



# St. Maximilian Kolbe Catholic Parish

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## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

### Parish Contacts:

#### Parish Team

##### Parish Priest

Fr. Sunil Paul SVD 3803 0835

##### Associate Priest

Fr. Yon SVD 3803 0835

##### Parish Secretary

Ronet D'Mello 3803 0862

##### Pastoral Council Chairperson

Noel Swindells

##### Finance Committee Chair

Tom Kalaja

##### Care and Concern Co-ordinator

Sue Barrett

##### Youth Co-ordinator

Christine Lapalapa (0420202712)

##### Liturgy Committee Co-ordinator

Carlos Fernandez

##### Parish Safeguarding Children Rep.

Ron Klerks (0411057611)

##### St. Francis College

Mr. John Marinucci (Principal)  
3489 4800

##### St. Clare's Primary School

5549 8000  
Mr. Michael McInerney (Principal)

### MASS TIMES

#### Weekday Mass Times

Monday	No Mass
Tuesday	9.00am
Wednesday	9.00am
Thursday	9.00am
<b>Friday</b>	<b>9.00am</b>
Saturday	8.00am

#### Reconciliation

Saturday 5.00pm - 5.30pm  
or by appointment

#### Weekend Mass Times

**Saturday : 5.30pm**  
Sunday : 8.00 am & 9.30 am

### First Sunday Of Lent — 01 March 2020

#### Reflection...

Dear parishioners,

Last Wednesday, we entered the season of Lent with fasting and the Rite of Ashes, and today we are celebrating the first Sunday of

this Lenten season, that encourages Christians to set out on a path of preparation for Easter. But what does "entering Lent" mean? It means we enter a season of **special commitment**; of conversion and repentance; that links with the Lenten themes of fasting, penance and reconciliation with God, in union with our fellow Christians and all of creation.

The Gospel reminds us, that Jesus, after being baptised in the River Jordan and together with the Holy Spirit, who settled upon him, revealed Himself as the Christ. Together they withdrew for 40 days into the Desert. There, Jesus encountered the temptations of Satan, all of which, He overcame. Following our Teacher and Lord, we also enter the Lenten desert in spirit, in order to learn from Jesus how to "fight our battles against the spirit of evil". Journeying at this Lenten season is like walking in the desert of our spiritual life. Just like Jesus, the desert is a place of encountering, not only the power God, but that of the devil as well. Therefore, we need to learn from Jesus during this special time of lent.

The theme of today's Gospel is on, how Jesus overcame temptation, so that, we can learn from Him. Let us again refresh and update our understanding of temptation, as a good start on how to deal with temptations during this Lenten Journey.

**We read in the Catechism, "Temptation is an attraction, either from outside oneself or from within, to act contrary to right reason and the commandments of God."** Jesus during His life on earth, was tempted, He was put to the test, in order to manifest the difference between Himself and the devil and to highlight the triumph of His saving work over Satan. The Catechism, also teaches us about the **"Capital Sins: pride, greed, envy, anger, lust, gluttony, and sloth/laziness."** They are the source of all evil.

Our commitment during this Lent is first and foremost to overcome the source of all temptations. Like Jesus, we won't let the temptation overcome us, instead we will take full control of ourselves. Whenever temptations control us, we begin to fall. This Sunday's Gospel show us the way Jesus overcame temptations by not letting Himself be compromised or by entering into any dialogue with it. Instead we have recourse to the Word of God to strengthen us. Finally, Jesus used the strong words **"Be off Satan! Go away from me!"** Christ is always willing to teach us, how to escape from temptation. However, we must do our best to overcome it.

### ROSTER SHEETS FOR MARCH AND APRIL 2020

**The roster sheets for March and April are available at the entrance of the Church. Please take a copy of the same and contact the parish office, if you need any changes in the next roster.**



### DATE CLAIMERS

Mon. Mar.2 : Pastoral Council Meeting at 7.30 pm  
 Tue. 3 March : Liturgy Meeting at 7.30 pm.  
 Wed. 4 Apr : Combined choir practice at 7pm  
 Fri. 6 March : First Friday of the month.  
 : Mass at 9am, Adoration at 6.30pm  
 followed by Stations of the Cross at 7pm

### INVITATION FOR ALTAR SERVERS AND BAPTISMAL MINISTERS

We need volunteers for Altar Server and Baptismal Ministers in our parish. If you are interested in joining these ministries, please notify the parish office by phone/email or see Fr. Yon after the Mass.

