



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

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Sunday 20th August 2023

*Hearing Aid Loop* is installed in both Mass centres, St Matthew's  
only middle 2 sections turn your hearing aid to the T switch

**This weeks readings:**  
Is56:1,6-7, Rom 11:13-15,29-32, Mt 15:21-28

## 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	5:30:pm
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	

## 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

Turn your eyes, O God, our shield;  
and look on the face of your anointed  
one;  
one day within your courts  
is better than a thousand elsewhere.

## Responsorial Psalm

**(R.) O God, let all the nations  
praise you!**

**R.** O God, be gracious and bless us  
and let your face shed its light  
upon us.

So will your ways be known upon  
earth  
and all nations learn your saving  
help. **(R.)**

**L.** Let the nations be glad and exult  
for you rule the world with  
justice.

With fairness you rule the  
peoples,  
you guide the nations on  
earth. **(R.)**

**R.** Let the peoples praise you, O  
God;  
let all the peoples praise you.  
May God still give us his blessing  
till the ends of the earth revere  
him. **(R.)**

## Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Jesus preached the Good News of the  
kingdom  
and healed all who were sick.  
Alleluia!

## Communion Antiphon

With the Lord there is mercy;  
in him is plentiful redemption.

## Commissioning of Ministers of Holy Communion:

May the healing touch of the Lord be  
conveyed by our ministers as they take  
Holy Communion to our sick and  
housebound parishioners. May we all  
be united in prayer and love.



**Next weeks readings:**  
Is 22:19-23, Rom 11:33-36, Mt 16:13-20

## Parish Vision:

*Inspired by our faith in Jesus, we pray, listen, and welcome all as we reach out in service to transform the world.*

## Welcome to New Parishioners!

If you are new, or have new contact details, please drop us a note at [belconnensouth@cg.org.au](mailto:belconnensouth@cg.org.au) or pop into the Parish Office in Aranda during the week. Open Tuesday and Thursday 9 am to 3:30pm

*Let's Catch Up!*



- Morning Tea after 8:30am Mass 1st Sunday of the Month at St. Matthew's 6th August
- Cheese and bikkies with wine after 6pm Vigil Mass at St. Matthew's 2nd weekend of the month Saturday 9th August
- **Morning Tea after 10am Mass 3rd Sunday of the Month at St. Vincent's**

### Archdiocesan Vocations Awareness

#### Week

August 24 – 31 has been nominated as Archdiocesan Vocations Awareness Week. Join us as we begin the week with a special prayer vigil on Thursday, 24 August at St Christopher's Cathedral from 6 -7 pm

#### In Our Parish

Members of the Serra Club of Canberra work and pray for increased Vocations to the Priesthood, Diaconate and Religious Life. On Tuesday 29 August, the Parish 4:20pm Hour of Adoration at St Vincent's church will have a special program of prayers and devotions for vocational intentions. Please come and stay for Mass at 5:30pm.



## MEN'S GROUP

"Men's Group – Thursday 31 August 23

The next get together will be at 6:15 PM on Thursday 31 August 23 at the Parish Centre, Aranda.

Please RSVP to [paul.pearson@bigpond.com](mailto:paul.pearson@bigpond.com) (0412 685 582) by COB Tuesday 29 August 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](mailto:jennymurphys@icloud.com)

or 0437 034 148 as soon as possible.

The **CANBERRA BACH ENSEMBLE** – 'The Lord is my Faithful Shepherd'. Choir, orchestra, and soloists, directed by Andrew Koll, will be performing JS Bach's 'Shepherd' Cantatas BWV 104, 85, 112 and the Mass in F, BWV 233 on **Saturday 2 September at 7.30pm, and Sunday 3 September at 2.00pm at St Christopher's Cathedral, Franklin Street, Manuka.** For more info and to purchase tickets, please visit [www.canberrabachensemble.com](http://www.canberrabachensemble.com)

## Parish News

### **An Introduction to the Prophets: A Biblical Perspective**

Frank Selch of the ACT Jewish community will give the first of a series of talks on the prophets, followed by a discussion and light refreshments. Members of all Christian denominations are warmly invited to attend this interfaith event. The lecture will be held at 2.30pm, Sunday 20 August at the National Jewish Memorial Centre, 31 National Circuit, Forrest. Please register to attend at

<https://www.actjc.org.au/event/PropTenakh-1>

The **Sacrament of Anointing** will be celebrated during 9.30am Mass on Friday 1st September in St Matthew's Church, Page. Morning tea will follow Mass in Marian Hall.

### **World Youth Day**

*Anticipating the impact back home.*

We eagerly await the infusion of joy and the fruitful work of the Holy Spirit as our WYD pilgrims return, Sophie Murdoch and Lilianne Stannard.

Let's continue to pray for them, that their transformative encounters with Christ and His global church bring a wave of hope for our Archdiocese. Inspired by their journey, let us continue to make Christ known and loved, especially to those who do not yet know Him. These young disciples will infuse our parishes and broader communities with a renewed sense of mission and evangelisation.

