



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

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PARISH MINISTRY LEADERS

Liturgy Ministries

Rodolfo 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	7.00pm
Saturday	8.00am

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday	5.30pm
Sunday	8.00am and 9.30am

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: 28 JULY 2024



In today's gospel, our Lord Jesus Christ is presented to us as a sharer. He came to share not only the word of God with us, but also his total self: "body, blood, soul and divinity". At the end of his sermon it was late and the people were clearly famished from the long trek in search of him. When the sessions were over, the apostles were eager to send the people away so that they could actually get a rest. However, at this point Jesus asked Philip where they could buy bread to feed the multitude. After the feeding with the word of

God, Jesus is now extending his care from the soul to the body. This tells us that God has comprehensive care over us. The request made by Jesus to Philip in view of buying bread was like a difficult and unrealizable task. Philip gave a very straight and simple answer it is impossible to get such a supply above all we don't have such amount in the purse. However, Jesus was trying to find out what Philip would say because he already knew what he would do.

Often when faced with some situations in life, we behave like Philip. We say it is not possible, we claim and assume that nothing can be done about the situation. Philip actually represents most of us who cannot see beyond what human power and resources can do. We often like Philip see fear where we ought to see faith. But in all this Jesus knew exactly what to do. In your life God knows exactly what to do. In your challenges and life situations, God knows exactly what to do. Philip thought that money can answer and address the situation, but this happened to fall beyond the region of finance to the region of faith.

It was at this point that we saw a flicker of faith coming from Andrew. He said that he could see a boy with five loaves of bread and two fish, but that will not be enough for the crowd. By this, Andrew practically challenged the Lord to multiply the five loaves and two fish; a small boy's meal (which was probably planned for him and his family). One striking thing about that little boy was his extreme trust and charity in offering to part with what might have been his only food! Can we all learn to be like him... wholeheartedly trusting in the God's goodness and genuinely offering what we can for those in need? Yes, Jesus multiplied the loaves of bread and the two fish, but this could only happen with the disposition and good will of a small boy who was willing to give. From the five loaves of bread and two fish a great multitude was able to have dinner.

This story serves to remind us that sharing is an expression of love and that God wants our genuine offering before He can use it to bring about greater things. Something has to go forth before something comes forth. Many stories in the bible tell of this same teaching: you must bring something before you can get a whole lot. In Exodus, Moses and Aaron had to bring their staff for miracles to happen (Ex.4:3-4; 7:9,19;). In 1st Kings (17:12) the widow had to bring her last oil and flour before she got the miracle of abundance. In the First reading today (2nd Kings 4:42-44) the servants of Elisha had to bring some bread which he multiplied. Often times we come with nothing while asking God to grant us increase. Let us therefore consider what we can offer to God for the benefit of others.... something no matter how small it may be. Jesus had challenged us in Mark (11:22) that no matter how small our faith could be, it is capable of moving mountains.

Extracted in parts from reflection by Rev. Fr. Dr. Boniface Nkem Anusiem Ph.D; who is an African Catholic Priest, professional writer, dynamic and motivational speaker and an erudite communication expert. Adapted from: <https://frbonnie.com/2012/07/28/jesus->

Date Claimers

Sat. July 27 : First Holy Communion Mass at 5.30pm

Fri. Aug. 2 : First Friday : Adoration at 6.30 pm
followed by Mass at 7pm

Mon. Aug. 5: Pastoral Council Meeting at 7pm

Tue. Aug. 6 : Liturgy Committee Meeting at 7pm.



The Grotto of Our Lady of Perpetual Help

On behalf of Parishioners of St. Maximilian Kolbe, we would like to thank Raphael & Winne Kepu and their families for donating the Grotto of Our Lady of Perpetual Help.

May Lord Bless them and their families abundantly .

Fr. Mikhael and Fr. Nick

Seventeenth Sunday In Ordinary Time: 28 July, 2024

First Reading: 2 Kings 4: 42-44

They will eat and have some left over.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 144:10-11, 15-18

The hand of the Lord feeds us: he answers all our needs.

Second Reading: Ephesians 4: 1-6

There is one body, one Lord, one faith, one baptism.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

A great prophet has appeared among us;

God has visited his people

Alleluia!

Gospel: John 6: 1-15

He distributed to those who were seated as much as they wanted.

