



# 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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## 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

## Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord Sunday 24th 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:

Is 50:4-7; Phil 2:6-11; Mk 14:1-15:47

## Entrance Antiphon

Six days before the Passover,  
when the Lord came into the city of  
Jerusalem,  
the children ran to meet him;  
in their hands they carried palm branches  
and with a loud voice cried out:

\* Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed are you, who have come in your  
abundant mercy!

O gates, lift high your heads;  
grow higher, ancient doors.  
Let him enter, the king of glory!  
Who is this king of glory?

He, the Lord of hosts, he is the king of  
glory.

\* Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed are you, who have come in your  
abundant mercy!

## Responsorial Psalm

**(R.) My God, my God, why have you  
abandoned me?**

**(R.)** All who see me deride me.

They curl their lips, they toss their  
heads.

'He trusted in the Lord, let him save  
him;

let him release him if this is his  
friend.' **(R.)**

**(L.)** Many dogs have surrounded me,  
a band of the wicked beset me.  
They tear holes in my hands and my  
feet.

I can count every one of my  
bones. **(R.)**

**(R.)** They divide my clothing among  
them.

They cast lots for my robe.

O Lord, do not leave me alone,  
my strength, make haste to help  
me! **(R.)**

**(L.)** I will tell of your name to my  
brethren

and praise you where they are  
assembled.

'You who fear the Lord give him  
praise;

all sons of Jacob, give him glory.  
Revere him, Israel's sons.' **(R.)**

## Gospel Acclamation

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of  
endless glory!

Christ became obedient for us even to  
death

dying on the cross.

Therefore God raised him on high  
and gave him a name above all other  
names.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of  
endless glory!

## Communion Antiphon

Father, if this chalice cannot pass without  
my drinking it,

## Commissioning of Ministers of Holy Communion:

May the Lord of love find a place deep in  
your heart as you carry the Eucharist to  
those who cannot be with us for today's  
celebration.

## Next weeks readings:

Acts 10:34, 37-43; Col 3:1-4; Jn 20:1-9

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## Parish Vision:

*Inspired by our faith in Jesus, we pray, listen, and welcome **Easter** all as we reach out in service to*

### Huge Thank You Garden Workers

Thank you to everyone who gave their time so generously at the two working bees to move mulch, cut and trim greenery as well as general tidying up of the St Vincent's grounds.

They are looking in good shape. Your assistance is greatly appreciated. **Thank you.**



**Codes of Conduct are due.** There are still a number of volunteers who have not returned their signed acknowledgement of **The Code of Conduct**. It is a requirement 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.

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 or dropped into the office during opening hours, (Tue & Thu 9am to 3pm). Signed forms can be emailed to the parish Office: [belconnensouth@cg.org.au](mailto:belconnensouth@cg.org.au)

### 9 April 2024 | Marriage Preparation Courses

Upcoming Marriage Preparation courses for engaged couples: *FOCCUS* - Tues 9<sup>th</sup> April 5-9pm plus a private follow up session at Marymead CatholicCare. *Engaged Encounter*- Sydney, Sat 18 & Sun 19 May. *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 Helena Zobec on **0405 440 463**

### 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](mailto:paul.pearson@bigpond.com) (0412 685 582) by COB Tuesday 26 March 2024.

**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

**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](mailto:ipss@cg.org.au)

## Parish News

### Easter Triduum

Holy Thursday 28th March 7 pm, St Matthew's, Page.

Good Friday 29th March 3pm, St Matthew's, Page.

Easter Vigil 30th March 7 pm, St Matthew's, Page.

*Easter*  
**Triduum**



### Reconciliation

Good Friday 29th March 10 am, St Vincent's, Aranda.

Holy Saturday 30th March 11 am at St Matthew's, Page.

Please note there will be no Saturday evening Reconciliation at St Vincent's

### Stations of the Cross

Good Friday 29th March 11 am, St Vincent's, Aranda.

### HOLY WEEK

Holy Week, with its powerful processions, ritual actions, and symbols, can be an emotive time. With the continuing crisis in what has long been called the Holy Land it is especially poignant this year. Jesus who was imprisoned in the first Holy Week is like those imprisoned now. Those who carry the of displacement from homes, of hunger in their bellies carry a cross with him. As we begin our Palm (Passion) Sunday this year, we ponder those beginning the week elsewhere. As we witness feet being washed in service, on Holy Thursday, we consider leaders in our places called to serve their people. As we bow before the one cross of the one Christ, on Good Friday, we recall those essential service workers who carry the cross of service and care while we step aside from work for worship. As our faces are illuminated by the light of Christ, at the Easter Vigil, we recall faces seeking a light of hope to shine on them.

### Holy Thursday Mass - singing.

Any parishioners who would like to help with singing at the Holy Thursday Mass,

please come along to St Matthews next Thursday at 6.30pm, half an hour before Mass is due to start.

We will have a practice and make sure everyone knows what is happening.

For further information, please contact Beth Gibson on 0412 846 020.



*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.*



**Second Sunday of Lent**  
**24 & 25 February**



After the birth of her children, 22-year-old **Ronita** was at risk of having to leave school permanently. But, with the support of Caritas Australia's partners in the Philippines, she resumed her studies and secured a job at a call centre to support her family.

**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](https://caritas.org.au/project-compassion) or by calling 1800 024 413.

## 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:

Irene Harrison,  
Graham Mills,  
Joan Crowley.

#### 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,  
Helen McKeown,  
Herman Melis,  
Ronald Davis,  
Noel Johnson,  
Paul Richter,  
Pat Staunton,  
Jeanette Malycha.



This month, through the Sacrament of Baptism we welcome into our Parish Community, these children: Hakim Adan Khan (10/3) and Grace Aimeka Dkhar-Shelton. (24/3).



The annual Good Friday Holy Lands Appeal is now available within your Parish Qkr! App.

*Please help our sisters and brothers in the Holy Lands by donating to the appeal.*



## *Tribunal of the Catholic Church*

Marriage breakdown is a traumatic experience for all those concerned. The Church reaches out in support of those who are divorced, while upholding the permanence of a true Christian marriage. The Canberra Office of the Tribunal extends an invitation to any divorced person who would like to talk about the annulment process. You can be assured that your privacy will be respected. Should you choose to apply for an annulment, you will be guided and supported through the process. For further information please phone the Canberra Office of the Tribunal Office on **6239 9813**

or email [tribunal@cg.org.au](mailto:tribunal@cg.org.au)



### Roster for St Matthew's and St Vincent de Paul Churches

#### 23rd March & 24th March

	Aranda 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am
<b>Readers</b>	Mary Patton Peter Rodda	Janet Moyle Christina Rowe	Marie Carroll Ann Cleary
<b>Senior Servers</b>	Cheryl Hamill	Vince Burns	Jenny Murphy
<b>EMHC</b>	Michael White	Carolyn Burns Mary Morris	Jane Burroughs Annette Charge
<b>Linen/Altar</b>			

#### 30th March & 31st March

	Aranda 6.00pm	Page 8.30am	Aranda 10.00am
<b>Readers</b>	Easter Vigil	Helen Casey Paul Coghlan	Lisa Harris Gerard Hogan
<b>Senior Servers</b>	Easter Vigil	John Woods	John Malycha
<b>EMHC</b>	Easter Vigil	Kevin McInerney Jan Woods	Helen Digan Rachelle Stannard
<b>Linen/Altar</b>			