



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

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Year C  
17 November 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 (4th Sun)	St Matthew's	1.00pm
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
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:**

Mal 3:19-20  
2 Thess 3:7-12  
Lk 21:5-19

**Entrance Antiphon:** (*as ministers gather in courtyard—not said if hymn is sung*)

The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction. You will call upon me, and I will answer you, and I will lead back your captives from every place.

**Responsorial Psalm**

**R. The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.**

W. Single psalms to the Lord with the harp with the sound of music. With trumpets and the sound of the horn acclaim the King, the Lord. **R.**

M. Let the sea and all within it, thunder; the world, and all its peoples. Let the rivers clap their hands and hills ring out their joy at the presence of the Lord. **R.**

W. For the Lord comes, he comes to rule the earth. He will rule the world with justice and the peoples with fairness. **R.**

**Gospel Acclamation:**

Alleluia, alleluia!

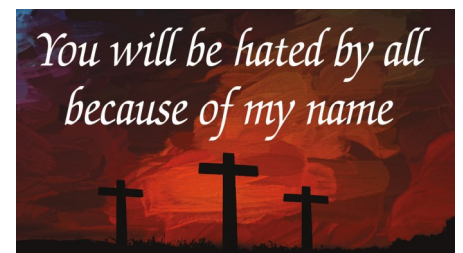
Lift up your heads and see; your redemption is near at hand. Alleluia!

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

To be near God is my happiness, to place my hope in God the Lord.

**Commissioning of Ministers of Holy Communion:**

As you visit our brothers and sisters today, you do so bearing the body of Christ, broken for them and for us. May the bread of life which you bear bring them healing.



**Next Week:**

2 Sam 5:1-3 Col 1:12-20 Lk 23:35-43

## Prayer Requests

### We pray for the sick:

Naomi Aldons, Caroline Aldridge, Martin Baker, David Baker, Sue Bartlett, Nancy Biviano, Fr Laurie Blake, Michael Brayshaw, Ian Brown, George Bulbrook, Lisa Baulman, Leslie Cheeseman, Mary Cleary, John Clerk, Monica & Colin Colquhoun, Mary Coman, June Donnelly, Pat & Jim Dunne, Frances Dyball, Joachim Exell, Ryan Fawke, Ivka Ferinas, Grace Fluitsma, Amy Fogarty, Grant Hanrahan, Bruce Hassall, Mick Hay, Christine Hermely, Richard Hourigan, Paul Idilton, Graham Jackson, Cath Jane Keen, Sarah Kelly, Val Kilmier, Michael Mathias, Phyl McAlister, Jill McDonald, Mary-Anne McGrath, Dr Graeme McIntosh, Terry Miners, Monica Molloy, Peter Naughton, Cedric Netto, Me con Nguyen Thi No, Noel Noonan, Belinda O'Flynn, Dana Riminic, Peter Robbins, Paul Shanahan, Sister Yvonne, Peter Stewart, Nicole Tavares, Richard Toombs, Lina Varmiento, Jenny Webster, Berenice Wright and Robert Wrightson.

### We pray for the deceased:

Recently: Carmel Hannon, Ross Hattersley, Doug Chandler, Barbara Hayes-Rosario, William (Bill) Bruce, John Turner, Heather Reid, John McGready.

Anniversaries: Pam Duffy, Vida Kabaila, Julia Giffard.

**Parish Book Group** - Our next meeting is at **1.30pm on Thursday 21 November** in Marian Hall (next to St Matthew's Church). We will be discussing the Australian Catholic Bishops' 2019-20 Social Justice Statement: **Making it real: genuine human encounter in our digital world**. New comers are most welcome. Contact Megan on 6254 0524 or Beth on 6254 5044/0412 846 020.

**Belconnen Youth Ministry** - Inviting all students in year 3-7 to join us for an afternoon of faith, friendship and fun at South Belconnen Parish's Junior Youth Group and Youth Mass. Join us in Orana Centre just outside of **St Vincent's Church, Aranda** on **Saturday 23 November** at 4:45pm for Youth Group then stay on to celebrate Mass at 6pm. Contact Youth Minister Sarah for more information at [Sarah.Larkin@cg.org.au](mailto:Sarah.Larkin@cg.org.au).

## Parish News

### What's On ...

- Sun 17/11 After 10am Mass morning tea for Greg & Rob  
Census & Planned Giving Renewal
- Mon 18/11 - Frs Simon & Thomas on  
Fri 22/11 Clergy Retreat
- Wed 20/11 M/C Choir practice St Vincent's
- Thu 21/11 1.30pm Book Group, MH
- Fri 22/11 9.15am Mother's Group MH
- Thu 28/11 6.15pm Mens' Group Orana Centre
- Thu 12/12 6pm Ladies Dinner, CSCC, Jammo

### A Little Liturgy Line

At times, our Gospel, and our Liturgy, can seem at odds with our cultural life, even *counter-cultural*. After all, the Gospel proclaims that first are last, the greatest are the least, the poor are the truly rich. Our Liturgy invites us to moments of silence and stillness, when around us is much noise and driven-ness. It invites us to embrace strength in weakness. It calls us to pass through a ritual when we may rather sit back and watch it on a screen. When we want a liturgy for our little group it reminds us that our Liturgy is community where all our communities meet.

