

St Matthew & St Vincent de Paul Parish

South Belconnen

Archdiocese of Canberra and Goulburn

14-15 June The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity (C)

Msgr John Woods- PP, Fr Andrew Yang-Korean Chaplain, Deacon Joe Blackwell, Jacinta Dinn - Parish Secretary.

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

ST MATTHEW'S CHURCH

12 Chewings Street, Page

ST VINCENT DE PAUL CHURCH

7 Bindel Street, Aranda

Sunday Masses

Saturday	6:00pm	Page
Sunday	8:30am	Page
	10:00am	Aranda
Samoa (4th Sun)	1:00pm	Page
Korean	3:00pm	Aranda

Weekday Masses

Mon	7:00 am	Liturgy of the Word	Page
Tue	5:30pm	Aranda (Adoration 4:45pm)	
Wed	7:00 am	Page	
Thu	9:30 am	Aranda	
Fri	9:30am	Page (Anointing 1st Friday)	
Sat	12:00 pm	Page	

Confessions

Saturday 11:00am-11:30am and 5:00pm-5:30pm Page

Baptisms

11:30am 2nd and 4th Sundays

Weddings

By appointment

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ONE YET THREE AND SEEKING COMMUNION

Today is Trinity Sunday. We speak of God as one yet three. We affirm this truth each time we make the sign of the cross. However, it was some centuries before the Church came to this understanding at the Councils of Nicea (325AD) and Constantinople (381AD). The development of this doctrine is an affirmation of 'the one deposit of faith', that is, the Church's prayerful reflection on scripture and tradition to articulate what we believe under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. We begin by understanding that the Israelites understood God as totally other and one. **So it is that our First Reading speaks of 'Wisdom' as 'master craftsman' to account for the earth's creation or as Henry Wansbrouhg has put it, "how God could 'dirty his fingers' by creating the world."** Wansbrouhg further comments, "So there is in God something which both is God and is **not** the same as the Creator." He goes on to note that "in the New Testament Jesus is known as the Wisdom of God and as the Word of God. . . This is the beginning of the understanding of the Trinity". Indeed, Jesus speaks of God with intimacy as 'Abba' or Father or more truly the informality of 'Dad'. In turn, the early Church understood that in Jesus they were drawn into a personal relationship with the Father involving a third divine person, the promised Advocate poured out at Pentecost, as we celebrated last week. **"So, without injury to the basic monotheism from which Christianity derived from the Jewish faith, the sense of Three Persons in the One God came into being – not as a remote heavenly mystery, let alone an arid theological puzzle, but as a way of expressing the Christian sense of being drawn into the divine communion of love. There they found the impulse and energy to be instruments of the saving outreach of that love into the world" (Richard Byrne SJ).** This was radical and in sharp contrast to the then prevailing Greek philosophers understanding of God as **"distant, impersonal and immovable"** (Sr Mary Coloe PBVM). Indeed, in our Second Reading St Paul points out that God's abiding presence and the resultant missionary impulse continues in spite of any suffering or hardship. As for them, so for us: the Spirit of God has been poured into our hearts (v.5) such that we have a founded hope in the depth of our being, whatever our circumstances. And to it was that Pope Francis called us to be pilgrims of hope in Christ in this Jubilee Year of Hope. **It is all about an awareness of God's unstinting love in all circumstances and our response to this self-revelation of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. And so, we pray that ever old yet ever new prayer: "Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be world without end. Amen."**

Fr John

Archdiocesan Notices

16 June | Information Session | 7:00 pm

Learn more about study options at Catholic Theological College (CTC), and insights into student life. Whether you want to further your career or your knowledge of the Catholic Faith, CTC has the right path/options for you.

Registration: https://divinity.zoom.us/meeting/register/cd_18r2xT0OScm2NDBLeA#/registration

STS PETER AND PAUL'S FEAST DAY 29 June 10:00 am

In celebration of our wonderful Parish of Mary Queen of Apostles and the Old Cathedral of Sts Peter and Paul's, we welcome you to Mass at 10 am on Sunday the 29th of June. This will be followed by a morning tea, hosted by the Parish in the Cathedral Grounds.