### INVITATION FOR SMK COMBINED CHOIR

On Behalf of the SMK Parish Community, I would like to kindly invite all parishioners, Choir leaders, musicians, and members (singers) to join the "SMK Combined Choir" for special and important events in our Parish, The Liturgical calendar this year, includes such events as Easter Celebration (Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Vigil), Confirmation, 40<sup>th</sup> Year Anniversary.

Please see below the choir practice schedule @ 7pm.

In March : The choir practices are on 4, 18, 31 of March

In April : The choir practice on 7 April

Fr. Yon



### YARRABILBA MASS CENTRE

Weekend Community Mass @ 5.30pm

Sunday: 01 March & 08 March

at St Clare's Primary School

2 Combs Street, Yarrabilba

*All are welcome*

Collection on 16 Feb: \$152.75

### First Sunday Of Lent: 01 March 2020

First Reading (Genesis 2:7-9, 3:1-7)

*Creation of our first parents, and sin.*

Responsorial Psalm (Ps 50: 3-6, 12-14, 17)

**Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.**

Second Reading (Romans 5: 12-19)

*Where sin is increased, there grace abounded all the more*

Gospel Acclamation (Mathew 4:4)

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory!

No one lives on bread alone,

but on every word that comes from the mouth of God

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory!

Gospel (Mathew 4 : 1-11)

*Jesus fasted for forty days and nights.*

### Please pray for the sick in our Parish:

R Kasipale, J&A Pale, F.Bowden, L.Seeto, J.Collins, M.Dunlop, M.Pierce, R.Henwood, D.Curtis, V.Reid, V.Gspejon, V.Dancey, S.Daniel, A.Purkis, L.Guadez, K & S Talatonu, B.Hodgson, T.Canty, K.Bellette, M.Finnerty, L.Guadez, M.Glorioso, D.Hall, J. Lachlan, A.Van Uitregt, N.Cutuk, V.Toalepai, G.&K Brown, M.Trehane, B.Vandenberg, J&J Beechey, J.Maloney, E.Kruger, J&A Dent, G. Tongia, G&M Gorosito, Asiata J.Lealaitafea, A.Carter, E.B Sebuano, Pona Vai, N. Dunmore, C.Rodrigues, V.Venables, T.Gibson, F. Petelo, Helen A Guadez, M.Vaigafa, O.Donna, Verity Madsen, Oliver Barrett, Maria Corazon Oliver

### THANKSGIVING: Week Ending 23 Feb. 2020

No. of Envelopes Issued : 115

No. of Envelopes Received : 38

1st Collection : \$ 907.45

2nd Collection : \$ 1,075.85

**TOTAL : \$ 1,983.30**

## **ROSTER FOR WEEK ENDING 07 Mar — 08 March 2020**

Day/Date/Time	Saturday, 07 March		Sunday, 08 March	
	5.30 PM		8.00 AM	9.30 AM
Mass Coordinator	Luiz Vasquez		Diana Faeteete	Kelemete Tito
Readers	Noreen Audley William Barncastle		Janessa Kasipale Marcia Canty	Mary Klerks Erin Kennedy
Extra Ordinary Ministers	William Barncastle Rosemarie Ordonez Patricia Vasquez		Lele Faeteete Brian Cunningham Irene Marooth	Winnie Kepu Ron Klerks Luta Nanai
Altar Servers	Dulshika Fernando Lucian		Jaydan Scanlan Tili Niumagumagu Taoa Kepu	John Paul Tevaga Avasa Petelo Noah Utai
Choir	Saturday Night Choir		African Choir	Ekalesia Choir
Counter's Roster	Repeka Kasipale, Lele Faeteete, Agnes Faamausili			
Cleaner's Roster	Winnie Kepu, Alex and Lipin Makaohi, Filomena Tuiafiso, Christina Lam			

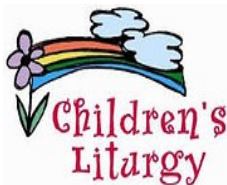
Baptism



The Sacrament of Baptism is available by pre-arrangement, every Sunday. Please contact the Parish Office to make further inquires.

