



# 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.*

## Parish Contacts

### Parish Priest

Fr. Mikhael Loke SVD (away till 23rd)  
38030862

### Priest-in-Residence

Fr. Nick de Groot SVD

### Parish Secretary

Ronet D'Mello

### Pastoral Council Chairperson

Noel Swindells

### Finance Committee Chairperson

Tom Kalaja

### Care and Concern Co-ordinator

Sue Barrett

### Youth Leaders

Shanna

### Liturgy Committee Co-ordinator

(currently vacant)

### Parish Safeguarding Children Rep.

Ron Klerks (0411 057 611)

STOP line: 1300 304 550

### Sacramental Team Leader

Helen Swindells (0400 014 042)

### R.C.I.A. Coordinator

Adeline Barncastle (0406 675 758)

### St. Francis College

Mr. John Marinucci (Principal)  
3489 4800

### St. Clare's Primary School

Mr. Michael McInerney (Principal)  
5549 8000

### San Damiano College

Mr. Peter Edwards (Principal)  
5670 7000

## 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

## 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Sunday, 23 July 2023

*"The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a man who sowed good seed in his field. While everyone was asleep his enemy came and sowed weeds all through the wheat, and then went off. When the crop grew and bore fruit, the weeds appeared as well." Matthew 13:24-26*

*The introduction to today's parable should wake us up to the reality of the evil one in our midst. The specific action of the "enemy" in this parable is disturbing. Imagine if this story were true and you were the farmer who worked very hard at sowing the seed throughout your field. Then, if you awoke to hear the news that weeds had been sown also, you would be quite saddened, angered and disappointed.*

*But this parable is especially about the Son of God. Jesus is the one who has sown the good seed of His Word and watered that seed with His Precious Blood. But the evil one, the devil, has also been at work trying to undermine the work of our Lord.*

*Again, if this were a true story about you as a farmer, it would be hard to refrain from much anger and a desire for revenge. But the truth is that Jesus, as the Divine Sower, does not allow the evil one to steal His peace. Instead, He has allowed this action of the evil one to remain for now. But in the end, the works of evil will be destroyed and burned in the unquenchable fire.*

*What's also interesting to note is that Jesus does not root out all evil in our world here and now. According to the parable, He refrains so that the good fruit of the Kingdom will not be negatively affected. In other words, this parable reveals to us the interesting truth that the "weeds" all around us, that is, the evil alive within our world, cannot affect our growth in virtue and entrance into the Kingdom of God. We may have to endure evil on a daily basis and find ourselves surrounded by it at times, but our Lord's willingness to allow evil for now is a clear sign that He knows it cannot affect our growth in virtue if we do not let it.*

*Reflect, today, upon the reality of evil in our world. It's essential that you name evil activity for what it is. But evil cannot ultimately affect you. And the evil one, despite his malicious attacks, will ultimately be defeated. Reflect upon the hope that this truth brings and renew your trust in the power of God this day.*

*Divine Sower, I pray that You do deliver us all from the evil one. May we be freed from his lies and snares and always keep our eyes upon You, our Divine Shepherd. I turn to You in all things, dear Lord. Jesus, I trust in You.*

*Reflection taken from: [mycatholic.life](http://mycatholic.life)*

<https://mycatholic.life/books/catholic-daily-reflections-series/ordinary-time-weeks-1-17/fourteenth-week-in-ordinary-time>



## Date Claimer

**Mon. 24 July** : Bible timeline at 6.30pm  
**Sat. 29 July** : Second Workshop of First Holy Communion from 3pm to 5pm.  
**Tue. 1 Aug.** : Liturgy Committee Meeting @7pm

## Roster for the Weekend of 29 - 30 July 2023

### Mass Coordinators

Sat. 29 July 5.30pm - Hilda Bowden  
Sun. 30 July 8.00am - Nimfa Brookes  
Sun. 30 July 9.30am - Mary Klerks

### Readers

Sat. 29 July 5.30pm - Verity Madsen & Sarah Wiss  
Sun. 30 July 8.00am - Rudolfo Domingo & Brian C.  
Sun. 30 July 9.30am - SMK Youth.

### Communion Ministers

Sat. 29 July 5.30pm - Paul and Wendy Simpson  
Sun. 30 July 8.00am - Rachel M & Marcia Canty.  
Sun. 30 July 9.30am - Doris D. & Violete N.

