



Parish of St Matthew & St Vincent de Paul South Belconnen

The Epiphany of the Lord

Year C

6 January 2019

Parish Pastoral Team

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Masses:

Saturday Vigil	St Vincent'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	
St Vincent's	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 60:1-6
Eph 3:2-3, 5-6
Mt 2:1-12

Entrance Antiphon:

(not said if hymn is sung)

Vigil: Arise, Jerusalem, and look to the East and see your children gathered from the rising to the setting of the sun.

Day Mass: Behold the Lord, the Mighty One, has come; and kingship is in his grasp, and power and dominion.

Responsorial Psalm :

R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

W. O God, give your judgement o the king, to a king's son your justice, that he may judge your people in justice and your poor in right judgement. **R.**

M. In his days justice shall flourish and peace till the moon fails. He shall rule from sea to sea, from Great River to earth's bounds. **R.**

W. The kings of Tarshish and the sea coasts shall pay him tribute. The kings of Sheba and Seba shall bring him gifts. Before him all kings shall fall prostrate, all nations shall serve him. **R.**

M. For he shall save the poor when they cry and the needy who are helpless. He will have pity on the weak and save the lives of the poor. **R.**

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

We have seen his star in the East; and have come to adore the Lord.

Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon:

(not said if hymn is sung)

Vigil: The brightness of God illuminated the holy city Jerusalem, and the nations will walk by its light.

Day Mass: We have seen his star in the East, and have come with gifts to adore the Lord.

Commissioning of Ministers of Holy Communion:

Take the body of our Lord to those who cannot be with us, assuring them of our love and prayer and reminding them that through your ministry they are united with us in this celebration of the Eucharist.

Next Week:

Is 40:1-5, 9-11
Titus 2:11-14, 3:4-7
Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

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

Prayer Requests

We pray for the sick:

Naomi Aldons, Caroline Aldridge, Martin Baker, Nancy Biviano, Fr Laurie Blake, Michael Brayshaw, Ian Brown, George Bulbrook, Lisa Baulman, Leslie Cheeseman, Mary Cleary, John Clerk, Monica Colquhoun, June Donnelly, Frances Dyball, Joachim Exell, Ivka Ferinas, Grace Fluitsma, Amy Fogarty, Vince Foster, Terry Guinane, Jonathan Hardy, Mick Hay, Barbara Hayes-Rosario, Christine Hermely, Richard Hourigan, Paul Idilton, Graham Jackson, Cath Jane Keen, Val Kilmier, Michael Mathias, Phyl McAlister, Jill McDonald, Dr Graeme McIntosh, Terry Miners, Peter Mowbray, Peter Naughton, Cedric Netto, Noel Noonan, Belinda O'Flynn, Ben Parker, Fay Potter, Dana Riminic, Peter Robbins, Sister Yvonne, Peter Stewart, Don Stott, Nicole Tavares, Richard Toombs, Lina Varmiento, Jenny Webster, Margaret Wilkinson, Berenice Wright and Robert Wrightson.

We pray for the deceased:

Recently: Andrew Rowe, Joan Hawkins, Neville Chie, Anjali (Lena) Sapra, Br Ted Pocock, Geoffrey Williams, Rachel Maree Lopilato, Paul Chong & Catriona, Geoffrey Williams.

Anniversaries: Giuseppe Staltari.

Christmas Cards and

Columbian Calendars are now available for purchase after each Mass at St Vincent's church - St Vincent de Paul Aranda Conference. The cards are \$7 for a pack of 10 and Calendars are \$9 each. Calendars are also available in the foyer of St Matthew's Church.

Parish News

What's On ...

Mon 14/1 - Fr Simon will be
Fri 18/1 attending Clergy Life & Ministry Conference in Sydney

Fathers Simon and Thomas and Deacons Joe and Alex would like to extend their gratitude to parishioners for the many cards, goodies and well wishes they received over the Christmas season.

Thank you!

There will be a retiring collection next **Sunday 13 January** at all Masses for Paul and Jo Rummery. The Rummerys sadly lost their Tuross Heads home to a fire just before Christmas. Paul and Jo belonged to our parish before they moved to the coast some years ago. Please contribute if you can.

The **St Vincent de Paul Christmas appeal** was a great success and a testimony to the continued generosity of our parishioners having raised about \$19,000. Thank you for helping the poor in our parish.

Early Notification - Volunteer Assistance

The St Vincent de Paul Doorknock will be held again during February 2019. Volunteers are desperately needed if we are to cover the areas allocated to our Conferences.

If you would like to be a Doorknock collector in Scullin, Page, Hawker or Weetangera please contact Peter McCue 6254 4916.

If you would like to be a Doorknock collector in Aranda, Cook, Macquarie or Bruce please contact Paul Scholtens 0468 941 504.

Plenary Council 2020-2021

Over the past seven months, more than 30,000 people have generously shared their stories and experiences of life, faith and the Church with the Plenary Council. Those stories will help shape this historic process by forming the agenda for the Plenary Council sessions in 2020 and 2021.

Thank you to everyone who has participated in the Listening and Dialogue stage. If you haven't yet shared your story, you have until **6**

March 2019 (Ash Wednesday) to do so. Please go to

<http://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/resources/have-your-say/> to submit your response online and to see what else we can do to prepare for the Plenary Council.

