grant him length of days.

**Responsorial Psalm**

**R. Your ways, O Lord, are love  
and truth to those who keep  
your covenant.**

W. Lord, make me know your ways.  
Lord, teach me your paths.

Make me walk in your truth, and  
teach me: for you are God my  
saviour. **R.**

M. Remember your mercy, Lord,  
and the love you have shown  
from of old.

In your love remember me,  
because of your goodness, O  
Lord. **R.**

W. The Lord is good and upright.

He shows the path to those who  
stray, he guides the humble in the  
right path; he teaches his way to  
the poor. **R.**

**Gospel Acclamation:**

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king  
of endless glory!

No one lives on bread alone, but on  
every word that comes from the  
mouth of God.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ, king  
of endless glory!

**Communion Antiphon:** *(not said if  
hymn is sung)*

One does not live by bread alone, but  
by every word that comes forth from  
the mouth of God.

**Commissioning of Ministers of  
Holy Communion:**

We have shared in the banquet of the  
Eucharist, the sacrificial gift of God's  
love for us. May our ministers now  
bring to communion in the same  
mystery our sick and housebound  
parishioners, lifting them up with  
God's healing love.

**Next Week:**

Gen 22:1-2, 9-13, 15-18; Rom 8:31-34; Mk 9:2-10

# Parish News

## Our thoughts and prayers are with the sick at this time:

Caroline Aldridge, Nancy Biviano, Michael Brayshaw, Ian Brown, Leslie Cheeseman, Mary Cleary, Len DeCosta, June Donnelly, Frances Dyball, Joachim Exell, Ivka Ferinas, Grace Fluitsma, Amy Fogarty, Terry Guinane, Mick Hay, Christine Hermely, Richard Hourigan, Cath Jane Keen, Val Kilmier, Michael Mathias, Terry Miners, Peter Naughton, Cedric Netto, Fay Potter, Sean Reiher, Peter Robbins, Nicole Tavares, Lina Varmiento, Jenny Webster, Berenice Wright, George Bulbrook, Monica Colquhoun, Phyl McAlister, Elizabeth (Beth) Blyden, Fr Peter McGrath CP, Jill McDonald, Ted Meagher, Martin Baker and Don Stott.

## We pray for those who have died:

Recently: Sheila Cousins, Lydia Reyes Climaco, Tony Donelan, Tess Devitt, Sr. Mariana Keegan lcm.

Anniversaries: Maida Iverach, Joyce Hamilton, Frank Madden, Nikola Perinovic, Norton Foster, Jennifer Chapman, Angeli Fung, Stephanie Markac, Kathleen Beaumont, Leo Hill, Sivi Sulangapo, Sr Vianney Bartels lcm, Patricia Hourigan, Raymond Corey, Antonia Chicco, Kathleen LeMesurier, Heather Dewar, Gerald Walsh, Peter Gilligan, Antonia Chicco, Penny Durick, Maria Tallarita, Bill Staunton.

Come along to our **FREE** Information Session by Red Cross about Meals on Wheels, Telephone Support, Home Visiting Services and Personal Alarms at St Vincent's Church Centre (Bindel Street, Aranda) on **Wednesday 28 February 2018 at 10.15am**. Please contact Raquel or Kaye on 61637683 if you would like support with transport to and/or from the session.

The change to Mass times as originally advised for weekday and weekend Masses has been deferred and will now take place on the **first weekend after Easter**.

## New Mass Times for St Matthew & St Vincent de Paul Parish From 8 April

Saturday 6pm Page  
Sunday 8.30am Page  
Sunday 10am Aranda  
Tuesday 5.30pm Aranda  
Wednesday 7am Page  
Thursday 9.30am Aranda  
Friday 9.30am Page  
Saturday 12noon Page (while Fr Hilton is available)

**Please note:** Vigil Mass will switch to Aranda on 7 October (the commencement of Daylight Saving Time).

From the first Sunday in March, fresh rosters for **Acolytes, Ministers of Holy Communion and Readers** will be effective for all Masses – 6.00pm Vigil, 8.30am and 10.00am. These need to be prepared very soon. Would those who wish to participate in these ministries at either Mass Centre during March, April and May notify Mary Morris ([morrisdm@me.com](mailto:morrisdm@me.com) /0438 631657) by 18 February. Kindly indicate your ministry/ministries, Mass time and any dates when you are not available. Formation and training will be held later in the year and an invitation will be issued at that time for those who would like to join these ministries.

