



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

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38030862

Priest-in-Residence

Fr. Nick de Groot SVD (away till 30th)

Parish Secretary

Ronet D'Mello

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Noel Swindells

Finance Committee Chairperson

Tom Kalaja

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Sue Barrett

Youth Leaders

Shanna

Liturgy Committee Co-ordinator

(currently vacant)

Parish Safeguarding Children Rep.

Ron Klerks (0411 057 611)

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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	7.00pm
Saturday	8.00am

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday	5.30pm
Sunday	8.00am and 9.30am

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Sunday, 30 July. 2023

This week there are three parables Jesus tells in a row. The first compares the Kingdom of Heaven to a "treasure buried in a field." When a person finds it, they sell everything they have so as to buy that field. The second parable likens the Kingdom of Heaven to a merchant who is in search of fine pearls. "When he finds a pearl of great price, he goes and sells all that he has and buys it." In both of these parables, the discovery of the Kingdom of Heaven is a great joy. The person discovering the treasure or the pearl is so elated that he is willing to trade all that he has so as to obtain it.

The third of these three parables, however, is much different. In this case, the Kingdom of Heaven is likened to a net that gathers all people at the end of the age and separates them, the good from the bad. The parable then concludes with a frightening image. The wicked will be thrown "into the fiery furnace, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth."

In the end, for those who enter the glories of Heaven, there will be unending joy. And this fact must be understood so as to draw us into those riches of grace. Anticipation of such a gift should motivate us to diligently seek out the many graces our Lord wishes to bestow upon us. But sometimes we need a bit more of a nudge. We can easily become complacent in our life of faith and our search for God's will. For that reason, Jesus includes the third parable, outlining the consequences some will endure at the end of time. Though it might not be a happy thought, it is a holy thought because it reveals God's definitive justice and judgment at the end of time.

Do you believe in the Justice of God? Do you believe that He will exact definitive judgment upon those who reject His holy will in this life? Do you believe that Hell is real and is a possibility for us all? If this thought is difficult to accept, then it might be worth further prayerfully pondering this third parable. Justice and judgment are real. If we are not fully motivated in life to diligently seek out the glory of the Kingdom of Heaven, then we should at least honestly face the reality of the consequences that await.

Reflect, today, upon the glory, beauty and splendor of God. Try to put your eyes of faith upon the Treasure of the Kingdom of Heaven. Allow this prayerful meditation to inspire you to make obtaining the Kingdom of Heaven your sole mission in life. But if you struggle with this joyous discovery, then do not hesitate to reflect upon the potential consequences. The Lord speaks of these consequences of God's justice and judgment for our good so as to keep them from becoming our reality.

My just Judge, You see all things and know all things. You know my heart through and through. Please cleanse me of every sin and all complacency in life. Fill me with a holy zeal for Your Kingdom. May the joy of the discovery of You fully motivate me to remain diligent in my journey to Heaven. Jesus, I trust in You.

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

Date Claimer

Tue. 1 Aug. : Liturgy Committee Meeting @7pm
Wed. 2 Aug. : Sacrament of 2nd Rite of Reconciliation and Rehearsal for Holy Eucharist @ 6.30pm
Fri. 4 Aug. : First Friday : Adoration at 6.30pm followed by Mass.
Sat. 4 Aug. : First Holy Communion at 5.30pm

Roster for the Weekend of 05 - 06 Aug. 2023

Mass Coordinators

Sat. 05 Aug. 5.30pm - Wilda Fernandes
Sun. 06 Aug. 8.00am - Nimfa Brookes
Sun. 06 Aug. 9.30am - Kelemete Tito

Readers

Sat. 05 Aug. 5.30pm - First Holy Communion Children
Sun. 06 Aug. 8.00am - Marcia Canty & Brian C.
Sun. 06 Aug. 9.30am - Tamate T. & Ron Klerks

Communion Ministers

Sat. 05 Aug. 5.30pm - Paul and Wendy Simpson
Sun. 06 Aug. 8.00am - Brian C. & Korina Laban
Sun. 06 Aug. 9.30am - Winnie Kepu & Filomena T.

Altar Servers

Sat. 05 Aug. 5.30pm - Israel
Sun. 06 Aug. 8.00am - Pramudsth & Saneth
Sun. 06 Aug. 9.30am - Antonio & Andrew

Choirs

Sat. 05 Aug. 5.30pm - Trinity Choir
Sun. 06 Aug. 8.00am - Congregation singing
Sun. 06 Aug. 9.30am - Ekalesia Choir

Counters - Christine Lapalapa & Noel Swindells

Cleaners - Ekalesia Group

Floral Arrangement - Evelyn, Nimfa, Olive, Tanya

Collection: Week-ending: 23 July 2023

Envelopes Received	: 37
Amount from Contributions	: \$ 2,531.65
Yarrabilba Mass Centre	: \$ 141.00

TOTAL	: \$ 2,672.65

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 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time: 30th July 2023

First Reading: 1 Kings 3: 5, 7-12

You have asked for wisdom.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 118: 57, 72, 76-77, 127-130

Lord, I love your commands.

Second Reading: Romans 8: 28-30

He predestined us to become true images of His Son.

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: 44-52

He sells everything he owns and buys the field.



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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. Note: ⇒ 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	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.
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, 30th 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

"WHOEVER OBEYS A COMMAND WILL MEET NO HARM, AND THE WISE MIND WILL KNOW THE TIME AND WAY"

Ecclesiastes 8:5



ONE DAY RETREAT

IN BRISBANE
with **Fr. Roni George VC,**
Director of Divine Retreat Centre, Somersby

When you trust in the Lord and obey his commands, he will protect you from all harm and guide you along the right path. Obedience is to know how and when to act. Knowing the proper time and the proper action is evidence of a person having a wise heart. You will grow in a relational knowledge of the Lord and also grow in grace. *The Lord invites you to come to him and be filled with his wisdom.*

Saturday, August 26th, 2023
(9.30am to 4.00pm)

School Hall, Holy Cross Church
110 Nottingham St, Kippa Ring, QLD, 4021

For enquiries please contact:
Gabrielle 0432 833 439, Steve 0435 590 630

• Admission is FREE • No registrations needed • BYO food



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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