**Our Baptism Minister for March. 2020**

**Helen Swindells**



**Children's Liturgy** will be held in the Maryfields Hall at **9.30am every Sunday**. Parents with children aged 5 up to early teens are encouraged to send their children to attend these faith-forming, fun filled and learning sessions. For further info please contact:

**Tilesa Vaigafa @ 0434 570 123**



We invite all youth aged 11 and above, to join the SMK Youth Groups and to participate in and enjoy fellowship with others in your age group, strengthen your faith journey and have loads of fun with our many exciting and enjoyable activities:

For further information, please call:  
**Christine Lapalapa on 0420 02 712**

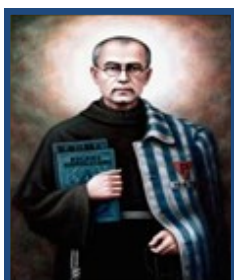
**San Damiano College at Yarrabilba**

Dr Lee will be holding a parent information session at St Clare's on Wed. 4<sup>th</sup> of March from 3.30pm in relation to San Damiano College at Yarrabilba which is due to open next year.

All parishioners who are interested are requested to attend.

Fr. Sunil

**PRAYER TO ST. MAXIMILIAN KOLBE**



Lord, You inflamed St. Maximilian Kolbe with love for the Immaculate Virgin and filled him with zeal for souls and love of neighbour. Through His prayers, grant that we may work strenuously for Your Glory in the service of others and so be made conformable to Your Son in death. Amen

**Ministry of  
Care & Concern**

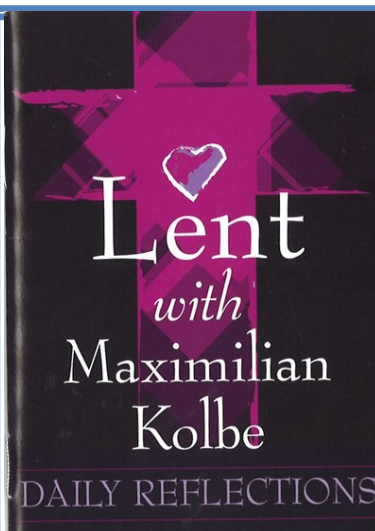


**Healing Mass**

**Tue, 10 March @ 10.45am**

**Followed by lunch.**

**All are welcome**



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# *A Journey Through Lent*

## **2020-Parish Lenten Program**

**Fr. Yon's Group: Every Thursday starting from 27 February 2020 during the Lent from 9.30am -10.30 am. All parishioners are welcome**

**Stations of the Cross : Every Friday during the Lent @ 7.00pm**

### **Holy Week**

<b>Palm Sunday</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>April 05, 2020</b>
<b>Holy Thursday</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>April 09, 2020</b>
<b>Good Friday</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>April 10, 2020</b>
<b>Easter Vigil</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>April 11, 2020</b>
<b>Easter Sunday</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>April 12, 2020</b>



### **PARISH MISSION BY FR. RAY SANCHEZ**

**Our Parish Mission will be held from Saturday 28 March 2020 to Friday 03 April 2020.**

**Fr. Ray Sanchez, the Mission Director will conduct this mission. This mission will run both in the morning and in the evening.**

**The Topics for the mission are:**

- ♦ **On Being a Christian– On Sunday 29 March.**
- ♦ **Jesus and Justice– On Monday 30 March.**
- ♦ **Male and Female Spirituality– On Tuesday 31 March.**
- ♦ **The Third Age and the Final Journey– On Thursday 2 April.**
- ♦ **The Problem of Evil and God's Mercy– On Friday 3 April.**

**All parishioners are requested to attend.**

**Fr. Sunil and Fr. Yon**