



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

16th Sunday of Ordinary Time  
Year A  
19 July 2020

*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:**  
Wis 12:13, 16-19  
Rom 8:26-27  
Mt 13:24-43

## Masses:

Saturday Vigil St Matthew's 6.00pm  
This Mass will also be streamed through our Facebook Page

<https://www.facebook.com/southbelconnen/live/>

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

## Confessions:

Saturday		
St Matthew's	11.00am-11.50am	
St Matthew'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

## Parish Pastoral Team

Fr Simon Falk PP (6254 1827)  
Fr Thomas Jin APP (6254 1827)  
Deacon Joe Blackwell  
Parish Secretary: Kate Whitton (6254 1827)  
Youth Ministers: Sarah Larkin (sarah.larkin@cg.org.au)  
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Parish Safeguarding Volunteer: Beth Gibson (belconnensouth@cg.org.au)

## St Matthew's Church

12 Chewings Street, Page

## St Vincent de Paul Church

7 Bindel Street, Aranda

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

See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart, and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.

## Responsorial Psalm

**R. Lord, you are good and forgiving.**

W. O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of love to all who call. Give heed, O Lord, to my prayer and attend to the sound of my voice. **R.**

M. All the nations shall come to adore you and glorify your name, O Lord: for you are great and do marvellous deeds, you who alone are God. **R.**

W. But you, God of mercy and compassion, slow to anger, O Lord, abounding in love and truth, turn and take pity on me. **R.**

## Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom. Alleluia!

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

The Lord, the gracious, the merciful, has made a memorial of his wonders; he gives food to those who fear him.



**Next Week :**  
1 Kg 3:5, 7-12  
Rom 8:28-30  
Mt 13:44-52

The Samoan Mass will recommence from the 4th Sunday of August (23 August) at 1pm.

## Prayer Requests

### We pray for the sick:

Naomi Aldons, Caroline Aldridge, Martin Baker, David Baker, Lisa Baulman, Sue Bartlett, Nancy Biviano, Fr Laurie Blake, Michael Brayshaw, Ian Brown, Mary Bryan, George Bulbrook, Vince Burns, 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, Berty Jacob, Cath Jane Keen, Sarah Kelly, Val Kilmier, Michael Mathias, Jill McDonald, Monica Molloy, Geraldine (nee Lawler) Muttukumar, Peter Naughton, Cedric Netto, Me con Nguyen Thi No, Noel Noonan, Belinda O'Flynn, Kathleen Preece, Dana Riminic, Peter Robbins, Paul Shanahan, Peter Stewart, Nicole Tavares, Richard Toombs, Lina Varmiento, Jenny Webster, Angela Williams, Berenice Wright and Robert Wrightson.

### We pray for the deceased:

*Recently:* John Colquhoun, Ethna Harvey, Sister Yvonne, Leslie Phillips, Claire Ferguson, Glennys Hardy, Tania Bradley, John Toye.

*Anniversaries:* Rodrigo Victorino, Lydia Pattugalan, Juanita Santos Chan, Stephen Garrett, Karl Yarrington, Ron Baker, Andrew Sobiepanek, Tim Durick.

**2019/20 Tax Receipts** for Planned Giving have been emailed to parishioners. If you have not received your tax receipt by email, please check the box of receipts in Church foyers this weekend. If you wish to receive your tax receipt by email in future, please contact the Parish Office on **6254 1827** or **belconnensouth@cg.org.au**.

## Parish News

Youth & Family Group will be held on Saturday **25 July** at Marian Hall, St Matthew's, Page. Mass will follow at 6pm.

### Liturgy Line

At Vatican II (1962-65) the Council Fathers taught *...the liturgy is the summit toward which the activity of the church is directed; it is also the source from which all its power flows (Sacrosanctum concilium 10)*. They had in mind, mainly, the Mass, but other liturgical acts as well, including blessings and other points of focussing our prayer into the rhythm and action of our lives. Last week on "Sea Sunday" we focussed on merchant seafarers. This weekend, as school prepares to return here, we extend our blessing upon our schools, particularly mindful of Melbourne, where corona virus spreading has impeded face-to-face learning once again. *Lord God, in your wisdom and love... send your Spirit upon these students and their staff and fill them with your wisdom and blessings (Book of Blessings 528)*.

