



Parish of St Matthew & St Vincent de Paul South Belconnen

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday 17th September 2023

Hearing Aid Loop is installed in both Mass centres, St Matthew's
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This weeks readings:
Sirach 27:30-28:7, Rom 14:7-9, Mt 18:21-35

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	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

Children's Liturgy:

During 10am Mass at St. Vincent's during school terms

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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Ignatian Spirituality

Every Second Monday St Vincent's Church, Aranda 7:30pm OR every second Wednesday at the Orana Centre 11 am-12:30pm

Cenacle of the Marian Movement of Priests

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

Parish Pastoral Team

Fr Simon Falk -Parish Priest
Fr. Andrew Yang - Korean Chaplain
Fr. Hadeel Albabo -Priest in Residence
Deacon Joe Blackwell
The Parish Pastoral Team can be contacted on the office number below.

Parish Secretary

Jacinta Dinn

St Matthew's Church

12 Chewings Street, Page

St Vincent de Paul Church

7 Bindel Street, Aranda

Parish Office

Orana Centre, ARANDA
Tues and Thurs 9.00am-3.00pm
(6254 1827)

Email: BelconnenSouth@cg.org.au

Safeguarding: ipss@cg.org.au

Entrance Antiphon

Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you,
that your prophets be found true.
Hear the prayers of your servant,
and of your people Israel.

Responsorial Psalm

**(R.) The Lord is kind and merciful;
slow to anger and rich in compassion.**

R. My soul, give thanks to the Lord, all my being, bless his holy name. My soul, give thanks to the Lord and never forget all his blessings. **(R.)**

L It is he who forgives all your guilt, who heals every one of your ills, who redeems your life from the grave, who crowns you with love and compassion. **(R.)**

R. His wrath will come to an end; he will not be angry for ever. He does not treat us according to our sins nor repay us according to our faults **(R.)**

L. For as the heavens are high above the earth

so strong is his love for those who fear him.
As far as the east is from the west
so far does he remove our sins. **(R.)**

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
I give you a new commandment:
love one another as I have loved you.
Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon

How precious is your mercy, O God!
The children of men seek shelter in the shadow of your wings.

Commissioning of Ministers of Holy Communion:

May the body and blood of Christ bring consolation to those who are sick and housebound, and may they know the love of this community for them. May the blessing of God be with you.

REMINDER:

Mass changes will happen the weekend of 30th September and 1st October. 6pm Vigil Mass will commence at St Vincent's, Aranda from 30th September onwards.

Next weeks readings:

Is 55:6-9; Phil 1:20-24, 27; Mt 20:1-16

Parish Vision:

Inspired by our faith in Jesus, we pray, listen, and welcome all as we reach out in service to

New Greeters Welcome

The Parish currently has a couple of ladies who do a great job of greeting us at Mass. The PPC sees this as an important pastoral role - making all feel welcome, providing a connection to newcomers, offering the Bulletin and inviting parishioners to attend events like the cuppa after Mass.

The PPC would like to increase the number of greeters so that there is a greeter at each Mass and to cover absences. If you would like to be included as a regular or occasional greeter, please email your name and Mass preference to

Jacinta, belconnensouth@cg.org.au or call 62541827 (Tue and Thu 9am to 3pm).

Of course we can all offer a warm welcome at Mass. If there isn't a nominated greeter please feel free to step in.

Season of Creation (1 September - 4 October)

Reminder: At morning tea this week (11am September 17 @ St Vincent's) Michael Mulvaney, local ecologist and founder of Canberra NatureMap is giving a talk on "wildlife friendly gardening".

Pope Francis' encyclical Laudato Si speaks of "Integral ecology" - that idea that humans and nature are interconnected and dependent on each other.

One good example is food - it is our "daily bread": it sustains us and brings us together with friends and family. We as Christians gather each week to "break bread" as a community. But to grow food, humans are dependent on pollinators, healthy soil, clean water and predictable weather patterns. Farmers are taking up practices such as 'regenerative farming' to care for the land.

Week 3 : Thoughtful shopping

We as consumers can also protect creation when we shop and cook. Living sustainably is a practical action households can take to support the environment and their own budgets.

"Food waste can cost each Australian households up to \$2,500 a year. In Australia, food waste accounts for 3% of greenhouse gas emissions." (source: Australian Department of Climate change, Energy, the Environment and Water).

So when you are out shopping or when cooking, we encourage you to reflect on **one ingredient** in your basket/pantry/fridge:

- Will I use it all before it goes off? Can I buy just enough for what I need? Can I use it up in other meals, cook up batches and freeze, or share it with family or neighbours?
- How far did this ingredient travel to get to me? Is there an Australian or local alternative that used less fuel in transport?
- What will happen to the packaging and container? Can I swap to another product with less packaging, reuse or recycle the packaging?
- What happens to my food scraps? Food scraps that go into your garbage bin will create methane, a more potent greenhouse gas than carbon dioxide.

The ACT Food and Garden Organics (FOGO) will go ACT-wide in 2026, which will help reduce household food scraps and garden waste.

But in the meantime, the parish's Laudato Si circle is happy to provide information and advice on home or community composting options. We also have information on products that create less waste or have lower environmental impacts etc . Contact Caroline Weller on c.weller@internode.on.net to be connected to more information.

For more information:

#WarOnWaste - 3 series available on ABC iview.

ABC Podcast "Little green pod" on devices <https://www.abc.net.au/listen/programs/little-green-pod> or ABC Listen app.

