



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

Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time  
4th September, 2022

## Parish Pastoral Team

Fr Simon Falk -Parish Priest  
Fr Thomas Jin -Assistant Parish Priest  
Fr. Hadeel Albabo -Priest in Residence  
Deacon Joe Blackwell

The Parish Pastoral Team can be contacted on the office number below.

**Parish Secretary**  
Aurora Lukass

**St Matthew's Church**  
12 Chewings Street, Page

**St Vincent de Paul Church**  
7 Bindel Street, Aranda

**Parish Office:**  
Orana Centre, ARANDA  
Tues, Wed, Thurs  
9.00am-3.30pm  
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## Masses:

Saturday	St Matthew's	6.00pm
Sunday	St Matthew's	8.30am
	St Vincent's	10.00am
Samoa (4th Sun)	St Matthew's	1.00pm
Korean	St Vincent's	3.00pm
Monday	Liturgy of the Word	
	St. Matthew's	7.00am
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	

## Prayer Meeting

Monday	St Vincent's	10:00am
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## Adoration & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesdays	St Vincent's	4.20pm
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## Cenacle of the Marian Movement of Priests

Thursdays	St Vincent's after	
	9.30am Mass	

## Legion of Mary

Saturdays Orana Centre, 10:15am

## 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

**Wisdom 9:13-18, Philemon 9-10, 12-17, Luke 14:25-33**

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

You are just, O Lord, and your judgement is right; treat your servant in accord with your merciful love.

## Responsorial Psalm

**R. In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.**

W. You turn men back into dust and say: 'Go back, sons of men.' To your eyes a thousand years are like yesterday, come and gone, no more than a watch in the night  
**R.**

M. You sweep men away like a dream like grass which springs up in the morning.

In the morning it springs up and flowers:

by evening it withers and fades. **R.**

W. Make us know the shortness of our life that we may gain wisdom of heart. Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever? Show pity to your servants. **R.**

M. In the morning, fill us with your love; we shall exult and rejoice all our days. Let the favour of the Lord be upon us: give success to the work of our hands. **R.**

## Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Let your face shine on your servant, and teach me your laws.

Alleluia!

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

How great is the goodness, Lord, that you keep for those who fear you.

## Commissioning of Ministers of Holy Communion:

Dear friends, as you visit sick and housebound people with the Blessed Sacrament, let them see the joy of the Lord in your face.



**Next Week's Readings: Ex 32:7-11, 13-14, 1 Tim 1:12-17, Luke 15:1-32**

## Liturgy Line

Saturday 3rd September, is the Feast Day of Saint Pope Gregory I, the Great (b 540 d 604). He was from a pious, noble Roman family which had included Pope Felix 3 (died 483 - nine years as Pope) and Saint Agapitus I (b 490 d 535, Pope for only 10 months - Feast Day 20 September), his mother and two aunts also honoured as saints. Gregory had the best education and became a very effective administrator as Prefect of Rome at age 30, then as a very rich man gave it up 5 years later to become a Monk. He preferred that contemplative life (he developed seven Monasteries and became abbot), but was also prominent in church service and was chosen by the Romans as Pope on **3 September 590**. He sent Saint Augustine of Canterbury, to Mission in England. He greatly revised church liturgy (relocating the Our Father Prayer in Mass to just before the breaking of the host) and administration. He died on 12 March 604, and was acclaimed Saint immediately after his death. That date was his original Feast Day (and still is in other Christian churches), but because it was always in Lent, was moved to later in the year, by Pope John XXIII-Liturgy Committee



### *A Prayer for Fathers*

*Heavenly Father,  
you entrusted your Son Jesus,  
the child of Mary,  
to the care of Joseph, an earthly father.  
Bless all fathers  
as they care for their families.  
Give them strength and wisdom,  
tenderness and patience;  
support them in the work they do,  
protecting those who look to them,  
as we look to you for love and salvation.  
We ask this through Jesus Christ our  
Lord.  
Amen.*

*- Author Unknown*

### **Invitation: Laudato Si' Reflection**



In June this year, the Parish Pastoral Council invited

parishioners and parish groups to make a contribution to our *Laudato Si'* Reflection.

