



St. Maximilian Kolbe Catholic Parish

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land on which our church stands today, the Yugambeh and Yuggera people, and pay respects to their Elders, past, present and emerging. We, the St. Maximilian Kolbe Community, continue to be inspired by the value of justice, peace, and unity as we work together for the common good.

Parish Contacts

Parish Priest

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Priest-in-Residence

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PARISH MINISTRY LEADERS

Liturgy Ministries

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Helen Swindells

Community Life Ministries

Lele Faeteete

Youth & Young Adults Ministry

Shanna Kelemete

Lawrence Auva'a

Adult Faith Formation Ministries

Alfred Gomez

Outreach Ministry

Winnie Kepu

Affiliated Catholic Schools

St. Francis College - Tel. No 3489 4800

Mr. John Marinucci (Principal)

St. Clare's Primary School - 5549 8000

Ms. Liesl Profke (Principal)

San Damiano College - 5670 7000

Mr. Peter Edwards (Principal)

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	7:30am and 9:30am

Confession: Saturday : 5:00pm

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME— 13 JULY 2025

SIN OF 'FAIL TO DO'



Jericho is 250m above sea level and Jerusalem is 770m above sea level. This route is a desert treacherous road for travellers, not only in Jesus' time but until the early last century Palestine under the British rule. It is a steep hazardous 26km long journey, bandit attacks were no strange

stories among travellers, and they must make it within day time. No rest, no motel, nothing in between the two cities.

The Priest and the Levite who passed by and ignored the poor man beaten, robbed and left half dead on the road, may have very good excuses for not attending this emergency. Priest and Levite were often associated with temple service. Touching blood or dead corpse would render themselves unclean and unworthy to perform the temple service. They would have to go through a lengthy time and expensive ritual to purify themselves before they could come back and perform sacred duties. The excuse may sound good and reasonable! That's their comfort zone, so they couldn't be bothered as they had more important things to do.

Jews and Samaritans in Jesus' time were considered mortal enemies to each other. To a Jew, a good Samaritan is a dead Samaritan. Yet a Samaritan stopped and cared for the wounded half dead Jewish man. He let his comfort zone be troubled. Travelling on an animal, he could have been a business man taking his goods for trade between the two big cities Jerusalem and Jericho. His business was interrupted, delayed, inconvenience caused, time and money spent as a result of his care and concern. His kindness costed him dearly.

As a popular saying goes. "The world suffers not because of the violence of the bad people, but because of the silence of the good people." We like the Priest and the Levite may choose to be silent or indifferent to the plights of others on very good and reasonable excuses. It is often more convenient with choosing not doing over doing.

The Good Samaritan story challenges us and the church to bring comfort to the afflicted like the half dead man, and to afflict the comfortable like the Priest and the Levite. We often think of sin as some bad things we have done or said, but have we ever thought of sin not as the good things we could have done, but we fail to do?

Fr. Jon SVD

Date Claimers

Sat. 19 July: 2nd workshop Session for First Holy Eucharist from 3pm to 5pm

Sat. 26 July: Recollection and Refresher Training for all Liturgical ministers from 10.30am to 2pm.

SUNDAY MORNING MASS

Based on the outcome of the survey, it has been decided to change the timing of Sunday morning 7am Mass to 7.30am effective July 2025.

PLANNING SCHEDULE FOR FIRST HOLY EUCHARIST

2nd Workshop Session: 3pm – 5pm; followed by 5.30pm Mass	Saturday, 19 July 2025
Rehearsal	9am Saturday, 26 July 2025
DAY OF SACRAMENT	5.30pm Mass on Saturday, 02 August 2025

Roster for the weekend of 19 July — 20 July 2025

Mass Coordinators

19 July 5.30pm - Rosemary Ordonez
20 July. 7.30am - Lawrence Auva'a
20 July. 9.30am - Christine Lapalapa

Readers

19 July. 5.30pm - Abel Budiono & Hilda Bowden
20 July. 7.30am - Andrew T & Destiny D
20 July. 9.30am - Elenora Tufuga & Tiliola N.