The **last** Combined Mens' Group for **this year** will be held at **6.15pm on Thursday 28 November** at the St Vincent's Aranda Centre. All welcome. Please RSVP to Paul Pearson 0412 685 582 or [paul.pearson@bigpond.com](mailto:paul.pearson@bigpond.com) by **COB Tuesday 26 November**.

**Columban Calendars** are now available in church foyers for \$9 each. Copies of **The Way - Daily Advent and Christmas Reflections 2019** also available for gold coin donation.

The next **Parish Ladies Dinner** will be held at 6pm on **Thursday 12 December** at the Southern Cross Club, Jamison. All welcome!

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

### South Belconnen Parish Planned Giving Renewal

At this weekend's Masses the South Belconnen Parish will continue with the Planned Giving Renewal asking you to prayerfully consider how you can make a contribution to our parish or review your current commitment to contributions to the parish.

Please take the time to read the letter from Fr Simon (copies in church foyers) and also to complete the 2019-20 Census and Planned Giving Renewal form (copies also in church foyers). After completing this form, please place in boxes provided. **Thank you for your consideration and generosity.**

The **Book of Memories** has been placed in St Matthew's Church for the month of November. Parishioners are invited to write the names of those who have died in the book as a sign of remembering them in prayer during this month.

**Multicultural choir** practice on **20 November 6-7pm** at St Vincent's Church. **All welcome.**

Rosters for the months of December, January and February will be drawn up shortly for Acolytes, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Readers. Kindly advise your availability to Mary Morris ([morrisdm@me.com](mailto:morrisdm@me.com)/0438 631 657) by **17 November**.

### St Vincent de Paul Society Christmas Appeal

Your cash donations in support of the extensive charitable works of Vinnies throughout the parish area, particularly at this time of Christmas, will be sought on the weekend of

**30 November/1 December**

Reply paid envelopes will be on the pews in both churches. There will also be retiring collections at the masses on that weekend.

**Doorknock 2020** - We are seeking assistance with doorknock volunteers to help collect in **February 2020** for the St Vincent de Paul. This continues to be one of the major sources of revenue which provides for the good works of the Society primarily through home visitation. It is a work of mercy for the needy. If you can give a couple of hours to call on houses in the Page Conference area, this would be greatly appreciated. Please call Peter on 0400 484 468 if you can assist.

### Safeguarding Pilot Project for our Parish

Following on from the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse, our Archdiocese of Canberra and Goulburn is keen to set up arrangements to promote the safety of children and other vulnerable people in our parishes.

Part of these arrangements is a plan to have a nominated person in each parish who people can approach with any concerns, allegations, or issues to do with the safety and protection of children and vulnerable adults in that parish.

This idea has been developed through the Archdiocesan Institute for Professional Standards and Safeguarding (the Institute), which has asked our Parish of South Belconnen to pilot the project.

Our Parish Pastoral Council has agreed to this request and has endorsed Beth Gibson to work with Fr Simon and the Institute in setting up the pilot project.

The pilot will be launched at the **6pm Vigil Mass for the First Sunday of Advent, on 30 November at St Vincent's Church, Aranda**. Beth Gibson will also be introduced and speak at the two Sunday Masses that weekend. If you have any questions or concerns about this project, please contact either Fr Simon or Beth Gibson (Mobile: 0412 846 020).

### Plenary Council

Over the next few weeks let us reflect and pray about the National Theme for Discernment: **How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church in Australia that is inclusive, participatory and synodal?** This is one of the six National Themes for Listening and Discernment that is preparing the Australian Church for the Plenary Council.

A Listening and Discernment experience for parishioners will be held on **Thursday 5 December at 7.00pm in Marian Hall, Page**.

This theme arose as a result of communal listening and dialogue with people sharing their hopes and dreams about how we can ensure that Christ is at the centre of all we do as a Church. We are now invited to deepen our discernment as we pray, reflect and listen to what the Spirit is calling us to in Australia.

### Parish Financial Report for October 2019

	Actual 10 mths to 31/10/2019 \$	Planned 10 mths to 31/10/2019 \$	Variance against Plan \$	
<b>1st Collection</b>	77,504	N/A	N/A	
(for Clergy and administration of the Archdiocese)				
<b>2nd Collection</b>	144,541	145,800	- 1,259	<b>under budget</b>
(Incl Planned Giving for administration of the Parish)				
<b>Parish Income &amp; Expenditure Statement</b>				
Income *	163,877	164,430	- 553	<b>under budget</b>
Expenditure	<u>157,578</u>	<u>154,058</u>	<u>- 3,520</u>	<b>over budget</b>
Surplus/(Deficit)	<u>6,299</u>	<u>10,372</u>	<u>- 4,073</u>	

\* Income = 2nd collection + other income

Parishioners wishing to participate in the Parish Planned Giving Program or give a one off donation, please contact the Parish Office on 6254 1827 during office hours.

