



Parish of St Matthew & St Vincent de Paul

South Belconnen

First Sunday of Lent
Year B
21 February 2021

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Masses:

Saturday Vigil	St Vincent's	6.00pm
(No longer streamed).		
Sunday	St Matthew's	8.30am
	St Vincent's	10.00am
Samoan	St Matthew's	1.00pm
(4th Sun)		
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 Vincent'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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Cenacle

Thursdays	St Vincent's after 9.30am Mass	
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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

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:

Gen 9:8-15
1 Pet 3:18-22
Mk 1:12-15

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

When he calls on me, I will answer him; I will deliver him and give him glory, I will grant him length of days.

Responsorial Psalm

R. Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant.

W. Lord, make me know your ways. Lord, teach me your paths. Make me walk in your truth, and teach me:
for you are God my saviour. **R.**

M. Remember your mercy, Lord, and the love you have shown from old. In your love remember me, because of your goodness, O Lord. **R.**

W. The Lord is good and upright. He shows the path to those who stray, he guides the humble in the right path; he teaches his way to the poor. **R.**

Gospel Acclamation:

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

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

One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.

Commissioning of Ministers of Holy Communion:

Take this holy sacrament, the bread of life, to our sisters and brothers who are unable to be with us because of illness or infirmity. Share with them the Good News, and the love of this community.



Next Week : Gen 22:1-2, 9-13, 15-18 Rom 3:31-34 Mk 9:2-10

Prayer Requests

We pray for the sick:

Caroline Aldridge, Michelle Aldridge, Thirvinder Anand, 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 Dunne, Frances Dyball, Joachim Exell, Ryan Fawke, Ivka Ferinas, Grace Fluitsma, Amy Fogarty, Bruce Hassall, Mick Hay, Wilf Hedley, Christine Hermely, Paul Idilton, Graham Jackson, Berty Jacob, Cath Jane Keen, Val Kilmier, Barb Lytle, Michael Mathias, Jill McDonald, Monica Molloy, Peter Naughton, Cedric Netto, Me con Nguyen Thi No, Noel Noonan, Belinda O'Flynn, Louise Powell, Kathleen Preece, Dana Riminic, Peter Robbins, Paul Shanahan, Peter Stewart, Nicole Tavares, Richard Toombs, Lina Varmiento, Jenny Webster, Mariette William, Angela Williams, Berenice Wright and Robert Wrightson. All the sick and suffering.

We pray for the deceased:

Recently: Elisa Amaral, Sr Amy Caldwell, Nihal de Zoysa, Kathy Crick, Al Kabaila, Paula Tippet.

Anniversaries: Penny Durick.

Men's Group - Thursday 25 February

- The next get together will be at 6.15pm on Thursday 25 February for a BBQ at the Orana Centre, Aranda. All are welcome.

Please RSVP to paul.pearson@bigpond.com (0412 685 582) by COB Tuesday 23 February

Tinnies for Vinnies - Vinnies has now received \$2,500 as part of the Tinnies initiative. Just leave the cans and bottles with the 10c logo near the Orana Centre garage door (opposite the St Vincent's Church front door) and we will do the rest. Once again, thank you for your support.

Parish News

The Chair of Saint Peter Feast - 22 February

The feast of the Chair of St Peter commemorates the pastoral authority of the Bishop of Rome, that is, the Pope. It has been celebrated in Rome since 354 A.D. and it signifies the unity of the Church that was founded by the Apostles.

The celebration of St Peter's Chair means veneration, in the person of Peter, of God's providential plan, which caused him to be chosen to be the chief of the Apostles and the first pastor of the Church.

The cathedra or chair, from the Greek, kathedra, meaning something to sit down upon, is the chair for the bishop and the church where his seat is placed is known as a cathedral.

The Chair of St Peter means therefore a memory of St Peter's episcopate and his primacy as head of the Church.

