



Parish of St Matthew & St Vincent de Paul South Belconnen

Parish Pastoral Team

Fr Simon Falk -Parish Priest
Fr. Andrew Yang - Korean Chaplain
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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

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Parish Office

Orana Centre, ARANDA

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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)		
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

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

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

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B
Sunday 7th July 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:
Ezek 2:2-5; 2 Cor 12:7-10; Mk 6:1-6

Entrance Antiphon

Your merciful love, O God,
we have received in the midst of your temple.
Your praise, O God, like your name,
reaches the ends of the earth;
your right hand is filled with saving justice.

Responsorial Psalm

**(R.) Our eyes are fixed on the Lord,
pleading for his mercy.**

(L.) To you have I lifted up my eyes,
you who dwell in the heavens:
my eyes, like the eyes of slaves
on the hand of their lords. **(R.)**

(R.) Like the eyes of a servant
on the hand of his mistress,
so our eyes are on the Lord our God

till he shows us his mercy. **(R.)**

(L.) Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.
We are filled with contempt.
Indeed all too full is our soul
with the scorn of the rich,
with the proud man's disdain. **(R.)**

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me;
he sent me to bring Good News to
the poor.

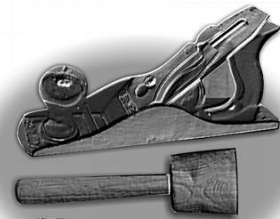
Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon

Taste and see that the Lord is good;
blessed the man who seeks refuge in
him.

Commissioning of Ministers of Holy Communion:

May we take up the challenge of being
compassionate and prophetic in the
world today, according to the beautiful
vision of God's Kingdom, presented by
Jesus.



This is the carpenter, surely, the son of Mary... And they would not accept him.

Next weeks readings:
Amos 7:12-15; Eph 1:3-14; Mk 6:7-13

Parish Vision:

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

We Acknowledge the Traditional Custodians who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of reconciliation



Sacrament of Confirmation.

Congratulations and blessings to our newly Confirmed. Thank you to the Sacramental Team, teachers, families, and all who assisted in the program and celebration. A celebration of the gifts and fruits of the Holy Spirit in us all. Next term we look forward to First Holy Communion.

Special Parish Mass

All Parishioners are invited to attend Mass on Monday 15th July at 5 pm at St Vincent's Church, Aranda. Dot Day and her family will be joining us that day to celebrate Mass and Dot's 100th Birthday (15th July)

100th Birthday Celebration

The parish community is invited to Morning Tea following the 10am Mass at St Vincent's Church, Aranda, on Sunday, 21 July 2024 in the Orana Centre to celebrate the 100th Birthday of our friend & parishioner DOT DAY from Aranda.



- **Morning Tea** after 8:30am Mass
1st Sunday of the Month at **St. Matthew's, Page**, Sunday 7th July.
- **Cheese and bikkies** with wine 2nd weekend of the month after 6pm Vigil Mass at **St. Matthew's, Page**
- **Morning Tea** after 10am Mass 3rd Sunday of the Month at **St Vincent's, Aranda**

Hopes for the Future

We are invited to a time of prayer and discernment on matters surrounding the future of parishes and clergy appointments in our Archdiocese broadly and our Belconnen region specifically. The Council of Priests have been gathering data once again on the Mass attendance, income, levels of engagement in parishes. This is to plan for how many parishes and churches will be needed for the future. We hope to have this data soon to share and discuss the local impact. Also, the Archbishop is asking a number of priests to move parishes which will impact parishes, schools, aged care centres, hospital on-call rosters and so on.

MCCG Fundraiser (Marymead CatholicCare Auxiliary) at the Royal Canberra Golf Club.

Monday 22nd July 11:30 am for 12 noon. \$75pp. Booking on the website is easy.

Guest speaker is Hannah Andrevski, founder of Roundabout and 2024 Canberran of the year.

Flyer attached to emailed bulletins and on the notice board in Church foyers

Parish News



St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal

The parish SVDP Conferences in the Parish are conducting our annual Winter Appeal retiring collection at the Masses on **13/14 July 2024**. 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.

Library News

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

- Torielli, Andrea: ***The life of Jesus: with an introduction and commentary by Pope Francis***. 2023 [Jesus Christ]. A unique biography that weaves the Gospels with imaginative reflections
- Robinson, Bishop Geoffrey: ***towards the end of my days: theological & spiritual reflections***. [Church and Catholic 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 use them

Updating of Use of Parish Facilities

As some are aware there have been ongoing updates to insurance and WHS. In order to be in compliance with the Archdiocesan request that all our properties have documented bookings and registers, we will be looking into the use of the Marian Hall and the Orana Centre, the care of these facilities and the bookings of these. Also the Parish key register needs to be updated.

