



# Parish of St Matthew & St Vincent de Paul

## South Belconnen

**Aboriginal & Torres Strait  
Islander Sunday  
4 July 2021**

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*Hearing Aid Loop is installed in both church centres, St Matthew's only middle 2 sections turn your hearing aid to the T switch*

**Masses:**

Saturday Vigil	St Matthew'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 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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**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

**This Week:**

Exk 2:2-5  
2 Cor 12:7-10  
Mk 6:1-6

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

Your merciful love, O God, we have received in the midst of your temple. Your praise, O God, like your name, reaches the ends of the earth: your right hand is filled with saving justice.

**Responsorial Psalm**

**R. Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy.**

**W.** To you have I lifted up my eyes, you who dwell in the heavens: my eyes, like the eyes of slaves on the hand of their lords. **R.**

**M.** Like the eyes of a servant on the hand of her mistress, so our eyes are on the Lord our God till he show us mercy. **R.**

**W.** Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy. We are filled with contempt. Indeed all too full is our soul with the scorn of the rich, with the proud man's disdain. **R.**

**Gospel Acclamation:**

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me: he sent me to bring Good News to the poor. Alleluia!

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

Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed the man who seeks refuge in him.

**Commissioning of Ministers of Holy Communion:**

As you take the Blessed Sacrament to our sisters and brothers who are housebound, may your very presence be an assurance to them that Jesus cares for them.



**Next Week:** Amos 7:12-15 Eph 1:3-14 Mk 6:7-13

## 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, Ian Brown, Mary Bryan, George Bulbrook, Vince Burns, Di Carter, Mary Cleary, John Clerk, Mary Coman, Jeanette Demetriou, June Donnelly, Frances Dyball, Joachim Exell, Ivka Ferinas, Grace Fluitsma, Amy Fogarty, Mick Hay, Wilf Hedley, Christine Hermely, Lorraine Higgins, Max Holmes, Paul Idilton, Graham Jackson, Berty Jacob, Cath Jane Keen, Michael Mathias, Jill McDonald, Tanya Mihajlovic, Monica Molloy, Peter Naughton, Cedric Netto, Me con Nguyen Thi No, Noel Noonan, Rita Notte, Louise Powell, Kathleen Preece, Dana Riminic, Peter Robbins, Daphne Robinson, Paul Shanahan, John Shiels, Peter Stewart, Nicole Tavares, Richard Toombs, Lina Varmiento, Max Walsh, Jenny Webster, Angela Williams, Berenice Wright and Robert Wrightson. All the sick and suffering.

### We pray for the deceased:

Recently: Ann Hagan, Fr Brian Maher, Harriet Duffin, David Spence, Sr Mary Maher (SMSM).

Anniversaries: Tim Durick, Joseph Dang, Celia Cooper, Ron Baker, Karl Yarrington, Matthew Maher, Joseph Balthazar.

**Updated Archdiocesan Protocols** (effective from Monday 28 June 2021) can be found on the noticeboards in church foyers and on our website [cg.org.au/belconnensouth](http://cg.org.au/belconnensouth).

### Sacrament of First Reconciliation 2021 - Parent Meeting

If you wish your child (currently in year 3) to receive the Sacrament of First Reconciliation this year, please attend the parent meeting to be held at **6pm on Wednesday 14 July 2021** at St Matthew's Church, Page. Please go to <http://cg.org.au/belconnensouth> for further information.

## Parish News

**Please remember that face masks must be worn inside our churches and parish buildings. Thank you!**

### St Thomas the Apostle Feast - 3 July

St. Thomas, also known as the twin, or, in Greek, Didymus, did not at first believe that Jesus had risen from the dead. But on seeing Christ for himself he responded with those simple but most meaningful words, "My Lord and My God."

Early tradition venerates him as the Apostle of India and it is thought possible that he may well have travelled there. The Christians of Kerala have called themselves St. Thomas Christians for centuries. (*Liturgy Committee*).

The **Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander** Mass to be celebrated at 12.30pm on Sunday 4 July at St Vincent's Church has been **POSTPONED**. This is due to the increased risk COVID-19 has presented in the last fortnight.

### Parish Workshop: 'Being on Earth the Heart of God'

As part of the Parish Pastoral Council's initiative to engage in opportunities for adult faith formation, Cheryl Hamill, AP Mission at Daramalan College will conduct a session on the **MSC (Missionaries of the Sacred Heart) charism, Heart Spirituality**. This session will include an introduction to Heart Spirituality, as well as the opportunity to reflect, discuss and pray.

This session will be held in the **Orana Centre, Aranda**. It will be offered twice. The first time on **Thursday 22 July at 7pm** and again on **Saturday 24 July at 2.30pm** with both sessions running for around one and half hours. Tea and coffee will be provided and those attending may wish to bring a plate of food to share.

If you would like to attend, please RSVP to the Parish Office [BelconnenSouth@cg.org.au](mailto:BelconnenSouth@cg.org.au).

