



**Parish of St Matthew
& St Vincent de Paul**
South Belconnen

**15th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year B
11 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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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:

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

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

As for me, in justice I shall behold your face; I shall be filled with the vision of your glory.

Responsorial Psalm

R. Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

W. I will hear what the Lord God has to say,
a voice that speaks of peace,
peace for his people.
His help is near for those who fear him
and his glory will dwell in our land.**R.**

M. Mercy and faithfulness have met;
justice and peace have embraced.
Faithfulness shall spring from the earth
and justice look down from heaven.**R.**

W. The Lord will make us prosper
and our earth shall yield its fruit.
Justice shall march before him
and peace shall follow his steps. **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)*

The sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for her young; by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they who dwell in your house, for ever singing your praise.

Commissioning of Ministers of Holy Communion:

Lord, as our ministers of the Eucharist bring your body to those who cannot be with us, may they bring with them the love and prayers of this community.



Next Week: Jer 23:1-6 Eph 2:13-18 Mk 6:30-34

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.

Anniversaries: Stephen Garrett, Tim Durick, Joseph Dang, Celia Cooper, Ron Baker, Karl Yarrington.

The next **Ladies' Dinner** will be held on **Thursday 29 July**, at the Canberra Southern Cross Club, Jamison, at 6pm. Please send your acceptances by Monday 26 July to the Parish Office: belconnensouth@cg.org.au or to Jenny on 0437 034 148. See you there!

Parish News

St Benedict 11 July

There are at least nine Catholic Saints with the name of Benedict (and of course 16 Popes have so far taken that name). This article is about St BENEDICT - ABBOTT, born 480 in Norcia/Nursia Italy and died about 537. In this year of 2021, the 11th of July being a Sunday, the rites of the Fifteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time take precedence over his Mass for the Masses of the day.

Benedict had a comfortable family life, and went to Rome for education, but departed to the nearby hills near Subiaco (near ruins of Nero's Palace) and lived as a hermit. His devotional life attracted followers whom he organised into 12 Monasteries each of 12 monks. His communities, were less austere and punitive than others of those times, but tightly structured for personal Prayer, community liturgy and devotion, work and meal times. He improved on this when in about 530 he established the prestigious centre of Abbey Monte Cassino where the BENEDICTINE RULE of 73 Articles for the Benedictine Order was perfected and became a model for others within the Church. He died and is buried there. Those buildings were destroyed or severely damaged and rebuilt at least 6 times, most recently by Allied aerial bombing in World War 2. The Benedictines also included orders of nuns, had changes from the Clunian Reform Rule (910) and the founding of the Cistercian Order from 1098. Many of the well known religious orders originated within a few decades of each other well over 600 years later. (*Liturgy Committee*).

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 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.

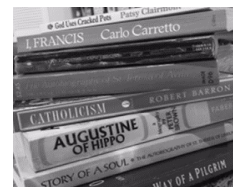
This session will be held in the **Orana Centre, Aranda**. It will be offered twice. The first time on **Thursday 22 July at 7pm** and again on **Saturday 24 July at 2.30pm** with both sessions running for around one and half hours. Tea and coffee will be provided and those attending may wish to bring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

If you would like to attend, please RSVP to the Parish Office BelconnenSouth@cg.org.au.

Library News

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

- Wright, Tom: **John for everyone Parts 1 and 2** [Scripture]
- O'Connor, Kathleen M: **Lamentations and the tears of the world** [Scripture]
- Robinson, Bishop Geoffrey: **Confronting power and sex in the Catholic Church: reclaiming the Spirit of Jesus** [Church and Catholic Faith]
- Aschenbrenner, George: **Stretched for greater glory: what to expect from the Spiritual Exercises** [Spirituality]



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).

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. Please bring your keepcup.

Parish Financial Report for June 2021

	Actual 6 mth to 30/06/2021 \$	Planned 6 mth to 30/06/2021 \$	Variance against Plan \$	
Direct Giving	85,966	91,000	-5034	under budget
(Planned Giving and 2nd collection for administration of the Parish)				

Parish Income & Expenditure Statement

Income *	98,858	102,900	-4,042	under budget
Expenditure	92,709	98,096	5,387	under budget
Surplus/(Deficit)	6,149	4,804	1,345	

* Income = Direct Giving and other income

Your ongoing financial support of the Parish and Clergy is required and greatly appreciated despite 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.

Planned giving **tax receipts** for 2020/2021 year have been emailed to parishioners this week. Receipts that could not be emailed are available in St Vincent's Church foyer this weekend. (Receipts will be available in St Matthew's Church foyer on weekend 17/18 July).

CHANGE OF DATE "Archdiocesan Women's Taskforce Dinner"

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

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.

A **Bake for Babies** cake stall will be held in the main foyer of Calvary Public Hospital Bruce on Thursday 22 July 9am-3pm. A large variety of baked goods, aprons, tea towels and jewellery will be available. Funds raised will be used for the Newborn Intensive Care Foundation to provide vital equipment for the Special Care Nursery at Calvary Hospital. This stall is being held with the support of Calvary Public Hospital, its staff and members of the Calvary Auxiliary. Enquiries: Mary 6254 4084.

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 for their contribution to CCSBF will also **cease**.

Fan the Flame

‘So they set off to preach repentance’

Mark 6:7-13



Australian Catholics are deeply aware of their own limitations and failings in witnessing to the kingdom of Christ in the world... In many ways, the Church itself is deeply wounded and in need of the healing love of its Lord. (*Instrumentum Laboris #64*)

www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/fantheblade/

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

11 July			
	Page 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am
Readers	Jenny Murphy Michael White	Janet Moyle Christina Rowe	Adora Calub Ann Cleary
Senior Servers	Damien Sloane	John Woods	John Malycha
EMHC			
A&L	P - Judy Williamson A - Maddalena Cobanov, Katy Frino		

18 July		
Page 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am
Mary Williams Lea Bewick	Helen Casey Victoria Gonzales	Elizabeth Hannan Lisa Harris
Bernie Leger	Damien Power	Robyn Grubmueller
	Cathy Power	Annette Charge
P - Jan Cashman A - Korean Community Ladies		