



Parish of St Matthew & St Vincent de Paul South Belconnen

Parish Pastoral Team

Fr Simon Falk -Parish Priest
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Masses:

Saturday	St Matthew's	6:00pm
Sunday	St Matthew's	8:30am
	St Vincent's	10:00am
	St Matthew's	1:00pm
Samoan (4th Sun)	St Matthew's	3:00pm
Korean	St Matthew'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	9:30 am
Friday	St Matthew's	9:30am
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 of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday St Vincent's 4:20-5:20pm

Confessions: Saturday

St Matthew's 11am-11:30 am

St Matthew'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

Centering Prayer

2nd & 4th Wednesday of month
7.30pm Marian Hall, Page

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

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B
Sunday 18th August 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:
Prov 9:1-6; Eph 5:15-20; Jn 6:51-58

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.) Taste and see the goodness
of the Lord.**

(L.) I will bless the Lord at all
times,
his praise always on my lips;
in the Lord my soul shall make its
boast.
The humble shall hear and be
glad. **(R.)**

(R.) Revere the Lord, you his
saints.
They lack nothing, those who
revere him.
Strong lions suffer want and go
hungry
but those who seek the Lord lack
no blessing. **(R.)**

(L.) Come children, and hear me
that I may teach you the fear of
the Lord.
Who is he who longs for life
and many days, to enjoy his
prosperity? **(R.)**

(R.) Then keep your tongue from
evil

and your lips from speaking
deceit.

Turn aside from evil and do good;
seek and strive after peace. **(R.)**

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
All who eat my flesh and drink my
blood
live in me and I in them, says the Lord.
Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon

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

Commissioning of Ministers of

Holy Communion:

We ask for the Lord's blessing upon
our brothers and sisters as they take
the Eucharist to those who are sick, so
that in receiving the bread of life, they
may be united with Christ and with us.



Next weeks readings:

Josh 24:1-2,15-18; Eph 5:21-32; Jn 6:60-69

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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.

Library News

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



- ◆ Gilbert, Sarah: **Unconventional women: the story of the last Blessed Sacrament Sisters in Australia.** 2024 [Women- Religious Life].
- ◆ Halik, Tomas: **The afternoon of Christianity: the courage to change.** 2024 [Church and Catholic Faith] “...a poignant reflection on Christianity's crisis of faith while offering a vision of the self-reflection, love, and growth necessary for the church to overcome and build a deeper and more mature faith.”

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

Reminder – Please fill in borrowing sheet and return items as soon as you have finished so others can borrow them



Columban Calendars

We are taking orders for the 2025 Columban Calendars. Please email Jacinta at the Parish Office: belconnensouth@cg.org.au or call the Parish office by **Thursday 29th August.**

18-20 October | Come, Holy Spirit - Archdiocesan Assembly

All are invited to take part in the Archdiocesan Assembly that will explore the theme 'Come Holy Spirit.' This will focus on celebrating the Year of the Holy Spirit and explore new opportunities for evangelisation and synodality in the life and mission of our local Church going forward.



Where Canberra + Narooma + Cooma + Young + Goulburn
When Friday 18th October - Sunday 20th October 2024
Info Detailed information, registration and formation materials available online at cgevangelisation.org.au/assembly

We are also looking for Parish representatives. As a Parish, discern and decide who you invite to be your Assembly Delegates. Along with Fr Simon, a selection of two to six representatives, is suggested.

Please see the posters, postcards and flyers in the Church foyers for more information.

Support women to lift themselves, their families and communities out of poverty.

When Memory was growing up in Malawi, her family lived in extreme poverty – she often walked to school barefooted. A lot of girls from low-income families have no choice but to drop out of school, and the opportunity for vocational training is rare for women. These circumstances threaten a lifetime of poverty – so Memory feared for her future.

With the help of our partner, the Catholic Development Commission (CADECOM), generous people like YOU supported Memory with vocational training – helping her to create history becoming the first female carpenter from her village.

Other women and girls need the same support to lift themselves out of poverty – you can be a partner in compassion and make this a reality.

Donate online at: www.caritas.org.au



Parish News

LADIES' LUNCH

The next Ladies' Lunch will be on Wednesday 21 August, at the Southern Cross Club, Jamison, at 12.30pm. Please send me your acceptance by Monday 19th August, 5pm. jennymurphys@icloud.com or 0437 034 148



- **Morning Tea** after 8:30am Mass 1st Sunday of the month at **St Matthew's, Page**, 4th August
- **Cheese and bikkies** with wine 2nd weekend of the month after 6pm Vigil Mass at **St. Matthew's, Page**, 10th August
- **Morning Tea** after 10am Mass 3rd Sunday of the Month at **St Vincent's, Aranda**, 18th August

Children's Liturgy- This Sunday, 18th August, during 10 am Mass at St Vincent's, Aranda.

First Holy Communion

This weekend we welcome the children who are preparing to receive First Holy Communion, in September, and their families.



Men's Group – 29 AUG 2024



The next get together will be at 6:15 PM on **THURSDAY 29 AUG 2024** at the Parish Centre, Aranda.

MEN'S GROUP Please RSVP to paul.pearson@bigpond.com (0412 685 582) by COB TUE 27 AUG 2024.

Parish Financial Report for July 2024				
	Actual	Planned	Variance	
	7 mth to	7 mth to	against	
	31/07/2024	31/07/2024	Plan	
	\$	\$	\$	
Direct Giving	101,402	99,568	1,834	over budget
(Planned Giving and 2nd collection for administration of the Parish)				
Parish Income & Expenditure Statement				
Income *	116,944	132,927	- 15,983	under budget
Expenditure	138,388	145,001	6,613	under budget
Surplus/(Deficit)	- 21,444	- 12,074	- 9,370	
* Income = Direct Giving and other income				
A planned major expenditure has been delayed but is still being progressed. A scheduled significant income item will be received later in the year.				
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 by COVID-19.				

