



Parish of St Matthew & St Vincent de Paul South Belconnen

3rd Sunday of Easter
1st May, 2022

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

Acts 5:27-32, 40-41

Apocalypse 5:11-14,

John 21:1-19

Masses:

Saturday	St Matthew'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
Monday	St. Matthew's	9.30am
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 Vincent's	5.00pm - 5.30pm	

Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion:

Monday	St Matthew's	9.30am
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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	

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

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

Cry out with joy, to God, all the earth;
O sing to the glory of his name.
O render him glorious praise, alleluia.

Responsorial Psalm

**I will praise you Lord,
for you have rescued me.**

W. I have praised you, Lord, you have rescued me
and have not let my enemies rejoice over me.

O Lord, you have raised my soul from the dead,

Restored me to life from those who sink into the grave. **R.**

M. Sing psalms to the Lord, you who love him,
give thanks to his holy name.

His anger lasts but a moment; his favour through life.

At night there are tears, but joy comes with dawn. **R.**

W. The Lord listened and had pity.

The Lord came to my help.

For me you have changed my mourning to into dancing;

O Lord my God, I will thank you forever **R.**

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia! alleluia!

Christ is risen; the Lord of all creation;
He has shown pity on all people.

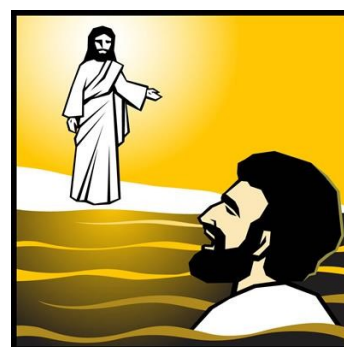
Communion Antiphon: *(not said if hymn is sung)*

Jesus said to his disciples: Come and eat.

And he took his bread and gave it to them, alleluia.

Commissioning of Ministers of Holy Communion:

May you our ministers, take the great gift of Holy Communion to our sick and housebound friends, bringing them the loving presence of God to heal and strengthen them, We aske this through Christ our Lord.



Next Week's Readings: Acts 13:14, 43-52,
Apocalypse 7:9.14-17, John 10:27-30

Liturgy Line

Part of what is happening in our liturgy is intercession. Praying in a way that asks God's help for some person, people or causes and events. The liturgy is itself one great and timeless act of intercession. Jesus gave his life once and for all. His giving of his life is one great prayer, act of intercession, to his Father, in the Holy Spirit. When we join in the Mass, and other liturgical rites, we are joining in this prayer of Jesus, his prayer, for us and for all. There are moments where we add specific petitions to Jesus' prayer. We do this in the intercessions part of each eucharistic prayer at Mass (for Pope, Bishops, all people and those who have died). We also do so in our prayer of the faithful. As our Pope calls us to the international Synod pilgrimage, and the Australian Catholic Bishops to the Plenary Council, there will be petitions relating to topics and processes around that. One way the Synod path offers such prayer to us is through the <https://www.prayforthesynod.va/en/us/> (and there's an app for that on the link!) . All are welcome to join in that prayer.

Thank you also to those of you who have contributed to Synod submissions from our Archdiocese. A summary of those will be going to the Australian Catholic Bishops on 1st May.

Preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation has begun. Commitment Masses (at all Masses) on the following weekends: 30th April-1st May, and 21-22 May. Please contact either School of Religion, or your child's Catholic school for more preparation details. Missed the parent information night? Contact the parish office belconnensouth@cg.org.au for the recording link.



Winter Appeal

The parish SVDP conferences are conducting an appeal for funds after Masses in June.

The funds collected are to be used to support those in need. An eftpos machine will be available at the rear of the church for those who may wish to make a donation. Thank you in anticipation.

Information Session on Solar Electricity.

Are you interested in solar but don't know where to start?

Do you want to help the planet? Pope Francis and the IPCC are just two of many urging us to do that by quickly moving away from fossil fuels.

Solar electricity is a great way to reduce CO2

pollution - and for most

people also saves a lot of money.

A group who have installed solar will be available on 1st May after the 10 am Mass at St Vincent's Aranda to share their experience and answer questions. Coffee and tea and solar-baked food will be provided (Good if you can bring your own reusable cup).

An example of the win-win: In the last two years Belconnen South Parish has installed 33 kW of solar, now produces more electricity



Parents and Bubs Alpha: Do you want to grow further in your faith? Do you want to meet other local parents? Then why not give Alpha a try. Please join us at Holy Rosary Watson, Friday mornings from 6 May for coffee and croissants as we explore the person and message of Jesus Christ. Babies and toddlers welcome. For more information contact Emily on emilykathrynhall@gmail.com.



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

- Matthew, Iain: **The impact of God: soundings from St John of the Cross** [Spirituality]
- Nouwen, Henri J.M.: **The road to daybreak: a spiritual journey** [Biography].
- Royal, Robert: **Dante Aligheri: Divine comedy, divine spirituality** [Miscellaneous]. A guide to the epic poem and a biographical portrayal of Dante.

Our libraries are located in the vestibule of each church. Any queries or suggestions contact Megan Thompson (St Matthews) on 6254 0524 or Suzanne Groves (St Vincent's) on 6251 6681

Reminder – Please follow COVID 19 Protocols for using the libraries and return items as soon as you have finished

South Belconnen Parish School of Religion

The Parish School of Religion provides religious education, catechesis and sacramental preparation for Catholic children who attend government or private schools. Classes run from 5:00 to 5:45 on Wednesday afternoons during school term.

Classes will commence again on Wednesday 28 April 2022 at 5:00pm at the Orana Centre or via Zoom. For more information and an enrolment form please contact Trish at trish_glenn@bigpond.com or on 0408 561 255.



An Hour of Adoration praying for Vocations.

Fr Simon has approved the usual **Hour of Adoration next Tuesday 3 May from 4:20pm** be devoted to praying for Vocations. This is in advance of the 6/7 May weekend celebration of the Fourth Sunday of Easter, traditionally Good Shepherd Sunday. A member of the Serra Club of Canberra (John Malycha) will lead Scripture readings and prayers at intervals, to guide meditation on aspects of Vocations to the Priesthood, Diaconate and Consecrated Life. Pope Francis has asked Catholics to pray "so that God may send priests and nuns whose hearts are for Him only; free from the idolatry of vanity, of power and of wealth." Our need is great. All welcome.

Can you help?

The Parish Pastoral Council would like to re-establish the once a month 'cup of tea', so are calling for expressions of interest from people who might be willing to go on a roster for the year. You might like to form your own team or if you are an individual we will put you into a team. The team would just need to put the urn on, put the cups and tea/coffee out and bring along something to share. The team would also be responsible for washing up and packing away. If you would like to volunteer, could you please call or email Aurora in the Parish Office. Be sure to indicate for which Mass you volunteering.



A little bit of admin...

- Are your contact details up to date?
- For those of you assisting in volunteer roles, have you provided the office with a current WWVP card?
- Do you have keys to one of the churches, Marian Hall or Orana Centre that you no longer used, or have forgotten to return?

Please contact Aurora at the office if you need to provide or update any of these things.



