

St. Maximilian Kolbe Catholic Parish

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

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Shanna Kelemete

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Winnie Kepu

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Wir. John Warmucci (Principal)

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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

32nd Sunday In Ordinary Time: 12th November 2023

Reflection...

This Sunday, the church encourages us to seek the Lord and always be ready to welcome Him. God, Himself is Wisdom. He who finds and receives Him will have the fullness of life in Christ Jesus. Therefore, we must ask God to grant us a share in His wisdom to know what to do at all times.

In today's first reading, we are reminded that "wisdom is found by only those who look for her." Here Wisdom is personified as a woman. Hence, it only takes a "wise man" to go out in search of her. The wise man does this with patience and hope and never gives up until he has found Wisdom. With Wisdom, we are better Christians and more equipped to face the challenges of this life. Unfortunately, we neglect the fact that God granted us wisdom to know how to seek and worship Him. To find Wisdom is to find God.

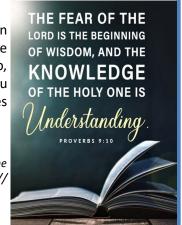
In today's second reading, Paul encourages us not to bother or grief too much about those who have died before the second coming of Christ. That is, before the Parousia. "...Do not grief about them like other people who have no hope... God will bring them with him...". This advice is based on the hope we have in the resurrection of the dead. So, instead of worrying so much about them, the wise thing to do is worry about ourselves. What should bother us should be how prepared we are to receive the Lord. It is important to note that there is no specified time for the second coming of Christ. Paul only tells us that: "We shall see him when he appears in the sky." This means we are to be prepared at all times.

In the gospel of this Sunday, Jesus used the parable of the ten virgins to teach us how we must be prepared and vigilant for the Parousia. Five of the virgins waiting for the bridal train were wise, while five were foolish. What separates these two categories of waiters is that the same thin line separates wisdom and foolishness, heaven and hell, or good and evil. The servant has to wait patiently for his master's to return. Therefore, the moment of waiting should not be a weary moment for us. Instead, it should be a moment of grace to be well prepared. We must not become victims of the eleventh hour. Why were the other virgins not charitable? The answer is simple. That would have been the most stupid thing to do at that moment. This is because, halfway into the party, all the oil will finish, and everyone will be in darkness. Second, there is no excuse for the foolish virgins not to have sufficient oil in their lamps because they had the time to prepare.

Jesus is on the way! His "delay" should not be an excuse for us not to be ready. Instead, it should be an opportunity to be prepared and wait for him. So, our song every moment and time must be: "For you my soul is thirsting, O Lord, my God. My body pines for you like a dry, weary land without water!"

Reflection taken in part from homily of:

Fr. Njoku Canice Chukwuemeka, C.S.Sp; a Catholic Priest from the Congregation of the Holy Spirit (Spiritans). https://frcanicenjoku.com/2020/11/07/homily-for-32nd-sunday-ordinary-time



Date Claimers

Mon. 13 Nov.: Timeline Bible Class 6.30pm to 8.30pm



In loving memory of

Terry Swindells

who entered eternal life on Tuesday, 7 Nov 2023

Beloved brother of Noel Swindells, our Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) Chairperson.

As a Parish family we extend our deepest condolences to Noel, Helen and everyone in the 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!

Roster for the weekend of 18th and 19th November 2023

Mass Coordinators

18 Nov. 5.30pm - Luis Vasquez
19 Nov. 8.00am - Lele Faaeteete
19 Nov. 9.30am - Christine Lapalapa

Readers

18 Nov. 5.30pm - Francesca Ordonez

Adeline Barncastle

19 Nov. 8.00am - Orlando Diente

Rachel Matijasevic

19 Nov. 9.30am - Abel Budiono

Clavery Birorimana

Communion Ministers

18 Nov. 5.30pm - Paul Simpson, Sue McKeown, Rosemary O. 19 Nov. 8.00am - Deb Howkins, Ralph and Winne Kepu

19 Nov. 9.30am - Korina Laban, Viyolete Ndikuriyo, Mary Klerks

Altar Servers

18 Nov. 5.30pm - Abigail and Annabel 19 Nov. 8.00am - Malachi, Talalei & Matilda

19 Nov. 9.30am - Salvius & Parfait

<u>Choir</u>

18 Nov. 5.30pm - Trinity Choir 19 Nov. 8.00am - Congregation choir 19 Nov. 9.30am - Filipino Choir

 Counters
 : Malcolm, Wilda and Noel

 Cleaners
 : SMK Group, Lipin, Alex and Suli

<u>Flowers</u> : Agnes

Collection: Week-ending 5th November 2023

Envelopes Received : 25

Amount from Contributions : \$ 1,918.00 Yarrabilba : \$ 206.35

TOTAL : \$ 2,124.35

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First Reading - Wisdom 6: 12-16

Wisdom is found by those who look for it.

Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 62:2-8

My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

Second Reading - 1 Thessalonians 4:13-14

Those who died as Christians, God will bring to life with Jesus.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Be watchful and ready: you know not when the Son of Man is coming.

Alleluia!

Gospel - Matthew 25:1-13

Look, the bridegroom comes. Go out to meet him.



YARRABILBA MASS CENTRE

Weekend Community Mass will be held at 4.00pm on:

Sunday: 12th and 19th Nov, 2023

Centre Location:

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

All are Welcome!



Please Pray for the Sick

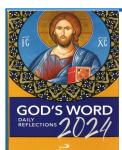
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Glorioso, J.Lachlan, A. Van Uitregt, V.Toalepai, K.Brown, M.Trehane, J.Maloney, J&A Dent, Gladdis Gorosito, Asiata J.Lealaitafea, A.Carter, E.B Sebuano, Pona Vai, N.Dunmore, T.Gibson, F.Petelo, Helen Guadez, M.Vaigafa, Verity Madsen, Tatiana Tagirova, 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, Elizabeth Fernandez, Mary Armand, Mary McCarthy, Frank Lee, Ann Gason, Judith Anderson, Brooke.



Saturday, 11 November 2023

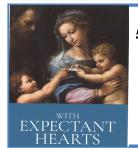
A Remembrance Prayer for Peace May the memory of wars strengthen our efforts for peace; May the memory of those who died inspire our service to the living; May the memory of past destruction move us to build for the future; O God of peace, O companion of our souls, O builder of Love and Justice in the world, Hear our prayer. From the Anglican Pacifist Fellowship



GOD'S WORD 2024

is now available for purchase at \$20.00/ copy Please get your copy from the piety shop or at the entrance of the Church

Columban Calendar is also available for purchase at \$10.00 each.



ADVENT REFLECTION RESOURCE

Advent reflection book is available for sale at the piety shop for \$10.00.

This is a 22 day prayer and reflection resource for the season of Advent.



The next
Kolbe Youth
Gathering will be at
6.00pm on Friday,
24th November 2023
All young people
aged 13 & above are
welcome to attend.

KOLBE CHILDREN & YOUTH NATIVTY PLAY AT THE CHRISTMAS EVE CHILDREN & YOUTH MASS
- Sunday 24th December @ 6pm -



We invite all children and youth to come and participate in this Nativity Play. Rehearsals will be held for the youth at the Youth Group Gatherings every 2nd Friday and for the children at the weekend Children's Liturgy sessions on Sundays at 9.30am. Parents can put the names of their children down on a list that will be placed at the entrance of the church from Saturday, 11th November 2023

This Christmas, please support families who are struggling with the escalating cost of living crisis that is currently gripping our Nation!... help us bring a little Christmas cheer to some of the most vulnerable people in the City of Logan, Qld.



A CHRISTMAS WITHOUT JOY

IS NO CHRISTMAS AT ALL

This year, the St. Vinnies Conference at our Parish will be collecting monetary donations, gift cards and non-perishable food items as part of their annual Christmas Appeal project. They welcome your generous contributions in support of this project. There will be a box placed at the entrance of the Church during weekend Masses from **Saturday, 18th November**, to collect your contributions.

Thank you very much for all your support!



Queensland Irish Choir - A Celtic Christmas Celebration

The **Queensland Irish Choir** presents its Christmas Concert to be held at the Chermside-Kedron Community Church, Gympie Rd, Kedron on **Sunday, 26 November 2023 at 2 PM.** Come along and enjoy a wonderful afternoon of Celtic song and music. The Choir will present a number of well-known Christmas carols and hymns (but with stunning arrangements) and also many carols of Celtic origin with which you may not be familiar. It will be a wonderful way to prepare for the most beautiful time of the year which heralds the birth of Jesus Christ. Tickets at \$20 per adult and \$10 children (U15) can be obtained online:

https://www.trybooking.com/CLTCA or at the door. Enquiries 0493 455 487