YARRABILBA MASS CENTRE Weekend Community Mass

will be held at 4.00pm on:

28 July & 04 Aug. 2024

Centre Location:

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



Roster for the weekend of 03 — 04 August 2024

Mass Coordinators

03 Aug. 5.30pm - Mary Klerks
04 Aug. 8.00am - Wilda Fernandes
04 Aug. 9.30am - Joy Wallace

Readers

03 Aug. 5.30pm - Sarah Wiss & Beah Tualai
04 Aug. 8.00am - Orlando D. & Malcolm D'Souza
04 Aug. 9.30am - Christine Lapalapa & Kristine Domingo

Communion Ministers

03 Aug. 5.30pm - Joshy S., Talafaia T., Paul Simpson
04 Aug. 8.00am - Eseta A., Deb H. Korina L.
04 Aug. 9.30am - Tiitii T., Alfred G., Winnie K.

Altar Servers

03 Aug. 5.30pm - Gerard Joshy
04 Aug. 8.00am - John, May and Zaia
04 Aug. 9.30am - Parfait and Clovis

Choirs

03 Aug. 5.30pm - Saturday Night Choir
04 Aug. 8.00am - Buxton & Josephine
04 Aug. 9.30am - Ekalesia choir

Counters : Christine L and Noel

Cleaners : Ekalesia Group

Flowers : Suli and Lipine

COMMISSIONING OF NEW PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS SUNDAY 4 AUGUST 9.30AM MASS

The commissioning of all new pastoral council members will take place on Sunday 4th August during 9.30am Mass. All new members as well as the existing members are requested to attend.
Fr. Mikhael and Fr. Nick

Collection: Week-ending: 21 July 2024

Envelopes Received	: 25
Amount from Contributions	: \$ 1,754.70
Yarrabilba Mass Centre	: \$ 173.40
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TOTAL	: \$ 1,928.10



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, Asiata J. Lealaitafea, A. Carter, E. B. Sebuano, Pona Vai, N. Dunmore, T. Gibson, F. Petelo, 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 Asiata-Kelemete, Mynott Family, Reef W. Carroll, Daisy A. Thomas, Eric Alfred John Engberg, Coleen Goodwin, , Austine Jonse, Zakelyn Curtis, Michelle & John Williams, Elizabeth Fernandez, Mary Armand, Mary Rosser, AnDaphne Canal n Gason, Judith Anderson, Brooke, John McCready, Ian, Sandra Henry, Carol Lloyd, Esjay and Michael Rudd. Alan Langdon, Judith Sherry, Daphne Canal, Mareta Niumagumagu, Maria Nive M. Tiatia.

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 every Friday. New members are welcome to join. Please contact:

Shanna Kelemete: 0456152625, email: salzhope83@outlook.com
Lawrence Auva'a: 0434763218, email: auvaalaw30@gmail.com



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.



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 these weekly faith-forming, fun-filled and learning sessions. For further information, parents or guardians can contact our Children's Ministry Coordinator, **Tiresa Vaigafa - 0434570 123**.



*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*

First Holy Communion

CONGRATULATIONS! to 23 children of our Parish who will be receiving their First Holy Communion on Saturday, 27th July 2024.

Today is the most important step in your journey of faith. Today you have joined the union of all members of the Church and received the ultimate food for your soul, Jesus Christ. May God guard you and guide you as you walk with Him on the path that He has prepared for you for the rest of your life. Amen!

We are especially grateful for the efforts and dedication of our **Children's Sacramental Preparation Team** who faithfully prepared these children in the last 1 month: **Helen Swindells, Nimfa Brookes and Auceli Trindade Blanchard**.

As a Parish community let us continue to pray for each of these young ones that Jesus whom they received today, will always be at the centre of their young lives!

Fr. Mikhael & Fr. Nick

Liam McKenzie Boavida Healy

Kryzahna Vaeleti Laga

Ethan Andrew Gamolo Bagaipo

Ella Andrea Gamolo Bagaipo

Elijah Muele Iosefa

Jerome Talavou Iosefa

Marineta Agnes Diviwelagi

Isabella Puno

Dillon Raine Del Valle

Hallen Kepu

Kevin Bui

Kathy Bui

Ariana Mirani Tillekeratne

Verlayne Merit Valera

Piper Amelia McDonald

Eden Joan G Tauti

Verlaniyah Shalom Vaigafa

Jove David Lapalapa

Edric Dwyane De Villa

Mya Whittle

Nneoma Jaden Eke

Chinonyelum Loveth Eke

Lara Wisam Wiss





ST. MAXIMILIAN KOLBE

Feast Day
Multicultural
Mass

SUNDAY 18 AUG 2024

9AM MASS (ONE MASS ONLY)

Join us in celebrating the Feast of St. Maximilian Kolbe with a vibrant multicultural Mass. Feel free to wear your cultural attire and bring a dish to share with us for our morning tea after Mass.

