



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.

Parish Contacts

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Shanna

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San Damiano College

Mr. Peter Edwards (Principal)
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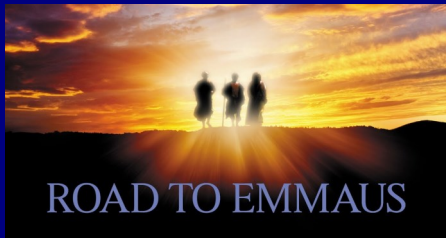
Weekday Mass Times

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

3rd Sunday of Easter - 23rd April 2023



ROAD TO EMMAUS

Today's gospel draws our attention to very important aspects of our Christian life. That is, the liturgy of the Word, and the Holy Eucharist

It is important to note the sequence of activities on this journey to Emmaus. First, Christ illuminated the minds of His disciples with scriptures (liturgy of the Word): "Then starting with Moses, He explained to them the passages in the scriptures that speaks about Himself."

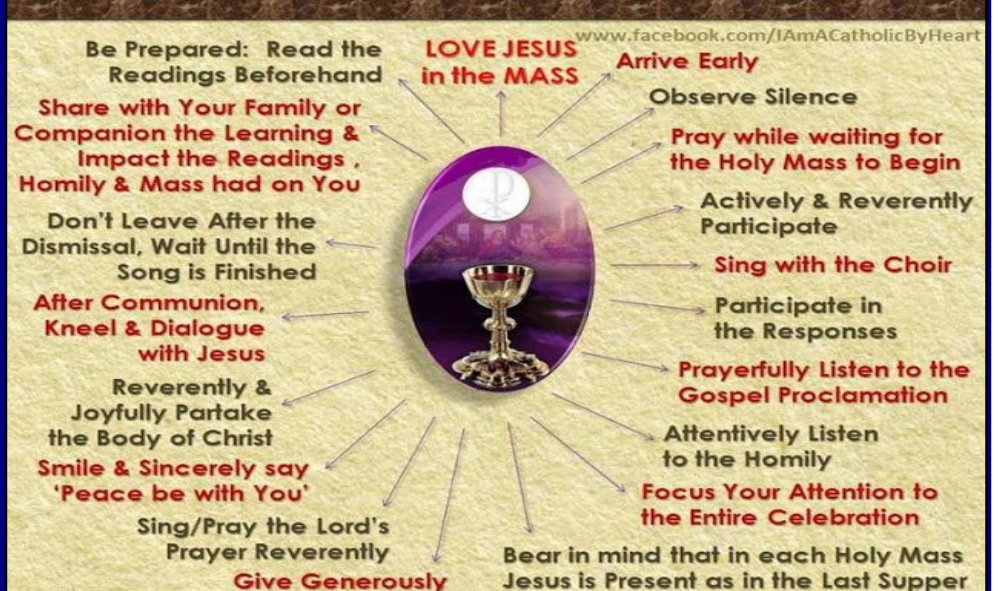
Second, Christ celebrated the Eucharist with them: "While He was still with them at table, He took the bread, and said the blessing; then He broke it, and gave it to them." After this, something very important happened: "...Their eyes opened, and they recognized Him..." It is important to note that, it was only after these two important celebrations, that these disciples recognized Christ.

The celebration of the Eucharist with His disciples, highlights the importance of Christ's instruction: "Do this in memory of me." Indeed, Christ has ransomed, and gave us new life through His paschal mystery. Yet He continues to sustain and nourish this new life. He continues give Himself to us both in the liturgy of the Word and the Eucharist. Hence, the saying: "Liturgy is Life!" This means that, neglecting these two liturgies, means neglecting life.

Christ did this today to remind us that each time we celebrate these liturgies worthily, He opens our eyes, in order to recognize His divine presence with us. Through the breaking of bread, He nourishes our life. Therefore, at Mass, Christ is present to renew our life. At every Mass, He offers Himself again, as a ransom for us. So, let us ask the Christ to always open the eyes of our minds, in order to recognize Him at every Eucharistic celebration. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Reflection by Rev. Fr. Njoku Canice Chukwuemeka, C.S.Sp; a Catholic Priest and a Member of the Congregation of the Holy Ghost Fathers and Brothers (Spiritans).

