



St. Maximilian Kolbe Catholic Parish

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Mon, Tue, Thur & Fri : 9.00am - 2.30pm | Closed on Wednesday

In the spirit of reconciliation, we acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of country throughout Australia. We pay our respect to their Elders past and present, and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples today, acknowledging their continuing connection to land, water and community.

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Weekday Mass Times

Monday	No Mass
Tuesday	9.00am
Wednesday	9.00am
Thursday	9.00am
Friday	9.00am
Saturday	8.00am

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday	5.30pm
Sunday	8.00am and 9.30am

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Sunday, 18 June 2023

This Sunday, the Church reminds us of our call by God. This call can be understood in two ways; first, through God's covenant with Israel. God chose and called us to be His people. Second, through Jesus Christ the new covenant, God called us to be His disciples. So, God made us His people and reconciled us in Christ Jesus. God called us, each by name, to be a people consecrated to Him.

In today's first reading, we see the first part of our call. This reading tells us about one of the most famous covenants of God with His people in the Old Testament, the Sinai Covenant. Through it, God made Israel His people and offers to guide them toward a great destiny, and His people offer obedience.

If the people are faithful to their promise, they will forever be the sacred people, God's possession. If they fail due to their human destiny, God will not abandon them but will continue to search for them. This is God's way of acting. Although we fail, God never abandons us. Therefore, the saying is wise: "To err is human; to forgive divine." As humans, we always fail in our part of our covenant with God. Like the Israelites in the Old Testament, we are quick to say, "All that the Lord has spoken we will do!" (Exodus 19:8). We are quick to say yes, we believe and will be faithful to our covenant. However, most times, we fail. Despite this, God never abandons us. He continues to be faithful to His covenant.

In today's second reading, Paul reminds us of how God continues to be faithful to us through His only Son, Jesus Christ, for our salvation: "What proves that God loves us is that Christ died for us while we were still sinners." Through the sacrifice of Christ, we are constantly reconciled with God. So, God never abandons us because He chose and called us to be his people. The second aspect of our calling is to be Christ's disciples in a world quickly losing life's meaning, in a world where many feel abandoned, helpless, and hopeless. This call and mission were born from mercy and compassion for a dejected and abandoned world. Hence, today's gospel tells us, "At the sight of the crowds, Jesus' heart was moved with pity for them because they were troubled and abandoned, like sheep without a shepherd."

Therefore, as Christians, each of us has a unique call. By virtue of our baptism, God chose and called each of us by our new name, as He called his twelve apostles today, to help our abandoned world. This is a special call and invitation to lift and save our dejected world from ruins. It is a call to be faithful shepherds to one another. As God and his Son continue to show us mercy and compassion, we must also show mercy to one another, especially to those who have failed or erred in one way or the other.

Finally, our call had a unique purpose and message. Today, Christ sent His disciples with specific instructions. "Do not go into pagan territory or enter a Samaritan town. Go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, make this proclamation: 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.' Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, and drive out demons." Is Christ discriminating? No! Indeed, Christ came to save the world. However, our call and mission must start from somewhere. We must start this mission with ourselves. It must begin in our homes, families, and communities (mission ad intra). Later, the mission can be extended to others. Through this, Christ reminds us that Charity begins at home. This is important because we must first become God's people before becoming God's disciples.

Reflected by:

Fr. Njoku Canice Chukwuemeka, C.S.Sp. He is a Catholic Priest and a member of the Congregation of the Holy Spirit (Spiritans).

GOD IS
CALLING YOU
EQUIPPING YOU
PREPARING YOU
ACCORDING
TO HIS PURPOSE

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**Sat. 24 June : Solemnity of the Nativity of
St. John the Baptist -
Mass at 8 am**

Roster for the Weekend of 24 - 25 June 2023

Mass Coordinators

Sat. 24 June 5.30pm - William Barncastle
Sun. 25 June 8.00am - Ron Klerks
Sun. 25 June 9.30am - Joy Wallace

Readers

Sat. 24 June 5.30pm - Adeline B & Hilda Bowden
Sun. 25 June 8.00am - Lele F. & Rachel M.
Sun. 25 June 9.30am - Elenora Tufuga & Kelemete Tito

Communion Ministers

Sat. 24 June 5.30pm - Rosemary O. & Sue Mc Keown
Sun. 25 June 8.00am - Nimfa Brookes & Mary Klerks
Sun. 25 June 9.30am - Elisapeta Tito & Violeto N.