The **Easter Triduum** will be celebrated at St Matthew's Church:

**Holy Thursday 29 March**  
Mass of the Lord's Supper 7.30pm

**Good Friday 30 March**  
Celebration of the Passion of the Lord 3.00pm

**Holy Saturday 31 March**  
Easter Vigil 7.00pm

**Easter Sunday Masses**  
St Matthew's Church 8.30am  
St Vincent de Paul's Church 10.00am

**Stations of the Cross on Good Friday**  
St Vincent de Paul's Church 11.00am

Stations of the Cross will be held at St Vincents Church Aranda on **Wednesday nights 6.00pm**, all welcome!

The next Combined Mens' Group will be held at **6:15 PM on Thursday 22 Feb 18 at the St Vincents Aranda Parish Centre**. All welcome. Please RSVP to Paul Pearson - 0412 685 582 or [paul.pearson@bigpond.com](mailto:paul.pearson@bigpond.com) by **COB Tuesday 20 Feb 18**.

St Matthew & St Vincent de Paul Parish Youth Choir: We are looking for singers and musicians to join the choir in our parish. Children aged 7 to 18 years are welcome as long as you are willing to listen, learn and enjoy praising God and sharing your talents! Please contact Charmaine on [m256@hotmail.com](mailto:m256@hotmail.com).

The **Prayer of the Faithful** is a way of the gathered assembly praying for the current needs of our world from our own perspective. A group of parishioners has been writing the intercessions each week for the Prayer of the Faithful on a monthly rotational basis. The Prayer needs to be submitted to the Parish Office by the Wednesday before the coming Sunday. An invitation is now extended for more parishioners to join this group and resources are available to assist. If you would like to join this group or know more, kindly contact the Parish Office.

## Library News



The following items have been added to the library at St Matthew's Church and are available for loan

- Martin, James S. J.: **Seven last words: an invitation to a deeper friendship with Jesus.** Perfect little book for Lent!
- Keneally, Tom: **Searching for Schindler: a memoir**
- Silf, Margaret: **Landmarks: an Ignatian journey**
- Andersen, Frank MSC: **Eucharist: participating in the mystery.** (ideal for anyone wishing to be renewed in their participation in and understanding of the Mass)

The library is located in the vestibule of the church and is open when the church is open. To borrow, fill in the sheet in the blue **Borrowing Folder** located on the shelf

Any queries contact 62540524

**Transport to 8.30am Sunday Mass** is needed. If you are able to assist a lady living near Southern Cross Drive, Scullin please contact the Parish Office.

### St Vincent de Paul Doorknock 2018 - Collectors still needed for Page.

The annual Vinnies Doorknock fund raiser will be held again from 1 Feb till 28 Feb 2018. This is the Society's major income source for the year and we are asking for your assistance as a volunteer collector sometime during Feb. Collectors kits will be available after Mass from the Parish Centre in Aranda this weekend and in the church foyer at Page.

For more information or to register as a collector for Page please contact Frank Wilkinson (Page) on 0409937474 or [frankwilkinson@bigpond.com](mailto:frankwilkinson@bigpond.com).

**9.30am Mass on Friday 2 March (at St Matthew's Church)** will include the **Sacrament of Anointing** and be followed by morning tea in Marian Hall. A plate to share would be appreciated. Transport is available to those who are in need of some assistance and offers of assistance with transport would be appreciated. Kindly contact Dennis Morris 0407050651.

**Caritas - Project Compassion – End poverty. Promote justice. Uphold dignity.** This year through Project Compassion, we celebrate A Just Future for all in conjunction with the Year of Youth. Through your generosity during Project Compassion this year, you are empowering young people to build a just future for themselves, their families and their communities. A Just Future has started with your support. Donate at [www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion](http://www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion) or phone (toll free) 1800 024 413. **Fiona Wilkinson** will be speaking at Masses next weekend. **Boxes and envelope sets are at the back** Please collect one or both for use during the period of Lent.

## Around the Archdiocese

### 2018 Lenten video resource: "Good News in Tough Times"

Once again the Archdiocese of Canberra and Goulburn has produced a Lenten DVD Resource for 2018 - Good News in Tough Times. This resource is perfect for parish-based groups, families, and individuals and presents a great opportunity for all to withdraw from the week-in, week-out busyness to spend time with God in prayer, Scripture study, and small-group conversation.