GUIDELINES FOR HOLY MASS



Date Claimer

Mon. 24 Apr: Timeline Bible at 6.30pm
Tue. 25 Apr : ANZAC Day - Mass @ 9am
Mon. 1 May : Pastoral Council Meeting at 7pm
Tue. 2 May : Liturgy Committee Meeting at 7pm
Fri. 5 May : Eucharistic Adoration at 6.30pm
Followed by Mass at 7.00pm
Sat. 6 May : Parish Strategic Planning Meeting
9am onwards.



Funeral Notice

Cecilia Namugeyo

**A Requiem Mass will be held
to farewell her at 10.00am
On Saturday, 22 April 2023
at St. Maximilian Kolbe
Catholic Church, Marsden**



*entered eternal life on
6 April 2023*

May Her Beautiful Soul Rest In Sublime Peace

Roster for the Weekend of 29 - 30 April 2023

Mass Coordinators

Sat. 29 Apr 5.30pm - Hilda Bowden
Sun. 30 Apr 8.00am - Orlando Diente
Sun. 30 Apr 9.30am - Mary Klerks

Readers

Sat. 29 Apr 5.30pm - Verity Madsen & William B.
Sun. 30 Apr 8.00am - Louise Timo & Nimfa Brookes
Sun. 30 Apr 9.30am - Tiliola N & Flower Donohue

Communion Ministers

Sat. 29 Apr 5.30pm - Wilda Fernandes & Patricia V.
Sun. 30 Apr 8.00am - Rachel M & Marcia Canty
Sun. 30 Apr 9.30am - Winnie Kepu & Filomena T.

Altar Servers

Sat. 29 Apr 5.30pm - Pramudsth
Sun. 30 Apr 8.00am - Antonio & Andrew
Sun. 30 Apr 9.30am - Malachi & Talalei

Choirs

Sat. 29 Apr 5.30pm - Saturday Night Choir
Sun. 30 Apr 8.00am - Congregation Lead choir
Sun. 30 Apr 9.30am - Youth Choir

Counters

- Swindells Family

Cleaners

- Rosary Group

Floral Arrangement

- Agnes

Collection: Week-ending: 16 April 2023

Envelopes Received	: 26
Amount from Contributions	: \$ 1,504.90
Yarrabilba Mass Centre	: \$ 161.45
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	\$ 1,666.35

3rd Sunday of Easter: 23 April 2023

First Reading: Acts 2: 14, 22-23

It was impossible for Him to be held by the power of Hades.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 15:1-2, 5, 7-11

Lord, you will show us the path of life.

Second Reading: 1 Peter 1: 17-21

The ransom that was paid to free you was the blood of the Lamb, Jesus Christ.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

**Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us:
make our hearts burn with love when you speak.**

Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 24: 13-35

They recognised Him at the breaking of the bread.

**Farewell Celebration for our
Fr. Long Nguyen, SVD
Sunday, 23 April 2023
Mass @ 9.30am**

**To be followed by a fellowship meal;
everyone is welcome to bring a plate to share***

**There will be a Farewell Card from the Parish
which will be made available at entrance of
the church for anyone to sign on; this will be
presented to Fr. Long at the Farewell
fellowship meal on Sunday, 23 April.**



**YARRABILBA MASS CENTRE
Weekend Community Mass**

Centre Location

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

Mass will be held at 5.00pm on:

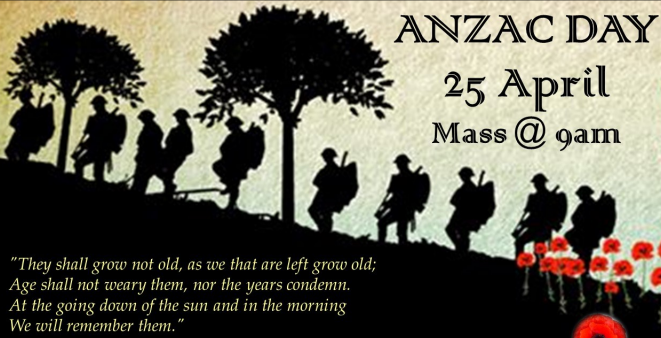
Sunday, 30 April



F. Bowden, L. Seeto, J. Collins, 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, V. Venables, T. Gibson, F. Petelo, Helen
Guadez, M. Vaigafa, Verity Madsen, O. Barrett, Tatiana
Tagirova, Ruperto M, John Daley, Mikaele Tito, Nora Philips,
Alzira D'souza, Agnes Hamilton, Wena Prowse, Tuala, V&M
L. Petelo, Zhaylee Curtis, Sesilia Muevae, Catherine
Hetherington, Pete Pietkiewiez, Rob Canning, V&A Asiata-
Kelemete, Mynott Family, Reef W. Carroll, Daisy A. Thomas,
Patricia Donovan, Noreen Audley, John Engberg, June
Curyer, Baby Charlotte.