AN EVENING OF DIALOGUE: PILGRIMS OF HOPE 5 July 07:00 pm

Acclaimed filmmaker and author Bill Bennett, whose spiritual journey on the Camino inspired his award-winning film *The Way, My Way*. Bill will share how walking the Camino revealed a new way of living - simpler, freer, and more hopeful. Hosted by journalist and community leader Genevieve Jacobs AM, the evening will include a keynote presentation by Bill Bennett; small group discussion and audience Q&A facilitated by Genevieve. Event will be held at Marist College Canberra

THE ARMED MAN - a concert for peace and harmony 30 July

The Canberra Choral Society and The National Capital Orchestra are joining forces again to present a concert of two very special works for chorus and orchestra, 'The Armed Man: A Mass for Peace' by beloved British composer Sir Karl Jenkins, and 'Human Waves' by legendary Australian composer Elena Kats-Chernin AO. Celebrating peace, harmony and resilience, this uplifting concert will be conducted by NCO Music Director Louis Sharpe, with soprano soloist Jillian Halleron and cellist Liam Meany.

ARCHBISHOP'S ST MARY MACKILLOP PILGRIMAGE 9 August 2025

At Our Lady Star of the Sea Church, Eden. This special church has been designated for the Jubilee Year of Hope.

Location Our Lady Star of the Sea Church, Eden (a designated church for the Jubilee Year of Hope)

- Pilgrimage walk starts at 11.00 am from Eden Sports Ground
- Reconciliation available during the walk
- Mass at 12.00 pm
- Visit Mary MacKillop Hall
- Please arrange your own transport

For inquiries, email woodb4922@gmail.com

23 August | MOTHERS PRAYERS RETREAT DAY 23 August 2025

Become like children (Matt 18:3-5)

Come aside together for a day - ignite the child within as we explore, share, pray for our children and have fun in this nurturing community. The day includes talks, reconciliation and an introduction to Mothers Prayers. Morning tea and lunch will be provided. Gluten free options will be available for morning tea but not for lunch.

DATE Saturday 23 August 2025 8:45 AM - 4:00 PM

LOCATION Parish Centre, Holy Trinity Church 3 Strangways Street, Curtin ACT 2605

REGISTER BY 8 August <https://www.trybooking.com/DBRES>

ENQUIRIES Anne at Australia@mothersprayers.org

CORAL'S COTTAGE located in Narrabundah, offers short-term accommodation for teenagers and young adults up to the age of 25 living with moderate to severe physical and/or intellectual disability under the NDIS. We aim to provide an enjoyable experience, while also nurturing independence away from home. Contact our friendly team to arrange a tour, or for more information please contact STAbookings@mccg.org.au or phone 6162 6100 / 6162 5800

RICKY STUART HOUSE - Ricky Stuart House is a purpose built, state of the art facility, situated in Chifley and set up to work with children, aged 5-12 years, and their families and support networks, to ensure collaborative relationships to achieve outcomes specific to each child. Contact our friendly team to arrange a tour, or for more information please contact STAbookings@mccg.org.au or phone 1800 427 920.

VACANCIES AT SUPPORTED INDEPENDENT HOMES

At Marymead CatholicCare, there are currently vacancies in two of our residential Supported Independent Living homes within the NDIS CHOICES Program, supporting and empowering people with disabilities, including: a modern home in Kambah for supported independent living, sharing with two friendly, mature individuals; and Dorothy Sales Cottages in Hughes specifically designed for individuals with acquired brain injury. Contact our CHOICES and Aged Care number at 6163 7647.

