



# 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 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  
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## Mailing Address:

PO Box 4266 Hawker ACT 2614

## 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	9:30am
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-11:30am

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

10th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B  
Sunday 9th June 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:**  
Gen 3:9-15; 2 Cor 4:13-5:1; Mk 3:20-35

## Entrance Antiphon

The Lord is my light and my salvation;  
whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the stronghold of my life;  
whom should I dread?

When those who do evil draw near,  
they stumble and fall.

## Responsorial Psalm

**(R.) With the Lord there is  
mercy  
and fullness of redemption.**

**(R.)** Out of the depths I cry to you,  
O Lord,

Lord, hear my voice!

O let your ears be attentive

to the voice of my pleading. **(R.)**

**(L.)** If you, O Lord, should mark  
our guilt,  
Lord, who would survive?  
But with you is found forgiveness:  
for this we revere you. **(R.)**

**(R.)** My soul is waiting for the Lord,  
I count on his word.

My soul is longing for the Lord  
more than watchman for  
daybreak. **(R.)**

**(L.)** Because with the Lord there is  
mercy,  
and fullness of redemption,  
Israel indeed he will redeem  
from all its iniquity. **(R.)**

## Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

The prince of this world will now be  
cast out,

and when I am lifted up from the  
earth

I will draw all to myself, says the Lord.

Alleluia!

## Communion Antiphon

The Lord is my rock, my fortress, and  
my deliverer;

my God is my saving strength.

## Commissioning of Ministers of Holy Communion:

As you bring Holy Communion to  
those who cannot be with us in person  
today, may you share God's grace with  
them, and may the nourishment they  
receive in the sacrament grant them  
comfort, peace and strength in their  
lives.



**Next weeks readings:**  
Ezek 17:22-24; 2 Cor 5:6-10; Mk 4:26-34

## *Parish Vision:*

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

**Children's Liturgy** Held during 10 am Mass at St Vincent's, Aranda. This month Children's Liturgy will be on Sunday 2nd June and 16th June.

### **Hospitality helper?**

This is a call out for anyone who would like to go on the Morning Tea roster for the third Sunday morning of the month at St Vincent's. Our August and September teams are down a helper. It's a great way to meet people and feel part of the parish community. Just contact Jacinta in the parish office if you think you would like to help out. It involves helping to set up before Mass, helping to serve, and washing up afterwards. You may make or buy something simple to share.

- **Morning Tea** after 8:30am Mass  
1st Sunday of the Month at **St. Matthew's, Page.**
- **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**



### **Library News**

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

- Rohr, Richard: **Jesus' alternative plan: the sermon on the mount.** 2022 [Scripture]  
Father Rohr goes through the teachings of the sermon, explaining the historical and cultural context of each verse and offering guidance for what it means to be Christians today.
- A number of the latest issues have been added to **The Tablet** folders. Please feel to borrow from the folders.  
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 books as soon as you have finished so that others can read them.

### **Call for nominations for the Parish Pastoral Council (PPC)**

Would you like to contribute to the direction and vitality of our parish community?

Our PPC is responsible for leading our faith community in partnership with our Parish Priest. The PPC aims to work with the whole parish to provide support for our efforts to live as followers of Christ. We aim to assess the needs of the parish community and respond to those. We aim to foster unity and a sense of community. And we promote programs and activities that contribute to the life of our church. You can read our PPC Guidelines on our parish website.

Our current situation is that

- We will have a new Parish Priest from early 2025.
- Early 2025 is also when most of our current members' four-year term will be coming to an end.

We now have only four parish representatives due to some members' terms expiring.

We need to rebuild our PPC so that it can effectively support Fr Simon for the remainder of his term, welcome a new Parish Priest in 2025, and develop a new parish pastoral plan with him.

Over the next four weeks we will be promoting nominations from the parish to refresh the membership of our PPC.

If you would like to nominate someone from the parish community to join the PPC, please provide their name to the parish secretary or Fr Simon. It would be polite to ask them first. Self nominations are also welcome. If we have more nominations than we have room to accommodate, then we will have a selection process.

Please consider taking this step.

# Parish News

## **Ladies' Lunch!**

Be among those who come to our inaugural Ladies' Lunch! Canberra Southern Cross Club, Jamison. **Tuesday 11 June at 12 midday**

Please send me your acceptances by 5pm Friday, June 7. [jennymurphys@icloud.com](mailto:jennymurphys@icloud.com) or 0437 034 148

We hope to see big numbers for this first lunch!



## **Towards Safeguarding Sunday**

The impacts of institutional sexual abuse, both past and current, continue to impact on this Parish, the Church and society. For Safeguarding Sunday on 1 September the Parish will acknowledge any hurt experienced by parishioners. This year will focus on St Vincent's given the news item on Good Friday about the late Fr Reynolds and as the Honouring Children Tree and Plaque were established at St Matthews several years ago.

If you would like to join a small group planning the Lament and Memorial event on Safeguarding Sunday please contact the Parish Office.

This event is a continuation of the Parish's Safeguarding Commitment to protect children and vulnerable people. If this has raised any concerns please email the Parish or Diocesan Safeguarding contacts on the front page of the Bulletin.