Altar Servers

Sat. 24 June 5.30pm - Saneth & Chagika
Sun. 25 June 8.00am - Salvius & Israel
Sun. 25 June 9.30am - John & May

Choirs

Sat. 24 June 5.30pm - Saturday Night Choir
Sun. 25 June 8.00am - African Choir
Sun. 25 June 9.30am - Divine Mercy Choir

Counters - Swindells Family

Cleaners - Divine Mercy Group

Floral Arrangement - Evelyn, Nimfa, Olive, Tanya

The 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time: 18th June 2023

First Reading: Exodus 19: 2-6

You will be a kingdom of priests, a consecrated nation.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 99: 2-3, 5

We are his people: the sheep of his flock

Second Reading: Romans 5: 6-11

*We have been reconciled to God through the death of his Son;
we are saved by his life.*

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

**The kingdom of God is near;
repent and believe the Good News!**

Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 9:36 - 10:8

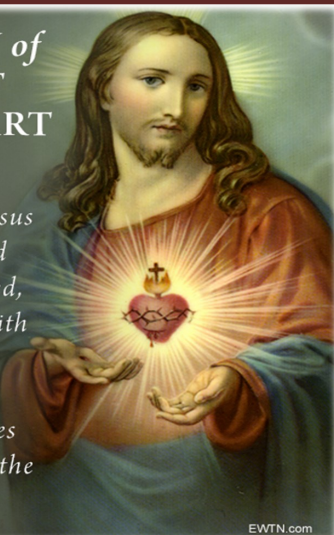
He summoned his twelve disciples, and sent them out.



F.Bowden, L.Seeto, J.Collins, M.Dunlop,
D.Curtis, M.Pierce, R.Henwood, V.Reid,
V.Gspejon, V.Dancey, S.Daniel, A.Purkis,
L.Guadez, K & S Talatou, B.Hodgson,
M.Finnerty, G & M.Glorioso, D.Hall,
J.Lachlan, A.Van Uitregt, V.Toalepai,
K.Brown, M.Trehane, J.Maloney, J&A Dent, Gladdis
Gorosito, Asiata J.Lealaitafea, A.Carter, E.B Sebuano, Pona
Vai, N.Dunmore, V.Venables, T.Gibson, F.Petelo, Helen
Guadez, M.Vaigafa, Verity Madsen, Tatiana Tagirova,
Ruperto M, John Daley, Mikaele Tito, Nora Philips, Alzira
D'souza, Agnes Hamilton, Wena Prowse, Tuala, V&M L
Petelo, Zhaylee Curtis, Sesilia Muevae, Catherine Hether-
ington, Pete Pietkiewiez, Rob Canning, V&A Asiata-
Kelemete, Mynott Family, Reef W.Carroll, Daisy A.Thomas,
Patricia Donovan, John Engberg, June Curyer,
Baby Charlotte, Joan Hughes, Coleen Goodwin, Mary Farrell

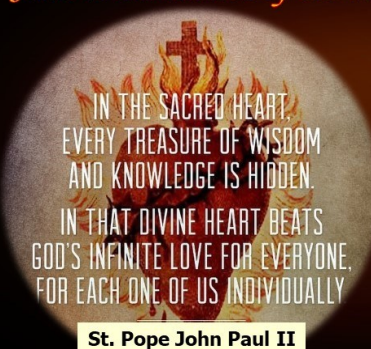
SOLEMNITY of THE MOST SACRED HEART of JESUS