Communion Ministers

19 July. 5.30pm - Francesca O., Sue M., Paul S.
20 July. 7.30am - Lele, Sera T., Talafaia T
20 July. 9.30am - Doris D. & Kelemete T.
Tiitii Toalepai & Millie Petelo

Altar Servers

19 July. 5.30pm - Gerald Joshy
20 July. 7.30am - Malachi, Talalei. Matilda
20 July. 9.30am - Jazmine, Tezaree and Noa

Choirs

19 July. 5.30pm - Trinity Choir
20 July. 7.30am - St. Peter the Rock Choir
20 July. 9.30am - Filipino Choir

Counters : Swindells Family

Cleaners : Vaigafa Family and Diana Mulcahy

Flowers : Agnes

Collection: Week-ending: 06 July 2025

Envelopes Received	: 30
Amount from Contributions	: \$ 1,638.40
Yarrabilba Mass Centre	: \$ 171.70
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TOTAL	: \$ 1,810.10

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time: 13 July 2025

First Reading (Deuteronomy 30:10-14)

Let the instruction of the Lord God be near you.

Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 68:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36-37)

Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live.

Second Reading (Colossians 1:15-20)

All things were created through him and for him .

Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia!
Your words, Lord, are spirit and life;
You have the words of everlasting life.
Alleluia!**

Gospel (Luke 10:25-37)

Who is my neighbour?

Gospel: Luke 10:25-37: *Who is my neighbour?*

There was a lawyer who, to disconcert Jesus, stood up and said to him, 'Master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the Law? What do you read there?' He replied, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbour as yourself.' 'You have answered right,' said Jesus. 'Do this and life is yours.'

But the man was anxious to justify himself and said to Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' Jesus replied, 'A man was once on his way down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of brigands; they took all he had, beat him and then made off, leaving him half dead. Now a priest happened to be travelling down the same road, but when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. In the same way a Levite who came to the place saw him, and passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan traveller who came upon him was moved with compassion when he saw him. He went up and bandaged his wounds, pouring oil and wine on them. He then lifted him on to his own mount, carried him to the inn and looked after him. Next day, he took out two denarii and handed them to the innkeeper. "Look after him," he said "and on my way back I will make good any extra expense you have." Which of these three, do you think, proved himself a neighbour to the man who fell into the brigands' hands?' 'The one who took pity on him' he replied. Jesus said to him, 'Go, and do the same yourself.'



YARRABILBA MASS CENTRE ;

Weekend Community Mass

will be held at 4.00pm on:

13 July & 20 July 2025

Centre Location: St. Clare's Primary School, 2 Combs St, Yarrabilba
All are Welcome



Samantha Miriam Briody, F.Bowden, L.Seeto, J.Collins, Tuala, M.Dunlop, D.Curtis, M.Pierce, R.Henwood, V.Reid, V.Gspejon, V.Dancey, S.Daniel, A.Purkis, L.Guadez, K&S Talatonu, D.Hall, B.Hodgson, M.Finnerty, G&M Glorioso, J.Lachlan, A. Van Uitregt, V.Toalepai, K.Brown, M.Trehane, J.Maloney, J & A Dent, Gladdis Gorosito, Asiatia J.Lealaitafea, A.Carter, E.B Sebuano, Pona Vai, N.Dun more, T.Gibson, Helen Guadez, M.Vaigafa, Verity Madsen, Tatiana Tagirova, Ruperto M, John Daley, Alzira D'souza, Agnes Hamilton, Wena Prowse, V&M L Petelo, Zhaylee Curtis, Sesilia Muevae, Rob Canning, Catherine Hetherington, Pete Pietkiewiez, V&A Asiatia-Kelemete, Mynott Family, Reef W. Carroll, Daisy A. Thomas, Eric Alfred John Engberg, Coleen Goodwin, Austine Jonse, Zakelyn Curtis, Mary Armand, Mary Rosser, Ann Gason, Judith Anderson, Brooke, John McCready, Ian, Sandra Henry, Carol Lloyd, Esjay McCarthy, Judith Sherry, Mareta Niumagumagu, Maria Nive M. Tiatia, Paxson Swerling, Cliff Naughton, Peter Beirne, Janus Deurlou and all who are ill.



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

Baptism Effective July 2025

Effective July 2025, all baptisms will be held only on 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month at 10am. Parents who wish to baptise their child/children, please contact the parish office to obtain necessary forms. They should attend baptism seminar on the first Saturday of the month at 4pm.

