



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

2nd Sunday of Lent
Year C
17 March 2019

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

Masses:

Saturday Vigil	St Vincent's	6.00pm
Sunday	St Matthew's	8.30am
	St Vincent's	10.00am
Samoan (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 & Sept	St Matthew's	9.30am
1st Thursday in Jun & Dec	St Vincent's	9.30am

Children's Liturgy:

1st & 3rd Sun	St Vincent's	10.00am
1st, 2nd & 4th Sun	St Matthew's	8.30am

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 Matthew's	10.15am
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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
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Calvary Private Chapel

Thursday Mass	11.15am
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This Week:

Gen 15:5-12, 17-18
Phil 3:17-4:1
Lk 9:28-36

Entrance Antiphon:

(not said if hymn is sung)

Of you my heart has spoken, Seek his face. It is your face, O Lord, that I seek; hide not your face from me.

Responsorial Psalm :

R. The Lord is my light and my salvation.

W. The Lord is my light and my help; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; before whom shall I shrink? **R.**

M. O Lord, hear my voice when I call; have mercy and answer. Of you my heart has spoken: 'Seek his face.' **R.**

W. It is your face, O Lord, that I seek; hide not your face. Dismiss not your servant in anger; you have been my help. **R.**

M. I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness in the land of the living. Hope in him, hold firm and take heart. Hope in the Lord! **R.**

Gospel Acclamation:

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard: this is my beloved Son, hear him.

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Communion Antiphon:

(not said if hymn is sung)

This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.

Commissioning of Ministers of Holy Communion:

United in love with Jesus in Holy Communion, we send you out to share this love with all those you visit today.



Next Week:

Ex 3:1-8, 13-15
1Cor 10:1-6, 10-12
Lk 13:1-9

Prayer Requests

We pray for the sick:

Naomi Aldons, Caroline Aldridge, Martin Baker, David Baker, Nancy Biviano, Fr Laurie Blake, Michael Brayshaw, Ian Brown, George Bulbrook, Lisa Baulman, Leslie Cheeseman, Mary Cleary, John Clerk, Monica Colquhoun, Mary Coman, June Donnelly, Frances Dyball, Joachim Exell, Ryan Fawke, Ivka Ferinas, Grace Fluitsma, Amy Fogarty, Monica Garrett, Terry Guinane, Jonathan Hardy, Bruce Hassall, 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, Me con Nguyen Thi No, Noel Noonan, Belinda O'Flynn, 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: Fr Adrian Meaney MSC, Norah McKenzie.

Anniversaries: Giuseppe Staltari, Merle & Arthur Bryan, Noel Falk, Archbishop Leonard Faulkner.

Have a read of **2019 Lenten Message** from Pope Francis at <https://www.catholicvoice.org.au/2019-lenten-message-of-his-holiness-pope-francis/>.

Parish News

What's On ...

- Mon 11/3 - There will be **no** Liturgy of the Word on Mondays during March.
- Mon 18/3 6.30 - 7.30pm Youth Choir practice, Aranda
- Thu 21/3 1.30pm Book Group MH
- Sat 23/3 6pm Youth Mass, Aranda
- Sun 24/3 Fr Ray Sanchez CP to speak at all Masses about Passionist Family Group Movement
- 12pm Shared lunch in MH with Fr Ray Sanchez CP
- Thu 28/3 6.15pm Men's Group, CSSC Jamison

Please note: The South Belconnen Vigil Mass will switch to Page on the first weekend of April (**6 April 2019**).

Passionist Family Groups - Fr Ray Sanchez CP will talk at all Masses next weekend (**23-24 March**) and over lunch in Marian Hall about the Passionist Family Group Movement (PFGM). The PFGM offers everyone a wonderful opportunity for you and your families to get to know other members of the parish in a relaxed and social way. If you would like to discover more about the PFGM please come along at **Noon on Sunday** for a shared lunch when Fr will talk more about Family Groups. You are ALL welcome. Please bring a plate to share.

During Lent, parishioners may wish to visit the church and walk or pray the Stations of the Cross. A selection of booklets on the Way of the Cross has been placed in the foyer of each church for parishioners' use during this time.

St Vincents Vinnies Doorknock – THANK YOU - On behalf of the Aranda and Page Conferences of St Vincent de Paul we would like to sincerely thank all the volunteer collectors and the donors.

\$1,530 was collected from the stand in the Belconnen Mall and \$610 from the table in St Vincents foyer on 23rd & 24th February. Approx \$11,960 was collected from within the traditional areas of Aranda, Cook, Macquarie and Bruce which is about \$2,150 less than last year. Overall the amount collected from within the Aranda Conference was approx \$14,100 which is a good result.

