



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:

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| Saturday | St Vincent's | 6:00pm |
| Sunday | St Matthew's | 8:30am |
| | St Vincent's | 10:00am |
| Samoan | St Matthew's | 1:00pm |
| (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

Fourth Sunday of Lent Year B
Sunday 10th March 2024

Hearing Aid Loop is installed in both Mass centres, St Matthew's
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This weeks readings:

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

Entrance Antiphon

Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love
her.

Be joyful, all who were in mourning;
exult and be satisfied at her consoling
breast.

Responsorial Psalm

**(R.) Let my tongue be silenced, if
ever I forget you!**

(R.) By the rivers of Babylon
there we sat and wept,
remembering Zion;
on the poplars that grew there
we hung our harps. **(R.)**

(L.) For it was there that they
asked us,
our captors, for songs,
our oppressors, for joy.
'Sing to us,' they said,
'one of Zion's songs.' **(R.)**

(R.) O how could we sing
the song of the Lord
on alien soil?
If I forget you, Jerusalem,
let my right hand wither! **(R.)**

(L.) O let my tongue
cleave to my mouth
if I remember you not,
if I prize not Jerusalem
above all my joys! **(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!

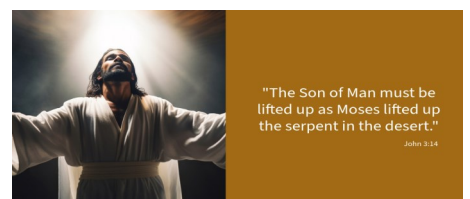
Communion Antiphon

Jerusalem is built as a city bonded as
one together.

It is there that the tribes go up, the
tribes of the Lord,
to praise the name of the Lord.

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
light and grace with them, and may the
nourishment they receive in the
sacrament grant them comfort, peace
and strength in their lives.



"The Son of Man must be
lifted up as Moses lifted up
the serpent in the desert."
John 3:14

Next weeks readings:

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

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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



Fourth Sunday of Lent 9 & 10 March



As the eldest child in a low-income farming family in rural Malawi, **Memory** faced many barriers to her education. But, with the support of Caritas Australia, she enrolled in a technical school and became the first female carpenter in her village.

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.



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

14 MARCH | AN EVENING WITH FR TIMOTHY RADCLIFFE OP

Fr Timothy Radcliffe OP was Master of the Order of Preachers from 1992 to 2001. A member of the community at Blackfriars, Oxford, he is the author of several very popular books and an internationally reputed speaker and retreat-giver.

Date: Thursday 14 March 2024, **Place:** Merici College Wise Street Braddon **Time:** 5.30 -7.00pm

Free Tickets: <https://bit.ly/4bISurY>



- **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. The next children's liturgy this month is 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

Feet needed

We need 6 more people to have their feet washed at the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday.

Join in the celebration of this very significant event in Holy Week. Please contact Geraldine Lillingston gillingston21@bigpond.com

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/WWC is current.

Vocations Dinner at Pearce Presbytery. Thursday 14 March at 6pm. For men interested in discerning a call to the Priesthood. A hearty meal provided with insightful discussions & prayer. To RSVP please contact vocations director Fr Emil emil.milat@cg.org.au 0414 523 036.



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.

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

Further information – Colleen & Bern Meadley – 0406378351 - meadleycb@outlook.com



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:

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,
Rosebud Matthias,
Patricia 'Terry' Salvage.



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 | | | |
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| 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 | Bernadette Leger | Vince Burns | Robyn Grubmueller |
| EMHC | Jenny Murphy | Kevin McInerney | Robin Taylor |
| Linen/Altar | | | |
| 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 | | | |