



St. Maximilian Kolbe Catholic Parish

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

We, the Marsden Catholic Church Parishioners, respectfully acknowledge and honour the Aboriginal peoples from the Yagara and Yugambeh language groups, who originally inhabit Logan, as the traditional custodians of the land of this Parish, together with the Torres Strait Islander people. We acknowledge their Elders, past, present and emerging. May we, too, be good stewards of this land.

PARISH CONTACTS

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Affiliated Catholic Schools

St. Francis College - Tel. No 3489 4800

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St. Clare's Primary School - 5549 8000

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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	5.30pm
Sunday	8.00am and 9.30am

Confession: Saturday 5.00pm

THIRTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME : 10 Nov. 2024

Reflection

Today, the thirty-second Sunday of ordinary time, the church encourages us to learn and appreciate the virtues of generosity and hospitality. As Christ generously offered himself for our salvation, she reminds us that we, too, must be generous to others. One theme common to the readings of this Sunday is generosity and trust in Divine Providence.

In our first reading, Elijah, the prophet of God, tested the widow of Zarephath's generosity and faith. Like Oliver Twist (of Charles Dickens' 1838 famous novel), Elijah kept asking for more. However, despite the widow's poverty, she was generous to him. Fear of the future is one of the greatest enemies of generosity and prosperity. Elijah knew how afraid the widow was. Indeed, her fear was genuine. That is, given the circumstances beyond her control at that moment. So, Elijah started by addressing and calming her anxiety: "Do not be afraid! Then, he prophesied to her: "For the Lord, the God of Israel, says: 'The jar of flour shall not go empty, nor the jug of oil run dry...'"

Indeed, this prophecy was fulfilled in the widow's life, and she lacked nothing afterwards. Her faith and trust in God's word, and of course, in Divine Providence never failed her. Instead, her situation changed and improved beyond here expectations. Her life was transformed from penury to plenty, from misery to luxury, and from poverty to prosperity.

The second reading also highlights Christ's generosity. With trust in His Father, He generously offered himself as "a holy and living sacrifice" (Rom 12:1). What he offered or lost generously through his suffering and death, He victoriously gained through his Resurrection and Ascension. This was God's supreme reward to Christ for His supreme generosity.

The gospel is similar to the first reading. Also, trusting in Divine Providence for her survival, the widow offered everything she had. She was generous because she knew and trusted the God she served. By placing her entire trust and future in God's hands, she conquered her fear of the future and the instinct of self-preservation.

There are many lessons for us in today's readings. First, all the figures in our readings were generous. Second, they all trusted in Divine Providence. They teach or remind us of these simple principles of generosity and prosperity: "Givers, never lack" and "Blessed is the hand that gives, and a hand that receives."

In life, moments of scarcity are moments of tests. They are moments to trust in Divine Providence. They are moments of great blessings. So, Tobit advises us that: "It is better to give alms than to treasure up gold.... Those who perform acts of charity and righteousness (generosity) will have the fullness of life" (12, 8-9).

Finally, as our great provider (Gen 22:14), "God is ready to supply all our needs according to his riches in glory, through Christ" (Phil 4, 19). He knows our needs and how to meet them. All we need to do is to trust in His Divine Providence. So, let us ask Christ to grant us a very generous heart, so that we can sow with joy because: "God loves a cheerful and generous] giver" (2 Cor 9:7).

Peace be with you! Maranatha!

Reflection was written by Fr. Njoku Canice Chukwuemeka, C.S.

Bishop Tim Norton SVD Pastoral Visit

Bishop Tim Norton SVD, pastoral visit to our Parish is on Sunday 17th November 2024. He is going to celebrate both 8.00am and 9.30am Mass.

All parishioners are invited to attend.

Fr. Mikhael and Fr. Nick

Date Claimers

Mon. 11 Nov: Bible timeline from 6.30pm
Thu. 14 Nov.: Finance committee Meeting at 7pm
Mon. 19 Nov: Pastoral Council Meeting with E.B. at 7pm

Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time : 10 Nov. 2024

First Reading: 1 Kings 17: 10-16

The widow made a little scone from her flour meal and brought it to Elijah.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 145:7-10

Praise the Lord, my soul!

Second Reading: Hebrews 9:24-28

Christ offered himself only once to take the faults of many on himself.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

*Happy the poor in spirit:
the kingdom of heaven is theirs.*

Alleluia!

Gospel: Mark 12: 38-44.

This poor widow has put more in than all who contributed.

Collection: Week-ending: 03 Nov. 2024

Envelopes Received	: 36
Amount from Contributions	: \$ 2,326.90
Yarrabilba Mass Centre	: \$ 115.80

TOTAL	: \$ 2,442.70



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 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.Dun more, T.Gibson, F.Petelo, 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, Sesilia Muevae, 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, John Williams, Elizabeth Fernandez, Mary Armand, Mary Rosser, Daphne Canal, Ann Gason, Judith Anderson, Brooke, John McCready, Ian, Sandra Henry, Carol Lloyd, Esjay and Michael Rudd, Judith Sherry, Daphne Canal, Mareta Niumagumagu, Maria Nive M. Tiatia, Ted Barrett, Paxson Swerling, Cliff Naughton and all who are ill.

