



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

Fr. Nick De Groot SVD (*away*)

Parish Secretary

Ronet D'Mello

Pastoral Council Chairperson

Noel Swindells

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Tom Kalaja

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Ron Klerks

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PARISH MINISTRY LEADERS

Liturgy Ministries

Rodolfo (Boyet) Domingo

Children & Families Ministries and Children's Sacramental Program

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

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 20 July 2025

LISTENING AS A HOSPITALITY



Last Sunday's gospel was about the Good Samaritan who showed the compassion to the injured half dead Jewish man, supposed to be his enemy. His act of love is hospitality in action. Today's gospel is the continuation of that gospel, it shows us another side of hospitality, which

is no less important. The hospitality of attentiveness to the guest, deep listening to what the guest has to say. Hospitality is not just about doing things for, but also about being with the person.

Mary did nothing other than just sitting at the feet of Jesus, giving him her all undivided attention, deeply listening to what Jesus had to tell her, while her sister Martha was worried about the serving. The image of sitting at the feet of the master and listening is the image of a disciple. Mary in that posture is truly a disciple that Jesus wants and He praises her "There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her."

In this modern day, we are very busy and our monkey mind is very distracted and fretted about many things. We run around doing things like Martha, even that busyness can be in the name of service. We may easily neglect that all that person needs is just our very presence with a listening ear. The doing like that of the Good Samaritan and Martha are important, but as Jesus said, 'there is a better part' that we should not ignore, sitting at the feet of the Lord as his disciples and listening to him.

Deep listening is more than just hearing with the ears. It is the listening of the heart. Rather than bombarding and polluting our ears and mind with digital noises around us, when was the last time that we really quieten our monkey mind and try to listen to the voice of our hearts? God is whispering gently quietly in our hearts. Mother Mary set a good example of deep listening, at the nativity manger and having listened the words of Simeon, Mary "treasured these words in her heart".

Abraham showed his hospitality to the three visiting angels, washing and feeding them. The Good Samaritan took good care and spent time with the abandoned half dead victim. Today's gospel shows us another kind of hospitality which is indispensable, especially when it comes to showing our hospitality to God as his disciples: Our whole hearted attentiveness with a deep listening ear!

Fr. John Quang svd.

Date Claimers

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

Sat. 26 July: : 2nd Rite of Reconciliation and Rehearsal for First Holy Eucharist at 9am

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

SCHEDULE FOR FIRST HOLY EUCHARIST

2 nd 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



In loving memory of

Sesilia Petelo Muavae

who entered eternal life on 11th July 2025

As a Parish family we extend our deepest condolences to Sesilia's family as we share in your loss and uphold all of you in our prayers at this time of sadness and grief.

Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul rest in sublime peace, Amen!

Roster for the weekend of 26 July — 27 July 2025

Mass Coordinators

26 July	5.30pm	-	Tua Niumagumagu
27 July.	7.30am	-	Ron Klerks
27 July.	9.30am	-	Flor Gomez

Readers

26 July.	5.30pm	-	Deb Howkins & Michael Caroll
27 July.	7.30am	-	Tamate T & Buxton Thomas
27 July.	9.30am	-	Beah Tualai & Francesca Ordonez.

Communion Ministers

26 July.	5.30pm	-	Kaylene C., Joshy S., Paul S.
27 July.	7.30am	-	Josephine T., Wilda F., Rachel M.
27 July.	9.30am	-	Rosemarie O. & Alfred Gomez. Tuala P & Kristine D

Altar Servers

26 July.	5.30pm	-	Gerald Joshy
27 July.	7.30am	-	John Paul and Andrew
27 July.	9.30am	-	Parfait and Clovis

Choirs

26 July.	5.30pm	-	Saturday Choir
27 July.	7.30am	-	Congregation Singing
27 July.	9.30am	-	Divine Mercy Choir

Counters : Malcolm, Wilda and Noel

Cleaners : Divine Mercy Group

Flowers : Agnes

Collection: Week-ending: 13 July 2025

Envelopes Received	:	34
Amount from Contributions	:	\$ 2,117.20
Yarrabilba Mass Centre	:	\$ 122.50
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TOTAL	:	\$ 2,239.70

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time: 20 July 2025

First Reading (Genesis 180:1-10)

Lord, do not bypass your servant.

Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 14: 2-5)

The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

Second Reading (Colossians 1:24-28)

The mystery hidden for centuries has now been revealed to his saints .

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy are they who have kept the word with a generous heart and yield a harvest through perseverance
Alleluia!

Gospel (Luke 10:38-42)

Martha took up the duties in the house. Mary chose the better part.

Gospel: Luke 10:38-42

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Martha took up the duties in the house. Mary chose the better part.

Jesus came to a village, and a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. She had a sister called Mary, who sat down at the Lord's feet and listened to him speaking. Now Martha who was distracted with all the serving said, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister is leaving me to do the serving all by myself? Please tell her to help me.' But the Lord answered: 'Martha, Martha,' he said, 'you worry and fret about so many things, and yet few are needed, indeed only one. It is Mary who has chosen the better part; it is not to be taken from her.'



**YARRABILBA MASS CENTRE ;
Weekend Community Mass**
will be held at 4.00pm on:
20 July & 27 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 Deurloo Shiralee Bull 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

ADULT FORMATION MINISTRY

All Parishioners are cordially invited to attend LECTIO DIVINA sessions that will be facilitated by Fr. Nick, in the Parish Meeting Room on:

Friday 25 July 2025: 7:30pm – 8:30pm

LECTIO DIVINA (Divine Reading) is a contemplative prayer practice which is intended to promote communion with God and deepen one's understanding of Scripture. It involves the reading of a Gospel section, then reflecting on it in silence followed by sharing, which is voluntary. The general experience is how the word of God can open-up in our hearts, for one another and with one another.

Fr John, Fr Nick and Alfred Gomez

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



KOLBE YOUTH MINISTRY

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



St Vincent de Paul Society

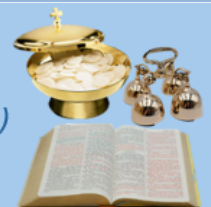
WINTER APPEAL 2025



As the cold sets in, many in our community are doing it tough. The Vinnies Winter Appeal is our opportunity to come together in compassion and generosity, supporting those experiencing homelessness and hardship. Every donation—big or small—can help bring warmth, dignity, and hope to someone in need.



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. 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.

Your continued support to our parish is greatly appreciated and we remain very grateful for your generosity! Fr. John, Fr. Nick and Finance Council

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FEAST DAY & INSTALLATION MASS FOR

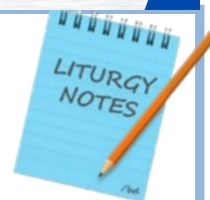
FR. JOHN QUANG SUNDAY 17 AUGUST 2025

9:30AM



BLESSED BE GOD FOR EVER

After receiving the gifts and putting the bread, wine and water on the altar, the Priest takes the paten with the bread and holding it slightly raised above the altar with both hands, say: "Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the bread we offer you: fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life. (*The Order of Mass #23*).



There is also an identical prayer that the priest pronounces when he raises the chalice with the wine (*Order of Mass #25*). "Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the wine we offer you: fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become our spiritual drink."



These two prayers are similar to the prayers of blessing, according to the Hebrew "berakha" which means an expression of praise to God or blessing. This was emphasised in the account of the Last Supper in the Gospels of Mark and Matthew, "He took bread, and **blessed** it, broke it, and gave it to them". In these prayers, we praise and bless God for the **gifts that we received from Him and that we offer back to Him**. We recognised that although we laboured to have a worthy offering to the Lord, all those came from Him and belong to Him – fruit of the earth and the vine and work of human hands. These prayers of praise that is raised to God returns as a blessing that comes down upon the gifts and enriches them to become our bread of life and spiritual drink.

These prayers of blessings for the bread and wine are pronounced quietly or in a low voice by the Priest. If the offertory chant is not sung, the priest may speak these prayers aloud to which the people may acclaim: "**Blessed be God for ever.**" (*taken from Rom 9:5; 2 Cor 11:31*). Take note of the words "may" which means the priest is not mandated to say those prayers aloud (*GIRM #141-142*).

May God, the Lord of all creation, be blessed forever!

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