



Parish of St Matthew & St Vincent de Paul South Belconnen

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year B
8/9 September 2018

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Masses:

Saturday Vigil	St Matthew's	6.00pm
Sunday	St Matthew's	8.30am
	St Vincent's	10.00am
Samoa (2nd Sun)	St Matthew's	1.30pm
Korean	St Vincent's	3.00pm
Tuesday	St Vincent's	5.30pm
Wednesday	St Matthew's	7.00am
Thursday	St Vincent's	9.30am
Friday	St Matthew's	9.30am
Saturday	St Matthew's	12.00pm

Mass of Anointing:

1st Friday in Mar,		
Jun, Sept	St Matthew's	9.30am
2nd Thursday in Apr,		
Aug, Dec	St Vincent's	9.30am

Children's Liturgy:

1st & 3rd Sun	St Vincent's	10.00am
Sunday	St Matthew's	8.30am
(During school terms)		

Confessions:

Saturday	St Matthew's	11.00am-11.50am
		5.00pm - 5.30pm

Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion:

Monday	St Matthew's	7.00am
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Legion of Mary

Saturday	St Vincent's	10.30am
Korean Ladies		
Monday	St Vincent's	9.30am

Baptisms:

2nd Sunday	St Matthew's	11.30am
4th Sunday	St Vincent's	11.30am

Weddings: By appointment

Calvary Public Chapel

Sunday Mass 11.15am

Calvary Private Chapel

Thursday Mass 11.15am

This Week:

Is 35:4-7
James 2:1-5
Mk 7:31-37

Entrance Antiphon:

(not said if hymn is sung)

You are just, O Lord, and your judgment is right; treat your servant in accord with your merciful love.

Responsorial Psalm:

R. Praise the Lord, my soul!

W. It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever, who is just to those who are oppressed. It is he who gives bread to the hungry, the Lord, who sets prisoners free. **R.**

M. It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind, who raises up those who are bowed down, the Lord who loves the just, the Lord, who protects the stranger. **R.**

W. The Lord upholds the widow and orphan, but thwarts the path of the wicked. The Lord will reign for ever, Zion's God, from age to age. **R.**

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom and healed all who were sick. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon:

(not said if hymn is sung)

Like the deer that yearns for running streams, so my soul is yearning for you, my God; my soul is thirsting for God, the living God.

Commissioning of Ministers of Holy Communion:

Take the body of Christ to our brothers and sisters who are sick that they may be united with him and with us through this holy sacrament.



Next Week:

Is 50:5-9
James 2:14-18
Mk 8:27-35

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

Prayer Requests

We pray for the sick:

Vince Foster, Paul Idilton, Fr Laurie Blake, Robert Wrightson, Graham Jackson, Vince Burns, Lisa Baulman, Maire Deppe, Dana Riminic, Noel Noonan, Cedric Netto, Peter Mowbray, Dr Graeme McIntosh, Naomi Aldons, Jonathan Hardy, Sister Yvonne, Ben Parker, Barbara Hayes-Rosario, Belinda O'Flynn, Lisa Barlin, Peter Stewart, Caroline Aldridge, Nancy Biviano, Michael Brayshaw, Ian Brown, Leslie Cheeseman, Mary Cleary, 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, Fay Potter, Peter Robbins, Nicole Tavares, Lina Varmiento, Jenny Webster, Berenice Wright, George Bulbrook, Monica Colquhoun, Phyl McAlister, Jill McDonald, Martin Baker and Don Stott.

We pray for the deceased:

Recently: Theodore Aldons, Michael Jarvis, Jacqueline Teague, Rhona Novis, Josie Taylor, Maureen McNamara, Angela Pellegrino, Jolan Bogsanyi.

Anniversaries: Anton & Antonia Mrsnik, Donnika Wright, Tess Monaghan, Giuseppe Onorato, Kevin Moyle.

Aranda School of Religion

For all enquiries for 2018, please call Trish Mowbray 0408 561 255 or email trish_glenn@bigpond.com

Annual Multicultural Mass

We are celebrating our annual multicultural Mass at **10am on Sunday 28 October** at St Vincent's, Aranda. All cultural groups are invited to participate. In the past, the Korean and Samoan communities have participated in this Mass.

This year as our new amalgamated parish we are celebrating Mass with the Korean community and are keen to know if there are any other cultural groups in our parish who would like to participate in this Mass. We are a diverse, multicultural parish and would like to celebrate this. Unfortunately the Samoan community are unable to join us this year.

Mass will be followed by a shared meal. Please contact Jenny (0437 034 148) or after Mass on Sunday if you would like further information.

Parish News

What's On ...