ANZAC DAY
25 April
Mass @ 9am



*"They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old;
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning
We will remember them."*

Lest we forget

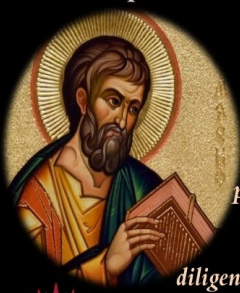
Friday, 5 May 2023
Adoration: 6.30pm
Mass: 7.00pm




"Adoration is homage of the spirit to the 'King of Glory,' respectful silence in the presence of the 'ever greater' God. Adoration of the thrice-holy and sovereign God of love blends with humility and gives assurance to our supplications."


CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH, N. 2628

**Feast of St. Mark,
the Evangelist**
- April 26 -



*O glorious St Mark,
through the grace of God our Father,
you became a great Evangelist,
preaching the Good News of Christ.
May you help us to know Him well
so that we may faithfully live our lives
as followers of Christ.*

*Pray for us to attain
lively faith, firm hope and burning love;
patience in adversity, humility in prosperity,
recollection in prayer, purity of heart,
a right intention in all our works,
diligence in fulfilling the duties of our state of life,
constancy in our resolutions,
resignation to the will of God
and perseverance in the grace of God even unto death!
Amen!*




**CHILDREN'S
Ministry**




Sessions will be 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 faith-forming, 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*

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 upcoming events for the rest of the year.

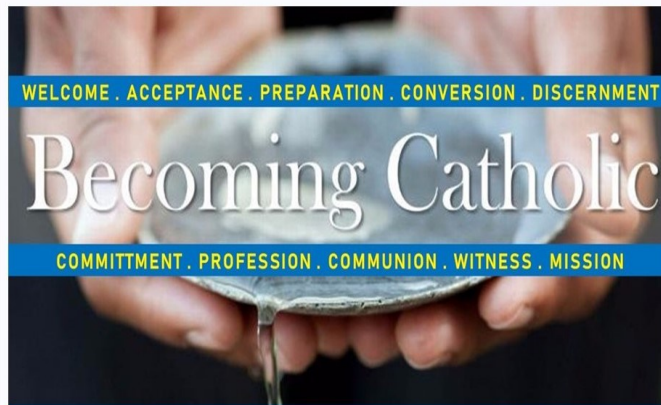


Our next Kolbe Youth Gathering will be at 6.00pm on Friday, 28th April 2023

WELCOME . ACCEPTANCE . PREPARATION . CONVERSION . DISCERNMENT

Becoming Catholic

COMMITMENT . PROFESSION . COMMUNION . WITNESS . MISSION



**THE JOURNEY TO CHRISTIAN INITIATION WITH THE
ST. MAXIMILIAN KOLBE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY – MARSDEN, QLD**



**Schedule of Preparation for the 2023
Children's Sacrament of Confirmation**

Eligibility	This sacrament is offered to children who are presently in Grade 3 or above and who have already been Baptized .
Sunday, 26 March	Dateline for submission of enrolment forms to the Parish Office
Wednesday, 19 April	Parents/Guardians' Information Session at 6.30pm with Lorraine Wynne, who is a Project Officer (Children & Families) at Evangelisation Brisbane.
Sunday, 23 April	Rite of Enrolment @ the 9.30am Mass
Saturday, 6 May	1st Workshop: 3.00pm to 5.00pm; Followed by Mass at 5.30pm.
Saturday, 20 May	2nd Workshop: 3.00pm to 5.00pm; Followed by Mass at 5.30pm.
Saturday, 3 June	Rehearsal for the Confirmation at 9.00am
Sunday, 11 June	CONFIRMATION DAY — Mass at 9.30am

