



St. Maximilian Kolbe Catholic Parish

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

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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 Vigil Mass: 5.30pm
Sunday Mass: 8.00am & 9.30am

28th Sunday In Ordinary Time : 15th October 2023

Reflection...

Banquets and parties—and yet the invited don't show up. Today's readings are about God's invitation to you and to me. Will we answer his invitation?

The first reading today is from the Prophet Isaiah. The Prophet tells us that God will provide a banquet for all peoples. Everyone is invited. God wants all to be saved. God will destroy death forever. All will rejoice that God has saved us. This is a strong message because so many in our world do not want salvation for everyone nor even do many people want good things for others.

There is enormous competition in our world—and so many, perhaps even ourselves, want to be ahead of others. Such desires destroy our humanity. We can strive to be the very best person that we can be—but never in competition with another. We can strive to serve others to the best of our ability—but not by competing with others. God wants us all to be saved and that should always be our prayer for our sisters and brothers. May they be the person that God has created them to be: and if they are better than we, so be it.

The second reading is from the Letter to the Philippians. Here St. Paul is teaching us: "I know how to live in humble circumstances; I know also how to live with abundance." The challenge is for us to live the same way. Whether we have power and might and money or whether we have nothing, we must know how to live for God's glory and not for our own purposes.

Today's Gospel from St. Matthew brings us back to banquets! Now the King, God Himself, is giving a banquet and those invited don't come to the banquet. Jesus uses this image as an image of the Kingdom of God. We are all invited! Are we going to respond to the invitation of Jesus? God wants us. God also invites us to live in a way given to us by Jesus Himself.

When we acknowledge that Jesus is Lord, God and Saviour, then we can understand how important it is to respond to His invitation and to live as He has shown us: love for all others, sacrifice of ourselves for the sake of others, trying to give our lives completely to the Lord through the service of others. Just as in today's Gospel, God will not force us. Jesus accepts our freedom to reject Him and His invitation to the banquet of the Kingdom. Even though Jesus is God and Lord, He will never compel us against our own choices. So we are left in the end with our own choice: I don't have to be perfect. I don't have to do everything right. I can make mistakes.

**At the centre of my heart there is only one question:
Am I seeking to follow the Lord Jesus?**

Reflection of:

Abbot Philip Benedictine Abbey of Christ in the Desert, Abiquiu, New Mexico, U.S.A.
<https://christdesert.org/2017/10/28th-sunday-ordinary-time-cycle-2017/>



Date Claimers

- Fri. 13 Oct** Liturgy Training for **Readers** (for those with more than 2 years experience) - 7pm
- Sat. 14 Oct** Liturgy Training for **Communion Ministers** (new and current) at 10.30am.
- Wed. 18 Oct** Faith Formation Leadership Team Meeting 6.30pm
- Sun. 29 Oct** Liturgy Training for **Altar Servers** (new and current) - 10.30am
- Sun. 29 Oct** **Children & Family ministry meeting** - 10.30am

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First Reading - Isaiah 25:6-10

The Lord will prepare a feast and will wipe away the tears from every cheek.

Responsorial Psalm - Ps. 22

**I shall live in the house of the Lord
all the days of my life.**

Second Reading - Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20

I am able to do all things in Him who strengthens me.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

**May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ
enlighten the eyes of our heart, that we might see,
how great is the hope to which we are called.**

Alleluia!

Gospel - Matthew 22:3-10

Whomsoever you find invite to the wedding.



YARRABILBA MASS CENTRE

Weekend Community Mass
will be held at **4.00pm** on:

Sunday: 15th Oct & 22nd Oct, 2023

Centre Location:

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

All are Welcome!



Please Pray for the Sick

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, B.Hodgson, M.Finnerty,
G&M. Glorioso, D.Hall, 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, Nora Philips, Alzira D'souza,
Agnes Hamilton, Wena Prowse, V&M L Petelo,
Zhaylee Curtis, Sesilia Muevae, Rob Canning, Catherine
Hetherington, Pete Pietkiewicz, V&A Asiata-Kelemete,
Mynott Family, Reef W. Carroll, Daisy A. Thomas, John
Engberg, Baby Charlotte, Coleen Goodwin, Mary Farrell,
Eric Alfred, Austine Jonse, Zakelyn Curtis, Michelle & John
Williams, Cath Turner, Debbie Bidgood, Mercy Edison,
Elizabeth Fernandez, Mary Armand, Mary McCarthy,
Frank Lee, Ann Gason, Judith Anderson, Brooke.

In Sweet Loving Memory of

Hilda D'mello

Who entered Eternal Life on

Saturday, 23rd September 2023



**There will be a Memorial Mass offered for Hilda,
mother of our Parish Secretary, Ronet,
at 7.00pm on Friday, 20th October 2023**

All are welcome to attend

Light refreshment will be served at the Parish Hall after Mass

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

Roster for the weekend of 21st and 22nd October 2023

Mass Coordinators:

- 21 Oct. 5.30pm - William Barncastle
22 Oct. 8.00am - Ronald Klerks
22 Oct. 9.30am - Joy Wallace

Readers

- 21 Oct. 5.30pm - Sarah Wiss
- Adeline Barncastle
22 Oct. 8.00am - Josephine Thomas
- Lele Faaeteete
22 Oct. 9.30am - Children & Youth Ministry
- Children & Youth Ministry

Communion Ministers:

- 21 Oct. 5.30pm - Rosemary Ordonez & Sue Mckeown
22 Oct. 8.00am - Buxton Thomas & Mary Klerks
22 Oct. 9.30am - Elisapeta Tito & Violela Ndikuriyo

Altar Servers:

- 21 Oct. 5.30pm - Saneth, Chagika & Pramudsth
22 Oct. 8.00am - Salvius & Parfait
22 Oct. 9.30am - Antonio & Andrew

Choir:

- 21 Oct. 5.30pm - Saturday Night Choir
22 Oct. 8.00am - African Choir
22 Oct. 9.30am - Children & Youth Choir

Counters : Malcolm & Wilda D'Souza & Noel Swindells

Cleaners : Divine Mercy Group

Flowers : Evelyn, Nimfa, Olive & Tanya

Collection: Week-ending 8th October 2023

Envelopes Received : 30
Amount from Contributions : \$ 2,297.40
Yarrabilba : \$ 134.45

TOTAL : \$ 2,431.85



CHILDREN'S Ministry

We will be organising our
Australian Children's Day Mass
on Sunday, 22nd October 2023
at 9.30am;

followed by Morning Tea*

* please bring a plate to share, thank you!

All parents and/or guardians of children across all age groups are highly encouraged to bring their children (including Youth) to this Mass for a very special celebration. We also encourage as many of your children to participate as readers, Choir members and offertory bearers (training will be provided).

*Please see our Children's Ministry Coordinators,
Tiresa Vaigafa or Helen Swindells.*



ALTAR SERVERS MINISTRY

**Training Session
for all
Altar Servers
(new & current)**

Parents are invited to encourage their children who have already received 1st Holy Communion to join this very important ministry in our Parish.

Training will be held for all current and new Altar Servers on **Saturday, 29 Oct 2023 @ 10.30am.**

So please make every effort to attend!

Thank you



CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Sessions will re-commence on **Sunday, 1st October at 9.30am** and it will be held at the Parish Hall. Parishioners who have children between the ages of 5 up to 13, are encouraged to send them to attend sessions.

As we are presently planning for more Children & Family events over Christmas and for the new year 2024, we are asking parents/guardians to register the names of children with our Children's Liturgy Ministry Coordinator, Tiresa Vaigafa (M: 0434 570 123); there will be a form to be filled.

Note: Rehearsal for the Australian Children's Day Mass will be held on **Saturday, 21 Oct at 10.30am**. Please take note accordingly, if your child is going to be involved in any part of the Mass such as in the Choir, or as a reader or as offertory bearer. Thank you.



Journey with Sr Carolina 
THIS WORLD MISSION MONTH

catholicmission.org.au/carolina

The Catholic Mission (CM) is the Pope's international mission agency that responds to the call to love God and to love our neighbour by forming individuals and communities as missionary disciples of Jesus who share their faith in action and through prayer. They share in God's mission to reach out, give life by sharing our personal and financial resources to: - proclaim the Gospel, - serve people in need, - act for peace, justice and creation; in partnership with local churches, so that all may have life in Christ. This month, CM launched the celebration of World Mission Month 2023, based on Pope Francis' World Mission Sunday message, '**Hearts on fire, feet on the move**'.

This appeal highlights the burning passion that drives missionaries around the world to take action for a more just world. Sr Carolina, who is the face of the awareness and fundraising campaign, is a great example of the devotion of missionaries, dedicating herself to providing critical healthcare services to the rural community of Venilale in Timor-Leste. **In our Parish of St. Maximilian Kolbe, we will have our own Catholic Mission Ambassadors on the weekend of October 21st & 22nd who will share more on the work of this dynamic aid agency.**

Good Saint Luke, we are told that before you met our dear Lord and became a follower of His and a writer of His Gospel, you were a doctor. We seek your intercession on this day, to pray for God's mercy and protection for all our physicians especially during this Covid pandemic. Obtain for them the graces they most need to do their life-saving work as instruments of God! Help them to be strong and gentle, prudent, charitable, understanding and self-sacrificing. Give them great skill in the care of those who seek their professional help and work through them to bring about healing in all its form.

Help us all, good Saint Luke, to imitate very closely the life and virtues of our Blessed Mother Mary, about whom you wrote so beautifully, and of Him whom she bore into this world, Jesus Christ our Lord and our God, who lives and is King for ever and ever. Amen.



St. Luke the Evangelist
18 October

15-21 OCTOBER 2023

MILLIONS OF REASONS TO CARE

This National Carers Week we celebrate more than **2.65 million** unpaid carers in our community.



Loving Father,

We thank and honour you for the people who care for us, our parents, foster parents, grandparents, Godparents, spouses, brothers, sisters, aunts, uncles, teachers, religious and all those special people in our lives who just seem to know when we need them. We especially pray for young people who care for siblings, parents, grandparents and friends. We ask you to bless, fill and flood their hearts with your endless love.

Jesus, we thank and praise you for those who care for us in a professional capacity. We pray for doctors, nurses and support staff. We pray for all those who care for others as volunteers, for those who give their time to just sit and be present, for those who help with the daily mundane chores of life and for those who provide personal care so lovingly and respectfully. We ask you to bless, guide and sustain them with your everlasting peace.

Holy Spirit, pour out your gifts and fruits on all those who provide care for others. Grant them time and rest to rejuvenate, courage and fortitude to face the day to day challenges and wisdom and trust to know when to ask for help. Blessed Trinity, inspire and awaken us to be a Church community that is actively seeking to provide assistance and support to people who care for our brothers and sisters, who are witnesses of your gifts to our world.

Amen.