Search for "ACT government recycling guide" for how to recycle a wide range of items.

Parish News

LADIES' DINNER

Our next Ladies' Dinner will be on Thursday 21 September, 6pm, at the Southern Cross Club, Jamison.

Please send your acceptance to me by COB on Monday 18 September.

jennymurphys@icloud.com OR 0437 034 148



- Morning Tea after 8:30am Mass 1st Sunday of the Month at St. Matthew's 3rd September
- **Postponed until October:** Cheese and bikkies with wine after 6pm Vigil Mass at St. Matthew's 2nd weekend of the month
- Morning Tea after 10am Mass 3rd Sunday of the Month at **St. Vincent's 17th September**

Celebrating Women of Faith - Catholic Women's Taskforce Fundraising Dinner

The Archdiocese's Women's Taskforce is holding its annual fundraising dinner for MacKillop House on Friday, 27th October at the Southern Cross Club in Woden.

Guest speaker, Ms Genevieve Jacobs, a well-known local personality, will reflect on her experience of her Catholic faith in both her professional and personal life. Tickets are \$80, but early birds are \$70 (until 29 Sept), and tables of 10 are discounted to \$700.

Please visit www.cgwomen.org.au to purchase tickets through Humanatix.

For further information contact Samantha Hazlett at samanthahazlett@icloud.com.



MEN'S GROUP

Men's Group – Thursday 28 September 23

The next get together will be at 6:15 PM on Thursday 28 September 23 at the Parish Centre, Aranda.

Please RSVP to paul.pearson@bigpond.com or (0412 685 582) by COB Tuesday 26 September 23.

Multicultural Mass

We will be celebrating our annual Multicultural Mass this year on

Sunday 5 November.

To register your interest in representing your cultural group at this special Mass, please contact Jenny on

jennymurphys@icloud.com

or 0437 034 148 as soon as possible.

Parish Safeguarding Commitment: The Parish of St Matthew and St Vincent de Paul is committed to safeguarding and upholding the dignity and rights of all of our children and vulnerable people. We seek to empower children, their families and carers, and vulnerable people., to have a say, to be listened to, and to be protected.

Communicating concerns: Parishioners are encouraged to raise any concerns they may have by emailing Fr Simon or the Parish Office; phoning the Parish office to arrange an appointment with Fr Simon. Specific Safeguarding issues can also be emailed to Maria Hicks, Manager for the Archdiocese's Institute for Professional Standards and Safeguarding (IPSS) ipss@cg.org.au

Prayer Requests

We pray for the sick:

Will Blackwell,
Trevor Blake,
Ian Brown,
Angela Collier,
Gemma Collier,
Ian Cornwell,
Anne Darmody,
Leon Darmody,
Denis Dellamarta,
Keiran Dunne,
Joachim Exell,
Tony Fuller,
Pat Hannon,
Ailsa Jones,
Wendy LeBlanc,
Nick LeRay Meyer,
Bob Longland,
Mary Malycha,
Tony Marker,
Susan Metcalfe,
Glenn Mowbray,
Pamela Myatt,
Jim O'Brien,
Barry Joseph O'Leary,
Fulvio Paliaga,
Terry Stewart,
Anthony Stewart,
Matthew Schembri,
John Turyn,
Olga Turyn,
Jennifer Webster,
Angela Williams.

All the sick and suffering.

We pray for the deceased:

Recently:

Trevor Preece,
Carol O'Donnel,
Ivan Markac,
Terence Quinane,
Nora Gaffney,
Brian Robinson
Grace Falzon.

Anniversaries:

Kevin Moyle,
Vida Kabaila,
Michael Craft,
Adam Groves,
Libby Ciuffetelli nee Hogg,
Joe Tonna,

Parish Financial Report for August 2023

	Actual 8 mth to 31/08/2023 \$	Planned 8 mth to 31/08/2023 \$	Variance against Plan \$	
Direct Giving	113,076	121,328	- 8,252	under budget

(Planned Giving and 2nd collection for administration of the Parish)

Parish Income & Expenditure Statement

Income *	143,652	153,388	- 9,736	under budget
	<u>156,760</u>			
Expenditure #		<u>234,536</u>	<u>77,776</u>	under budget
Surplus/(Deficit)	<u>- 13,107</u>	<u>- 81,148</u>	<u>68,041</u>	

* Income = Direct Giving and other income

Budgeted maintenance expenditure has been delayed but is still planned

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

Acolytes, Servers, Sacristan, EMHC and Readers:

Thank you to all who advised their availability for altar ministry service. The rosters were sent by email this week. Should you not have received your copy, would you kindly contact Mary Morris morrisdm@me.com or 0438 631 657.

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

16th & 17th September

	Page 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am
Readers	Cheryl Hamill Peter Davies	John Duck Mary Morris	Gerard Hogan Kate Hourigan
Senior Servers	Jenny Murphy	Dennis Morris Sacristan	Robyn Grubmueller
EMHC	Margaret Toye	Jo Duck Kevin McInerney Joan Murphy	Karna O'Dea Robin Taylor
Linen/Altar		Christina Row	Ladies of the Korean Community

23rd & 24th September

	Page 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am
Readers	Loraine Higgins Geraldine Lillingston	Yvonne McAdoo Janet Moyle	Michael Allam Paul Scholtens
Senior Servers	Bernie Leger	John Woods	John Malycha
EMHC	Michael White	John Duck Jan Woods	Judi Ahern Jane Burroughs
Linen/Altar		Jan Cashman	Christine Ross