



Parish of St Matthew & St Vincent de Paul

South Belconnen

21st Sunday of Ordinary Time
Year A
23 August 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:
Is 22:19-23
Rom 11: 33-36
Mt 16:13-20

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) commencing 23/8	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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Adoration & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesdays	St Vincent's	4.20pm
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Prayers only

Mondays	St Vincent's	10.00am
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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
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Entrance Antiphon: (*as ministers gather in courtyard—not said if hymn is sung*)

Turn your ears, O Lord, and answer me; save the servant who trusts in you, my God. Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

Responsorial Psalm

R. Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.

W. I thank you, Lord, with all my heart, you have heard the words of my mouth. Before the angels I will bless you. I will adore before your holy temple. **R.**

M. I thank you for your faithfulness and love which excel all we ever knew of you. On the day I called, you answered; you increased the strength of my soul. **R.**

W. The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly and the haughty he knows from afar. Your love, O Lord, is eternal, discard not the work of your hands. **R.**

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my Church; the gates of hell will not hold out against it. Alleluia!

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

The earth is replete with the fruits of your work, O Lord; you bring forth bread from the earth and wine to cheer the heart.

Commissioning of Ministers of Holy Communion:

Take this holy sacrament, the bread of life, to our sisters and brothers who are sick. Share with them the message of the Gospel and the love of this community.



Next Week : Jer 20:7-9 Rom 12:1-2 Mt 16:21-27

Prayer Requests

We pray for the sick:

Caroline Aldridge, Martin Baker, David Baker, Lisa Baulman, Sue Bartlett, Eleanour Romano Berdin, Nancy Biviano, Fr Laurie Blake, Mando & Grace Bondad, Michael Brayshaw, Ian Brown, Mary Bryan, George Bulbrook, Vince Burns, Leslie Cheeseman, Mary Cleary, John Clerk, Monica & Colin Colquhoun, Mary Coman, Xevidy Cortez, Vic & Marie Cuison, Vince-Marie Cuison, Vincent Cuison, June Donnelly, Pat & Jim Dunne, Frances Dyball, Joachim Exell, Ryan Fawke, Ivka Ferinas, Grace Fluitsma, Amy Fogarty, Henry Gasperski, Grant Hanrahan, Bruce Hassall, Mick Hay, Christine Hermely, Paul Idilton, Graham Jackson, Berty Jacob, Cath Jane Keen, Sarah Kelly, Val Kilmier, Michael Mathias, Jill McDonald, Monica Molloy, Peter Naughton, Cedric Netto, Me con Nguyen Thi No, Noel Noonan, Belinda O'Flynn, Kathleen Preece, Dana Riminic, Peter Robbins, Paul Shanahan, Peter Stewart, Jan Stuart, Nicole Tavares, Richard Toombs, Lina Varmiento, Jenny Webster, Angela Williams, Berenice Wright and Robert Wrightson.

We pray for the deceased:

Recently: Richard Hourigan, Geraldine (nee Lawler) Muttukumaru, John Hume, Dorothy Challans, Denis Dean, Henk Verhoeven, John Colquhoun.

Anniversaries: Kevin Moyle, Geraldine Pratt, Michael Craft, Adam Groves, Videli Kabaila, Sheila Cleary, Denis Cleary, Marie Deppe, Sr Abdon Berdin, Michael Jarvis, Carmela Russionello.

LOST

A ring was lost on Tuesday evening 4 August in St Vincent's church or possibly car park. If found, please contact the Parish office: 6254 1827 or belconnensouth@cg.org.au.

Parish News

Liturgy and Sacramental Program

Each year when our sacramental programs begin an invitation is made to families, and especially their children. It is an opportunity to offer welcome and hospitality to them. To, as St Benedict might say, "greet them as we greet Christ." When we make space in our Churches and our hearts, these people feel welcome. Then, they may come to experience what Pope Francis says as he draws on Pope John Paul II 'Each community is called to create a "God enlightened space in which to experience the hidden presence of the risen Lord." Sharing the word and celebrating the Eucharist together fosters fraternity and makes us a holy and missionary community.'
Gaudete et Exsultate 142.