### Giving & Receiving

The Archdiocese is transitioning to **cashless collection of money**. Recent events have quickened the pace of change.

As per Archdiocesan Protocols, there will be **no more collection plates at Mass**. There will be collection points set up in both of our Churches (just inside the doors leading you from the foyer into the Church) to place cash or planned giving envelopes **before** Mass or **after** Mass.

**Please note: during COVID-19 restrictions, there will be no offertory procession during Mass.** Information about ways you can contribute can be found at <https://bit.ly/37Syi0O>.

**Please give serious thought to begin contributing electronically instead of cash.** If you have any questions about setting up one of the three electronic options please contact the parish office on 6254 1827 or [belconnensouth@cg.org.au](mailto:belconnensouth@cg.org.au).

### Mothers of Belconnen South-recommencing for 2020!

Prior to COVID 19 restrictions this group of women met monthly to enjoy a cuppa and cake and discuss and share ideas around bringing up their children in the Catholic faith. **We are excited that with eased restrictions we can now re commence our gatherings!** New friendships are formed and the group supports one another in bringing the faith alive for themselves and their families. If you are interested or know someone who maybe, please invite them along too. Children are welcome.

The next gathering for 2020 will be held on **Thursday 30 July** from **9am** at the **Marian Hall**, Page (next to St Matthew's Church). Our topic for discussion will be **'Praying with our Children'**.

For more information please contact **Louise Heywood** ([lmheywood@bigpond.com](mailto:lmheywood@bigpond.com) or 0421 288 302).

New boxes of Planned Giving envelopes are available in Church foyers from this weekend 18/19 July. Please see the label on the boxes for your envelopes.

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

## Frequently Asked Questions about COVID-19 Restrictions for our Churches and Parish Centres

### 1. Are our Churches open and have Masses recommenced?

Yes, our Churches are open again and we must follow the Archdiocesan Protocols when entering our Churches. We have recommenced our usual Masses (see front of the bulletin for Mass times).

### 2. Are our Parish Centres open?

Yes, our Parish Centres can now be used. Please contact the parish office to book in or re book (even if you had a regular meeting previous to COVID-19). Please read the notice in this bulletin about using our parish facilities. Please also see questions number 8.

### 3. How many people are allowed to attend each Mass?

No more 100 people at 4sqm.

### 4. What do I need to remember when I come along to Mass?

- Sanitise your hands before entering the Church.
- Sign the register (only **100 people** can sign in) and please wipe down the pen with the wipes provided.
- Limit the use of books. They will be cleansed between use.
- Priest and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion will purify hands with sanitiser before and after offering Holy Communion.
- Communion in the hand only. Sacred Host, not the Precious Blood, to be offered.
- No touching at the sign of peace.
- No collection plates will be passed around the Churches, but money/envelopes placed at collection points at the back of the Churches.
- Follow the 4sqm per person rule -
  - when seated
  - when standing
  - during the Communion Procession
  - during the movement to place money/envelopes at the collection points.
- If you are **unwell**, please do not attend Mass or visit the Churches.

### 5. Do I need to book in prior to coming along to Mass?

No, you don't need to book in. Please complete the register in the Church foyer before entering for Mass.

### 6. Are the toilets open in our Churches?

Yes. They are only open during Mass.

### 7. Are our Churches being cleaned regularly?

Yes. The Church pews and entry tables are being disinfected after each Mass. **If you able to help with this cleaning process, please volunteer after the Mass you attend.**

### 8. Are the kitchens open in our Churches and Parish Centres?

No, our kitchens in our Churches and Parish Centres are closed.

### 9. What happens to the registers being kept in our Churches?

The registers are kept safe (in the parish office) for 28 days for the chief medical officer before being destroyed.