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**



- ⇒ These priorities have been conceived and developed under the influence of the Holy Spirit who at this time is moving in the Church in new ways. Left to our own devices we can do nothing, which is why the Risen Jesus breathed into the disciples the Holy Spirit to bring the Church to birth (cf John 20:22). But the breathing isn’t just a thing of the past. The same Lord breathes into the Church the same Spirit in our own time. The charismatic renewal has brought to the Church a deeper sense of the presence and power of the Holy Spirit. Now the whole Church needs to attend more closely to the presence and power of the Holy Spirit.
- ⇒ I have called these priorities apostolic rather than pastoral or missionary. Pastoral and mission are words that have, for good reason perhaps, been adopted by others in recent times; but apostolic remains a word that is distinctive to the Scripture and the Church and for good reason. We speak of the bishops as the successors of the apostles; and that is true. But it is no less true that the whole Church, the community of all the baptised, is apostolic; and that’s what this plan presumes and seeks to promote. We profess our faith in “one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church”
- ⇒ An important part of the background of these priorities is Pope Francis’ programmatic talk on synodality given on 17 October 2015. In that talk, the Pope began defining synodality by speaking of a listening Church – a Church which listens to all the voices in order to hear the voice of the Holy Spirit.
- ⇒ This is especially important at a time like this when it’s unclear where we are going. This is an Abrahamic moment. Abraham, our father in faith, was called to leave all that was familiar to set out on a journey on the basis of a seemingly impossible promise – that God, who had come to Abraham out of nowhere, would give him a child of his own when his wife was barren and a land of his own when all the land was taken. Abraham decides to take the risk and says yes to the call; but he is given no road-map or GPS. He doesn’t know where he’s going (Hebr 11:8); God alone knows where the journey will take him. That’s why Abraham has to keep his eye and ear fixed on God and follow where God leads, however strange that may seem. All goes well for Abraham as long as he keeps his eye and ear on God and follows. All goes wrong when he loses his nerve and decides to take charge himself. The same is true for us. Our only mistake as we head into an uncertain future will be to take our eye or ear off God. If we no longer listen to God’s voice but listen instead to our own, we are sure to come to grief. That’s why these priorities are designed to make us a more biblical Church.

The Seven Apostolic Priorities for the Archdiocese of Brisbane from 2023

- * Teaching Prayer
- * Reshaping Parish Communities
- * Bringing Cultural Communities to the Centre
- * Responding to Abuse and the Abused
- * Engaging Anew with First Nations People
- * Implementing Integral Ecology
- * Embedding Synodal Governance

These above seven priorities are closely interrelated; they are not arranged in any particular order of importance or focus. These priorities are offered to the Archdiocese as a whole so that each of you has a chance to reflect, consider what might resonate with you personally and what action might be taken in response to these priorities. May God who has begun the good work in us bring it to fulfilment (cf Phil 1:6).

Each week from this point, we will share more on each of these priorities. In this edition of our parish newsletter we share on the first two i.e Teaching Prayer and Reshaping Parish Communities.

Lamps Ablaze: Apostolic Priorities for the Archdiocese of Brisbane

Priority One: Teaching Prayer

“We must first find our way into a new and deeper experience of prayer not just as one of many elements in a busy life but as a way of life for all the baptised. Often we urge people to pray but don’t really teach them how to pray in a way that moves beyond the prayers of childhood and youth. Now is the time to teach ways of prayer which are mature and all-embracing. Christian prayer begins not with speaking but with listening; and learning to pray is therefore learning to listen – to listen even to the silences of God. If all we do is speak, then in the words of Jesus we “babble like the pagans” (Matt 6:7). But if we speak after listening and in response to God who always has the first word, then we speak according to the mind of the Holy Spirit. That’s what we need to teach and learn.”

WITH LAMPS ABLAZE

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Lamps Ablaze: Apostolic Priorities for the Archdiocese of Brisbane

Priority Two: Reshaping Parish Communities

“Our current structures are based upon the facts of an earlier time and our current mode of provision is unsustainable. In the cities at least we have too many parishes and too many churches. Urban parishes were established on the assumption that people had to be able to walk to church and at a time when the numbers attending Mass were much larger. Many of our parishes are pressed financially and cannot provide the range of services which a missionary Church requires. Therefore, we need – sensibly and over time – to move towards larger configurations of a community of communities where the concentration of personnel and the sharing of resources would allow a greater range of services for the sake of the Gospel.”

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