



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

**Word Day for Grandparents & the Elderly  
Year B  
25 July 2021**

*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:

2Kg 4:42-44  
Eph 4:1-6  
Jn 6:1-15

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

God is in his holy place, God who unites those who dwell in his house; he himself gives might and strength to his people.

## Responsorial Psalm

**R. The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.**

**W.** All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord, and your friends shall repeat their blessing. They shall speak of the glory of your reign and declare your might, O God. **R.**

**M.** The eyes of all creatures look to you and you give them their food in due time.

You open wide your hand, grant the desires of all who live. **R.**

**W.** The Lord is just in all his ways and loving in all his deeds. He is close to all who call him, who call on him from their hearts. **R.**

## 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:

Grace Braybon (grace.braybon@cg.org.au)  
Maddie Greenwood (maddie.greenwood@cg.org.au)

## St Matthew's Church

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## Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people. Alleluia!

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

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and never forget all his benefits.

## Commissioning of Ministers of Holy Communion:

The Lord uses us to bless others; we remember those who are sick in our community as our ministers take this holy sacrament of the Eucharist to them.



**I AM WITH YOU ALWAYS**  
www.catholic.org.au/grandparents  
#IAMWITHYOUALWAYS

WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

**Next Week:** Ex 16:2-4 12-15 Eph 4:17, 20-24 Jn 6:24-35

## 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, Elizabeth Davis, Jeanette Demetriou, Peter Donnan, 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, Cedric Metto, 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, Mariette William, Angela Williams, Berenice Wright and Robert Wrightson. All the sick and suffering.

### We pray for the deceased:

*Recently:* Robert Logue, Jack Laracy, John Nguyen, Corine de Vries, Pauline Larkey, Ann Hagan, Fr Brian Maher.

*Anniversaries:* Maria Dang, Joseph Falk, Stephen Garrett, Tim Durick.

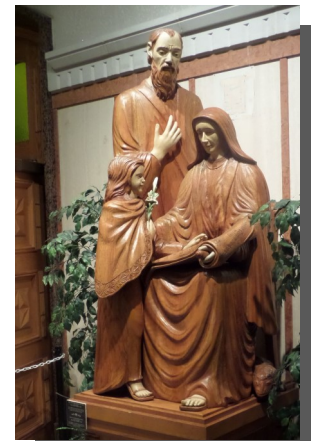
## Parish News

This fourth Sunday of July is the first celebration of a **Catholic Annual World Day of Prayer for Grandparents and the Elderly**. Monday is the Feast Day of St Joachim and Anne, grandparents of Jesus (parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary). This is the first fruits of the Amoris Laetitia Family Year to raise the priority of the Pastoral Care of the elderly.

Catholics are urged to contact their grandparents on this day and to develop routines in these times of Covid health difficulties for ongoing contacts.

Here is an article on the Daily Voice about WDP for Grandparents and the Elderly

<https://www.catholicvoice.org.au/australian-catholics-urge-to-celebrate-grandparents-older-people/>



Statue of Joachim, Anne and Mary located at Cathedral of St. Anne-de-Beaupre - Canada

### For readers, servers, acolytes and EMHCs

Andrea Dean has accepted an invitation from the Liturgy Committee to give an inservice session to acolytes, servers, EMHC and readers on **Thursday 12 August at 7.30pm in St Matthew's Church**. This session will cover the theology and spirituality of participating in these ministries and will take about an hour.

For those who don't know Andrea she is a popular facilitator with Catholic organisations, with Catholic leaders and with specialist groups. Andrea has lectured in programs offered through the Australian Catholic University and the University of Canberra and was a member of the Archdiocesan Liturgical Commission. She has more than 25 years' experience in promoting growth through education, facilitation and retreat work.

All existing ministers and readers are expected to attend this session - it is part of our commitment to these ministries that we undertake some formation regularly.

You can help rescue a child from homelessness and help end the pain of poverty by donating to the **Vinnies Winter Appeal**. Envelopes have been put in the foyer of both churches and donations can be left at the collection point at the back of the church. Alternatively you can give by calling 13 18 12 or by visiting [vinnies.org.au](http://vinnies.org.au); Thank you

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](mailto:belconnensouth@cg.org.au) or to Jenny on 0437 034 148. See you there!

If there is someone who plans to attend the Ladies' Dinner next Thursday and **who could pick up and take home a parishioner from Bruce**, please contact Jenny on 0437 034 148.

**Men's Group – Thursday 29 July 21** - The next get together will be at 6:15 PM on Thursday 29 Jul at the Parish Centre, Aranda. All are welcome to attend.

Please RSVP to [paul.pearson@bigpond.com](mailto:paul.pearson@bigpond.com) (0412 685 582) by COB Tuesday 27 July.

New **Planned Giving boxes of envelopes from 1 August 2021** (please do not use before 1/8/21) are available in St Vincent's Church this weekend. Please also check for 2020/21 Planned Giving receipt.

