



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
(6254 1827)

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Safeguarding: ipss@cg.org.au

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	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 & 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

Third Sunday of Lent Year B
Sunday 3rd 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:

Ex 20:1-17; 1 Cor 1:22-25; Jn 2:13-25

Entrance Antiphon

My eyes are always on the Lord,
for he rescues my feet from the
snare.

Turn to me and have mercy on me,
for I am alone and poor.

Responsorial Psalm

**(R.) Lord, you have the words of
everlasting life.**

(L.) The law of the Lord is perfect,
it revives the soul.

The rule of the Lord is to be
trusted,
it gives wisdom to the
simple. **(R.)**

(R.) The precepts of the Lord are
right,
they gladden the heart.
The command of the Lord is
clear,

it gives light to the eyes. **(R.)**

(L.) The fear of the Lord is holy,
abiding for ever.
The decrees of the Lord are
truth

and all of them just. **(R.)**

(R.) They are more to be desired
than gold,
than the purest of gold
and sweeter are they than honey,

than honey from the comb. **(R.)**

Gospel Acclamation

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus
Christ!

God loved the world so much, he
gave us his only Son,
that all who believe in him might have
eternal life.

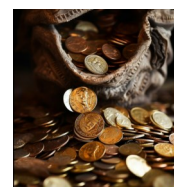
Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus
Christ!

Communion Antiphon

For anyone who drinks it, says the
Lord,
the water I shall give will become in
him
a spring welling up to eternal life.

Commissioning of Ministers of Holy Communion:

As you go out to share the gift of the
Eucharist with those who are unable
to join us today, may the Lord be ever
close to you and guide you as you
support others on their journey of
faith.



"Take all this out
of here and
stop turning my
Father's house
into a market."

John 2:16

Next weeks readings:

2 Chron 36:14-16, 19-23; Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21

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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.

THANK YOU to those Parishioners that have already returned their signed form.

The Codes of Conduct which were signed three years ago are now due to be re-signed by ALL volunteers. We do require that all volunteers for the parish have a current signed Code of Conduct acknowledgement form, regardless of whether they require a WWVP card or Working with Children Check.

Codes of Conduct are due again. Here is a link to the website to read the codes:

<https://cgcatholic.org.au/professional-standards/child-protection-code-of-conduct/>

It can also be found on the Parish website under the "Forms" tab

We also have a number of acknowledgement forms in the foyer. They can be signed and placed in the Parish Survey box. Signed forms can be emailed to the parish Office: belconnensouth@cg.org.au

News from the Parish Laudato Si' Circle The Parish Laudato Si Circle met this week to discuss ideas for this year. We would be delighted to receive any suggestions that would fit in with the Parish Laudato Si' Action Plan. Please contact the group through the parish office: belconnensouth@cg.org.au

We would also like to invite you to consider a "carbon fast" this Lent. Suggested actions for each of the 40 days of Lent have been developed by the Catholic Climate Movement and the Anglican Communion Environmental Network. Copies are available to take home in the foyers of both churches.

International Women's Day Breakfast

Guest Speaker: Selina Walker. ACT Australian of the Year Local Hero 2024

Thursday 7th March 2024

For further information contact Beth Gibson on 0412 846 020

To register: see flyer in foyer or contact 0487 388 873 or <https://www.cgwomen.org.au/>



St Joseph's College, North Goulburn Annual Reunion

Sunday 17th March 2024 Mass followed by lunch

RSVP and payment: 10th March, 2024

Contact Mrs Delma Nelson 0401 530 842



- **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**

Children's Liturgy— Is held on the first and third Sunday of the month, during the 10 am Mass at St Vincent's. This month 3rd March and 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



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.



Third Sunday of Lent 2 & 3 March



Not having access to a reliable source of clean water was very difficult for Leaia and her family. But with the support of Caritas Australia, a water tank was installed at their home, improving their health and living conditions.

Please donate to Project Compassion.

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.