**Please contact the Parish Office on 6254 1827 or [belconnensouth@cg.org.au](mailto:belconnensouth@cg.org.au) if you have any questions.**

**Re-booking our Parish Facilities** - Please contact the parish office on 6254 1827 or [belconnensouth@cg.org.au](mailto:belconnensouth@cg.org.au) before organising any meetings or gatherings in our parish facilities. **Even if you had a regular booking previous to COVID-19 you will need to re-book.** To use our facilities, you must comply with protocols relating to hygiene, registering people's attendance and the 4sqm per person rule (maximum number of people allowed to enter each meeting room is displayed in each of our meeting rooms/buildings). Please contact the parish office if you have any questions.

**Commencing August/September** an ecumenical group being formed with our Uniting and Anglican colleagues is to meet together each fortnight to go through *Laudato Si*, Pope Francis' letter "On Care for Our Common Home". You can register interest in obtaining further information or in taking part at [BelconnenSouth@cg.org.au](mailto:BelconnenSouth@cg.org.au) or on 0428-625-100. Our ecumenical listening to the perspective and voice of indigenous Australians in 2019-20 was extremely worthwhile. The group aims to continue to walk with the local Ngunnawal people going forward into Spring.

## Library News

The libraries at St Matthew's and St Vincent's are now open for borrowing. Please remember that hygiene protocols will be mandatory before handling books and filling in the borrowing sheets.

- **Sanitise** your hands before entering the library (sanitiser provided in the foyer).
- **Fill in the sheet** in the borrowing folder and wipe down the pen with wipes provided in the foyer.
- Distance yourself **1.5m** from others in the foyer of the Church and the library.

The following items are now available for loan from the library at **St Matthew's Church**.

- Evans, Bernard F.: *Lazarus at the table: Catholics and social justice*.
- Doherty, Beth: *All the beautiful things: finding truth, beauty and goodness in a fractured church*.
- Kelly, Anthony J.: *Integral ecology and the fullness of life: theological and philosophical perspectives*.

Our libraries are located in the vestibule of each church and is open when the churches are open. Any queries or suggestions contact Megan Thompson on 6254 0524 (St Matthew's) or Suzanne Groves on 6251 6681.

**Reminder** - Please return items as soon as you have finished.

### South Belconnen Parish Sacramental Program 2020

The Sacraments of Confirmation and Reconciliation will be celebrated this term in our parish. Parent Information Meetings will be held face to face and by Zoom over two nights.

**6pm Tuesday 28 July** St Matthew's Church, Page

**6pm Wednesday 29 July** at St Vincent's Church, Aranda

If you wish to attend a Parent Information Meeting via Zoom or wish to see further information about our Sacramental Program, please click on this link <https://bit.ly/2OmHy4h>.

**Reception of Holy Communion in the Hand (Archdiocesan Protocol re COVID-19)** can be found at <https://bit.ly/2WiaNJW>.

We are about to clean out the alb cupboard at St Vincent's. If you have an alb in the cupboard and you no longer use it but wish to keep it, please take it home. **If you no longer need your alb**, then leave it in the cupboard. Albs currently in use should be clearly marked with the name of the owner. The clean-out will begin after **Sunday, July 26**.



### Vinnies COVID-19 Emergency Appeal

The St Vincent de Paul Society is still continuing to

provide emergency assistance to those in need in the South Belconnen area despite the impact of COVID 19. The Society has in place processes to help those who seek help that are in accordance to COVID-19 restrictions. As you would expect our donations are down at this very critical time. Your donations are gratefully appreciated to help maintain the work of Vinnies.

**This appeal is replacing the Winter Appeal.**

Please donate online at [www.vinnies.org.au/covid19crisisappeal](http://www.vinnies.org.au/covid19crisisappeal) or by calling 13 18 12.

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** has resumed at St Vincent's next Tuesday at 4.20pm as usual.

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

	19 July			26 July		
	Page 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am	Page 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am
<b>Readers</b>	Cheryl Hamill	Mary Morris	Anne McCarthy	Colleen Meadley	Christina Rowe	Graham Williams
<b>Senior Servers</b>	Damien Sloane	Vince Burns	Robyn Grubmueller	Bernie Leger	Damien Power	John Malycha
<b>EMHC</b>	Margaret Sloane	Kevin McInerney	Annette Charge	Catharina Koopman	Joan Murphy	Catharina Williams