Here is the **Pastoral Revenue Statement (Presbytery account) for South Belconnen Parish (Fr Simon) for January 2021 to June 2021.**

At the end of June and December each year, after taking into account expenses, the account is swept to zero. The swept funds are placed in the Clergy Remuneration Fund and then used to support the Archbishop, Vicar General, retired priests in the Archdiocese, priests in parishes that do not receive sufficient income to support their stipend and living expenses, overseas priests, Long Service Leave and Sabbatical Leave.

Income	Jan – Jun \$
Offertory Collections (cash on plate, direct debit, EFT, credit card, Qkr!), dues, stole fees	35,483.63
Other income	0.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>35,483.63</b>
Expenditure	Jan – Jun \$
Presbytery Expenses	5,378.70
Gross Stipends	9,499.98
Supply Stipends	0.00
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>14,878.68</b>
<b>Net income &amp; Expenditure</b>	<b>20,604.95</b>
Amounts debited from the presbytery account	Jan – Jun \$
Clergy Retirement Foundation (5% total income)	1,774.18
Archdiocesan Sustentation Fund (20% total income)	7,096.73
Archdiocesan Clergy Remuneration Fund (Long Service Leave)*	250.00
Archdiocesan Ecclesiastical Education Fund (Sabbatical Leave)*	250.00
Archdiocesan Clergy Remuneration Fund (Donation)	11,234.04
<b>Total to be debited from the presbytery account</b>	<b>20,604.95</b>
*These contributions are ongoing even if no leave was taken	

**Identity Retreat - Sunday 25 July 10am - 1.30pm at the Orana Centre, Aranda HAS BEEN POSTPONED.**  
Stay tuned for a new date!

### 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.**

**The Parish Finance Council** assists Fr Simon in ensuring that the Parish's sites are safe for parishioners, volunteers, employees and visitors. Each six months a Finance Council member reviews the sites against an Archdiocesan Health and Safety Checklist and each June a report is submitted to the Archdiocesan Office. The Parish has a high health and safety standard, and all parishioners can help maintain this by notifying the Parish Office of any health and safety concerns they identify.

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)).

John Warhurst, a delegate from the Archdiocese, spoke recently about the **Plenary Council**. He also writes about it in [eurekastreet.com.au](http://eurekastreet.com.au) [search for Warhurst] and his talk in the Orana Centre can be found at [https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3P61j0\\_7CxcOoDdHtAozlpyH1cNImEHXsiMLKVfaLunANWYszj8\\_Y0T8irWtcuVWV.v4QB-jp9de946iFX](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3P61j0_7CxcOoDdHtAozlpyH1cNImEHXsiMLKVfaLunANWYszj8_Y0T8irWtcuVWV.v4QB-jp9de946iFX) Passcode: ^DN7.x\$h

### Fan the Flame - Towards Plenary Assembly One October 2021

**'Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and gave them out to all who were sitting ready'**

John 6:1-15

Grace moves God's people to ask questions grounded in the call we received at Baptism: how do we better nourish, accompany, give witness, support, invite, welcome, engage and be present to others, such that we all grow in holiness?

(*Prayerful and Eucharistic - Discernment Paper p.6*)

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



**New Life in God's Spirit seminar** - a time for you to encounter Jesus more deeply! Each Wednesday evening from 28 July to 15 September 2021, from 7pm til 9pm at St Peter Chancels Catholic Church, Weston Street, Yarralumla. Free! For more information, call Neda 0415 266 019; Sue 0409 443 268; or Gabriel 0422 285 491.

**Inaugural Tim Fischer Oration on Ethics in Public & Political Life** - 6.30pm - 8.30pm 26 August 2021 at Great Hall, Parliament House, Canberra.

**Speaker:** John Anderson AO

**Tickets:** \$30. To purchase tickets go to [www.tfo.org.au](http://www.tfo.org.au)

Parishioners are invited to attend or you can sponsor a Catholic College student to attend (visit: [www.tfo.org.au](http://www.tfo.org.au) to sponsor).

Further information: [Jeanie.alberto@cg.org.au](mailto:Jeanie.alberto@cg.org.au).



Catholic Archdiocese of Canberra and Goulburn

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

25 July				1 August		
	Page 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am	Page 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am
<b>Readers</b>	Peter Davies Cheryl Hamill	John Duck Mary Morris	Gerard Hogan Kate Hourigan	Lorraine Higgins Bernie Leger	Janet Moyle Jen Muscat	Belen Lamond Tom Liddiard
<b>Senior Servers</b>	Jenny Murphy	John Woods	John Malycha	Paul Scholtens	Damien Power	Robyn Grubmueller
<b>EMHC</b>	Lynne Foster	Jan Woods	Mina Chiu		Jo Duck	Helen Digan
<b>A&amp;L</b>	<b>P</b> - Yvonne McAdoo <b>A</b> - Christina Ross			<b>P</b> - Ann Tierney <b>A</b> - Amanda Kabaila, Rachelle Stannard		