For the record: 49 of 85 (or 57%) of collection areas were covered by 42 collectors. Four were younger than 35, 15 were between 35 & 70 and 23 were older than 70.

The Page Conference collected approximately \$11,000 across Hawker, Weetangera, Scullin, Page.

Paul Scholtens & Peter McCue Doorknock Coordinators

Children's Liturgy of the Word

From March, Children's Liturgy at South Belconnen will be as follows:

Aranda: 1st and 3rd Sunday (as is now)

Page: 1st, 2nd and 4th Sundays

We welcome new volunteers to conduct and assist with kids liturgy at both centres. Mentoring and resources are provided. Please contact the Parish Office or have a chat to our friendly catechists. Note: during terms 2 & 3, we will have some absences at Page and times will change to reflect this.

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

Holy Thursday 18 April

Mass of the Lord's Supper 7.00pm

Good Friday 19 April

Celebration of the Passion of the Lord 3.00pm

Holy Saturday 20 April

Easter Vigil 7.00pm

Easter Sunday Masses

St Matthew's Church 8.30am
St Vincent's Church 10.00am
Korean Mass St Vincent's 3.00pm

Stations of the Cross on Good Friday

St Vincent's Church 10.30am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Good Friday St Vincent's 11.00am
Saturday St Matthew's 11.00am

The next **Combined Mens' Group** will be held at **6.15pm on Thursday 28 March** at the Southern Cross Club, Jamison. All welcome. Please RSVP Paul Pearson 0412 685 582 or paul.pearson@bigpond.com by **COB Tuesday 26 March**.

South Belconnen Youth Group

Inviting all students in year 3-6 to join us for an afternoon of faith, friendship and fun at South Belconnen Parish's Youth Group and Youth Mass.

Join us at outside St Vincent's Church, Aranda on **Saturday 23 March** at 4:45pm for youth group (yr 3-6) then come to celebrate the Youth Mass (all ages) at 6pm.

Contact Youth Minister Sarah Larkin for more information at Sarah.Larkin@cg.org.au

First Spiritual Exercises Retreat in the South Belconnen Parish

Inner Peace In Divine Love

(Please note change of start date) **28 April - 25 May 2019**

This retreat is for: Men and Women; Young and Old; Married or Singles

It is designed for people just like you. The retreat allows you to continue your ordinary daily life with its usual round of going to work, caring for the family or whatever is the shape of your busy life. The retreat will guide your prayer and reflection on life within your daily routine.

The Jesuit giving the retreat will be offering a retreat from the book by Michael Hansen SJ "*The First Spiritual Exercises - Four Guided Retreats*". Ideally each retreatant will be able to purchase a copy of the book before the retreat commences. Copies cost \$35 each. The Parish Office can provide an electronic copy if needed. There is a brochure with an application form in church foyers, on the parish website, Facebook or Twitter. Please request to order a copy of the book or an electronic copy on the application form provided. Applications and book orders must be provided to the South Belconnen Parish Office by **3 April**.

For more details contact the Parish Office at belconnensouth@cg.org.au or phone 6254 1827.

South Belconnen Parish Youth Choir will be practising on **Monday 18 March** from 6.30pm to 7.30pm at St Vincent's Church, Aranda. We welcome children and youth aged 7 to 20 who like to sing and/or play an instrument. We will be singing at the **Youth Masses**. Please contact Charmaine Miranda on 0402 292 862 or email charmainem256@hotmail.com.

St Vincent's Primary Fete Sunday 24 March - Donations to the WHITE ELEPHANT STALL are welcome and can be left in THE BLUE TUB in the St Vincent's Primary School foyer, or contact Justine Molony (justinemolony@bigpond.com / 0415 204 174) for collection or to arrange a time to drop them off. Suitable items include clothing, jewellery, accessories, handbags, kitchenware, platters, plates, cups, mugs, bowls, glasses, craft materials and equipment, hand tools and hardware, stationery, toys, vintage (pre-1980s) tupperware, china, glassware, plastics and homewares. **Please, we cannot accept BOOKS, CDs or DVDs.**

Please take home a **Project Compassion box** and/or a set of donation envelopes and support Caritas Australia this Lenten season themed "**Give Lent 100%**". You are empowering communities with hope and helping those in great need to shape a better future for themselves, their families and their communities.

Lives change when we all give 100%.

You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, or by phoning 1800 024 413 or visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion.

Lent 2019 with Bruce Downes The Catholic Guy

Be inspired, Be refreshed, Be renewed!