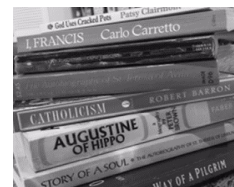
### CHANGE OF DATE "Archdiocesan Women's Taskforce Dinner"

Due to COVID considerations the Mary Magdalene dinner will now be held **on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> September**, still 6.30pm at the Southern Cross Club, Woden. Your ticket remains valid for Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> September. If you require a refund, no problem, contact [elisabeth\\_doherty@hotmail.com](mailto:elisabeth_doherty@hotmail.com) or ring 0432 608 310. Limited tickets still available. Three course meal \$65. Bookings essential at <http://bit.ly/MaryMagdaleneDinner>

## Library News

The following items are now available for loan at St Matthew's.

- Pope Francis: **Let us dream: the path to a better future** [Social Justice]
- Rohr, Richard: **Every thing is sacred: 40 practices and reflections on The universal Christ** [Spirituality]
- Rolheiser, Ronald: **Forgotten among the lillies: learning to love beyond our fears** [Spirituality]
- Palmer, Alan: **Discovering psalms 1-72** and **Discovering psalms 73-150** [Scripture]



Our libraries are located in the vestibule of each church and are 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.**

Parish Finance Council is going ahead with the **upgrade to renewable solar power** by installing additional solar panels on the Presbytery roof. As well as progressing us towards net zero emissions as part of parish Caring for Creation initiatives, the Finance Council sees the upgrade would benefit the Parish financial situation going forward. The upgrade is being funded by pledges from members of the parish *Laudato Si Circle*. Other parishioner donations to this project are welcome (offers and information request to the Parish Office [BelconnenSouth@cg.org.au](mailto:BelconnenSouth@cg.org.au)).

Later this year the Catholic Church in Australia is holding Plenary Council sessions to consider many aspects of the Church. John Warhurst, from this Archdiocese, is part of the Plenary Council representatives. He will talk about the PC and answer questions after the 10 am Mass at St Vincent's on **Sunday July 18**. It is recommended that you read the 16 questions the PC asks (available in the pdf at <https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/Plenary-Council-Agenda.pdf>). Other information is available at PC section of [concernedcatholicscanberra.org](http://concernedcatholicscanberra.org). Please bring your keepcup.

**Identity Retreat** - Hosted by Youth Ministers:  
Grace Braybon & Maddie Greenwood

Upper primary school children (years 4, 5 & 6) are invited to come along for loads of fun, games, eating yummy food, meeting new friends and learning about identity and Jesus. Bring along your friends!

**Sunday 25 July 10am - 1.30pm at the Orana Centre, Aranda.**

Planned giving **tax receipts** for 2020/2021 year will be emailed to parishioners next week. If the parish office does not have your email address, or you do not have email, receipts will be available in St Vincent's Church foyer from the weekend 10/11 July.

## Canberra Catholic Schools Building Fund (CCSBF)

The parishes of Canberra have been long term supporters of the CCSBF since its inception.

The donations received by the CCSBF totalled \$4.7 million in 2020, of which the parishes contributed \$128,119.

The Catholic Education Commission has approved parishes ceasing their donations as from **1 July 2021**. This decision was also approved by the Archdiocesan Finance Council and the Trustees at their meetings earlier in the year.

This will mean that the small tax deduction that Planned Givers in the South Belconnen Parish currently receive will also **cease**.

**Evenings for the Engaged - 9am 10 July** Evenings for the Engaged is a marriage preparation course for couples marrying in the Catholic Church. It's an incredible investment in the rest of your married life! Covering topics and skills from communication to the Sacrament of Marriage, the program is run over two consecutive Saturdays. For details email [prugordon@gmail.com](mailto:prugordon@gmail.com) or call 0451670041.

## 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.

- Adeline Reed, daughter of Dougal & Meghann
- Noah Barbalet, son of Felix & Susan

*(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 you child here to (St Matthew's or St Vincent's) today?

**Parents:** To be baptised.

**Celebrant:** Dear parents, you have formally asked to have your child baptised.

In doing so you are accepting the responsibility of training your children in the practice of the faith. 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 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 and will you pray for them?

**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 and godparents 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)*

### Fan the Flame

**What is the wisdom that has been granted him,  
and these miracles that are worked through him?'**

*Mark 6:1-6*



Catholic Education at all levels plays a key role in enabling an encounter of worldviews and perspectives in the shared quest for truth, wisdom and the common good. *(Congregation for Catholic Education, Educating to Intercultural Dialogue in Catholic Schools: Living in Harmony for a Civilisation of Love (2013)).*

[www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/fanthefflame/](http://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/fanthefflame/)

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

4 July				11 July		
	Page 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am	Page 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am
<b>Readers</b>	Bernie Leger Colleen Meadley	John Duck Jen Muscat	Michael Allam Beth Berdin	Jenny Murphy Michael White	Janet Moyle Christina Rowe	Adora Calub Ann Cleary
<b>Senior Servers</b>	Paul Scholtens	Vince Burns	Robyn Grubmueller	Damien Sloane	John Woods	John Malycha
<b>EMHC</b>		Carolyn Burns	Jane Burroughs			
<b>A&amp;L</b>	<b>P</b> - Christina Rowe <b>A</b> - Judy Spence, Robin Taylor			<b>P</b> - Judy Williamson <b>A</b> - Maddalena Cobanov, Katy Frino		