



Parish of St Matthew & St Vincent de Paul South Belconnen

Second Sunday of Lent
13th March, 2022

Masses:

Saturday Vigil	St Vincent's	6.00pm
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
Friday	St Matthew's	9.30am
Saturday	St Matthew's	12.00pm

Mass will not be available on Zoom during 2022

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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Thursdays	St Vincent's after 9.30am Mass
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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's Readings

Genesis 15:5-12,
Philippians 3:17-4:,
Luke 9:28-36

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

Of you my heart has spoken, Seek his face.

It is your face, O Lord, that I seek;
Hide not your face from me.

Responsorial Psalm

R. The Lord is my light and my salvation.

W. The Lord is my light and my help;
whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the stronghold of my life;
before whom shall I shrink? **R.**

M. O Lord, hear my voice when I call;
have mercy and answer.

Of you my heart has spoken:
'Seek his face'. **R.**

W. It is your face, O Lord, that I seek;
hide not your face.
Dismiss not your servant in anger;
you have been my help. **R.**

M. I am sure I will see the Lord's
goodness
in the land of the living.
Hope in him, hold firm and take
heart.
Hope in the Lord! **R.**

Gospel Acclamation:

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard:

This is my beloved son, hear him.

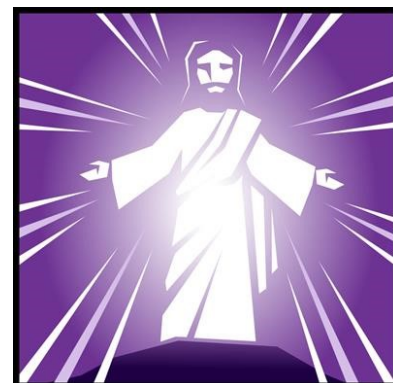
Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

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

This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased;
listen to him.

Commissioning of Ministers of Holy Communion:

Lord, as our ministers bring your sacred presence to those who cannot be with us, may they feel your light and your hope, and be assured of our love and compassion for them in their time of need.



Next Week's Readings: Exodus 3:1-8.13-15, 1 Corinthians 10:1-6.10-12, Luke 13:1-9

Liturgy Line

At this time of year, Lent is our main focus. We join in the Liturgy, Christ's prayer for the Church and world, through walking the path of Lent. Were we in Ordinary Time we could consider weekday liturgies from among the Masses of "various needs" or Votive Masses. Those of you who use a *Daily Mass Book* can find these from pp. 142-69. For example the *Mass of Progress of Peoples* prays that "each human person may be brought to perfection, every division may be removed, and equity and justice may be established in human society." The prayer *In Time of Floods* prays for "hope to our troubled hearts and new life to the damaged land". Whilst we do not use these texts for Masses in Lent, the sentiments behind them are carried with us as we gather during the Penitential Act of the Mass and are offered as intentions, with our lives and the bread and wine, at the altar of God. They are part of the cross that we take up in our walk on the way of Christ towards Holy Week and Easter.



The *Legion of Mary* meets every Saturday morning at 10.15am in Orana Hall for prayer, including the rosary, spiritual readings and discussion, and to undertake a spiritual work of mercy. This active work includes taking a Pilgrim statue to homes in the parish and visiting those are sick, housebound or in aged care. New members and visitors are always welcome!

Please call Richard for any enquiries 0490 233 999

Lenten Group

When: 7pm Tuesday evenings,

Where: Orana Centre, ARANDA

RSVP: To the office by midday each Tuesday so we are aware if there is a group to run!

Lenten booklets "Remember", are available for \$7, and used to facilitate discussions.

You may choose to use the booklet for your personal daily reflections, or join the group.



A Prayer for Peace

How do we pray for peace from half a world away?
How can words salve and soothe real wounds,
Assuage real fears, Wipe tears from real eyes?
God of endless compassion, transform our prayers
From words into bridges, that span the distances
Between us, uniting our hearts in yours.
Every time we turn our keys in a lock,
May we remember all who are losing their homes.
Every time we step into our cars,
May we remember all who are having to flee.
Every time we embrace our children,
May we remember all who are trying to shield theirs from war.
May our besieged sisters and brothers
Be drawn into the arms of the suffering Christ,
And may our cry be heard as one voice,
Ringing out from every corner of the earth:
God of endless mercy, grant us peace.
Amen.

- Cameron Bellm



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spirit & verse



ST MATTHEW'S PRIMARY
SCHOOL, PAGE

St. Matthew's School Page is celebrating its 50th anniversary during 2022.

An Anniversary Mass will be held at 10.00am on Sunday March 27th at St Matthew's Church.

The Mass will be held in compliance with COVID regulations. If you would like to attend please call the school office on 62542653

It's been ages since we've talked, how have you been?

If these words have been going through your thoughts fear not. The Parish Pastoral Council is hosting an opportunity to get together and reconnect. These will be simple cuppa and a plate events after all Masses on the weekend of 2nd and 3rd April.

Bring a plate, stay behind and let us reconnect as a community as we move out of the restrictions that have forced us apart.





Biru 30, lives in a rural village in Jharkand State in India's east. He lost mobility in one of his legs, after contracting polio as a child, which makes it difficult for him to walk. With your generous support, Biru was able to access an entrepreneurship and livelihoods development program, run by Caritas Australia's partner, Caritas India. He gained the skills, support encouragement he needed to establish his own bicycle repair business.

