



# Parish of St Matthew & St Vincent de Paul

## South Belconnen

22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time Year A  
30 August 2020  
Social Justice Sunday

*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:

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

### 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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### 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  
Parish Secretary: Kate Whitton (6254 1827)  
Youth Ministers: Sarah Larkin (sarah.larkin@cg.org.au)  
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Parish Safeguarding Volunteer: Beth Gibson (safeguarding.belconnensouth@cg.org.au)

### St Matthew's Church

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

Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long. O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of mercy to all who call to you.

### Responsorial Psalm

**R. My soul is thirsting you, O Lord my God.**

W. O God, you are my God, for you I long; for you my soul is thirsting. My body pines for you like a dry, weary land without water. **R.**

M. So I gaze on you in the sanctuary to see your strength and your glory. For your love is better than life, my lips will speak your praise. **R.**

W. So I will bless you all my life, in your name I will lift up my hands. My soul shall be filled as with a banquet, my mouth shall praise you with joy. **R.**

M. For you have been my help; in the shadow of your wings I rejoice. My soul clings to you; your right hand holds me fast. **R.**

### Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart, that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called. Alleluia!

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

How great is the goodness, Lord, that you keep for those who fear you.

### Commissioning of Ministers of Holy Communion:

It is our privilege to take the Blessed Sacrament to our sisters and brothers who, through sickness or old age, are unable to be with us today; may your coming help them to know that we hold them in our prayers.

TO LIVE LIFE TO THE FULL  
MENTAL HEALTH IN AUSTRALIA TODAY  
SOCIAL JUSTICE STATEMENT 2020-21

**Next Week :** Ezek 33:7-9 Rom 13:8-10 Mt 18:15-20

## 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: Patricia McInerney, Lady Mary Scholtens, Nancy Rowe, Rosaria Trionfi, Richard Hourigan, Geraldine (nee Lawler) Muttukumar, John Hume, Dorothy Challans, Henk Verhoeven.

Anniversaries: Thomas & Eileen Pearson, Douglas Dowler, Ellen, John & Vera McInerney, Anton & Antonia Mrsnik, Mary Moras, Jolán Bogsányi, Kevin Moyle, Geraldine Pratt, Michael Craft, Adam Groves, Videli Kabaila.

Don't forget you can follow the Mass and find other prayers on apps such as *Universalis*, *Pray As You Go* or *Sacred Space*.

## Parish News

### Liturgy Line

With Social Justice Sunday this weekend it is appropriate to observe some connections with liturgy and justice. As Monk and Liturgist, Goffredo Boselli states: "The relationship between liturgy and poverty cannot be overlooked or ignored." He continues: "The believer cannot worship the Lord and at the same time ignore the neighbour in need." Drawing on 1 Cor 10:17, 21, Boselli reminds us that: "there can be no communion with God without sharing with our brothers and sisters." ***The Spiritual Meaning of the Liturgy*** (2014: 184). Poverty and neediness are not only material. This year the social justice focus is particularly on disparities of care for those whose mental health is burdened. At our Mass, sharing in the bread of life broken for all, we are mindful of the brokenness of each of us, and particularly for those whose brokenness is unnoticed and unaddressed. May God's grace, present even in our weakness (see 2 Cor 12:19) bring the weakness of all into a new lease of life through the way we care for the least among us.

On Tuesday 1 September, Christian churches will together celebrate the **World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation**, and will observe the **Season of Creation** for the 5 weeks to 4 October – the **Feast of St. Francis of Assisi** (the patron saint of ecological conversion). Pope Francis invites all Catholics to take part: "This is the season for letting our prayer be inspired anew by closeness to nature."



**SEASON OF CREATION**

St Matthew & St Vincent de Paul Parish will join the **Season of Creation** celebrations this year by considering specific **Prayer of the Faithful** for Creation during the Sunday Masses in September and with a special Creation emphasis in the three Masses of October 3-4. Please watch the bulletin for more details.

- On Wednesday 2 September the **Global Catholic Environment Movement** is holding a major online **Season of Creation** launch in our region of Asia-Pacific and Oceania. This will focus on a just recovery from the pandemic and climate calamities being experienced. See <https://seasonofcreation.org/events/>
- Then on Thursday 3 September a **Catholic Earthcare** convocation will commence on-line. See <https://catholicearthcare.org.au/2020-convocation/>

### Today is Social Justice Sunday

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/>.

### Safeguarding news

Beth Gibson has recently resigned from the role of Parish Safeguarding Volunteer.

Could anyone who is interested in finding out more about this role, and/or taking it on, please contact Fr Simon through the parish office.

### 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.

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.

### 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).

**2019/20 Tax Receipts** and **boxes of new envelopes** - if you haven't received your tax receipt or picked up your new envelopes, please contact the Parish Office on **6254 1827** or [belconnensouth@cg.org.au](mailto:belconnensouth@cg.org.au)

### 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.

### 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.



## 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

	30 August			6 September		
	Page 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am	Page 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am
<b>Readers</b>	Michael White	Jen Muscat	Belen Lamond	Cheryl Hamill	Christina Rowe	Anne McCarthy
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