



Parish of St Matthew & St Vincent de Paul South Belconnen

Parish Pastoral Team

Fr Simon Falk -Parish Priest
Fr. Andrew Yang - Korean Chaplain
Deacon Joe Blackwell
The Parish Pastoral Team can be contacted
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Parish Secretary

Jacinta Dinn

St Matthew's Church

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Parish Office

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Masses:

Saturday	St Vincent's	6:00pm
Sunday	St Matthew's	8:30am
	St Vincent's	10:00am
	St Matthew's	1:00pm
Samoan (4th Sun)		
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	No Mass
Saturday	St. Matthew's	12 pm

Children's Liturgy:

During 10am Mass at St. Vincent's
during school terms 1st & 3rd Sunday

Mass of Anointing:

1st Friday in Mar & Sept St Matthew's
9:30am
1st Thursday in Jun & Dec St Vincent's
9:30am

Adoration & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesdays St Vincent's 4:20pm

Confessions:

Saturday
St Matthew's 11am-11:30 am
St Vincent's 5:00pm - 5:30pm

Baptisms:

2nd Sunday St Matthew's 11:30am
4th Sunday St Vincent's 11:30am

Weddings: By appointment

Devotions and Prayer

Prayer Meeting

Monday St Vincent's 10:00am

Ignatian Spirituality

Every 2nd Monday St
Vincent's Church, Aranda
7:30pm OR every 2nd
Wednesday at the Orana
Centre 11 am-12:30pm

Cenacle of the Marian

Movement of Priests

Thursdays St Vincent's after
9:30am Mass

Fifth Sunday of Lent Year B
Sunday 17th March 2024

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:

Jer31:31-34; Heb 5:7-9; Jn 12:20-30

Entrance Antiphon

Give me justice, O God,
and plead my cause against a nation
that is faithless.
From the deceitful and cunning rescue
me,
for you, O God, are my strength.

Responsorial Psalm

**(R.) Create a clean heart in me,
O God.**

(L.) . Have mercy on me, God, in
your kindness.

In your compassion blot out my
offence.

O wash me more and more from
my guilt.

and cleanse me from my sin. **(R.)**

(R.) . A pure heart create for me,
O God,

put a steadfast spirit within me.

Do not cast me away from your
presence,

nor deprive me of your holy
spirit. **(R.)**

(L.) . Give me again the joy of your
help;

with a spirit of fervour sustain
me,

that I may teach transgressors
your ways

and sinners may return to
you. **(R.)**

Gospel Acclamation

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord
Jesus Christ!

If you serve me, follow me, says the
Lord;

and where I am, my servant will also
be.

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord
Jesus Christ!

Communion Antiphon

Amen, Amen I say to you: Unless a
grain of wheat

falls to the ground and dies, it remains
a single grain.

But if it dies, it bears much fruit.

Commissioning of Ministers of Holy Communion:

May the love of Jesus which we have
shared here today be with you as you
go with him to meet and greet our
brothers and sisters who cannot be
with us at this Mass.



"I tell you most solemnly, it remains only a single grain,
but if it dies, it yields a rich harvest."

Next weeks readings:

Is 50:4-7; Phil 2:6-11; Mk 14:1-15:47

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Parish Vision:

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



Fifth Sunday of Lent 16 & 17 March



The work of Caritas Australia is only possible with generous supporters and the dedication, passion and tenacity of our local partners who implement the programs. They are the heroes on the ground working tirelessly behind-the-scenes every day to create a better future for their communities.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2023.

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow, **for all future generations**.

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion or by calling 1800 024 413.



The Caritas Project Compassion Appeal is now available in the Parish Qkr App. Your donation helps Caritas Australia in their work with local communities around the world to end poverty, promote justice and uphold dignity.



LIBRARY NEWS-The following items are now available for loan at St Matthew's:

Radcliffe, Timothy: **Take the plunge: living Baptism and Confirmation** [Sacraments]

Radcliffe, Timothy: **Why go to Church: the drama of the Eucharist** [Sacraments]

Pope Francis: **Laudate Deum Apostolic Exhortation on the Climate Crisis**. 2023 [Encyclicals and Exhortations]

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

Reminder – Please return items as soon as you have finished so others can use them

St Vincent's Altar Society (church flowers) is about to renew its roster of people who provide and arrange altar flowers (usually on Saturdays). The current roster has sufficient participants to cover five (5) weekends. If you enjoy flower arranging and would like to be included on the roster please contact Robin by 18 March on Tel. 6251 1072 or by e-mail at robbieandmike@gmail.com. Your generosity in so doing will lighten the load for current participants.



- **Morning Tea after 8:30am Mass**

1st Sunday of the Month at **St. Matthew's, Page.**

Sunday 3rd March

- Cheese and bikkies with wine after 6pm Vigil Mass at **St. Vincent's, Aranda** 2nd weekend of the month. **Saturday 9th March**
- Morning Tea after 10am Mass 3rd Sunday of the Month at **St. Vincent's, Aranda. 17th March**

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

Parish News

Mass cancelled

The funeral for Joan Crowley is Friday 22nd March at St Matthew's, Page at 10 am
9:30 am Mass on Friday 22nd March at St Matthew's, Page is cancelled.

2nd Right of Reconciliation

Thursday 21st March at 7 pm, St Matthew's, Page.

Easter Triduum

Holy Thursday 28th March 7 pm, St Matthew's, Page.

Good Friday 29th March 3pm, St Matthew's, Page.

Easter Vigil 30th March 7 pm, St Matthew's, Page.

Stations of the Cross

Good Friday 29th March 11 am, St Vincent's, Aranda.