### Expo suggestion boxes

Parishioners are invited to put any suggestions or comments they have after the **Parish Expo** into the suggestion boxes, located in each of the church foyers.

The Parish Pastoral Council is particularly interested to hear your responses to the ideas round 'next steps' in the Parish Plan, which were discussed at the Expo.

For example: ideas round signage at the churches, AV equipment, needs of people who are house bound etc.

Please put your suggestions/comments in the boxes by **Wednesday 27 November** so they can be considered at the December meeting of the PPC.

**An Invitation to Mothers of our Parish** - In a relaxed and casual setting, over a cuppa and cake mothers are invited to come together to share their ideas and questions about bringing up their children in the Catholic faith. It is hoped by coming together, women will connect with others in the Parish, new friendships will be formed and the group will evolve into what you, the women of our Parish want. Please invite one person you know who maybe interested and let's start chatting and see where the journey takes us!

**Friday 22 November at 9.15am in Marian Hall** (next to St Matthew's Church) **Children welcome**

**Please take home an invitation from church foyers to pass on to others.** Contact **Louise Heywood** (lmheywood@bigpond.com or 0421 288 302) for more information.

† *November Masses* †

Kathleen & Leonard McMahon, Roger, Gert & Bob Crompton, Laurie Brine, Matthew Maher, Maher family, Russell family, Shirley Coen, David Coen, Adam Groves, John & Vera McInerney, Rebecca Mitchell, family & friends of Jane & Steve Burroughs, O'Dea family, Luigi & Anna Martiniello, Antonio Flammia, Maria Iannuzzi, Giovanni Rossetti, Luigi Barletta, Lesbia Moron Padron, Gwen & Stuart Anderson, Ted Rapley, Allams & de Plooy families, Fr Buckley, Mike Duffy, Maria Domenica Di Inlio, Antonio Di Inlio, Francesco Di Inlio, Cornelius Koopman, Anna Koopman, Thomas, Metha, McLaughlin & Cassidy families, Mr & Mrs Budi, Mrs B Williams, Maynards & Williams families, Nash & Brown families, Harley & O'Leary families, Belcher & Keenan families, Robinson & McIntosh families, Marphail, Chapman & Kerr families, Karuna de Silva, Aldons & Holmes families, Kerr & Shaw families, Sean Reiher, Doug Chandler, Alice and Don Reid, Denise Watts, Emma S. Reid, Armstrong & O'Brien families, Fox & Brown families, Blake & Chapman families, Harold Nicholls, Ronald Stannard, Thelma Stannard, Bryant & Tkaczuk families, Killaly family, Dennis family, Grubmueller & Harris families, Woods family, Bill & Ethel Ahern, Geoff Harvey, Madeline & Terry Williams, Dorothy & Harry Hoysted, Giuseppe Staltari, Domenico & Maria Rosa Staltari, Francesco, Rosina & Antonio Staltari, Nicola, Maria Rosa & Francesco Trimboli, Antonio & Teresa Barbaro, Domenico & Maria Jermano, Domenico & Teresa Portolesi, Fila Tripodi, Peppina & Francesco Pangallo, Domenico, Carmelina, Fred & Angie Pisluneri, Giuseppe & Caterina Caruso, Michele, Antonio & Nunzio Talladira, Bill & Marie Capper, Daly, Barr & Back families, Hill & Burns families, departed Legionaries from all over the world.

**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 at Aranda Parish Centre (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.

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

17 November				24 November		
	Aranda 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am	Aranda 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am
<b>Readers</b>	Michael White Mary Williams	Helen Casey Denis Daly	Tom Liddiard Anne McCarthy	Irena Dennis Bernie Leger	John Duck Jen Muscat	Michael Allam Beth Berdin
<b>Senior Servers</b>	Bernie Leger	Damien Power	Michael Allam	David Ross	Vince Burns	John Malycha
<b>EMHC</b>	Charmaine Miranda Catharina Williams	Kevin McInerney Janet Moyle Joan Murphy Cathy Power	Annette Charge Robin Taylor	Michael White Mary Williams	Helen Baker Jo Duck John Duck Judy Williamson	Rachelle Stannard Robin Taylor
<b>Counters Banker</b>	Yvonne McAdoo, Damien Sloane			John Duck, Damien Power		
<b>A&amp;L</b>	<b>P</b> - Christina Rowe <b>A</b> - 23/11 Korean Community Ladies			<b>P</b> - Judy Williamson <b>A</b> - 30/11 - remove No flowers during Advent		