

St. Maximilian Kolbe Catholic Parish

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

PARISH CONTACTS

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Parish Secretary

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Noel Swindells

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PARISH MINISTRY LEADERS

Liturgy Ministries

William Barncastle

Children & Families Ministries and Children's Sacramental Program

Helen Swindells (0400 014 042)

Community Life Ministries

Lele Faaeteete

Youth & Young Adults Ministry

Shanna Kelemete

Adult Faith Formation Ministries

Adeline Barncastle (0406 675 758)

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Winnie Kepu

Affiliated Catholic Schools

St. Francis College - Tel. No 3489 4800 Mr. John Marinucci (Principal)

St. Clare's Primary School - 5549 8000

Mr. Michael McInerney (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 9.00am Saturday 8.00am

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5.30pm Sunday Mass: 8.00am & 9.30am 29th Sunday In Ordinary Time: 22nd October 2023

Reflection ...

The phrase 'rendering to Caesar the things of Caesar, and to God the things of God' is one of the bits of scripture that people often use without recognising its origin. But it is a phrase that we can do well to keep with us.

We all know we have a variety of duties and responsibilities:

- ◆ To those immediately around us who love us and whom we love: care, respect, and tenderness are not optional in our relationships.
- We have responsibilities to those we work with and to those who employ us - honesty and integrity are supposed to be hallmarks of Christians;'



- We have responsibilities to the larger society; we are called to be responsible citizens.
- We have responsibilities toward the whole of humanity in that we must work for peace and development.
- We have responsibilities toward the environment and the care of the planet, indeed because we believe we are all creatures and that God has made us stewards of creation we have an interest in this that is far more demanding than that of an environmentalist who would not recognise the divine origin of the creation. Some who call themselves Christians still think environmental concerns are not really 'religious' issues despite saying each week' we believe in one God ... maker of all that is, seen and unseen'.

And we are called in the Spirit to follow the Christ, to become part of his body the church, and offer praise and thanks to our heavenly Father - prayer and praise and an awareness of the mystery that surrounds us is part of our humanity.

Some Christians try to argue that it can be an 'either ... or' situation. Some people who are opposed to religion argue that religious people are only concerned with 'spiritual' things. Others opposed to religion argue that they should be only concerned with 'spiritual' things. Many, for various reasons, argue that 'religion has no place' in this or that sphere of human living. Thus they imply that we should not consider ourselves as having any responsibilities in this or that concern.

In the face of this we must remember that God is the Lord of all creation. In his love God has given the creation a freedom and integrity, and given humanity responsibilities within it. We are called to live lives of prudence, always keeping in mind the variety of our duties to self, others, the world, and God. It is in taking care of this variety of responsibilities that we fulfill the command to render Caesar's things to Caesar, and God's things to God.

Excerpts from the writing of: Thomas O'Loughlin Liturgical Resources for Matthew's Year: Sundays in Ordinary Time in Year A

Date Claimers

Tue. 24 Oct Finance Committee Meeting @7pm Sun. 29 Oct Liturgy Training for Altar Servers

(new and current) - 10.30am

Children & Family Ministry meeting -Sun. 29 Oct

Wed. 1 Nov All Saints Day - Mass @ 9am

Thur. 2 Nov All Souls Day - Mass @ 9am and 7pm

Fri. 3 Nov Eucharistic Adoration 6.30pm Mass @ 7pm

Sat.4 Nov **Strategic Planning Meeting For Leadership**

Team from 9am to 12noon.

Invitation to the whole Parish Community to witness the Holy Matrimony of

Christopher Trage & Kahli Stares

2.00pm on Friday, 27th October 2023



and over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity. Colossians 3:14

Roster for the weekend of 28th and 29th October 2023

Mass Coordinators

28 Oct. 5.30pm Hilda Bowden 29 Oct. 8.00am Lele Faaeteete 29 Oct. 9.30am Mary Klerks

Readers

28 Oct. 5.30pm Adeline Barncastle

Francesca Ordonez

29 Oct. 8.00am **Buxton Thomas**

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29 Oct. 9.30am **SMK Youth**

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Communion Ministers

28 Oct. 5.30pm Hazel McCarrick & Sue Mckeown 29 Oct. 8.00am Josephine Thomas & Marcia Canty 29 Oct. 9.30am Joy Wallace & Deb Howkins

Altar Servers

28 Oct. 5.30pm Saneth, Chagika & Pramudsth

29 Oct. 8.00am Abigail & Annabel Salvius & Parfait 29 Oct. 9.30am

Choir

28 Oct. 5.30pm Saturday Night Choir 29 Oct. 8.00am Congregation 29 Oct. 9.30am Youth Choir

Counters Noel Swindells and Christine Lapalapa Vaigafa Family & Diana Mulcahy Cleaners Evelyn, Nimfa, Olive and Tanya **Flowers**

Collection: Week-ending 15th October 2023

Envelopes Received 29

Amount from Contributions \$ 1,867.15 Yarrabilba 240.60

TOTAL : \$ 2,107.75

29th Sunday In Ordinary Time: 22nd Oct 2023

First Reading - Isaiah 45:1, 4-6

I have taken the hand of Cyrus to subdue nations before his countenance.

Responsorial Psalm - Ps. 95: 1, 3-5, 7-10

Give the Lord glory and honour.

Second Reading - 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5

We are mindful of your faith, hope, and love.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Shine on the world like bright stars; you are offering it the word of life.