Fr. John /Fr. Nick

Children's Ministry

EVERY SUNDAY MORNING
9:30AM | PARISH HALL
COME AND JOIN US!

PARISHIONERS WHO HAVE CHILDREN BETWEEN THE AGES OF 5 UP TO 13, ARE ENCOURAGED TO SEND THEIR CHILDREN TO ATTEND THESE WEEKLY FAITH-FORMING, FUN-FILLED AND LEARNING SESSIONS, FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, PARENTS OR GUARDIANS CAN CONTACT OUR CHILDREN'S MINISTRY CO-ORDINATOR

TIRESA VAIGafa

0434 570 123



SMK COMMUNITY LIFE PRESENTS

CHRISTMAS IN JULY FOR SENIORS

**SAT 19TH
JULY 2025**

**12PM - 2PM
PARISH HALL**

COST: \$20 INCLUDING LUNCH AND RAFFLE TICKETS

ANY DONATIONS TOWARDS THIS EVENT IS WELCOME EITHER IN THE FORM OF FOOD OR CASH

CONTACT PERSON: LELE FAAETEETE

KOLBE YOUTH MINISTRY

Citizens of Christ
YOUTH GROUP

YOUNG PARISHIONERS AGED 13 AND ABOVE, ARE INVITED TO JOIN THE KOLBE YOUTH MINISTRY

**EVERY
FRIDAY EVENING**

CITIZENS OF CHRIST
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.

**5 PM
-
7 PM**

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MARYFIELDS HALL



RECOLLECTION AND REFRESHER TRAINING
ALL LITURGICAL MINISTERS ARE REQUIRED TO ATTEND
(Communion Ministers, Readers, Mass Coordinators, Altar Servers)
26th July, Saturday 10:30am-2pm, Parish Hall
Recollection Master and Facilitator: Fr. John Quang



PARISH PLANNED GIVING CAMPAIGN 2025/2026



As the current financial year is coming to an end on 30 June 2025, 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 reduce 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 to 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.**
- ♦ **By downloading & using Planned Giving App:**

Please collect your planned giving envelopes from the table located at the entrance of the church.

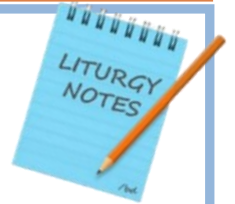
Direct Debit contributors please collect your letters from the entrance of the church.

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

Fr. John, Fr. Nick and Finance Council

OFFERING TO GOD

The Liturgy of the Eucharist begins with **the preparation of the gifts** which corresponds to the Lord's "taking" of the bread and wine in the Last Supper. The bread and wine which are brought to the altar will later become the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ.



GIRM #73 states that the altar or the Lord's table, which is the centre of the whole Liturgy of the Eucharist, is first of all made ready by placing the corporal, the chalice, purificator, and the Missal (Sacramentary) on it. The offerings are then brought forward and accepted by the priest to be carried to the altar. Money or other gifts for the poor or for the Church that are brought by the faithful or collected in the church, are also brought forward and put in a suitable place. Note that the *General Instructions* also mention that the presentation of the bread and wine by the faithful is a *praiseworthy practice*, this means that it is desirable but not mandatory. This is the case during Mass on a weekday

when bread and wine can be brought from the credence table and not in procession. The procession is accompanied by the Offertory chant and singing may always accompany the rite even when there is no procession of the gifts (*GIRM #74*)

The collection of money or other gifts in support of Church ministry is also an important element in the preparation of gifts as this extends the reality of Christ beyond the ritual. In the Old Testament, people offered God the first fruits of fields, trees, and animals, as an act of homage and thanksgiving, and for the support of the temple and its ministers. This collection is also a very ancient ritual in the Mass and was mentioned by St. Justin in the First Apology around the year 150, "*Those who have extra, and who want to do so, give as they see fit, each as he wills. These gifts are gathered and given to the one who presides. He is the one to help the orphans and widows, those who are in need due to sickness or for any other reason, the prisoners, the strangers passing through; in short, he assists all those in need*".

More on the meaning of the other rituals in the preparation of gifts in the coming weeks.

May we give back to God with grateful and happy hearts!

- Fr. John, Fr. Nick and the Liturgy Team