Liturgy Committee

PROJECT COMPASSION
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**1st Sunday of Lent
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Jamila is a Rohingya refugee living in a camp in Bangladesh with her elderly mother and baby daughter. With the support of Caritas Australia, and through Caritas Bangladesh, Jamila has been able to access to emergency food, shelter, counselling, and vocational training that will help to support her family.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2021 to help mothers like Jamila be more for her family and her community.

You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413. Please do not return Project Compass Boxes (coins) **until the end of Lent**. There will be a drop off station for you to place them in so that donations can be handled in a safe manner.

Belconnen South Parish School of Religion

The Parish School of Religion provides religious education, sacramental preparation for Catholic children who attend private schools. Classes run from 4:45 to 5:30 on Wednesday during school term.

Classes will commence on Wednesday 24 February 2021 at 4:45 pm at the Orana Centre. For more information and an enrolment form please contact Trish at trish_glenn@bigpond.com or on 0408 561 255.



2021 Lenten Programs

After some years of famine, this year we have been offered a feast of Lenten Programs. Here are a list of programs and the contacts from within our parish.

Our own Archbishop Prowse wants to promote his own one called 'Walk in the Spirit' <https://www.cgatholic.org.au/walk-in-the-spirit/>. Contact Vince Burns on 0419 999 209 or Lynne Barr on 0414 262 970.

An ecumenical study group on **Climate for Change** is to occur at six Tuesday evening sessions from 730-9pm 23-Feb to 30-Mar at Holy Covenant Anglican Church in Cook. Guidance materials at <https://www.abmission.org/resources.php?action=list-items&catId=33>. Expressions of interest in attending to BelconnenSouth@cg.org.au.

Some of our parishioners will be following a program from Garratt Publishing called 'It's All About Hope'. You can purchase copies of this program at <https://garrattpublishing.com.au/product/9781925009835/>.

There is a Wollongong one called 'Comfort' <https://www.dow.org.au/shop/>.

Brisbane have sent us a promo of theirs 'Look to Jesus' <https://evangelisation-brisbane.myshopify.com/.../look-to-...>

Children's Liturgy 2021

We welcome all children of the Parish to participate in the 2021 Children's Liturgy program at St Vincent's. Sessions run during 10 am Mass at Aranda on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month (except during school holidays).

Volunteers to assist leaders in running Liturgy sessions are always welcome. If you are interested in becoming involved in this rewarding aspect of Parish life, please contact Justine Molony (justinemolony@bigpond.com / 0415204174). **Please note that all helpers are required to have a Working With Vulnerable People card.**

Welcome to
Children's Liturgy

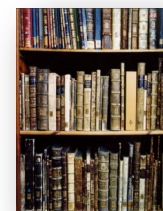


Library News

Currently there is a display of books suitable for the coming season of Lent in the library at **St Matthew's Church**. The following items are now available for loan:

- Keating, Thomas: Meditations on the parables of Jesus [Scripture]
- Brown, R.E. A retreat with John the evangelist: that you may have life [Prayer]
- Rohr, Richard: Breathing under water: spirituality and the twelve steps [Spirituality]

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 (St Vincent's). **Reminder** - Please follow COVID 19 Protocols for using the Library and return items as soon as you have finished.



CDs for Parishioners - Fr Hilton has invited parishioners to have some of his CDs. A box is in the foyer of St Vincent's Church for you to make your selection and enjoy. The box of CDs will be in St Matthew's Church foyer next week (282).

Parish Financial Report for January 2021

	Actual 1 mth to 31/01/2021 \$	Planned 1 mth to 31/01/2021 \$	Variance against Plan \$	
2nd Collection	13,687	13,500	187	Close to budget
(Incl Planned Giving for administration of the Parish)				

Parish Income & Expenditure Statement

Income **	14,719	14,370	49	Close to budget
Expenditure	8,315	8,705	390	Close to budget
Surplus/(Deficit)	6,404	5,665	739	

** Income = 2nd collection + other income

Your ongoing financial support of the Parish and Clergy is required and greatly appreciated especially with reduced Mass attendance.