Alleluia!

Gospel - Matthew 22:15-21

Give to Caesar the things that belong to Caesar and to God the things that are God's.



YARRABILBA MASS CENTRE

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

Sunday: 22nd Oct & 29th 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 Pietkiewiez, 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.



Sessions are 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 faithforming, 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



ALTAR SERVERS MINISTRY

Training Session for all Altar Servers (new & current) Parents are encouraged to bring 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 Sunday, 29 Oct 2023 @ 10.30am (after Mass).

So please make every effort to attend!

Thank you Fr. Mikhael Loke

HEALING MASS

Tuesday, 7th Nov 2023 @ 10.00am followed by luncheon, sweeps, raffles & prizes for the Best Hat and Best Dressed for the occasion!

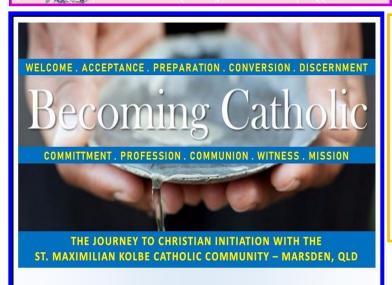


Sacramental Preparation for Children



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.



The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is the pathway of preparation for those who desire to become Catholic and be fully initiated into the Catholic Church. It resembles the journey those in the early church undertook in preparation to be baptised and received into the Catholic faith.

The RCIA is not a program, but rather a process of ongoing conversion to the life and teachings of Jesus Christ towards spiritual maturity as a missionary disciple in the Church. Dedication to the process involves individual spiritual formation and preparation, investigation and discernment of the Catholic faith, and moments of public commitment to one's pursuit of holiness.

This pathway is designed for those who are unbaptized or coming from another religion, baptised Christians who are seeking to become Catholic, and baptised Catholics who desire to complete their Sacraments of Initiation (i.e Reconciliation, Holy Eucharist and/or Confirmation).

If you or someone you know are keen to begin your journey of discovery in the Catholic faith, please call our Parish Office to register your interest and provide your contact information. Our Parish Office email is: marsden@bne.catholic.net.au and our contact number is 3803 0862

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 parish events during the year.



Our next Kolbe Youth Gathering will be at 6.00pm on Friday, 27th October 2023

"There is no evil to be faced that Christ does not face with us.
There is no enemy that Christ has not already conquered. There is no cross to bear that Christ has not already borne for us, and does not now bear with us."



Feast Day: October 22
Saint Pope John Paul II
Pray for us

www.afcmmedia.org



Today, World Mission Day is celebrated on the penultimate Sunday in October, all around the globe, as a sign of support and solidarity for missions and missionaries everywhere. Even in the disorientation and fear provoked by the current global economic and climate crisis, the Lord continues to ask "Whom shall I send?" Even as we touch our frailty in the pain and death we are experiencing, we are also reminded "of our deep desire for life and liberation from evil". This is where the call to mission emerges as an "invitation to step out of ourselves for love of God and neighbour" through service and intercessory prayer", he writes.

Missionaries with Jesus the Missionary

Just as Jesus completely accomplished His mission by dying on the cross, "we find ourselves precisely when we give ourselves to others", said Pope Francis (World Mission Sunday 2020). Our mission, our call, our willingness to be sent originate in His own vocation as "the Father's Missionary". "Our personal vocation" is rooted in "the fact that we are sons and daughters of God in the Church".

The Church as Missionary

Pope Francis explains that it is specifically the Church that "continues the mission of Jesus in history". Thus the baptized members of the Church are sent forth in her name. Through our witness and proclamation of the Gospel, God continues "to manifest His love". This is how He is able to "touch and transform hearts, minds, bodies, societies and cultures in every place and time."

Response to a Relationship

"Mission is a free and conscious response to God's call", the Pope reminds us. A call to mission can only be discerned "when we have a personal relationship of love with Jesus present in his Church". That leads to the question of our preparedness to welcome the Holy Spirit's presence and action in our lives. That call comes to married couples, consecrated persons and ordained ministers in life's everyday events. Another question the Pope says we should ask ourselves is if we are willing "to be sent forth at any time or place to witness to our faith" and relationship with the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit., And the last question is if we are willing to respond as Mary did always "ready to be completely at the service of God's will?"

Mission responds to life

The challenge for the Church's mission right now is that of "Understanding what God is saying to us at this time", Pope Francis acknowledges. As people die in war zones or in poverty, as others loose their homes, jobs, or suffer from loneliness, neglect and abandonment, the Pope says that we are invited "to rediscover that we need social relationships as well as our communal relationship with God". This situation can increase our awareness of the need to relate to others, he says. God will touch our hearts through prayer which will always open us to understand others' needs.

Whom shall I send?

God's question expressed by the Prophet Isaiah "is addressed once more to us and awaits a generous and convincing response: 'Here am I, send me!' (Is 6:8). Pope Francis says at the conclusion of his message. World Mission Sunday will be a day on which we will be able to reaffirm through prayer, reflection and material help our active participation in Jesus's mission in His Church. Pope Francis specifies



that the collection taken up is for "the missionary work carried out in my name by the Pontifical Mission Societies, in order to meet the spiritual and material needs of peoples and Churches throughout the world, for the salvation of all."

Excerpts from:

https://www.catholicireland.net—Mission Sunday 2020 / 2023