*"May the Heart of Jesus
in the Most Blessed
Sacrament be praised,
adored, and loved with
grateful affection,
at every moment,
in all the tabernacles
of the world, even to the
end of time."*



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June is the month of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus



St. Pope John Paul II

*Let us remember to
turn our eyes over and
over again to this heart
who loves us so greatly.*

*Jesus, make my heart
more like yours.*

Collection: Week-ending: 11 June 2023

Envelopes Received	: 35
Amount from Contributions:	\$ 2,099.45
Yarrabilba Mass Centre	: \$ 187.50

TOTAL	: \$ 2,286.95



YARRABILBA MASS CENTRE Weekend Community Mass Centre Location

St. Clare's Primary School, 2 Combs St, Yarrabilba

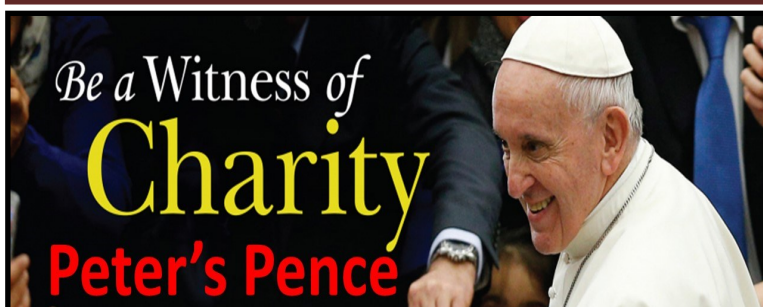
Mass will be held at 4.00pm on Sunday:

18th and 25th June 2023



Schedule of Preparation for the 2023 Children's Sacrament of 1st Holy Eucharist

Eligibility (who can enrol)	<p>This sacrament is offered to children (Grade 3 & above) who have already received their Confirmation.</p> <p>Note:</p> <p>⇒ Enrolment Forms are available in folders on the table at the right-hand side of the main entrance to the Church, as you come.</p> <p>⇒ Kindly ensure the forms are duly completed and attached with a copy of the child(ren)'s Baptism and Confirmation Certificates <i>before</i> submitting to the Parish Office by the enrolment dateline below.</p>
Dateline for the submission of Enrolment Forms	Sunday, 18th June 2023
Wed, 12 July	Parents/Guardians' Information Session at 6.30pm with Lorraine Wynne.
Sun, 16 July	Rite of Enrolment @ the 9.30am Mass
Sat, 22 July	1st Workshop: 3.00pm to 5.00pm; Followed by Mass at 5.30pm.
Sat, 29 July	2nd Workshop: 3.00pm to 5.00pm; Followed by Mass at 5.30pm.
Sat, 5 August 9.00am	Sacrament of 2nd Rite of Reconciliation & Rehearsal for Holy Eucharist
Sun, 6 August	Sacrament of 1st Holy Eucharist Mass @ 10.00am



During the weekend of **24th and 25th June**, there will be a **Special Collection for Peter's Pence**. This is a worldwide fundraiser that supports the charitable works of our Holy Father, Pope Francis. Funds will be used to help victims of famine, natural disasters, war and other initiatives to bring relief to the poor. Take this opportunity to join with Pope Francis and be a true witness of Christ-like compassion towards our suffering brothers and sisters worldwide....especially during these challenging times.

For more information, please visit:

https://www.vatican.va/roman_curia/secretariat_state/obolo_spietro/documents/actual_en.html

SOLEMNITY of the NATIVITY of ST. JOHN the BAPTIST

"He must increase,
but I must decrease."

St. John 3:30

- June 24 -



God of hospitality and mission, through the intercession of St. John the Baptist, we pray that you will grant us the courage to witness to your Word in what we say and do. May we be hope-givers in our world which is struggling with the effects of this pandemic. We ask this with confidence through Jesus the Christ and the Spirit of Hope. Amen!

Young parishioners **aged 13 and above**, are invited to join the Kolbe Youth Ministry. Come participate and enjoy the fellowship with others in your age group, to strengthen your faith journey and get involved in our upcoming events for the rest of the year.