Details on how to contribute to the first and second collections can be found at <https://bit.ly/3qmQatE>. **In particular, the first collection (for clergy) has been impacted significantly by COVID-19.**

Please have a look at the attached insert re the **First Collection**. This provides information about the first collection contributions made by South Belconnen Parishioners and what happens to those contributions.

International Women's Day Breakfast

Time/Date: 7.30am - 9.00am

Thursday 11 March 2021

Venue: Orana Parish Centre, 7 Bindel St Aranda

Guest Speaker: Madeleine Banister

Topic: UN, Women and Catholics

Registrations: (Essential) 0487 388 873

Calvary Hospital Auxiliary - Calvary Hospital Auxiliary is holding three major fund-raising events in March 2021:

- Plant stall on Thursday 11 March, 8am-4pm, Jamison Centre.
- Plant stall on Saturday & Sunday 20 & 21 March, 8am-5pm, Belconnen Markets. Both plant stalls will have a wide variety of indoor & outdoor plans, herbs, succulent, natives and more at bargain prices.
- Crafts stall on Saturday & Sunday 27 & 28 March, 8am-5pm, Belconnen Markets. Home-made cakes, jams, pickles, knitted goods, gifts and more.

All proceeds go towards the purchase of equipment for the care and comfort of Calvary Public Hospital patients. We thank you for your support during 2020 and encourage your ongoing support.

Merici College - Enrolling Now for 2022!

Please visit www.merici.college for all dates and information for Open Day, Be a Merici Girl Days and Talk and Tours. Register online now!

Introduction to Christian Meditation in Lent— 7.15pm each Tuesday for 1 hr, from 23 February for 5 successive Tuesdays, at St Peter Chanel's Parish room, Loch St. Yarralumla. The simplicity of Christian Meditation is within Ps 46 – “Be still and know that I am God”. An opportunity to experience this prayer practice, its origins, & its relevance as a form of prayer for the contemporary world. No cost, no RSVP required, just turn up. **Enq:** Rod or Susan: 0401 731 918 (wccmaustralia.org.au)

Raising Fathers

A special evening event with Robert Falzon exploring **Fathering from the Frontline**. 5.30pm - 7.00pm Tuesday **2 March 2021**, Haydon Hall, Grnd Floor, St Christopher's Pastoral Centre, 55 Franklin St Forrest. Please register online by 26 Feb <https://cgcatholic.org.au/raisingfathers>



Project Compassion Virtual Immersions



Each week during this Lenten season, Caritas Australia is holding Virtual Immersion opportunities for parishes via Zoom video conferencing. These digital engagements will allow participants to focus on prayer and reflection, Catholic Social Teaching and an interview and Q&A with Caritas International Program staff.

Sessions will run Tuesdays and Thursdays for one hour across Australia. You can register for a Virtual Immersion by going to lent.caritas.org.au.

Project Compassion

Food for Soul and Body - Tuesday 9 March 6pm 9.30pm

Uni, TAFE, and College, Students are invited to meet the local Right to Life Council Members on Tuesday for a light meal and non alcoholic drinks and information evening on LIFE ISSUES which are always current.

See Development of Life Models on display. Holy Trinity Parish Centre, Strangways St. Curtin.

Please notify of your attendance for catering purposes. Contact : 0418 718 713, or email 345bevc@gmail.com.

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

	21 February			28 February		
	Aranda 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am	Aranda 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am
Readers	Michael White	Jen Muscat	Paul Scholtens	Colleen Meadley	Denis Daly	Beth Berdin
Senior Servers	Jenny Murphy	John Woods	John Malycha	Damien Sloane	Dennis Morris	Robyn Grubmueller
EMHC		Jan Woods	Jane Burroughs		Denise Hampson	
A&L	P - Mary Morris A - No flowers during lent.			P - Christina Rowe A - No flowers during lent.		