Our parish will hold a **Plenary Council Story Sharing** evening on **14 February at 7pm** in Marian Hall, Page. Come along and share your story and as a group we can submit a response before Ash Wednesday. If you wish to attend, please RSVP to the parish office belconnensouth@cg.org.au or 6254 1827 by 12 February.

Library News

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

- Hughes, Philip: **Putting life together: findings from Australian Youth Spirituality Research.**
- Lubich, Chiara: **Only at night we see the stars: finding light in the face of darkness.**
- Vanier, Jean: **Finding peace.**

This library is located in the vestibule of the church. Any queries or suggestions contact Megan Thompson on 6254 0524.

Around the Archdiocese

Youth Ministry in Belconnen

We have a **Junior Youth Group** for primary school aged students in years 3-6. We meet at 4:45pm prior to evening Mass at St Vincent's Church, Aranda. It is a group to make friends and learn more about faith in a fun and safe environment. Contact Sarah.Larkin@cg.org.au

Also the **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 0431797644

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. Contact Katie at Kaitlyn.Golding@sfx.act.edu.au

St Vincent de Paul - Urgent Call for Summer Holiday Volunteers

Vinnies Centres need volunteers able to work about 5, 4 hour shifts between 22/12 and 1/2. Most Centres are open Mon - Sun, public holidays excepted. If you know someone who would be interested or if you are interested, please contact us on 6234 7348 or volunteer@svdp-cg.org.au.

Make an Encounter in 2019

A Palms Encounter with the communities of Timor Leste, Samoa or Myanmar offers a rich immersive experience to challenge our perceptions. See flyers in the church foyer for more information and www.palms.org.au/encounters.

The blog <http://johnmenadue.com/category/religion-and-faith/> regularly has articles about Catholicism, including the recent: *From Classical Christianity to Quantum Christianity* by Queanbeyan priest, Peter Day.

60th Anniversary of Merici College

Former students and staff are invited to come together to celebrate.

60th Anniversary Opening School Assembly - 5 February 10am, Merici College Auditorium

Special school assembly and the unveiling of the St Angela Merici statue followed by Mass and morning tea. *RSVP required.*

St Angela Merici Day Festival - 1 June 1pm-3.30pm, Merici College

School tours, Expressive Arts performances, rose garden unveiling, photography competition, afternoon tea. *RSVP required.*

60th Anniversary Variety Concert - 9 & 10 August, Merici College Auditorium

Bookings required.

60th Anniversary Celebration Dinner - 7 September 6pm, Canberra Rex Hotel

Bookings required.

To RSVP and for further information, please go to <https://merici.college/#anniversary>.

Take a look at the **NEW** Catholic Voice website: www.catholicvoice.org.au.
Find useful, relevant, valuable content from a Catholic perspective - all day every day!
Also, a new **Facebook Page** <https://www.facebook.com/CatholicVoiceAustralia/>

Reception of the Children to be Baptised into St Matthew & St Vincent de Paul Parish Family

We welcome the following children who are to be baptised and received into the Catholic way of life.

- ◆ Eva Kelly Dudok, daughter of Kelly & Robert
- ◆ Maya Angela Saunderson, daughter of Alison & Adam
(after the Homily the families of those to be baptised will be asked to come forward and stand on the sanctuary facing the people)

Celebrant: Dear Parents, what Christian Names have you given to your child?

Parents: (each parent gives the child her/his Christian Names)

Celebrant: Why did you bring your child here to (St Matthew's or St Vincent's) today?

Parents: To be baptised.

Celebrant: My dear parents, you have formally asked to have your child baptised. In doing so you are accepting the responsibility of raising your children with a knowledge and love of God, nourished by family prayer and by your participation in the life of the Church through celebration of the Mass and the Sacraments and by the example of your life lived out according to the values of the Gospel. It will be your duty

to bring your children up to keep God's commandments as Christ taught us, by loving God above all things and our neighbour as ourselves. Do you clearly understand what you are undertaking?

Parents: We do.

Celebrant: I ask you all present who as baptised members of St Matthew's & St Vincent's Parish Family and the whole Church, do you welcome these children into our Church Family and will you pray for them and their families?

Parishioners: We will.

Celebrant: St Matthew's & St Vincent's Parish Family welcomes you into our Christian Community with great joy. In its name, I claim you for Christ our Saviour by the sign of his cross. I now trace the cross on your foreheads and I ask your parents, godparents and representatives of St Matthew's & St Vincent's to do the same.

(Parents, godparents and the Extraordinary Ministers of Communion for this Mass now sign each child on the forehead with a prayerful Sign of the Cross)

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

	6 January			13 January		
	Aranda 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am	Aranda 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am
Readers	Charmaine Miranda Jenny Murphy	Helen Casey Denis Daly	Tom Liddiard Peter Milligan	Colleen Meadley Ralph Peters	Peter Giffard Daniel Marks	Michael Allam Glenn Mowbray
Acolyte/ SS	Paul Scholtens	John Woods	Michael Allam	Jenny Murphy	Dennis Morris	Brenda Healy
EMHC	Catharina Koopman Mary Williams	Denise Hampson Daniel Marks Margaret Toye Jan Woods	Annette Charge Robin Taylor	Bernard Williams	Mary Morris Janet Moyle Judy Williamson	Mina Chiu
Counters Banker	New Roster for Tuesday counting will be sent out after 7 January.			New Roster for Tuesday counting will be sent out after 7 January.		
A&L	P - Yvonne McAdoo A - 12/1 Christine Ross			P - Ann Tierney A - 19/1 Amanda K, Rachelle S		

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