



Parish of St Matthew & St Vincent de Paul

South Belconnen

4th Sunday of Lent
Year A
22 March 2020

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Masses:

Saturday Vigil	St Vincent's	6.00pm
Sunday	St Matthew's	8.30am
	St Vincent's	10.00am
Samoa (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 Vincent'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

No Masses at the moment

Calvary Private Chapel

No Mass at the moment

Hearing Aid Loop is installed in both church centres, St Matthew's **only** middle 2 sections turn your hearing aid to the T switch

This Week:

I Sam 16:1, 6-7, 10-13
Eph 5:8-14
Jn 9:1-41

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

Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.

Responsorial Psalm

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

W. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose. Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit. **R.**

M. He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name. If I should walk in the valley of darkness no evil would I fear. You are there with your crook and your staff; with these you give me comfort. **R.**

W. You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes. My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing. **R.**

M. Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life. In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever. **R.**

Gospel Acclamation:

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ! I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will have the light of life. Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

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

The Lord anointed my eyes: I went, I washed, I saw and I believed in God.

Commissioning of Ministers of Holy Communion:

As Holy Communion is brought to our brothers and sisters we send them our love and pray that they may be brought close to Jesus today.



Next Week : Ezek 37:12-14
Rom 8:8-11 Jn 11:1-45

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, Jill McDonald, Mary-Anne McGrath, Dr Graeme McIntosh (brother of Heather Robinson), Monica Molloy, Peter Naughton, Cedric Netto, Me con Nguyen Thi No, Noel Noonan, Belinda O'Flynn, Dana Riminic, Peter Robbins, Heather Robinson, Carmelo Russoniello, Paul Shanahan, Sister Yvonne, Peter Stewart, Nicole Tavares, Richard Toombs, Lina Varmiento, Jenny Webster, Angela Williams, Berenice Wright and Robert Wrightson.

We pray for the deceased:

Recently: Bryan Ward, Nelson Waslin, Margaret Wilkinson, Regis Kanagasuntherie, Mele Hamilton, Maria Belen Gill, Gail Mitchell, Terrence McGuinness, Una Sadler, Annis Gall, Belinda Allen, Mary-Anne McGrath.

Anniversaries: Denis Dean, Arthur Bryan, Anna Tamm, Aniela Sobiepanek, Merle Bryan, David Hardy, Paul Richter, Milly Baldock, Lawrence Woolf, Sean Reiher.

With the Sacraments of First Penance, First Eucharist and Confirmation being suspended until further notice, the Parent Information Meeting scheduled for Wednesday 25 March has been **cancelled**.

Parish News

Please note: The South Belconnen Vigil Mass will switch to Page on the first weekend of April (**5 April 2020**).

A Little Liturgy Line

During COVID-19 and Influenza Season we are following the protocols of our Archdiocese regarding the removal of Holy Water, hand-washing before and after Holy Communion, exercising refrain from physical touch during the sign of peace, sit 1.5 metres apart and restricting gatherings to 100 people or less. Don't forget to check in with the Department of Health <https://www.health.gov.au/>.

For those who find themselves in quarantine at home or other places, there are opportunities to view the Mass online at www.catholicvoice.org.au or Mass on demand <https://www.northsydney Catholics.com/spirituality/liturgy/mass-on-demand> or Mass for you at home <https://10play.com.au/mass-for-you-at-home>. Other sites such as Pray as you go <https://pray-as-you-go.org/> and Sacred Space <https://www.sacredspace.ie/> offer reflections and prayers on daily readings from the Mass.

Updated protocols regarding CoronaVirus and online Mass and Prayer resources can be found in church foyers. Also, check the noticeboards for a letter and prayer written by Archbishop Christopher Prowse for our people during these anxious times.

Parish events **CANCELLED** due to impact of COVID-19 until further notice

- First Penance, First Holy Communion & Confirmation are suspended until further notice.
- Volunteers **should not** visit Bill McKenzie Gardens, Villaggio Sant' Antonio, Kangara Waters, Calvary Hayden Retirement Community (Masses at these centres have also been cancelled).
- No Masses will be held at Calvary Public & Private Hospitals.
- Children's Liturgy at both churches.
- First Spiritual Exercises Retreat.
- Ladies Dinner.
- Mens' Group.
- Mother's Group.
- Book Group.