### **Integral ecology pilgrimage**

With ACU, the Archdiocese is convening a series of online dialogues on Care for Our Common Home teaching as first steps in our synodal journey for the year of the Holy Spirit. Six Thursday evenings 6.30-8.30pm 31-Aug/5-Oct. Information -

<https://cgatholic.org.au/services-directory/caring-for-creation/> Register at <http://bit.ly/3rTieKp> .

### **PPC News**

The Parish Pastoral Council met on 9 August with representatives from fifteen different parish ministries. We discussed

- Our new parish vision
- Our hopes and challenges for our various ministries

A parish expo in October.

Some of the ideas that came out of our discussion were

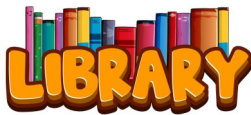
- to promote and encourage reflection on our parish vision
- to re-introduce 'greeters' to welcome parishioners to our Sunday Masses
- to create more and better links with our school children and their parents
- to be more inclusive and welcoming to LGBTQI people in our community
- to plan for a very different long-term future for our parish given our ageing population and that of the wider Catholic community.

to build a greater sense of belonging and encourage greater participation in our many parish ministries.

The PPC will be discussing these ideas at our September meeting along with plans to ensure our parish is a safe place for children and vulnerable people.

The PPC wrote to Archbishop Christopher Prowse in July asking that Fr Simon be extended in his tenure with the parish for further two years beyond this year. If anyone would like to view a copy of this letter, please contact the parish office.

**Prayer Requests**



**Volunteers to Assist with Counting**

**We pray for the sick:**

Michael Allam,  
Will Blackwell,  
Trevor Blake,  
Ian Brown,  
Angela Collier,  
Gemma Collier,  
Leon Darmody,  
Denis Dellamarta,  
Joachim Exell,  
Tony Fuller,  
Pat Hannon,  
Ailsa Jones,  
Wendy LeBlanc,  
Nick LeRay Meyer,  
Bob Longland,  
Judith Mahony,  
Mary Malycha,  
Tony Marker,  
Susan Metcalfe,  
Glenn Mowbray,  
Pamela Myatt,  
Jim O'Brien,  
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:**

John (Barry) Faulkner,  
Sr Mary Geradine Agnew rsj,  
John Deane,  
Sisifo Gisa (Mother of Fr Lolesio),  
Paul Hemsley,  
Fr Rafael Cabezon OP,  
Fr Laurie Beath,  
Dr Gil Rodriguez,  
Don Falk,  
Trevor Preece.

**Anniversaries:**

Palma D'Ambrosio  
Alexandra Wallace,  
Kyle Biddle,  
Stephano D'Archie,  
Tim Durick,  
Jack Laracy,  
Abdon Berdin,  
Pedrito Berdin.

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

- \*Ryan, Thomas: **Shame hope and the Church: a journey with Mary** [Mary]
- \*Baker, Ken MGL: **Becoming fire: a spiritual journey of faith** [Spirituality]
- \*Douglas-Klotz, Neil: **The hidden gospel: decoding the spiritual message of the Aramaic Jesus** [Jesus Christ]
- \*Valles, Carlos G: **Unencumbered baggage: Tony de Mello a prophet of our times** [Biography]

Our libraries are located in the vestibule of each church. Any queries or suggestions contact Megan Thompson (St Matthews) on 6254 0524

**Interested in IGNATIAN SPIRITUALITY?**

Contact [tryignatian@gmail.com](mailto:tryignatian@gmail.com)  
For more information : Ignatian Spirituality:  
<https://clcaustralia.org.au>

**Thank you to those who have already volunteered.**

To assist in the efficient running of the Parish, the Finance Committee is seeking volunteers to assist in the counting of the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Collections.

Counting must be done in pairs and occur at the Parish Office in the Orana Centre and where possible in the presence of the Parish Secretary.

Normally counting is done on a Tuesday morning at a time that suits. If you are interested in assisting in this task please email the Parish office at [belconnen-south@cg.org.au](mailto:belconnen-south@cg.org.au)

**CAN YOU HELP??**



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

19th & 20th August			
	Page 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am
<b>Readers</b>	Peter Davies Lynne Foster	Helen Casey Paul Coghlan	Kate Hourigan Anne McCarthy
<b>Senior Servers</b>	Jenny Murphy	John Woods	Robyn Grubmueller
<b>EMHC</b>	Geraldine Lillingston	Denise Hampson Jan Woods	Annette Charge Helen Digan
<b>Linen/Altar</b>		Jan Cashman	Christine Ross

26th & 27th August			
	Page 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am
<b>Readers</b>	Geraldine Lillingston Colleen Meadley	Irena Dennis John Duck	Michael Allam John Malycha
<b>Senior Servers</b>	Bernie Leger	Vince Burns	Paul Scholtens
<b>EMHC</b>	Dorothy Lalor	Carolyn Burns Mary Morris	Judi Ahern Robin Taylor
<b>Linen/Altar</b>		Yvonne McAdoo	Amanda Kabaila Rachelle Stannard