Now, Biru is able to provide a good life for his family – and an essential service to his community. He has discovered a sense of pride, confidence and hope which has inspired others living with a disability and paved the way **For All Future Generations**.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 and help people living with disabilities in India gain access to education and clean water, empowering them with skills to build a better future for all.



Caritas Australia 2022 Project Compassion Appeal is available in your Parish Qkr! App under ACG Special Appeals.
You can choose to provide your email address for receipt issuance.



Just a reminder that from the first weekend in April, the 6pm Vigil Mass will be held at **St. Matthew's church, PAGE**

The parish **finance report** has been printed.

If you would like a copy, it is available in the foyer of each church

Do you have technical skills in website development?

The Parish Pastoral Council is exploring ways to refresh the Parish's website and digital platforms and is looking for some additional people to join its dedicated working group. Do you have skills in website development? Or experience in systems integration? And are interested in helping? We'd love to hear from you (contact BelconnenSouth@cq.org.au).

Current COVID Practices

- ◆ Check in CBR is no longer required whilst in our churches.
- ◆ Density limits have been removed.
- ◆ Masks are no longer mandatory in our churches.
- ◆ Holy Communion may be received in the hand or on the tongue.
- ◆ Hand sanitiser is available in the foyer of each church.

menALIVE is a Christ-inspired group for men, founded in 2003 in Brisbane and has since spread throughout Australia.

The Belconnen branch is a small group that meet up once a week to discuss the Gospel, talk about our lives and just generally build a sense of community and support for men of all age groups and backgrounds. The idea of course is that we're notoriously reticent at communicating sometimes, and this forum provides a safe space to do so. All are welcome, we're a pretty laid back bunch, just joined in communion in our faith and brotherhood.

Our meeting is every 7pm Thursday evening for about an hour and we conduct it either face to face in St Monica's Parish Meeting Room, Evatt (18 Deffell Street, Evatt, ACT.) or Teleconference, depending on Covid guidelines.

We would love to have you join us – please contact Lawrence De Costa (lawrence.decosta@bigpond.com / 0419 629 274)



Loreto Canberra & Districts

Annual Reunion

will be held Saturday, 19 March 2022.

This year we will be holding a High Tea for past students of all Loreto schools who find themselves living in and around the Canberra region and would like to connect with other past Loreto students. We encourage you to come along with a Loreto friend or family member, so please extend this invitation to any alumni - all are welcome!

Mass: 11am at St Benedict's Church, Narrabundah

High Tea: 12pm at Buvette Bistro and Wine Bar, Barton ACT, 18 National Circuit, Barton The high tea includes a selection of French cakes and tarts, delicate savouries and traditional scones, with tea and coffee.

RSVP: THIS WEEK! to Sharlene and Riz loreto.canberra@gmail.com and please email through any dietary requirements

Tickets: \$50, please ensure payment is also submitted ASAP

Prayer Requests

We pray for the sick:

Will Blackwell, Ian Brown,
Dianne Carter,
Colin Colquhoun,
Monica Colquhoun,
Jeanette Demetriou,
John East, Mary East,
Grace Fluitsma,
Petronella Fluitsma,
Philipa Goodwin,
Rex Fraser-Grey, Wilf Hedley,
Lorraine Higgins, Frances
Jarvis, Wendy LeBlanc,
Carlos Leydon, Tom Liddiard,
Judith Mahony, Mary Malycha,
Susan Metcalfe,
Glenn Mowbray,
Paul Mowbray, Vanessa Peska,
Annette Quinn, Terry Stewart,
Max Walsh, Jennifer Webster,
Angela Williams.

All the sick and suffering.
Please let us know who
currently **needs** to be on the
list. Names will remain on the
list for one month, unless we
are advised the people we are
praying for are still unwell
enough to participate in
ordinary daily life.

We pray for the deceased:

Recently:

Carmel Daws,
Fr. Henry Byrne,
Peter Donnan, Nancy Biviao,
Judy Neal, Paul Duck,
Pat O'Shea, Therese Lalor,
Steve Najdecki, Francisca
Wanagiesu

Anniversaries:

Penny Durick, Tudor Thomas,
Ramon Narte, Angelita Narte,
Sean Reiher, Noel Falk,
Margaret Wilkinson, Doreen
Blake, Moya Lahiff.

Parish News

Holy Week Mass Times 2022

Palm Sunday: 9th/10th April

St. Matthew's 6pm Vigil

St. Matthew's 8:30am

St. Vincent's 10:00am

Holy Thursday: 14th April

St. Matthew's 7:30pm

Good Friday: 15th April

St. Vincent's Church 10:00am *Reconciliation*

St. Vincent's Church 11:00am *Stations of the Cross*

St. Matthew's-3:00pm *Commemoration of the Lord's
Passion*

Holy Saturday: 16th April Easter Vigil

St. Matthew's 7:30pm

Easter Sunday: 17th April

St. Matthew's 8:30am

St. Vincent's 10am

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

13th March

	Aranda 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am
Readers	Michael White	Helen Casey	Lisa Harris Gerard Hogan
Senior Servers	Bernie Leger	John Woods	Robyn Grubmueller
EMHC			

20th March

	Aranda 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am
Readers	Mary Williams	John Duck	Kate Hourigan Anne McCarthy
Senior Servers	David Ross	Damien Power	Paul Scholtens
EMHC		Jo Duck	Rachelle Stannard