Several individuals and parish groups thoughtfully responded to this invitation, and from these contributions, the *Laudato Si'* Circle has drafted a Reflection.

You are invited to come for a cuppa and discussion of the draft Reflection. We will also discuss next steps on our Parish's *Laudato Si'* Action Plan.

**Sunday 11th September, Orana Centre, from 11am.**

### **Movements for Fr. Thomas Jin**

As announced at Masses last weekend, the Vicar General has asked our Fr Thomas Jin to care for the people and the Masses of St Thomas Aquinas Parish for the next two to three months.

We all know that Fr Thomas will be a great gift to the people there. It has also been decided that Fr Thomas will return to his home diocese in Korea for 2023. Another Korean chaplain will come and be with us. I know many of us will miss Fr Thomas and will be keen to have an appropriate farewell for him prior to his departure from our parish. Such an event may need to happen after he has finished assisting at Charnwood parish.

Please keep Fr Thomas and the people of St Thomas Aquinas Charnwood in your prayers.

HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC PARISH

Caring for  
**creation**  
**CONFERENCE**

LISTEN, ENGAGE, TRANSFORM  
YOUR PARISH, SCHOOL AND HEART

DEVELOP YOUR  
LAUDATO SI ACTION PLAN

**Venue:**

St John Paul II College  
1021 Gungahlin Dr Nicholls

**Date and Time:**

Saturday 17 September 2022  
10am - 5pm



Listen to the  
**Voice of creation**  
SEASON OF CREATION 2022

“I have heard their cry...  
I know their sufferings.  
Come, now! I will send you...  
I will be with you.” (Ex 3:1-12).

The symbol for this year’s Season of Creation is the burning bush. The theme is **Listen to the Voice of Creation**. The season begins on September 1 with the **World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation** and concludes on October 4 with the feast of St Francis of Assisi. In a recent letter Pope Francis wrote: “It is a special time for all Christians to pray and work together to care for our common home. Originally inspired by the Ecumenical Patriarchate of Constantinople, this Season is an opportunity to cultivate our ‘ecological conversion’, a conversion encouraged by Saint John Paul II as a response to the ‘ecological catastrophe’ predicted by Saint Paul VI back in 1970.

If we learn how to listen, we can hear in the voice of creation a kind of dissonance. On the one hand, we can hear a sweet song in praise of our beloved Creator; on the other, an anguished plea, lamenting our mistreatment of this our common home.”

Over the next few weeks we will be highlighting some of the important points of this letter, the full text of which can be found at:

<https://seasonofcreation.org/2022/07/21/message-of-his-holiness-pope-francis-for-the-celebration-of-the-world-day-of-prayer-for-the-care-of-creation/>

**Draft Guidelines for the Parish Pastoral Council-For Comment**

The PPC has developed a set of Guidelines to provide clarity to the Parish and PPC members about its responsibilities and operations. The Guidelines were first discussed at the open PPC meeting earlier this year. The current draft of the Guidelines has been emailed out with this weeks bulletin, is available on the website, and there are printed copies available in the foyer of both churches. Any comments on the Guidelines should be submitted in writing to the Parish Office or raised with a member of the PPC by **28th September** so that they can be finalised at the October PPC meeting.

**Try Ignatian Spirituality?**

*Ignatian Spirituality seeks to find God in all things. You might like its peaceful approach to prayer, contemplation, and discernment.*

*A lay Ignatian Spirituality group meets fortnightly on Monday evenings (7.30pm-9pm) at St. Vincent de Paul’s Church in Aranda. A daytime group has begun meeting there fortnightly on Wednesdays (11am-12.30pm).*

*Try a meeting to see if Ignatian Spirituality is for you. To express interest, email [tryignatian@gmail.com](mailto:tryignatian@gmail.com) with your name, phone number, and whether you need help with transportation. We’ll get back to you as soon as possible. More information on Ignatian Spirituality is available at:*

<https://www.clcaustralia.org.au/>



We stand before You, Holy Spirit,  
as we gather together in Your name.  
With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home  
In our hearts;

Teach us the way we must go  
and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder.  
Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor  
partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey  
together to eternal life and not stray from the way of  
truth and what is right. All this we ask of You, who are  
at work in every place and time, in the communion of  
the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.