Position Available Parish Support and Safeguarding Development Officer: Closing Date Friday, 27 June

The Archdiocese of Canberra and Goulburn is seeking a dedicated professional to fill the role of Parish Support and Safeguarding Development Officer. This full-time, 38-hour-per-week position offers the opportunity to contribute to the vital areas of parish support, safeguarding, catechist coordination, and chancery operations.

How to Apply: Submit your application, including a letter addressing your qualifications and experience along with your Curriculum Vitae, to Maria Hicks at ipss@cg.org.au For further information, contact Leanne Boyd at leanne.boyd@cg.org.au. **Position Description** <https://bit.ly/4kBAjmt>

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.

Communicating Safeguarding concerns: Parishioners are encouraged to raise any safeguarding issues by contacting Fr John by emailing or phoning the Parish office or by contacting our Safeguarding Volunteer, Ann Cleary, at SafeGuarding.BelconnenSouth@cg.org.au.

The Manager for the Archdiocese's Institute for Professional Standards and Safeguarding, Maria Hicks, can be contacted at ipss@cg.org.au.

Prayer Requests

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Brian Wilson, Austrian Shooting Victims, Alan Driver, Ivan Stibohar, Kay Robinson, Hector Steele, Vito Russoniello, Marcia Jasper, Rosa Veechi.

ANNIVERSARIES

Alan Wilmer, Andrew Francis Dennis, Enrico Guarino, Susina Guarino Palma D'Ambrosio, Bernard Finnerty.

THE SICK

Kathryn Anderson, Trevor Blake, Angela Collier, Gemma Collier, Nicole Court, Maureen Dalzell, Anne Darmody, Leon Darmody, Denis Dellamarta, Stephen Dinn, Helen Driver, Mary East, Richard East, Joachim Exell, Tony Fuller, Fr Chris Gardiner OFM, Ivan Guevara, Denise Hampson, Pat Hannon, Madellon Harvey, Margaret Keen, Charlie King, Anne Laffan, Sally Marchant, Bob Longland, John Malycha, Glenn Mowbray, Paul Mowbray, Pamela Myatt, Barry Joseph O'Leary, Oscar Perez, Francis Power, Gabriel Rockwood, Sam Ross, Matthew Schembri, Pat Stakelum, Anthony Stewart, Denis Tarbuck, John Turyn, Olga Turyn, Jennifer Webster, Michael Worsnop, Angela Williams.

Parish News

CHURCH CLEANING: We are looking for parishioners to commit to a cleaning roster for either of our parish churches. Equipment and other needs will be supplied. Committing to the roster would be a very practical way to support your parish by reducing costs and helping to maintain the beautiful ambience of our churches. **If interested, please so indicate on the clipboard form in the foyer.**

Thank you to those who have responded already

AFTER MASS

- **Morning Tea** after 8:30 am Mass first Sunday of the month at **St Matthew's**.
- **Cheese and bikkies** after the 6pm Vigil second Saturday of the month at **St. Matthew's**.
- **Morning Tea** after 10am Mass 3rd Sunday of the month at **St Vincent's**,

ENCOUNTERING THE PSALMS: Parishioner, Dr Glenn Burns will present a talk on the Psalms at the Marian Hall, adjacent to St Matthew's Church, on Tuesday 17 June at 7.30pm. The presentation will not be a sermon or a theological lecture but rather an overview of the Psalms so as to deepen our understanding of these prayers we proclaim at each Mass.

MEN'S GROUP – Thursday 26 June 25 6:15 PM

The next get together will be at the Parish Centre, Aranda.

Please RSVP to paul.pearson@bigpond.com (0412 685 582) by COB TUESDAY 24 JUNE 25



MEN'S GROUP

LIBRARY NEWS-

- The following items are now available for loan at **St Matthew's**:
- Doherty, Tony: **Struggling to believe?: the journey of one contemporary believer** 2023 [Church and Catholic Faith]
 - Healey, Charles J.: **Praying with the Jesuits: finding God in all things** 2011 [Prayer]
 - Pope Francis: **Hope: the autobiography** 2025 [Biography]

Any queries or suggestions contact Megan Thompson (St Matthews) on 6254 0524

Reminder – Please fill in the borrowing sheet and return items as soon as you have finished (preferably within a month) so others can use them

CHILDREN'S LITURGY Sunday 15 June 10 am Mass at St Vincent's, Aranda.

