



# 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**

Fr. John Quang SVD 38030862

### **Priest-in-Residence**

Fr. Nick De Groot SVD

### **Parish Secretary**

Ronet D'Mello

### **Pastoral Council Chairperson**

Noel Swindells

### **Finance Committee Chairperson**

Tom Kalaja

### **Parish Safeguarding Children Rep.**

Ron Klerks / Verity Madsen

STOP line: 1300 304 550

## 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

<b>Monday</b>	<b>No Mass</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>9:00am</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>9:00am</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>9:00am</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>9:00am</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>8:00am</b>

## Weekend Mass Times

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>5:30pm</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>7:30am and 9:30am</b>

**Confession: Saturday : 5:00pm**

## **TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME : 21 SEPTEMBER 2025**

### SPIRITUAL SHREWDNESS

Praising a dismissed servant for his dishonest behaviour by his master and Jesus!? You may find it mind puzzling! Not to worry, as most biblical scholars would scratch their heads for the same thing. The two possible explanations: the dismissed servant is guilty as charged, or the deduction of the owed olive oil and wheat is from commission earned by the dismissed servant, not from the master's interest. It is anyone's wild guess! However, the crucial point of the parable Jesus raises is, as worldly children are shrewd in their worldly dealing to secure their future security, how about us the children of God of light. The wisdom of dealing with worldly possession as means for the better spiritual future.

Greed as Dissatisfaction. The source of human suffering is often not from the lacking but from our unsatisfied greed. The first reading tells us the business people couldn't wait for the time of required rest to be over so that they can quickly get back to business to make money on the poor. Their greed is not just about getting more money but rather the dissatisfaction that enough is never enough. When we subject ourselves to money, we become slaves of money. Money is our master. Jesus plainly said, we cannot serve both masters, money and God. We will either love this one or hate the other. Greed is incompatible for our spiritual growth.

Spiritual Shrewdness. The master and Jesus did not recommend the dishonest behaviour of the servant. Rather, they praised the servant for making a far sighted judgement when a moment of crisis arises. He knew how to make use of materials, though not belonging to him, to make friends for his future advancement. He made a shrewd decision at a critical moment.

Jesus cautions us not to store up treasure for ourselves in this world where thieves can break in and moths can eat it away. Rather, he advises us to set our heart on what is everlasting in heaven. If children of this world is shrewd in dealing with worldly wealth, making good use of it, how about us the children of light. Aren't we supposed to be spiritually shrewd making good judgment on what is given to us for our spiritual wellbeing?

Conclusion. We often see warning on items like cigarettes, food, and medicine. We have to make sound judgement before using them for our well-being. How about money, symbol of worldly wealth? Actually when we hold a money note in our hand, it is already a warning. The term money is derived from Latin word MONET. Monet means 'warn or advice'. Money is not evil but the love of money is. Let's take that warn/advice.

Fr. John Quang svd.



*In loving memory of*

**Telei'ai Eneliko Vitele Lua Meapusi  
Ulugia.**

*As a Parish family we extend our deepest condolences to Telei'ai Eneliko'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 him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul rest in sublime peace, Amen!*

**Funeral Service will be held on Monday, 22 September at 10.00am in our parish.**



**YARRABILBA MASS CENTRE**

**Weekend Community Mass**

will be held at 4.00pm on:

**21 September & 28 September 2025**

**Centre Location:** St. Clare's Primary School,  
2 Combs St, Yarrabilba.

**Roster for the weekend of 27 — 28 September 2025**

**Mass Coordinators**

27 Sept. 5.30pm - Ron Klerks  
28 Sept. 7.30am - Nimfa Brookes  
28 Sept. 9.30am - Flor Gomez

**Readers**

27 Sept. 5.30pm - Jasmin Godinet & Annabel Budiono  
28 Sept. 7.30am - Buxton Thomas & Tamate Tumanuvao  
28 Sept. 9.30am - Tiliola Niumagumagu & Privilege Mtetwa

**Communion Ministers**

27 Sept. 5.30pm - Kaylene Caroll., Deb Howkins, Joshy Scaria  
28 Sept. 7.30am - Josephine Thomas, Sera Thomas, Rachel M.  
28 Sept. 9.30am - Alfred G., Shanna K., Tuala P., Boyet D.

**Altar Servers**

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

**Choirs**

27 Sept. 5.30pm - Saturday Night Choir  
28 Sept. 7.30am - Congregation Singing  
28 Sept. 9.30am - Divine Mercy choir

**Counters** : Agnes and Lele

**Cleaners** : Divine Mercy Choir

**Flowers** : Nimfa and Olive

**Collection: Week-ending: 14 September 2025**

<b>Envelopes Received</b>	<b>: 33</b>
<b>Amount from Contributions</b>	<b>: \$ 2,361.35</b>
<b>Yarrabilba Mass Centre</b>	<b>: \$ 242.30</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>: \$ 2,603.65</b>

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 Gloriosio, 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.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, Rob Canning, Catherine Hetherington, Pete Pietkiewicz, V&A Asiata-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 McCreedy, 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.