- Mon 10/9 Fr Simon National Council of Priests Convention until 13/9
- Tue 11/9 7.30pm Finance Council meeting, Aranda Centre
7.30pm RCIA session, MH, Page
- Thu 13/9 6pm Women's Dinner, South Cross Club, Jamison
- Fri 14/9 9.30am Thanksgiving Mass with St Matt's students
- Sat 15/9 5pm Choir practice, St Matthew's
- Sun 16/9 10.00am First Eucharist, St Vincent's
- Mon 17/9 Fr Simon on leave until 12/10
- Thu 20/9 1.30pm Book Club, MH, Page
- Sun 23/9 Celebration of Feasts of Sts Matthew & Vincent all Masses

The South Belconnen **Vigil Mass** will switch from St Matthew's church to St Vincent's church on **Saturday 6 October 2018** as Daylight Saving starts. The Vigil will be held at St Vincent's until the end of Daylight Saving period on the first Sunday in April 2019.

Thank you to the St Matthew's Family Groups who organised morning tea last Sunday. It was very much appreciated. Joan Murphy.

RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults: If you know anyone (not catholic) who is interested in knowing more about the Catholic Faith please let them know there will be an RCIA enquiry session each Tuesday at 7.30pm in Marian Hall (next to St Matthew's church). For further information, please contact Megan Thompson thompson_megan@yahoo.com or Gerard Hogan hoges02@bigpond.com.

The next **Women's Dinner** will be held on **Thursday 13 September** at the Southern Cross Club, Jamison at 6pm. All welcome!

Please RSVP numbers or any enquiries to the parish office, belconnensouth@cg.org.au or Jenny on 0437 034 148 or Joy 6254 2888. Please also let us know if you need transport.

Within **Child Protection Week**, this Weekend is **Child Protection Sunday**. We are reminded, as the Gospel shows Jesus bringing healing, to keep praying, learning and working to see and hear how we can, with God's help, make our Church and society an ever safer, healing and life-giving place.

We pray to learn and act in ways that ensure our children and vulnerable people can truly flourish. Some reports can be viewed on Cathnews at <http://cathnews.com/cathnews/32990-never-again-catholic-leaders-respond-to-royal-commission>.

South Belconnen Parish Choir

There will be choir practice in St Matthew's church at 5.00pm on **Saturday 15 September**, prior to 6.00pm Mass.

All interested in singing will be welcome.

Low gluten hosts are available at each Mass from the celebrant. Communicants who require a low gluten host should join the Communion Procession first (ahead of other Communicants) where the celebrant is distributing Holy Communion and indicate to the celebrant that they require a low gluten host.

We are missing three tablecloths from Marian Hall. Please let the parish office know if you have them or may know where they may be. Thank you.

Library News

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

- Danti, Trudy: **A handbook for building stronger parishes**. "A valuable resource for all who are interested in make sure Australia's Catholic parishes are vital centres of Christian life and faith."
- Rohr, Richard: **Immortal diamond: the search for our true self**. "An exploration of the deepest questions of identity, spirituality and meaning."
- Rupp, Joyce: **Essential writings**. Sister Rupp "is a writer and speaker, a retreat giver who has inspired thousands ..."

This 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 or suggestions contact Megan Thompson on 6254 0524.

Reminder - Please return items as soon as you have finished.

PRAYER FOR RAIN

Loving Father, you are the giver all gifts.

You care for us in our needs.

You listen to us in all that concerns us.

We pray for rain to come down abundantly on our drought affected land, particularly in this region of Australia.

We take the many gifts of creation that you have given us so much for granted.

We have taken for granted plentiful rain and the importance of abundant harvests.

Please forgive us.

Return now rain to our parched land.

Bless and protect families immediately impacted by this severe drought - especially on our farms.

We pray through the intercession of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop in our special need.

We make this prayer and all our prayers through Christ our Lord, the source of all our hope and in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

An Invitation to the Men's Cursillo Weekend

The next Men's Cursillo weekend will be held on **13-16 September** at Hartzler Park Retreat and Conference Centre, Burradoo (near Bowral).

This Cursillo weekend provides an opportunity to personal growth and faith renewal. It starts Thursday night and ends on Sunday afternoon. Over the three days of a Cursillo weekend you will be able to explore what it is to live a Christian life in today's world. It is not an academic or theoretical weekend but rather an experience of Christian community. You will have the opportunity of making new friends while enjoying the fellowship of others.

For further information contact Joe Jambor at irmandjoe@gmail.com or 0401 159 852 or Peter McCue at mccue.peter@yahoo.com or 0400 484 468.