Adult Formation Ministry

All Parishioners are cordially invited to attend the **LECTIO DIVINA** sessions that will be facilitated by Fr Nick, in the Parish Meeting Room on: Friday 8 November 2024: 7:30pm – 8:30pm
: Friday 22 November 2024 7:30pm – 8:30pm

LECTIO DIVINA is a contemplative prayer practice which 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 Mikhael, Fr Nick and Alfred Gomez

Roster for the weekend of 16 / 17 November 2024

Mass Coordinators

16 Nov 5.30pm - Rosemary Ordenez
17 Nov 8.00am - Orlando Diente
17 Nov 9.30am - Tua Niumagumagu

Readers

16 Nov 5.30pm - Abel Budiono & Verity Madsen
17 Nov 8.00am - Brian Cunningham & Tamate Tumanuvao
17 Nov 9.30am - Elenora Tufuga & Tiliola Niumagumagu

Communion Ministers

16 Nov 5.30pm - Paul Simpson, Francesca Ordenez & Sue M.
17 Nov 8.00am - Eseta Alosio., Lele Faaeteete., Sala Petaia
17 Nov 9.30am - Doris Deurloo & Kelemete Tito
Tiitii Tolepai, & Lawrence Auva'a

Altar Servers

16 Nov 5.30pm - Gerard Joshy
17 Nov 8.00am - Antonio and Andrew
17 Nov 9.30am - Parfait and Clovis

Choirs

16 Nov 5.30pm - Trinity Choir
17 Nov 8.00am - St. Peter the Rock choir
17 Nov 9.30am - Filipino Choir

Counters : Swindells Family

Cleaners : SMK Group., Suli, Lipine and Alex

Flowers : Evelyn, Nimfa and Tanya



Christmas Carols

Choir Rehearsal

Calling all parishioners! Join us in celebrating the birth of our Lord through joyful carolling for our Logan Deanery Christmas Carols Celebration

Wednesday 13th November 7pm in the Parish Hall

Christmas Hamper from St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish

As our parish has to contribute Christmas Hampers for the Logan Deanery Christmas Carols, which is being held on Nov. 22nd at Daisy Hill Parish. Parishioners are requested to drop off their hamper contributions in the box provided at the entrance of the church.
Fr. Mikhael, Fr. Nick and Lele F. (Community Life Ministry)

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

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Rehearsals begin on
Fri 29 Nov 2024 5pm | Maryfields Hall

For unto us
a child is born!



Christmas Nativity Play

If you have any children that are interested in being part of the Nativity Play for the Christmas Eve 6pm Mass, please contact Helen Swindells on 0400 014 042



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

ST. MAXIMILIAN KOLBE PARISH, MARSDEN

WOMEN'S Retreat

Guest speaker
SR. ANNE BOND (RSJ)

SAT NOVEMBER 09 9AM - 3PM

"MARY OUR COMPANION"

YARRABILBA MASS CENTRE

WEEKEND COMMUNITY MASS
WILL BE HELD AT 4.00PM ON:

10 Nov. & 17th Nov

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

The logo for St. Clare's Primary School, featuring a cross and the text "St. Clare's PRIMARY SCHOOL".

ST. MAXIMILIAN KOLBE PARISH Monthly Ministry Focus LITURGY COMMITTEE



A liturgy committee in the Catholic Church is responsible for planning and coordinating worship services to ensure they are meaningful, reverent, and align with liturgical norms. This group prepares liturgical celebrations, organizes volunteer roles (such as readers, musicians, and altar servers), and promotes active participation from the community. By focusing on these aspects, the committee helps enhance the spiritual experience and deepens the congregation's connection to the faith through the liturgy.

KOLBE YOUTH MINISTRY

YOUNG PARISHIONERS AGED
13 AND ABOVE, ARE INVITED
TO JOIN THE KOLBE YOUTH
MINISTRY

EVERY
FRIDAY EVENING

CITIZENS OF CHRIST
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.

6PM
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8:30PM

MARYFIELDS HALL

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Citizens
of Christ
YOUTH
GROUP



CATHOLIC
COLLECTIVE

23-11-24
BANYO

SOCCER &
TOUCH FOOTY

FOOTY FESTIVAL



A local World Youth Day Celebration

catholiccollective.org.au/footy-festival

THE HOLY MASS

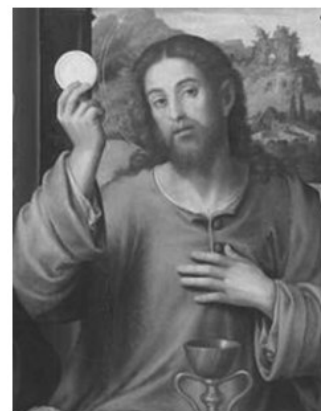


The Holy Mass or the Eucharist is described in the Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC #1324) as the **source** and **summit** of the Christian life - all the other sacraments are bound up with the Eucharist and are oriented towards it. The "source" means all graces come from it i.e. the whole spiritual good of the Church. The "summit", as we know, is the highest point like the peak of a mountain. While all other sacraments of the Church give us the graces we need to live a truly Christian life, only in the Eucharist do we receive and come to unite with the source of all graces, our Lord Jesus Christ.

The Eucharist comes from the Greek word *eucharistein* which means thanksgiving. The particular approach in the Holy Mass is "we speak to the Father, we pass through Christ, and we do everything with the Holy Spirit". One might notice that all prayers in the Mass are directed to the Father, through the Son, and with the Holy Spirit.

The Mass is like a family reunion where each part is similar to the parts of the Mass:

- the greeting as we welcome our family into our home – **Introductory Rites**
- the storytelling when we share life events with one another – **Liturgy of the Word**
- the part when we eat together to share a meal – **Liturgy of the Eucharist**
- and the time to say goodbye until we meet each other again – **Concluding Rites**



Keep an eye out on the next issues as we gradually learn the different parts and rites in the Mass. God bless us all.

- Fr. Mikhael, Fr. Nick, and the Liturgy Team