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.

The COVID-19 pandemic is affecting the mental health of many members of our parishes, schools and communities. Understanding mental health will help us to be aware of those who need our support. In the **Social Justice Statement 2020-21**, *To Live Life to the Full: Mental health in Australia today*, the Bishops invite us all to reject stigmatisation, to work for the transformation of social determinants of mental ill-health and to call for policies and service provision that meets the needs of the poorest and most marginalised members of our community. Download the Statement at <https://socialjustice.catholic.org.au/2020/07/03/social-justice-statement-2020-21/>.

A Reminder

When completing the COVID-19 tracing register (in Church foyers) at weekend Masses, please ensure you write on a numbered line and don't leave any lines free (gaps in the register). There are 50 places on each sheet (each sheet is double sided, please turn the page over). If the sheet you are signing has all 50 lines taken, please look at the other sheet to see if there are any places still available for the Mass.

Have a look at <https://johnmenadue.com/category/religion-and-faith/> for a number of interesting articles on the Australian Catholic Church.

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.

In keeping with the feast of the Assumption, there is a display of books on **Mary** in St Matthew's Church.

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

- Mark E. Thibodeaux, SJ: *God's Voice Within*
- *Silence & Stillness in Every Season - Daily Readings with John Main*, edited by Paul T. Harris

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.

Volunteers are welcome to assist with preparation of some banners for the Season of Creation (1-Sep to 4-Oct). Please email BelconnenSouth@cg.org.au or phone 0428-625-1110 if you are able to assist.

The Archdiocese of Canberra and Goulburn Women's Taskforce invites you to **Responding to the Call** - a women's reflection afternoon on **Saturday 29 August 2pm-4.30pm**. This event is free and will be livestreamed on the day. Register now: www.bit.ly/WomensReflectionAfternoon. For more information, please email: catholic.women@cg.org.au or ring/text Lara on 0429 192 869.

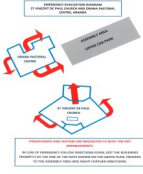
2019/20 Tax Receipts and **boxes of new envelopes** will be available at St Matthew's Church foyer this weekend and the following weekend 29/30 they will be available at St Vincent's Church foyer. If you wish to receive your tax receipt by email in future, please contact the Parish Office on **6254 1827** or belconnensouth@cg.org.au

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 cleanse 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.
- The Church pews need to be sanitised after each Mass - if you can stay for 5 minutes to help sanitise where you were sitting, that would be appreciated.




Beanies for Vinnies - A message from the Lyn Hanley, President of the Brindabella Trefoil Guild who passed on the beanies that were knitted in our parish. This huge amount could not have been possible without the Happy Knitters of North and South Belconnen Catholic ladies who have passed on their donations through Gabrielle. Thank you so much.



Emergency Evacuation Procedures for St Matthew & St Vincent de Paul Parish Buildings

Emergency Evacuation Diagrams are displayed in both **church foyers, Marian Hall and Aranda Pastoral Centre.** Parishioners and visitors are requested to note the exit arrangements. In case of emergency follow directions given, exit the buildings promptly by one of the exits shown on the plan, proceed to the assembly area (St Matthew's - School netball courts/carpark, St Vincent's - Upper carpark) and await further directions.

Please also note that **first aid kits** are available in both church foyers and parish centres. Look for the green first aid sign.



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

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	Page 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am	Page 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am
Readers	Janet Moyle	Mary Morris	Michael Allam	Michael White	Jen Muscat	Belen Lamond
Senior Servers	Bernie Leger	John Woods	Brenda Healy	Damien Sloane	Vince Burns	Robyn Grubmueller
EMHC	Jenny Murphy	Jan Woods	Irene Scholtens	Mary Williams	Kevin McInerney	Judi Ahern