## **Caritas Australia's Papua New Guinea Landslide Disaster**

Following a massive landslide on the 24 May of 2024 in the Highlands of Papua New Guinea, an initial rapid assessment report from the UN has revealed extensive losses and damages to communities downhill, also destroying livelihoods and key infrastructure.

7,849 individuals from 1,427 households across two communities are affected with food security, clean and safe drinking water (as well as water tanks and purification tablets), and the provision of nonfood items such as utensils and clothes the top three priorities.

Sister John Mary, Secretary and Project [Manageress](#) of the Catholic Diocese of Wabag explained, "We have visited communities to deliver food and medicine to people who are digging their loved ones out of the earth. The shock and grief in these communities is profound, and among it all many have no home to return to, no food to eat, no clean water to drink or no clothes to wear."

**Please act now.**

**You can donate online at [www.caritas.org.au/png](http://www.caritas.org.au/png) or phone 1800 024 413**



## **22 June | Cultural Competency Workshop**

The ACG Catholic Women's Taskforce presents a 1-day workshop on Cultural Competency: Ngunnawal Context, facilitated by Kylie Shea. The workshop will be held at St Vincent de Paul's Parish Centre, 7 Bindel St Aranda ACT. Registrations are essential and available at [cgwomen.com.au](http://cgwomen.com.au)

**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](mailto: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](mailto: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,  
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:

Mary Mendis,  
Sam Laria,  
Elvira Pasquariello,  
Kerrie Convery,  
Pauline Skelton (Sister of Peter  
Davies),  
Shirley Jenkins,  
Bernadine Ward.

### Anniversaries (June)

Graeme Clarke,  
Graham Jackson,  
Maria Runko,  
Shaun Walls,  
Helen Torok,  
Josephine Abramovic,  
Fernando Ribeiro,  
Hasiholan Panjaitan,  
Margo Prout,  
Tricia Mitchell,  
Donnika Wright,  
Alan Wilmer,  
Andrew Francis Dennis,  
Bernard Joseph Finnerty,  
Geoff Hubbard,  
Margaret Mackey,  
Patricia McNally,  
Julie Turyn,  
Karl Yarrington,  
Ron Baker,  
Tom Liddiard,  
Monica Colhoun,  
Maxwell Holmes,  
Diane Carter.

**11 June | Upcoming Marriage Preparation courses for engaged couples FOCCUS** - Tues 11th June 5-9pm plus a private follow up session at Marymead CatholicCare. 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](http://www.marriagefamily.org.au) Enquiries: Text 0405440463

### 12 June | The Embassy of the Republic of Guatemala in Australia | 11:30AM

The Guatemalan Embassy at the North Woden Parish Centre, 3 Strangways Street, Curtin. The exhibition opening with Embassy representatives will be at 11.30am, Wed., 12 June. The exhibition will also be open 10.30am to 3pm, Sunday 16 and 23 June; Guatemalan coffee and delicacies will be served.

### 14 June | St. Thomas More Forum

St Thomas More Parish and Forum Annual Dinner 2024 and 19th Annual St. Thomas More Forum Lecture Engaging an AI Generation

Keynote Speaker: Fr Rob Galea, Founder FRG and ICON Ministry

Venue: Mercure Hotel, Braddon Cost: \$99 (Two Course Dinner and Wine)

Book Now <https://bit.ly/stmf-140624> Or Call 0416823447 or email [forum@stthomasmore.org.au](mailto:forum@stthomasmore.org.au)

### 15 June | Comprehensive Training for Ministers of the Word | 9:30AM

When did you last have training as a Minister of the Word? Recently? A long time ago? Never? A comprehensive 2 day face-to-face training program designed exclusively for parishes in Canberra will run over two Saturdays in June - 15th & 22nd, 9.30am to 4pm at St Monica's Parish, Evatt. Phone 97014751, email [CentreforLiturgy@acu.edu.au](mailto:CentreforLiturgy@acu.edu.au) for more info.

### 21-23 June | Consecrated Life Retreat Weekend

Come and discover more about the gift of consecrated life. The Missionaries of God's Love Sisters invite young women (18+) to a weekend of prayer, input, sharing and sisterhood to help you discern your life direction and vocation. 21st-23rd June. For more information or to RSVP please contact Therese on 0432 228 250 or [mglsisters@gmail.com](mailto:mglsisters@gmail.com)

### 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](http://www.tfo.org.au)

### 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

Roster for St Matthew's and St Vincent de Paul Churches			
8th June & 9th June			
	Page 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am
<b>Readers</b>	Geraldine Lillingston Peter Davies	Janet Moyle Christina Rowe	Conor Bradley Marie Carroll
<b>Senior Servers</b>	Damien Sloane	Kevin McInerney Sacristan	John Malycha
<b>EMHC</b>	Margaret Sloane	Joan Murphy	Jane Burroughs
<b>Linen/Altar</b>			
15th June & 16th June			
	Page 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am
<b>Readers</b>	Colleen Meadley Mary Patton	Paul Cogan John Duck	Ann Cleary Colleen Rowe
<b>Senior Servers</b>	Bernie Leger	Damien Power	Jenny Murphy
<b>EMHC</b>	Dorothy Lalor Michael White	Cathy Power Jo Duck	Mina Chiu Helen Digan
<b>Linen/Altar</b>			