	14 & 15 June			21 & 22 June		
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Reader	Lynne Foster Michael White	Janet Moyle Christina Rowe	Gerard Hogan Adora Calub	Lea Bewick Mary Williams	Paul Coghlan John Duck	Elizabeth Hannah Bernie Leger
Senior Server	Damien Power	Luka Tolovae	Bernie Leger	Damien Slaone	Greg Pocock	Jenny Murphy
EMHC	Lea Bewick	Kevin McInerney Joan Murphy	Jane Burroughs Robin Taylor	Lynne Foster	Jan Woods John Woods	Annette Charge Mina Chiu
Linen/Altar		Ann Tierney	Robin Taylor		Ann Tierney	Christine Ross

Hearing Aid Loop is installed in both Mass centres, St Matthew's **only** middle 2 sections turn your hearing aid to the 1 switch

Entrance Antiphon

Blest be God the Father,
and the Only Begotten Son of God,
and also the Holy Spirit,
for he has shown us his merciful love.

First Reading [Proverbs 8:22-31](#)

The Wisdom of God cries aloud:

The Lord created me when his purpose first unfolded,
before the oldest of his works.
From everlasting I was firmly set,
from the beginning, before earth came into being.
The deep was not, when I was born,
there were no springs to gush with water.
Before the mountains were settled,
before the hills, I came to birth;
before he made the earth, the countryside,
or the first grains of the world's dust.
When he fixed the heavens firm, I was there,
when he drew a ring on the surface of the deep,
when he thickened the clouds above,
when he fixed fast the springs of the deep,
when he assigned the sea its boundaries
– and the waters will not invade the shore –
when he laid down the foundations of the earth,
I was by his side, a master craftsman,
delighting him day after day,
ever at play in his presence,
at play everywhere in his world,
delighting to be with the sons of men.

Responsorial Psalm

**(R.) O Lord, our God,
how wonderful your name in all the earth!**

(L.) When I see the heavens, the work of your hands,

the moon and the stars which you arranged,
what is man that you should keep him in mind,
mortal man that you care for him? **(R.)**

(R.) Yet you have made him little less than a god;
with glory and honour you crowned him,
gave him power over the works of your hand,
put all things under his feet. **(R.)**

(L.) All of them, sheep and cattle,
yes, even the savage beasts,
birds of the air, and fish
that make their way through the waters. **(R.)**

Second Reading [Romans 5:1-5](#)

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, by faith we are judged righteous and at peace with God, since it is by faith and

through Jesus that we have entered this state of grace in which we can boast about looking forward to God's glory. But that is not all we can boast about; we can boast about our sufferings. These sufferings bring patience, as we know, and patience brings perseverance, and perseverance brings hope, and this hope is not deceptive, because the love of God has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit which has been given us.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit:
to God who is, who was, and who is to come.

Alleluia!

Gospel [John 16:12-15](#)

Jesus said to his disciples:

'I still have many things to say to you
but they would be too much for you now.
But when the Spirit of truth comes
he will lead you to the complete truth,
since he will not be speaking as from himself
but will say only what he has learnt;
and he will tell you of the things to come.
He will glorify me,
since all he tells you
will be taken from what is mine.
Everything the Father has is mine;
that is why I said:
All he tells you
will be taken from what is mine.'

Communion Antiphon

Since you are children of God,
God has sent into your hearts the Spirit of his Son,
the Spirit who cries out: Abba, Father.

**Commissioning of Ministers of Holy Communion:**

Take the sacrament of our Lord's body and blood to the absent members of our congregation, that they may share with us in our celebration of the Most Holy Trinity.