In addition, we will be supplying property use agreements (to Parish users) or property hire agreements (to external hirers) for the use of our facilities. This has also been impacted by a higher number of booking requests and some unfortunate times where cleanliness and security have not been attended to by users.

Rite of the Christian Initiation of Adults

Our adult Catechumen for Baptism in our *Rite of the Christian Initiation of Adults* (RCIA), Grace Lieu will be baptised and complete her sacraments of initiation on Sunday 28th July. Thank you for keeping Grace in your prayer and for making her welcome.

As the new program is due to start again in September we are interested to see if anyone wishes to explore becoming catholic as an adult. If not, we might wait until next year when the new parish priest arrives. *Do you or someone you know want to become Catholic?* If so, contact the parish office belconnensouth@cg.org.au. You may also like to check out the Catholic Enquiry Centre <https://nce.catholic.org.au/the-catholic-enquiry-centre/about/the-catholic-enquiry-centre>.

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,
Ann Crooks,
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,
Karna O'Dea,
Barry Joseph O'Leary,
Ralph Peters,
Matthew Schembri,
Paul Scholtens,
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:

Michael Taylor.

Anniversaries (July)

Judith Anderson,
Monica Colhoun,
Maxwell Holmes,
Geoff Hubbard,
Margaret Mackey,
Patricia McNally,
Helen Torok,
Joseph Falk,
Ron Tuckerman,
Mebel Stephens,
David Clarke,
Amando Doronila,
Marie O'Sullivan,
Stephano D'Arsie,
Tim Durick,
Jack Laraey,
Joe Mewburn,
Kevin Joseph O'Leary

13 July | Upcoming Marriage Preparation courses for engaged couples

FOCCUS - Evenings for the Engaged- Sat 13 & 20 July. SmartLoving – online, 9 lessons, learn at your own pace when suits you. For more information or to register go to

www.marriagefamily.org.au Enquiries: Text 0405440463

18 July | Poetry, Presence & Payday: Aquinas on the Eucharist | 7:00PM

To mark the occasion of the 750th anniversary of the death of St Thomas Aquinas and to coincide with the 50th anniversary of the founding of the parish of St Thomas Aquinas, Charnwood, a commemorative talk will be presented by Rev Dr Joseph Vnuk OP.

July 18, 2024 7:00pm St Thomas Aquinas Primary School Hall, 25 Lhotsky St Charnwood

7 August | Tim Fischer Oration on Ethics in Public and Political Life 2024 | 6PM

We are at the crossroads in Australia in particular, and in the Western World in general. Fundamental human values are under great strain, and so an overarching societal narrative is becoming opaque. The Tim Fischer Oration aims to enlighten and encourage us to seek out and promote a free and fair society. Do join us in our noble endeavour. **Speaker:** Professor Helen Alvare, Levy Endowed Chair in Law and Liberty at Antonin Scalia Law School, George Mason University

Q&A: Chris Uhlmann, Political Journalist and TV Presenter **For more information & tickets visit** www.tfo.org.au

8 August | Save the Date: Archdiocesan Women's breakfast with Dr Helen Alvare

Thursday, 8 August, 7.30 - 9.00am Join us as we explore meaningful connections, marriage, family, career, mission and community-building. More details to come! Contact: communications@cg.org.au

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

Save the Date Thursday 17 October 2024 at 5.00pm at St Christopher's Cathedral Forrester, Canberra

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.

Roster for St Matthew's and St Vincent de Paul Churches			
6th July & 7th July			
	Page 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am
Readers	Peter Davies Peter Rodda	Paul Coghlan Mary Morris	Marie Carroll Ann Cleary
Senior Servers	Bernie Leger	Dennis Morris Sacristan	John Malycha
EMHC	Dorothy Lalor	Jo Duck John Duck Joan Murphy	Mina Chiu Rachelle Stannard
Linen/Altar			
13th July & 14th July			
	Page 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am
Readers	Gabrielle Jarvis Bernie Leger	John Duck Yvonne McAdoo	Gerard Hogan Colleen Rowe
Senior Servers	Damien Sloane	Vince Burns	Jenny Murphy
EMHC	Colleen Meadley	Carolyn Burns	Annette Charge
Linen/Altar			