**25th Sunday In Ordinary Time : 21 Sept. 2025**

**First Reading (Amos 8: 4-7)**

The Lord spoke against those who buy the poor for money.

**Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 112: 1-2, 4-8)**

Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor

**Second Reading ( 1 Timothy 2: 1-8)**

Let prayers be offered to God for everyone; he wants all people to be saved.

**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor,

To make you rich out of his poverty

Alleluia!

**Gospel (Luke 16: 1-13)**

You cannot be slaves both of God and of money.

**Gospel : Luke 16 :1- 13**

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke**

**Jesus said to his disciples: 'The man who can be trusted in little things can be trusted in great; the man who is dishonest in little things will be dishonest in great. If then you cannot be trusted with money, that tainted thing, who will trust you with genuine riches? And if you cannot be trusted with what is not yours, who will give you what is your very own?'**

**'No servant can be the slave of two masters: he will either hate the first and love the second, or treat the first with respect and the second with scorn. You cannot be the slave both of God and of money.'**

**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 26 September 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



## 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

## Kolbe Youth Ministry

Young parishioners aged 13 and above, are  
invited to join the Kolbe Youth Ministry **Citizens of  
Christ** every Friday evenings from :  
5pm- 7pm at Maryfields Hall.

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!

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## 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**



St Vincent De Paul Feast Day

# Morning Tea

We invite you to join us so we  
can say THANK YOU for your  
contributions and donations.

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> September  
After 9:30am Mass



Golden Wedding  
Anniversary Mass   
Saturday 27th September 2025  
11:30am  
Cathedral of St Stephen

Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary  
or beyond, are invited to attend, together with their  
family and friends.

## Discover Palms Volunteering

**Develop community self-reliance and create  
lasting change!**

Discover Palms International Volunteering [online](#)  
in this special session where you'll chat with past  
Palms volunteers and hear how skill-exchange  
makes a lasting impact in communities. Explore  
our [unique opportunities](#) and match your life ex-  
perience to the experience of a lifetime!

**Venue:** Online- register at [palms.org.au/events](http://palms.org.au/events)

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR UP KEEPING OF PARISH GARDEN

We are seeking volunteers for up keeping of parish gardens and surroundings. If you are able to help us, please write your names on the list provided at the entrance of the church.

Your support is highly appreciated.

Fr. John and Fr. Nick



*Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> Oct 2025*

Time:  
5.30 PM

Venue:  
St Maximilian Kolbe Church  
26 Macarthy Road, Marsden

Catholic Mission invites you to join us after mass for refreshments and meet and hear first hand from Bishop Mulandu's vision and passion for the people and communities in Mpika, Zambia.

Bishop  
Edwin  
Mulandu  
visiting  
from  
Mpika,  
Zambia for  
World  
Mission  
Month

## NEW PARISH COUNCIL.

In light of the latest directive from the safe guarding office of the Archdiocese and conforming to the statutes of the parish council (PC) guideline, the parish is looking forward to a new PC consisted of 8 members (10 max). The four members of the current PC will remain as interim parish council. We invite all parishioners to consider and ponder for the nomination of four new candidates, aged over 18, who preferably active in the parish and young , without excluding the seniors who have not served before, and taking into consideration of the ethnic representation of our parish.

We look forward tentatively by February 2026, the new parish council will be in place. We acknowledge the courageous openness and sacrifice of the outgoing PC members. With gratitude for their years of dedicating service.

Fr. John Quang.

## **CATECHISM CORNER**

WHAT IS CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING ON WEALTH?

The Church has very clear and direct teachings about the improper use of material goods. In his 1967 social encyclical *Populorum Progressio*, Pope Saint Paul VI quotes St. Ambrose saying, “You are not making a gift of what is yours to the poor man, but you are giving him back what is his. You have been appropriating things that are meant to be for the common use of everyone. The earth belongs to everyone, not to the rich” (PP 23). And in *Fratelli Tutti*, Pope Francis quotes from St. John Chrysostom: “Not to share our wealth with the poor is to rob them and take away their livelihood. The riches we possess are not our own, but theirs as well” (FT 119).

How is money different? The world’s financial values center on material security and growing wealth. But those are not Christ’s values. Followers of Christ are challenged to understand and use money differently from the rest of the world.

Source: <https://wherepeteris.com/is-wealth-contrary-to-the-gospel-catholic-teaching-on-private-property/>