Each week includes:

- Archbishop's reflection on the Gospel
- Sunday Gospel of Lent – audio and text
- Discussion questions
- Archbishop's summary
- Personal sharing related to the Sunday Gospel

To pre-order call the Bookshop 02 6239 9888 or pre-order online: [www.faithresources.org.au](http://www.faithresources.org.au)

Celebrate Lent with Shane Dwyer as he presents:

**'A light in the Darkness: walking the spiritual journey in faith and hope'**

**Venue:** STA Primary School Library  
St Thomas Aquinas Parish – Lhotsky St  
Charnwood

**Date:** Wednesday, 28 February

**Time:** 7.30pm

## 24 Hours of Prayer/Adoration

Catholics in our Archdiocese are being encouraged to come to St Christopher's Cathedral later this month for 24 hours of Adoration to pray for the Year of Youth.

This important time of prayer will begin with **7.30am Mass on Wednesday, February 21** and finishes with **7.30am Mass on Thursday, February 22**. To sign up for an hour, please put your preferred time in at: <https://goo.gl/forms/y8QQhT8Qak8ai44N2>

### **E RESOURCES - HAVE YOU SEEN THESE WEBSITES?**

<https://clicktopray.org/> Offers 3 brief moments of prayer each day and includes the Pope's monthly prayer intention

<https://www.wordonfire.org/> Founded by Bishop Robert Barron, it offers excellent video and audio resources

<http://www.thinkingfaith.org/> A Catholic and Ignatian perspective on scripture, culture, the Church, politics, spirituality and social justice; and reviews of recent films and books.

[www.pintswithaquinas.com](http://www.pintswithaquinas.com) a website and podcast by young Catholic apologist Matt Fradd

Fr. Peter De Souza, would like to invite you for a 14-day pilgrimage that he is leading. The group departs on **28th of May, 2018**, featuring Athens, Corinth, Ephesus, Patmos, Crete, Santorini, Thessaloniki, Philippi, Meteora for an all-inclusive early-bird offer of \$5,690.

This fare includes a 3 Night Cruise with all meals + Return Airfares + Local Transfers + Stay in 4 Star Hotels + All Breakfasts & Dinners. For enquiries & bookings call 0385 622 246 or email [pilgrimage@magiholidays.com.au](mailto:pilgrimage@magiholidays.com.au)

### Rosters for St Matthew's

17/18 February		24/25 February		
	6.00pm	8.30am	6.00pm	8.30am
<b>Readers</b>	Janet Moyle	Peter Giffard	Charmaine Miranda	Peter Giffard
<b>Counters</b>	Damien Power	Gavan Cashman	Yvonne McAdoo	John Duck
<b>Altar</b>	Judy Williamson		Ellen Rodgers	

### Rosters for St Vincent's

17/18 February		24/25 February		
	6.00pm	10.00am	6.00pm	10.00am
<b>Readers</b>	Volunteer	A. McCarthy	M. White	T. Liddiard
<b>Prayers</b>	G/P. Mowbray	R. Grubmueller	B. Berdin	G. Hogan
<b>Usher</b>	K. Harley	Volunteer	P. Scholtens	Volunteer
<b>Acolyte</b>	A. Osborne	M. Allam	G. Mowbray	J. Malycha
<b>Min of HC</b>	E. Scholtens	J. Burroughs	C. Koopman	M. Hannan
	Volunteer	M. Chiu	Volunteer	J. Jackson
<b>Counters</b>	Volunteer/		FM. Shaw/	
<b>Altar</b>	No flowers during lent			

### South Belconnen Parish Prayer Groups

**Adoration & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** at St Matthew's Tuesdays 4.30pm-5.20pm. **Prayers** only at St Vincent's on Mondays 10am-11am.

**Christian Meditation** at St Vincent's parish centre each Wednesday 6pm (contact Suzanne 62516681).

**Centering Prayer Meditation** at St Matthew's in Marian Hall every 2nd & 4th Wednesday 7.30pm (contact Peter Ahern 62547168).

**Mass with Sacrament of Anointing** 9.30am first Friday in Mar, Jun, Sept and Dec at St Matthew's.

**Rosary** at St Vincent's Tue-Fri 9.10am & St Matthew's Saturday 11.30am.

**Join an informal group of 30 parishioners at St Matthew's** who individually pray once a week for 10-15 mins. Contact Lee Hardy 62547445.