Parish Pastoral Council News

The first opening meeting for the year, to which all parishioners are invited, will be held on Wednesday 6 March at the Orana Centre, Aranda at 6:30 pm.

- We will discuss the *Synthesis Report* from the First Assembly of the Synod on Synodality held in Rome in 2023.
- The meeting will provide input to the consultation for the Second Assembly to be held in October 2024.
- Our discussion will focus on how we can enhance the participation of all members of the People of God in the mission of the Church.

The PPC would also like to discuss a process for renewing its membership.

The PPC welcomed new representatives from the parish schools and discussed ways of enhancing participation by children and young people in parish Masses, particularly for commitment Masses.

CAN YOU SPARE A FEW COPIES? The Holy Spirit Parish is looking for some 'As One Voice' 1 and 2 or combined hymns and songs books. If your parish has some spare copies and no longer need them we would like to take them off your hands. Please contact Theivani on 6242 9622.

Working Bee at St Vincent's

Saturday 16 March 8:30 – 12:30 -Trimming and tidying up grounds & gardens

Many bushes need trimming to ensure paths, parking and lighting are free of obstruction and gutters are clear.

Help in making sure the grounds and gardens are neat and tidy will be greatly appreciated.

Morning tea provided at both working bees.



16 MARCH | The Annual Loreto Reunion

The Annual Loreto Reunion will commence with Mass at SFX at Hall at 11am on Saturday 16 March. This will be followed by lunch at 1882 restaurant in Hall. Any further information and rsvp: loreto.canberra@gmail.com

9 APRIL | Marriage Preparation Course

Upcoming Marriage Preparation courses for engaged couples: *FOCCUS* - Tues 9th April 5-9pm plus a private follow up session at CatholicCare. *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 Helena Zobec on **0405 440 463**

Prayer Requests

We pray for the sick:

Kathryn Anderson,
Will Blackwell,
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,
Angela Williams.

All the sick and suffering.

We pray for the deceased:

Recently:

Norma Tuckerman,
Anne McKeough,
Inge Ocskay,
Irene Harrison.

Anniversaries:

Margaret Wilkinson,
Carmella Russonello,
Bryan Ward,
Noel Falk,
Moya Lahiff,
Sean Reiher,
Con Cassidy,
Kevin Burke,
Jim Notaras,
John McQuitten,
Colleen Cassidy.



Cursillo Retreat, 12-14 April, St Clement's Retreat Centre, Galong

A Cursillo retreat which is led by an experienced local team offers you the opportunity to deepen and enrich your faith through a program of talks, meditations, discussion and prayer. Contact Irma and Joe at irmandjoe@gmail.com. Info: <https://bit.ly/cursillo24>



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.

The **CANBERRA BACH ENSEMBLE** – *Bach's St John Passion - 300th Anniversary - 1724-2024*. Choir, orchestra, and soloists, directed by Andrew Koll. Performances on Saturday 16 March at 7.45pm, and Sunday 17 March at 2.00pm at St Christopher's Cathedral, Franklin Street, Manuka. For more info and to purchase tickets, please visit www.canberrabachensemble.com

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 cgevangelisation.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			
2nd March & 3rd March			
	Aranda 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am
Readers	Lorraine Higgins Gabrielle Jarvis	John Duck Yvonne McAdoo	Elizabeth Hannan Colleen Rowe
Senior Servers	Jenny Murphy	John Churchill Sacristan & EMHC	John Malycha
EMHC	Dorothy Lalor	Jo Duck John Duck	Helen Digan Rachelle Stannard
Linen/Altar			
9th March & 10th March			
	Aranda 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am
Readers	Bernadette Leger Geraldine Lillingston	Paul Coghlan Christina Rowe	Lisa Harris Gerard Hogan
Senior Servers	David Ross	Vince Burns	Robyn Grubmueller
EMHC	Colleen Meadley	Kevin McInerney	Robin Taylor
Linen/Altar			