



Parish of St Matthew & St Vincent de Paul South Belconnen

23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time
Year A
6 September 2020

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This Week:

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

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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

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

You are just, O Lord, and your judgement is right; treat your servant in accord with your merciful love.

Responsorial Psalm

R. O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts.

W. Come, ring out our joy to the Lord; hail the rock who saves us. Let us come before him, giving thanks, with songs let us hail the Lord. **R.**

M. Come in; let us bow and bend low; let us kneel before the God who made us for he is our God and we the people who belong to his pasture, the flock that is led by his hand. **R.**

W. O that today you would listen to his voice! 'Harden not your hearts as a Meribah, as on that day at Massah in the desert when your fathers put me to the test; when they tried me, though they saw my work.' **R.**

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself; and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us. Alleluia!

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

Like the deer that yearns for running streams, so my soul is yearning for you, my God; my soul is thirsting for God, the living God.

Commissioning of Ministers of Holy Communion:

May the Lord bless you as you take the bread of life to our sick brothers and sisters. May you bring to them the Lord who heals and consoles.



Next Week : Sirach 27:30-28:7 Rom 14:7-9 Mt 18:21-35

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: Geoff Tyrrell, Professor Graeme McIntosh, Patricia McInerney, Lady Mary Scholtens, Nancy Rowe, Rosaria Trionfi, Richard Hourigan, Geraldine (nee Lawler) Muttukumaru, John Hume, Dorothy Challans, Henk Verhoeven.

Anniversaries: Palmira De Simone, 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.

Youth Group will be held on Saturday 26 September at Marian Hall (next to St Matthew's Church, Page) 5-5.50pm followed by Mass at 6pm

Parish News

From the Liturgy Committee

The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Feast 8 September

We know that everyone has a birthday. Scripture doesn't give an account of Mary's birth, but we know that she was born to parents, Joachim and Anna.

Joachim and Anna loved God very much, and they were filled with gratitude to God for the gift of a child. They raised Mary as a child of God, teaching her to love and serve God. When the angel Gabriel told Mary that she had been chosen to be the Mother of Jesus, she already had great faith in God. Her strong faith and trust allowed her to say yes to God's plan for her.

Jesus is the perfect expression of God's love, Mary is the foreshadowing of that love. Jesus has brought the fullness of salvation, Mary is its dawning, the beginning of our salvation.



1 September to 4 October (Week 1)

The Pope has invited all Catholics to take part with other Christians in celebrating the Season of Creation: "This is the season for letting our prayer be inspired anew by closeness to nature."



**SEASON OF
CREATION**

For Pope Francis, care for creation is a key element of his personal ministry. This is explained in his major encyclical **Laudato Si** – *On Care for Our Common Home*. But in introduction to the teachings there, the Pope reminds us that earlier Popes, other Christian leaders and scientists had long warned of the damage and the need for greater respect to our environment.

The Pope sees there is now an urgent challenge for humanity to look after the earth, the poor, and the next generation. He calls for a new dialogue, for stronger responses and leadership: "Young people demand change. They wonder how anyone can claim to be building a better future without thinking of the environmental crisis and the sufferings of the excluded."

The Vatican is asking us to use the current 5th anniversary jubilee of **Laudato Si** to grow understanding of the challenge, most critically in impacts on our climate, on biodiversity, on water supply and on pollution. The Pope notes that since "the deterioration of the environment and of society affects the most vulnerable people" there is an "inseparable .. bond between concern for nature, justice for the poor, commitment to society, and interior peace."

Throughout the Season of Creation our bulletin will look at how **Laudato Si** provides a theology of environmental responsibility - a coherent approach to creation, God's plan and humankind's place in the plan.

Father's Day Appeal

Please give generously to the Father's Day Appeal conducted at all Masses this weekend. Special envelopes are provided in the church and donors will be issued with a tax deductible receipt. Donations can also be made at: www.cgatholic.org.au/donate or via the Qkr! App.

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

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.

It's time to draw up rosters for the next three months - October, November, December.

At this stage there is no change to the Covid 19 Protocols and the 6.00pm Vigil Mass will continue to be streamed via Facebook.

Would you kindly advise your availability and preferred Mass time for this period by Wednesday 9 September. Please contact Mary on 0438631657 morrisdm@me.com.



St Vincent's Primary School is celebrating its 50th year. We invite you to come on a virtual historical journey with us. Simply log into our school web page <https://www.svdp.act.edu.au/> click on the 'Our School History' tile and enjoy reading some wonderful stories of St Vincent's early history and view photos from 50 years ago. Please consider sharing this link with family and friends. We would love to build on the stories we currently have. All contributions welcome.

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.

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

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.

Reception of the Children to be Baptised into St Matthew & St Vincent de Paul Parish Family

We welcome the following children who are to be baptised and received into the Catholic way of life.

- Bridget Kerr, daughter of Hamish & Veronica
- Holly Mead, daughter of Anne & Darren

(after the Homily the families of those to be baptised will be asked to come forward and stand on the sanctuary facing the people)

Celebrant: Dear Parents, what Name have you given to your child?

Parents: *(each parent gives the child her/his Name)*

Celebrant: Why did you bring your child here to (St Matthew's or St Vincent's) today?

Parents: To be baptised.

Celebrant: My dear parents, you have formally asked to have your child baptised.

In doing so you are accepting the responsibility of raising your children with a knowledge and love of God, nourished by family prayer and by your participation in the life of the Church through celebration of the Mass, the Sacraments and by the example of your life lived out according to

the Gospel. It will be your duty to bring your children up to keep God's commandments as Christ taught us, by loving God above all things and our neighbour as ourselves. Do you clearly understand what you are undertaking?

Parents: We do.

Celebrant: I ask you all present as baptised members of St Matthew's & St Vincent's Parish Family and the whole Church, do you welcome these children into our Church Family. Will you pray for them and their families?

Parishioners: We will.

Celebrant: Our Parish Family welcomes you into our Christian Community with great joy. In its name, I claim you for Christ our Saviour by the sign of his cross. I now trace the cross on your foreheads and I ask your parents, godparents and representatives of St Matthew's & St Vincent's to do the same.

(Parents, godparents and the Extraordinary Ministers of Communion for this Mass now sign each child on the forehead with a prayerful Sign of the Cross)

A Prayer for Fathers

Heavenly Father,
you entrusted your Son Jesus,
the child of Mary,
to the care of Joseph, an earthly father.

Bless all fathers
as they care for their families.
Give them strength and wisdom,
tenderness and patience;
support them in the work they do,
protecting those who look to them,
as we look to you for love and salvation.
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

- Author Unknown

Vocations Discernment Weekend

Ever asked yourself, "where is God calling me?" Join our Vocations Chaplains Fr Paul and Fr Trenton and Archbishop Christopher for a weekend of community, prayer and discernment.

Where: St Clement's Retreat Centre
Galong NSW

When: 6pm Friday 18 September - 10.30am
Sunday 20 September

Who: For any man over 18 years old

Contact &

Application: Fr Paul Nulley 0422 038 565
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Roster for St Matthew's and St Vincent de Paul Churches

	6 September			13 September		
	Page 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am	Page 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am
Readers	Cheryl Hamill	Christina Rowe	Anne McCarthy	Colleen Meadley	Victoria Gonzales	Ann Cleary
Senior Servers	Paul Scholtens	John Woods	John Malycha	Bernie Leger	Vince Burns	Brenda Healy
EMHC	Lorraine Higgins	Joan Murphy	Annette Charge	Dorothy Lalor	Helen Baker	Robin Taylor