News from the Parish Laudato Si Circle

The UN World Day of Social Justice is on March 20. The theme for 2024 is 'Overcoming Barriers and Unleashing Opportunities for Social Justice.' In the link below Father Arturo Sosa, SJ, the Superior General of the Jesuits, challenges us to ask ourselves how can we build together a future full of hope? https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zK3WljPQI_c

Children's Liturgy— Is held on the first and third Sunday of the month, during the 10 am Mass at St Vincent's. The next children's liturgy this month is **17th March**.

Dear volunteers,

Thank you for your commitment to ministry in our parish. We would be unable to continue to provide pastoral and administrative support to our parishioners and community members without your dedication and support.

It is a requirement in the ACT for anyone over 16 years of age involved in activities with children and/or vulnerable persons to hold a current Working With Vulnerable People (WWVP) card. In NSW the requirement is for anyone over 18 years of age involved in activities with children to hold a current Working With Children Check (WWCC). At a parish level, this applies to parish priests/staff/volunteers active in particular ministries.

Twice a year, a report of all active WWVP and WWCC holders is required to be sent to the Institute for Professional Standards and Safeguarding office (IPSS) in the Archdiocesan Chancery, Manuka. Audits are due at the end of **March and September** and all parishes in the Archdiocese are required to comply. The Archdiocese can be audited by ACT or NSW govt agencies at any time so the audit reports are an important aspect of maintaining accurate records for when an audit occurs. Our parish is committed to the safeguarding of children and vulnerable persons and complying with Archdiocesan and Govt requirements for WWVP/WWCC. Please help us to maintain accurate records for the audits by ensuring your WWVP/WWCC is current.

Men's Group – 27 MARCH 2024

The next get together will be at 6:15 PM on WEDNESDAY 27 MARCH 2024 at the Parish Centre, Aranda. Please note the change from Thursday to Wednesday due to Easter ceremonies, people going away, relatives visiting etc.

Please RSVP to paul.pearson@bigpond.com (0412 685 582) by COB Tuesday 26 March 2024.

Choir News Due to a clash of commitments on the third Saturday for Jaki Kane, Parish choir will this month meet instead at St Vincent's at 5.00 pm on Saturday 23 March for practice prior to singing the 6.00 pm Mass. All singers welcome .

Prayer Requests

We pray for the sick:

Kathryn Anderson,
Trevor Blake,
Ian Brown,
Angela Collier,
Gemma Collier,
Ann Crooks,
Anne Darmody,
Leon Darmody,
Denis Dellamarta,
Greg Donnelly,
Joachim Exell,
Tony Fuller,
Fr Chris Gardiner OFM,
Greg Glass,
Pat Hannon,
Charlie King,
Wendy LeBlanc,
Nick LeRay Meyer,
Bob Longland,
Tony Marker,
Glenn Mowbray,
Pamela Myatt,
Karna O'Dea,
Barry Joseph O'Leary,
Matthew Schembri,
Paul Scholtens,
Terry Stewart,
Anthony Stewart,
John Turyn,
Olga Turyn,
Jennifer Webster,
Daniel William,
Angela Williams.

All the sick and suffering.

We pray for the deceased:

Recently:

Irene Harrison,
Graham Mills,
Joan Crowley.

Anniversaries:

Margaret Wilkinson,
Carmella Russonello,
Bryan Ward,
Noel Falk,
Moya Lahiff,
Sean Reiher,
Con Cassidy,
Kevin Burke,
Jim Notaras,
John McQuitten,
Colleen Cassidy,
Rosebud Matthias,
Patricia 'Terry' Salvage,
Helen McKeown,
Herman Melis,
Ronald Davis,
Noel Johnson.

Parish Financial Report for February 2024

	Actual	Planned	Variance	
	2 mth to	2 mth to	against	
	29/02/2024	29/02/2024	Plan	
	\$	\$	\$	
Direct Giving	26,975	28,448	- 1,473	under budget
(Planned Giving and 2nd collection for administration of the Parish)				
Parish Income & Expenditure Statement				
Income *	29,559	32,722	- 3,163	under budget
Expenditure	19,733	23,286	3,553	under budget
Surplus/(Deficit)	9,826	9,436	390	
* Income = Direct Giving and other income				
Your ongoing financial support of the Parish and Clergy is required and greatly appreciated despite reduced Mass attendance.				
Details on how to contribute to the first and second collections can be found at https://bit.ly/3qmQatE . In particular, the first collection (for clergy) has been impacted significantly since COVID-19.				

21 MARCH | Roundtables – Sacramental Initiation

Join others from around the Archdiocese for a time of prayerful dialogue in the spirit of synodality on the realities and process of Sacramental Initiation in the life of our Church. REGISTER at cgevangalisation.org.au/roundtables. Online (Zoom) and In-Person (Haydon Hall, St Christopher's Manuka)

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

16th March & 17th March

	Aranda 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am
Readers	Colleen Meadley Jenny Murphy	Helen Casey Mary Morris	Kate Hourigan Graham Williams
Senior Servers	David Ross	Dennis Morris Sacristan	John Malycha
EMHC	Margaret Toye	John Churchill Jo Duck John Duck	Judi Ahern Catharina Williams
Linen/Altar			

23rd March & 24th March

	Aranda 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am
Readers	Mary Patton Peter Rodda	Janet Moyle Christina Rowe	Marie Carroll Ann Cleary
Senior Servers	Cheryl Hamill	Vince Burns	Jenny Murphy
EMHC	Michael White	Carolyn Burns Mary Morris	Jane Burroughs Annette Charge
Linen/Altar			