



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.

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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	5.30pm
Sunday	8.00am and 9.30am

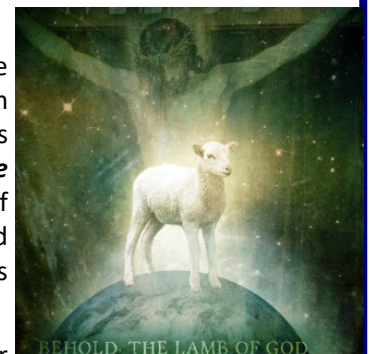
2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time: Sunday, 15 January 2023

Through our liturgy this Sunday, our Mother Church reminds us of the following:

⇒ In the 1st reading, the prophet Isaiah 49:3,5-6 foretells us that Christ is the light of the nations that has come to rescue us from the darkness of our sins: ***"I will make you a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth."***

⇒ Our salvation brought by Our Lord Jesus Christ will be done through the obedience to the will of God in everything, even unto death on the Cross: ***"Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will (Resp. Psalm)."***

⇒ Jesus fulfilled the Will of God the Father till the end. In the Gospel (Jn 1:29-34), St. John call him the ***"Lamb of God"***, –the very first time it is mentioned in the Gospels–, ***"who takes away the sin of the world"*** whom we invoke in the rite of communion asking Him to have mercy on us and give us His peace. He is the Son of God who has baptised us with the Holy Spirit.



As Christians, fulfilling God's Will must always be our principal concern if we are to follow faithfully Our Lord Jesus Christ. We pray it daily in the Lord's Prayer: Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. At times, fulfilling His Will is not that easy neither to understand nor to carry it out, but what is important is our firm faith and conviction that God always knows and wants what is best for us. Also, we should avoid the temptation of trying to comprehend everything for we shouldn't have to, nor would we be capable of doing so with our limited capacity. That is why faith is necessary. Otherwise, there is no need for it.

As the Commentary of the Navarre Gospel states: "Isaiah had compared the sufferings of the Servant of Yahweh, the Messiah, with the sacrifice of a lamb (cf. Is 53:7); and the blood of the paschal lamb smeared on the doors of houses had served to protect the firstborn of the Israelites in Egypt (cf. Ex 12:6-7): all this was a promise and prefiguring of the true Lamb, Christ, the victim in the Sacrifice of Calvary on behalf of all mankind.

The sacred text says "the sin of the world", in the singular, to make it absolutely clear that every kind of sin is taken away: Christ came to free us from original sin, which in Adam affected all men, and from all personal sins. The book of the Apocalypse reveals to us that Jesus is victorious and glorious in heaven as the slain lamb (cf. Rev 5:6-14), surrounded by saints, martyrs and virgins (Rev 7:9, 14; 14:1-5), who render him the praise and glory due him as God (Rev 7:10)."

Therefore, let us thank Our Lord Jesus Christ for fulfilling God's Will out of love for us and for our salvation, with a total obedience, the holocaust of an innocent, spotless and sinless victim to save the sinfulness and ingratitude of mankind, without any complaint. If God grants us the grace to suffer with Him, let us remember that Christ preceded us to give us an example to follow. And in the midst of our grief, suffering, pain brought about by great and small trials in our life, let us tell Our Lord: "Here I am lord; I come to do your will" and pray:

"All the earth shall bow down before you, O God, and shall sing to you; shall sing to your name, O Most High! May thy Most Holy Will be done, be praised, be adored, God Almighty"

Excerpts from the reflection of Fr. Rolly A: <https://catholicsstrivingforholiness.org/2nd-sunday-ordinary-time-year-a-reflection-jesus-the-lamb-of-god-who-takes-away-the-sin-of-the-world/>



Rest in Peace

Cardinal George Pell

8 June 1941 – 10 January 2023



YARRABILBA MASS CENTRE

Weekend Community Mass

will be held at 5.00pm on:

15 and 22 January 2023

Centre Location:

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

Roster for the weekend of 21 Jan – 22 Jan 2023

Mass Coordinators

21 Jan	5.30pm	- William Barncastle	Pramudsth & Saneth
22 Jan.	8.00am	- Ron Klerks	John & May
22 Jan.	9.30am	- Joy Wallace	Ruby & Israel

Altar Servers

Readers

21 Jan.	5.30pm	- Verity Madsen & Adeline Barncastle
22 Jan.	8.00am	- Nimfa Brookes & Rachel Matijasevic
22 Jan.	9.30am	- Elenora Tufuga & Abel Budiono

Communion Ministers

21 Jan.	5.30pm	- Wilda Fernandes & Sue McKeown
22 Jan.	8.00am	- Lele Faaeteete & Mary Klerks
22 Jan.	9.30am	- Doris Deurloo & Violette N

Choirs

21 Jan.	5.30pm	- congregation-led singing
22 Jan.	8.00am	- congregation-led singing
22 Jan.	9.30am	- congregation-led singing

Flowers : Agnes

Counters : Christine Lapalapa & Noel Swindells

Cleaners : Divine Mercy Group

St. Arnold Janssen

Feast Day: 15 January

*The Lord challenges our faith
to do something new,
precisely when so many things
are collapsing in the Church.*

- St. ARNOLD JANSSEN, SVD

Arnold Janssen, was a German-Dutch Catholic priest and missionary who founded the Society of the Divine Word (SVD). This is a Catholic missionary religious congregation, also known as the Divine Word Missionaries, and two other women congregations.

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Behold, the
Lamb of God
Who takes away the sins of the world



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First Reading: Isaiah 49: 3, 5-6

I will make you the light of the nations so that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 39: 2, 4, 7-10

Here am I lord: I come to do your will.

Second Reading: Corinthians 1: 1-3

The grace and peace of God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Word of God became flesh and dwelt among us.
He enabled those who accepted him
to become the children of God.

Alleluia!

Gospel: John 1: 29-34

This is the lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.

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Collection: Week-ending: 08 Jan. 2023

Envelopes Received	: 31
Amount from Contributions	: \$2,330.75
Yarrabilba Mass Centre	: \$ 135.00

TOTAL : \$2,465.75

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed to assist people living in the surrounding districts of Acacia Ridge who have English as their Second Language (ESL).

Commitment:

Volunteers will be required to meet an ESL student for a **minimum of an hour a week** to assist with English conversation practice, pronunciation, citizenship exam preparation, grammar correction and cultural exchange.

Criteria:

Volunteers need to have English as their first language/native English speakers. They might be active/retired educators/teachers or have academic learning in their background or have high level English and worked in a professional field. They also need to be patient, kind and understanding of how difficult it is to live in another country/culture without English and have empathy for the isolation that accompanies this situation. If you are interested to know more, please contact:

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