



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

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Year B  
15/16 September 2018

## Parish Pastoral Team

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

## Entrance Antiphon:

*(not said if hymn is sung)*

Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you, that your prophets be found true. Hear the prayers of your servant, and of your people Israel.

## Responsorial Psalm:

**R. I will walk in the presence of the Lord, in the land of the living.**

W. I love the Lord for he has heard the cry of my appeal; for he turned his ear to me in the day when I called him. **R.**

M. They surrounded me, the snares of death, with the anguish of the tomb; they caught me, sorrow and distress. I called on the Lord's name. O Lord my God, deliver me!**R.**

W. How gracious is the Lord, and just; our God has compassion. The Lord protects the simple hearts; I was helpless so he saved me. **R.**

M. He has kept my soul from death, my eyes from tears and my feet from stumbling. I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living. **R.**

## Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

My only glory is the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, which crucifies the world to me and me to the world. Alleluia!

## Communion Antiphon:

*(not said if hymn is sung)*

How precious is your mercy, O God! The children of men seek shelter in the shadow of your wings.

## Commissioning of Ministers of Holy Communion:

Take this sacrament of life that our brothers and sisters might share the life of God, and so share all things in Christ.



## Next Week:

Wis 2:12, 17-20 James 3:16 - 4:3 Mk 9:30-37

## 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:* Adam Groves, Renato Gaspari, Giuseppe Staltari, Michael Lopilato, Thomas Pearson, Eileen Pearson, Douglas Dowler, Anton & Antonia Mrsnik, Donnika Wright, Tess Monaghan.

Don't forget **planned giving** receipts and envelopes are in the foyer.

## Parish News

### What's On ...

- Mon 17/9 Fr Simon on leave until 12/10  
Thu 20/9 1.30pm Book Club, MH, Page  
Sat 22/9 9.30am - Noon run through of new Communion arrangements, St Vincent's  
Sun 23/9 Celebration of Feasts of Sts Matthew & Vincent all Masses  
Thu 27/9 6.15pm Men's Group, Aranda Centre

**There will be no 5pm Confession on Saturdays while Fr Simon is away.**

### For EMHCs, Acolytes, Senior Servers and Readers:

When the 6pm Mass switches to Aranda on Saturday 6 October we will be using four distribution points for Holy Communion at this Mass. I will be in the sacristy at St Vincent's for a "run through" of this new arrangement on **Saturday 22 September from 9.30am until noon** for all EMHCs, any Acolytes and Senior servers who need to know the procedure.

The "run through" will only take 10 minutes but I will be the sacristy during that time for any help needed. Readers who are unsure of what to do will also be welcome.  
Jenny

### 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.

St Matthew's School fete will be held from **10am-2pm on Sunday 4 November**. Any donations for the fete can be dropped off on Fridays from 2-3.30pm during school terms.

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.

Following on from **Child Protection Week**, 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>.

The next Men's Group gathering will be held on **Thursday 27 September 2018 at the Aranda Parish Centre from 6.15pm**. All welcome. Please invite someone you know to come along and enjoy a relaxed evening. There will be a guest speaker. Cost \$15 per head for the meal. BYO drinks.  
If there are any special dietary requirements please let me know.  
Please RSVP to Bernard Meadley – 10419436331 or [meadley@netspeed.com.au](mailto:meadley@netspeed.com.au); by **COB Tuesday 25 September 2018**.

**Youth Mass - Saturday 20 October 6pm** at St Vincent's. Followed by a celebration for families, youth and children (with food) to launch the new primary aged youth group and ministry.

### Parish Book Group

Our next meeting is on **Thursday September 20** at 1.30pm in Marian Hall, Page. We will be discussing the first half of **Gaudete et Exultate** (rejoice and exult) the latest apostolic exhortation from Pope Francis. For further information contact Megan Thompson on 6254 0524 or Beth Gibson on 6254 5044/0412 846 020.

### 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.

The next **Catholic Care Seniors In Networked Communities (SINC)** talk will be on Wed 26 Sept from 10.30am at Marian Hall next to St Matthew's Church.

Topic: **Wills & Estates**

Tea/coffee provided. Please contact Kate on 6163 7683 for more information.

### Marian Procession/Youth Pilgrimage Sunday 14 October 2018

St Clement's Retreat and Conference Centre,  
Galong

**8.30am** Youth Pilgrimage  
**10.30am** Sacrament of Penance  
**11.30am** Mass with main celebrant  
Archbishop Yllana  
**12.30pm** BYO lunch  
**2.00pm** Procession to the grotto

Contact 02 6239 8500 for further information.

### 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.

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](http://www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au)) or call (02) 8306 3499. Flyers & copies of statement are now in the foyer.

## Holy Land Pilgrimage

**Departure: 11 November**

You are invited for a 14-day Holy Land Pilgrimage (Jordan & Israel) lead by Catholic Priests featuring Petra, Bethlehem, Sea of Galilee, Dead Sea, Jericho, Masada, Mt Carmel, Mt Tabor, Mt Nebo & Jerusalem all-inclusive price of \$5,190. This fare includes return economy airfare ex Australia, twin/triple sharing room in 3 or 4 star hotels, all meals, local transfers in AC coaches, catholic priest, professional English speaking guides. For enquiries & bookings call 0406 760 680 or 1300 721 561 or E: pilgrimage@magiholidays.com.au.

Take a look at the **NEW** Catholic Voice website  
[www.catholicvoice.org.au](http://www.catholicvoice.org.au)

Find useful, relevant, valuable content from a Catholic perspective - all day every day!

## 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.

## 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

	15 September	16 September		22 September	23 September	
	Page 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am	Page 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am
<b>Readers</b>	Victoria Gonzales Mary Williams	Peter Giffard Daniel Marks	Joan Jackson Glenn Mowbray	Lorraine Higgins Colleen Meadley	Denis Daly Mary Morris	Adora Calub Stewart Chapman
<b>Senior Server</b>						
<b>Acolyte</b>	Damien Sloane	Dennis Morris	Alex Osborne	Michael Lahiff	John Woods	Glenn Mowbray
<b>EMHC</b>	Lynne Foster Lorraine Higgins Charmaine Miranda Janet Moyle Margaret Sloane Bernard Williams	Jo Duck John Duck Denise Hampson Margaret Toye	Helen Digan Irene Scholtens	Catharina Koopman Charmaine Miranda Damien Sloane Margaret Sloane Michael White Bernard Williams	Shahenie Burns Kevin McInerney Daniel Marks Jan Woods	Joan Jackson Robin Taylor
<b>Ushers</b>	Volunteer			Volunteer		
<b>Counters Banker</b>	John McKeough, Tony Ladomirski Damien Sloane			Helen Digan, Kevin McInerney Damien Sloane		
<b>Altar &amp; Linen</b>	<b>P</b> -Elaine Garrity <b>A</b> -22/9 Amanda Kabaila Rachele Stannard			<b>P</b> - Christina Rowe <b>A</b> - 29/9 Judy Spence Robin Taylor		

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