Come on a 40 day journey with me and I know this will be a powerful and prayerful Lenten journey together. Receive a video each Sunday and an inspirational email each day during Lent. This program is FREE and you can sign up here: www.TheCatholicGuy.com/Lent or call 1300 734 880 for more info.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend -

relationship enrichment for married couples 26-28 April at Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville NSW. Bookings online at www.wwme.org.au or Adrian & Janet Sullivan on 0490 774 419 or Adrian.janet1@bigpond.com.

Have a look at Pat Power's Ash Wednesday Reflection at <http://cg.org.au/Portals/66/ParishData/Id316/Uploads/Type3/ASH%20WEDNESDAY%20REFLECTION.pdf>

Around the Archdiocese

Calvary Public Hospital Auxiliary Book Fair

Calvary Public Hospital Auxiliary is hold a Books and Beanies Fair on Wed 20 & Thu 21 March, 8am-4pm. There are fiction paperbacks, children's books, cook-books, biographies, books on crime, car, hobbies and more. All books under \$2, beanies \$5. All funds raised go towards the purchase of equipment for Calvary Public Hospital patients and staff. Come to Calvary Hospital Xavier Building Foyer, adjacent to Zouki Café, cnr Haydon Dr & Belconnen Way, Bruce. Enquiries: Daphne 0407 835 846.

St Patrick's Day Ecumenical Service, 12noon, Sunday 17 March in the chapel, Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture, 15 Blackall St Barton. Special guests: Irish Minister for Housing, Damien English, and ACT Senator David Smith. All welcome. Enquiries 6288 6729.

Holy Ordinary - Finding God in the ordinariness of life - **Thursday 20 March**, 10.30am - 2.30pm at the Charnwood Parish Centre, 23 Lhotsky Street Charnwood. Presenter: Sr Ann Morrison RSJ. Bring your own lunch.

Have a look at this website where John Warhurst tells why he stays a catholic: johnmenadue.com.

Plant Stall

Calvary Public Hospital Auxiliary is holding a plant stall on **4 April**, 7.30am - 4pm, in the foyer at Calvary Public Hospital, Haydon Dr Bruce. A wide variety of succulents, perennials and indoor plants available at bargain prices! All funds raised go towards the purchase of equipment for Calvary Public Hospital patients and staff. Further info contact Jan 0437 790 980.

The **CANBERRA BACH ENSEMBLE** - 'Christe, du Lamm Gottes'. Choir, orchestra and soloists, directed by Andrew Koll, will be performing JS Bach's 'Agnus Dei' Cantatas BWV 22, 23, 127 and the Mass in F, BWV 233 on Saturday 23 March at 8pm, and Sunday 24 March at 2.30pm at St Christopher's Cathedral, Franklin Street, Manuka. For more info and to purchase tickets, please visit www.canberrabachensemble.com.

St Francis Xavier College, Barnard Circuit, Florey

2020 Enrolment Information Evening Tuesday 7 May 2019

Guided Tours 5pm - 6.30pm

Information Sessions 6.30pm - 7.15pm

Expo Day - Friday 3 May

Year 6 students from Belconnen Catholic Primary Schools are invited to experience High School for a day at SFX.

Open Day - Friday 10 May

Year 6 students from primary schools other than Belconnen

Catholic primary schools are invited to experience high school for a morning at SFX. All students must be registered to attend the morning session. You can register your child at <http://sfx.act.edu.au/enrolments/enrolment-information-information-evenings/>. Open Day is also an opportunity for prospective families to visit and take a guided tour of the College. Please come along between 9am - 2pm. More information: Jennifer.madgwick@sfx.act.edu.au or 6258 1055.

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 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

17 March				24 March		
	Aranda 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am	Aranda 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am
Readers	Jenny Murphy Ralph Peters	Marie James Daniel Marks	Elizabeth Hannan Gerard Hogan	Cheryl Hamill Lorraine Higgins	Mary Morris Janet Moyle	Anne Laffan Tom Liddiard
Acolyte/ SS	Damien Sloane	Vince Burns	Michael Allam	Paul Scholtens	John Woods	Robyn Grbmuller
EMHC	Lorraine Higgins Margaret Sloane	Carolyn Burns Shahenie Burns Margaret Toyne Judy Williamson	Helen Digan Max Stannard	Lorraine Higgins Margaret Sloane	Jo Duck John Duck Jan Woods	Trish Mowbray
Counters Banker	Kate Whitton, Parish Secretary			Joy Harmer, John McKeough		
A&L	P - Judy Williamson A - No flowers during lent.			P - Jan Cashman A - No flowers during lent.		