Our next Kolbe Youth Gathering will be at 6.00pm on Friday, 23rd June 2023



Sessions will be held at the Parish Hall at 9.30am every Sunday. Parishioners who have children between the ages of 5 up to 13, are encouraged to send their children to attend this weekly faith-forming, fun-filled and learning sessions. For further information, parents or guardians can contact our Children's Ministry Coordinator, **Teresa Vaigafa - 0434570 123**. **We are also currently seeking volunteers to help in this Ministry every Sunday morning at the 9.30am Mass. You would need to have a blue card (if you don't have one, the Parish Office can assist to help you apply for one).**

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." Matthew 19:14

Sacramental Preparation for Children



Infant/Children Baptism Information Brochure is available at the entrance of the church. Arrangements can be made by contacting our Parish Office (during office hours).

Our Parish's Children Baptism Coordinator is Mrs. Helen Swindells. We currently need more volunteers to help in this ministry; please contact the Parish Office for more details.

Find Your Path at CTC

Semester 2, 2023 Online Information Session
Monday 19 June at 7.30pm (AEST)

Contact the Registrar for more information and enrolment appointments.
+61 3 9412 3309 | registrar@ctc.edu.au | 278 Victoria Parade East Melbourne | ctc.edu.au

CRICOS: 01037A

Whether you want to equip yourself for ministry or pastoral work or to take your career in Catholic school education or Church agency work to the next level; whether you have a burning desire for theological study and research or want simply to deepen and enrich your faith, CTC has the right path for you.

This information session provides a helpful first step on your path. Expert presenters from CTC lay out the range of study options in plain language and help you to see the possibilities.

You will learn about the various modes of study, whether attending lectures face-to-face or studying entirely online. It is now possible to enjoy the benefits of studying without leaving home, even if home is interstate or outside of Australia.

As the session is streamed live it is possible to engage with our presenters and get a response to your questions in real time.

Presenters



Rev. Dr. Simon Wayne MGI
Academic Dean



Rev. Dr. Max Vodoloz
Associate Dean (Research)

REGISTER NOW! [Click here to register](#)

[Click here to view our 2023 Timetable](#)

This session will be recorded and available on our [website](#).

PARISH PLANNED GIVING CAMPAIGN

As the current financial year is coming to an end on 30 June 2023, we wish to extend a grateful thanks to each and every one of you who have faithfully and very generously supported the Parish financially through the past year in the midst of your personal life circumstances. We just want you to know that your contributions are greatly valued. In saying this, as you know, we are now facing increasing cost of living which directly impacts our operational costs every week. This is especially so with our key expenses such as utilities (electricity and rates) as well as church and ground maintenance including equipment, machinery and repairs due to damages caused by continuous weather events as well as wear and tear. Needless to say, these expenses are heavily impacting our overhead costs every month.

On that note, we are humbly asking if you would kindly consider reviewing your personal contributions to see if there is any possibility of an upward revision. This will certainly help us in planning for the next half of this year, particularly to deflate our increased running costs and also to enable the parish to fund more spiritual development programs for our different ministries and also to provide for parish community events.

To those of you who are still uncertain about joining our Planned Giving Program, we urge you to talk of one of us so that you can get a better understanding on how your contributions help keep our Parish afloat financially so that we can continue to provide spiritual and pastoral shelter for all who seek to share our space here in this part of Logan. You may action your planned giving in any one of the following ways:

- ♦ By making a Direct Debit. *(This method is highly recommended)*
- ♦ By using the weekly planned giving envelopes.

**PLEASE COLLECT YOUR PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES
FROM THE ENTRANCE OF THE CHURCH**

- ♦ By downloading & using Planned Giving App:



***Your continued support to our parish is greatly appreciated
and we remain very grateful for your generosity!***



The Annual Parish Financial Report

2022 - 2023

**will be presented at all weekend
Masses on 24th & 25th June 2023**

*Fr. Mikhael
&
Parish
Finance
Committee*