### Altar Servers

Sat. 29 July 5.30pm - Jazmine  
Sun. 30 July 8.00am - Salvius & Parfait  
Sun. 30 July 9.30am - Malachi, Talalei, & Matilda

### Choirs

Sat. 29 July 5.30pm - Saturday Night Choir  
Sun. 30 July 8.00am - Congregation singing  
Sun. 30 July 9.30am - SMK Youth Choir

### Counters

- Swindells Family

### Cleaners

- SMK Group, Suli, Alex and Lipine

Floral Arrangement - Evelyn, Nimfa, Olive, Tanya

## Collection: Week-ending: 16 July 2023

Envelopes Received	: 27
Amount from Contributions	: \$ 1,964.50
Yarrabilba Mass Centre	: \$ 136.60
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TOTAL	: \$ 2,101.10
Donation from Mafutaga Tina Ekalesia	: \$ 200

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, 4th Aug. 2023**

## The 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time: 23rd July 2023

First Reading: Wisdom 12: 13, 16-19

*In the place of sin, you give repentance.*

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 85: 5-6, 9-10, 15-16

**Lord, you are good and forgiving.**

Second Reading: Romans 8: 26-27

*The Spirit Himself pleads for us in a way that could never be put into words.*

Gospel Acclamation:

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth;  
You have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.**

**Alleluia!**

Gospel: Matthew 13: 24-43

*Let them grow together until the harvest.*



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, Rob Canning, Catherine Hetherington, Pete Pietkiewiez, 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, Eric Alfred, Austine Jonse, Zakelyn Curtis, Michelle Williams and John Williams, Cath Turner.



## **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:**

**16th July**

**&**

**23rd July 2023**



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

Eligibility (who can enrol)	This sacrament is offered to children (Grade 3 & above) who have already received their Confirmation. <b>Note:</b> ⇒ Enrolment Forms are available in folders on the table at the right-hand side of the main entrance to the Church, as you come. ⇒ Kindly ensure the forms are duly completed and attached with a copy of the child(ren)'s Baptism and Confirmation Certificates <u>before</u> submitting to the Parish Office by the enrolment dateline below.
Dateline for the submission of Enrolment Forms	<b>Sunday, 18th June 2023</b>
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.
Wed, 2 August 6.30pm	Sacrament of 2nd Rite of Reconciliation & Rehearsal for Holy Eucharist
Sat, 5 August	Sacrament of 1st Holy Eucharist Mass @ 5.30pm

## Sacramental Preparation for Children

# Baptism

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.**



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*



**Will be celebrated in our Parish on Sunday, 30<sup>th</sup> July with a Youth Mass to be held at 9.30am; all young people are encouraged to attend; also if you want to participate in the liturgy (readers, prayers of the faithful, greeters, choir); please contact our Parish Office**



World Day  
for Grandparents  
and the Elderly  
2023

The third World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, which will be celebrated on July 23, 2023, will have the theme, "His mercy is from age to age" (Lk 1: 50). This verse reminds us that God's mercy is manifested in history through the testimonies of those who have experienced it and passed it on to their children and grandchildren. Grandparents and the elderly are called to carry this mercy, to tell through words and life how God has been faithful to His promises and how He continues to love His people. They are also called to receive God's mercy, and to allow themselves to be comforted by His fatherly love that never abandons them. The World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly is an occasion to once again express with joy that the Church wants to celebrate together with those whom the Lord -- as the Bible says -- has given "a full life".



# 2023 Parish Feast Day Celebrations



## MULTI-CULTURAL MASS

(ONLY ONE MASS THIS SUNDAY)

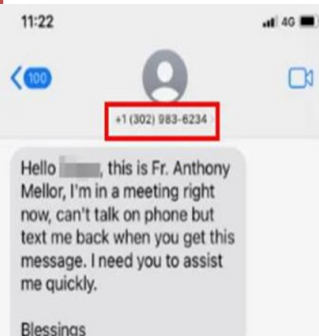
**SUN, 13 AUG 2023 - 9.00AM**

Everyone is encouraged to come dressed in your own traditional/cultural wear.

Mass will be followed by refreshments; please bring-a-plate to share, thank you!

**5-day Novena to St. Maximilian Kolbe  
Monday, 7 August – Friday, 11 August  
7.00pm daily**

### SPAMMING CONTINUES:



Archdiocesan priests are the flavour of the month lately for spammers. Northside and Southside clergy have all been picked upon. The messages are generated as an SMS or sent from a gobbedlygook email address (e.g churchcare0147@gmail.com ), but always spouting a similar urgent message:

Dear XXXX

Can you set aside a minute? I'm trapped in a meeting and need you to perform a task for me. Cannot speak, need to meet now, so just write back here.

Sincerely,  
Fr XXXX XXXX  
Parish Priest

The follow up messages attempt to persuade you that the priests' urgent need can only be solved by the purchase of iTunes or Amazon cards or similar. Please be assured that the Archbishop or any clergy operating within the Archdiocese of Brisbane would never have need to approach you in this way or be seeking monetary help via the purchase of gift or store retail cards.

Hitting the delete button is the best way to deal with these pests and scam artists.

### Note to the Parishioners of St. Maximilian Kolbe:

Even Fr. Mikhael's name was also recently used by the spammers requesting to buy the Amazon card or to click the link.

In order to alert the parishioners, the parish office sent a SMS message to all registered mobiles with the parish through PACS ( the phone number was +61421905515) on Tuesday 17th of July.