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 about current safeguarding issues by contacting Fr Simon by emailing or phoning the Parish office to arrange an appointment, or by contacting our Safeguarding Volunteer, Ann Cleary, at SafeGuarding.BelconnenSouth@cg.org.au. Specific Safeguarding concerns (including potentially criminal current or historical matters) can 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:

Kathryn Anderson,
Trevor Blake,
Ian Brown,
Angela Collier,
Gemma Collier,
Anne Darmody,
Leon Darmody,
Denis Dellamarta,
Joachim Exell,
Tony Fuller,
Fr Chris Gardiner OFM,
Pat Hannon,
Margaret Keen,
Charlie King,
Wendy LeBlanc,
Nick LeRay Meyer,
Bob Longland,
John Malycha,
Tony Marker,
Mary Matthews,
Glenn Mowbray,
Pamela Myatt,
Stephen New,
Karna O'Dea,
Barry Joseph O'Leary,
Francis Power,
Matthew Schembri,
Pat Stakelum,
Terry Stewart,
Anthony Stewart,
Sophie Turner,
John Turyn,
Olga Turyn,
Jennifer Webster,
Daniel William,
Angela Williams.

All the sick and suffering.

We pray for the deceased:

Kathleen Paterson
Wendy White,
Ann Crooks,
Manuel Canizales,
Anta Supomo,
Emmy Quinn,
Patricia Blake.

Anniversaries (August)

John Deane,
Sisifo Gisa (Mother of Fr Lolesio),
Paul Hemsley,
Fr Rafael Cabezon OP,
Fr Laurie Beath,
Dr Gil Rodriguez,
Robyn Sherrin Ryan,
Mebel Stephens,
David Clarke,
Amando Doronila,
Alexandra Wallace,
Kyle Biddle,
Don Falk.
Abdon Berdin,
Pedrito Berdin
John (Barry) Faulkner,
Sr Mary Geradine Agnew rsj,
Carol O'Donnel,
Ivan Markac,
Terence Quinane,
Nora Gaffney,
Brian Robinson
Kevin Moyle,
Vida Kabaila,
Michael Craft,
Richard Hourigan

19 August | Free Webinar - Natural Fertility Awareness Week | 7:30pm

Billings LIFE is pleased to present a free webinar Trust your body's natural signals of fertility: Forget about drugs and devices. Dr Clarissa Lopez, and Caroline But are the guest speakers.. Everyone is welcome to attend this free webinar and learn more about the Billings Ovulation Method®. More info - visit the Billings LIFE website.

31 August | Cultural Competency | 10:00AM

The Catholic Women's Taskforce, Archdiocese of Canberra and Goulburn has a workshop on 31 August. Kylie Shea, a Ngunawal woman will facilitate the sessions where we will learn about Ngunawal culture.

Venue: Parish Centre Aranda. Register via www.cgwomen.org.au

8 September | Marymead CatholicCare High Tea Buffet | 2:00pm

Join the Marymead CatholicCare Auxiliary for a high tea buffet while raising much needed funds for Marymead CatholicCare.

Where: Mecure Canberra, corner of Ainslie & Limestone Avenue, Braddon.

Tickets are \$60 per person & bookings close on 22 August 2024. Visit mccg.org.au for more details on how to book.

12 - 14 September | Season of Creation Convocation 2024 - Catholic Earthcare Caritas Australia

Catholic Earthcare Convocation 12-14 September 2024. 12-13 September online presentations, workshops, discussions and spiritual experiences. Saturday 14 September in the Archdiocesan Hub to transform learning into action (online available). Register here: <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1231165>

Contact: catholicearthcare@caritas.org.au

21 September | PREPARED: CatholicPsych Institute Mental Health Crisis Response Training | 9AM

Join Dr Greg Bottaro from New York for exclusive training event in Canberra, tailored for educators, campus ministers, parish & diocesan staff, parents, and priests, addressing the urgent need to respond to the growing mental health crisis. Learn to identify and address mental distress through a Catholic lens. Register at

www.trybooking.com/CULHL

26 September | Encountering God in Lectio Divina

Lectio Divina is Sacred Reading. It is a way of prayer whereby we allow the Word of God to touch our hearts and change our lives. It is a dialogue of love between the person and God as heart speaks to heart through the Word. This weekend retreat focusses on the process of lectio divina by engaging participants in the ancient art of reading and praying with the Word of God in scripture. For more details ring 0242360011 Ext. 114 Cost: \$150

17 October | Ordination to the Priesthood of Rev. Mark Ha

Thursday 17 October 2024 at 5.00pm at St Christopher's Cathedral Forrest, Canberra

Roster for St Matthew's and St Vincent de Paul Churches			
17th August & 18th August			
	Page 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am
Readers	Gabrielle Jarvis Colleen Meadley	Janet Moyle Christina Rowe	Ann Cleary Gerard Hogan
Senior Servers	Bernie Leger	Dennis Morris Sacristan	Jenny Murphy
EMHC	Lynne Foster	Kevin Mclnerney Mary Morris Joan Murphy	Rachelle Stannard Robin Taylor
Linen/Altar			
24th August & 25th August			
	Page 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am
Readers	Bernie Leger Geraldine Lillingston	Paul Coghlan Irena Dennis	Michael Allam Anne McCarthy
Senior Servers	Damien Sloane	Kevin Mclnerney Sacristan/EMHC	Jenny Murphy
EMHC	Margaret Sloane	Jo Duck John Duck	Jane Burroughs Lourdes O'Keefe
Linen/Altar			