Around the Archdiocese

Centering Prayer Meditation Nourishment Day

Come along to Marian Hall, Chewings Street, Page on **Saturday 29 September** from 10.30am to 2.30pm for two nourishing DVD presentations from Fr Thomas Keating (renowned Trappist monk) and Dr Judith Simmer-Brown (known for her Buddhist/Christian involvement internationally). They will share with us in practical terms, the importance of the Journey of Compassion and Transformation, through the practice Centering Prayer Meditation.

Facilitator: Sr Lorraine Cupitt ph 6288 6074

Donation: \$10

Please bring a personal lunch. Morning tea will be provided.

Multi-Awards Winning Documentary "Human Harvest" Screening and Q&A Discussion: Organ Trafficking in China & Plastinated Body Exhibits

When: Monday 17 September 2018

Time: 6-7pm (Documentary Screening); 7-8pm
(Panel Discussion/Q&A)

Venue: Chatham House Room, Waldorf Canberra
Hotel, 2 Akuna Street, Canberra

RSVP: czns15@unseen.is or register at
<http://bit.ly/2nSf7hc>.

Tutored Wine Tasting for Engaged and Newly Married Couples

When: Saturday, 15 September 6.30pm - 8.30pm

Where: Clonakilla Winery, 1 Crisp Lane,
Murrumbateman (40mins drive from Civic)

Cost: \$40 per couple (includes finger food, drink and
wine tasting)

Tickets at <https://bit.ly/WineTutoring>. Enquiries
lara.kirk@cg.org.au

We celebrate **Social Justice Sunday on 30 September**. This year, the Australian Bishops' Social Justice Statement is titled: 'A Place to Call Home: Making a home for everyone in our land'. The Statement challenges us all to confront Australia's growing rate of homelessness and unaffordable housing. For further details about the Social Justice Statement, visit the Australia Catholic Social Justice Council website (www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au) or call (02) 8306 3499.

Calling All Young People - Youth Ministry in Belconnen

We are looking to start up a **Junior Youth Group** in the South Belconnen Parish for primary school aged students. If you think your children, nieces or nephews might be interested in participating please send an email to sarah.larkin@cg.org.au

Agape Youth Group, for young people at school in years 7-12 meet after the 6pm Mass at St John's Kippax on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month. This group is a way for young people to learn about the church and deepen their faith together. Contact Jake.Wenger@sfx.act.edu.au or 0431 797 644

Journey in Faith is a young adults' group for 18-30 year olds who are interested in growing their faith and forming friendships with other like-minded people. We meet after 6pm Mass at St Monica's, Evatt on the 1st Saturday of the month. Contact Kaitlyn.Golding@sfx.act.edu.au.

St Joseph's Early Learning Centre - Boronia Drive, O'Connor - Enrolling Now for 2019

Regional Catholic preschool for the parish primary schools of St Joseph's, Rosary, St Michael's, St Thomas More's and St Vincent's.

Enquiries to: 6257 2990 or director.elcsjo@cg.catholic.edu.au

South Belconnen Parish - Prayer Groups

Adoration & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St Vincent's Tuesdays 4.20pm-5.20pm.

Prayers only at St Vincent's on Mondays 10am-11am.

Christian Meditation at St Vincent's Centre each Wednesday 6pm (contact Suzanne Groves 6251 6681).

Centering Prayer Meditation at St Matthew's Marian Hall every 2nd & 4th Wednesday 7.30pm (contact Peter Ahern 6254 7168).

Rosary at St Vincent's Thurs 9.05am & 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 6254 7445).

Roster for St Matthew's and St Vincent de Paul Churches

	8 September		9 September		15 September	16 September	
	Page 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am		Page 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am
Readers	Colleen Meadley Michael White	John Duck Alex Osborne	Elizabeth Hannan Gerard Hogan		Victoria Gonzales Mary Williams	Peter Giffard Daniel Marks	Joan Jackson Glenn Mowbray
Senior Server			Robyn Grubmueller				
Acolyte	Roger FitzGerald	Damien Power		Damien Sloane	Dennis Morris	Alex Osborne	
EMHC	Lynne Foster Lorraine Higgins Catharina Koopman Michael Lahiff Janet Moyle	Shahenie Burns Kevin McInerney Daniel Marks Mary Morris Cathy Power	Trish Mowbray		Lynne Foster Lorraine Higgins Charmaine Miranda Janet Moyle Margaret Sloane Bernard Williams	Jo Duck John Duck Denise Hampson Margaret Toye	Helen Digan Irene Scholtens
Ushers	Volunteer			Volunteer			
Counters Banker	John Duck, David Spence Damien Sloane			John McKeough, Tony Ladomirski Damien Sloane			
Altar & Linen	P - Mary Morris	A - 15/9 Christine Ross		P -Elaine Garrity A -22/9 Amanda Kabaila, Rachelle Stannard			

All notices for this bulletin should be submitted to the Parish Office by 10am Thursdays. Thank you.