**Social Justice Statement 2022-2023**

**Respect: Confronting Violence and Abuse**

In their Social Justice Statement for 2022-2023, Respect: Confronting Violence and Abuse, the Australian Bishops add their voice to global campaigns to confront and call out destructive attitudes and behaviours that lead to life-limiting and long-lasting impacts on many vulnerable members of our families, churches, and society. More resources at

<https://socialjustice.catholic.org.au/2022/08/02/sjs2022-23/>

## Prayer Requests

### We pray for the sick:

Will Blackwell,  
Ian Brown,  
Angela Collier,  
Gemma Collier,  
Leon Darmody,  
Geoff Delaney,  
Joachim Exell,  
Jo Van der Geest  
Rex Fraser Grey,  
Max Holmes,  
Wilf Hedley,  
Lorraine Higgins,  
Ailsa Jones,  
Wendy LeBlanc,  
Bob Longland,  
Gerald Lynch,  
Judith Mahony,  
Glenn Mowbray,  
Pamela Myatt,  
Vanessa Peska,  
Fr. Luke Verrell,  
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:

Marie Hargraves,  
Marie Pocock,  
Diane O'Dwyer,  
Jefferson Gaunt,  
Terezinha Soares Felipe,  
Carlos Cote,  
Kathy Ribiero,  
John Malone,  
Stefano D'Arsie,

#### Anniversaries:

Geraldine Anne Pratt,  
Michael Craft,  
Vida Kabaila,  
Kevin Moyle,  
Antonio De Ambrosio,  
Sr. Margaret Atkins rsj.  
Palma D' Ambrosio  
Adam Groves.



Archbishop Christopher Prowse seeks Expressions of Interest for appointment to the Catholic Education Commission of the Archdiocese from members of the Archdiocesan Communities whether parishes or schools across the Archdiocese.

Any enquiries and Expressions of Interest should be directed to the Chair of the Commission, Dr Patrick McArdle, [patrick.mcardle@cg.org.au](mailto:patrick.mcardle@cg.org.au). The Expression of Interest should include a brief statement outlining the applicant's interest and relevant experience together with a *curriculum vitae*. **Closing Date for Expressions of Interest**



### Ozanam Sunday appeal for Vinnies

The Aranda Conference of the St Vincent de Paul Society is seeking the support of parishioners to help in providing funds to our sister organisations in South East Asia and India.

The Aranda Conference specifically supports works in India in Kerala including regular contributions to its works and also special projects which has included funding the purchase of bicycles to transport goods to market for farmers and the purchase of livestock to develop small farm enterprises. A leaving collection will be conducted after Mass on the weekend of 16 and 17 September 2022 and we would welcome your financial assistance to this appeal.

### Father's Day Appeal – Collection for our retired priests

There are 26 priests in our Archdiocese. We should remember our retired priests as we celebrate the [theme for the Second World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly](#) "In old age they will still bear fruit" (Psalm 92:15).

Please join us in generous giving. You can make a gift today:

By envelopes in the foyer.

By giving at: [www.cgatholic.org.au/donate](http://www.cgatholic.org.au/donate) or by calling: (02) 6239 9801

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

#### 4th September, 2022

	Page 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am
<b>Readers</b>	Bernadette Leger Michael White	Paul Coghlan Irena Dennis	Gerard Hogan Kate Hourigan
<b>Senior Servers</b>	Cheryl Hamill	John Woods	Paul Scholtens
<b>EMHC</b>		Jan Woods	Rachelle Stannard
<b>Linen /Altar</b>		Anne Tierney	Ladies of Korean Community

#### 11th September, 2022

	Page 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am
<b>Readers</b>	Geraldine Lillingston Jenny Murphy	John Duck Yvonne McAdoo	Anne McCarthy Paul Scholtens
<b>Senior Servers</b>	Bernie Leger	Vince Burns	Robyn Grubmueller
<b>EMHC</b>			
<b>Linen/Altar</b>		Mary Morris	Christine Ross

**Vision for our Parish: Walking together in faith to share God's love with all**