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

Holy Thursday 9 April

Mass of the Lord's Supper 7.00pm

Good Friday 10 April

Celebration of the Passion of the Lord 3.00pm

Holy Saturday 11 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 Matthew's Church	11.00am
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Sacrament of Reconciliation

Good Friday St Matthew's	10-11am
Saturday St Matthew's	11-12pm

Vision for our Parish: Walking together in faith to share God's love with all

Vinnies Bushfire Appeal - Last Sunday's sausage sizzle at Bunnings (Belconnen) raised \$2325.75. An excellent result! Many thanks to the 16 Vincentians from the Aranda, Evatt, Kippax and Page Conferences who took part and, especially, to the Friend of Vinnies who donated the consumables (bread, sausages, onions and ice). Surplus consumables were given to Karinya House; a worthy charity.

We are cleaning out the alb cupboard at St Vincent's. This will happen after the weekend 4/5 April. If you no longer need your alb but wish to take it home, please remove it by the weekend 4/5 April. If you do not wish to take your alb home, it will be disposed of. If you are currently using your alb, please ensure it is clearly marked with your name. Any questions to Jenny: 0437 034 148.

South Belconnen Parish School of Religion - WILL CONTINUE AT THE MOMENT

The Parish School of Religion provides religious education, catechesis and sacramental preparation for Catholic children who attend government or private schools. Classes run from 4:15 to 5:15 on Wednesday afternoons during school term.

For more information and an enrolment form please contact Trish at trish_glenn@bigpond.com or on 0408 561 255.



Parish Financial Report for February 2020

	Actual	Planned	Variance	
	2 mths to	2 mths to		against
	29/02/2020	29/02/2020		Plan
	\$	\$		\$
1st Collection	13,938	N/A	N/A	
(for Clergy and administration of the Archdiocese)				
2nd Collection	32,220	28,000	4,220	over budget
(Incl Planned Giving for administration of the Parish)				
Parish Income & Expenditure Statement				
Income *	35,391	30,120	5,271	over budget
Expenditure	35,404	42,832	7,428	under budget
Surplus/(Deficit)	-13	-12,712	12,699	

* Income = 2nd collection + other income

The budget to February included the second large payment for the St Matthew's AV system which is yet to be paid.

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.

Thirty-two-year-old Sakun lives in a village in central east India. She developed polio as a child and has difficulty walking. After joining a Caritas Australia-funded program, Sakun has learned new skills and gained important mobility. She is more resilient, more confident and more independent.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2020 and help vulnerable people like Barry, so that they are empowered to assist members of their communities in Australia.

Let's Go Further, Together. You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.



Jesuit led Canberra First Spiritual Exercises Retreat

20 April – 16 May 2020. The National Coordinator for Jesuit Tertiarity/CLC Project has advised that all CLC/Jesuit Tertian Retreats will be cancelled for April/May due to the risks associated with COVID-19 impact on Australia. The CLC Group might decide to run something through video-conferencing. To be advised.

Any **students** (8yrs+) wanting to help at weekend Masses with: reading, collections, being an altar server, playing music, part of Youth Council, please complete the sign up sheet in church foyers.

Our Parish Goal: Invigorating the parish by building an actively engaged community

Around the Archdiocese

Archdiocese events cancelled due to impact of COVID-19

- Concerned Catholics Forum 2 April
- Canberra Bach Ensemble 27 & 29 March
- Amicus support group
- Canberra Faith & Light 4 April

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

	22 March			29 March		
	Aranda 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am	Aranda 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am
Readers	Jenny Murphy Mary Patton	Mary Morris Jen Muscat	Belen Lamond Anne McCarthy	Paul Scholtens Graham Williams	Elizabeth Owen Christina Rowe	Michael Allam Glenn Mowbray
Senior Servers	Paul Scholtens	Dennis Morris	Michael Allam	Jenny Murphy	John Woods	John Malycha
EMHC	Dorothy Lalor Iren Scholtens	Helen Baker Janet Moyle Joan Murphy Judy Williamson	Helen Digan Rachelle Stannard	Michael White Mary Williams	Jo Duck John Duck Denise Hampson Jan Woods	Judi Ahern Robin Taylor
Counters Banker	Fay Margaret Shaw, Dennis Morris			Yvonne McAdoo, Damien Sloane		
A&L	P - Christina Rowe A - No flowers during Lent			P - Judy Williamson A - No flowers during Lent		