



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

Parish Priest

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Priest-in-Residence

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Parish Secretary

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Noel Swindells

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PARISH MINISTRY LEADERS

Liturgy Ministries

Children & Families Ministries and Children's Sacramental Program

Helen Swindells

Community Life Ministries

Lele Faeteete

Youth & Young Adults Ministry

Shanna Kelemete

Adult Faith Formation Ministries

Outreach Ministry

Winnie Kepu

Affiliated Catholic Schools

St. Francis College - Tel. No 3489 4800

Mr. John Marinucci (Principal)

St. Clare's Primary School - 5549 8000

Ms. Liesl Profke (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	5.30pm
Sunday	8.00am and 9.30am

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Sunday, 4 February 2024



Reflection...

From today's Gospel we might think that surely the people of Capernaum saw enough that first day of Christ's public ministry among them, to make them realize that this man from Nazareth was no ordinary preacher, no ordinary man. They saw that he

preached as one having authority; they saw that by a simple command he cast out demons and removed all bodily ailments. Yet though they were astonished and amazed at His power, their worldly outlook did not let them rise above their own small interests.

When the four Apostles found Him praying in a lonely place, they told Him that all Capernaum was searching for Him, but he knew why they were searching for Him. They wanted to see more miracles and very likely they were hoping that He would stay on in Capernaum and the sick and the maimed from the whole of Galilee would be brought there for healing. This would increase their earthly business and prosperity. His answer to the Apostles, while not directly condemning this worldly outlook, shows that His mission had an entirely different objective. He had come on earth not to bring earthly prosperity to any town or country but to bring spiritual salvation and blessing on all people. That very morning, He began to carry out His mission and for the remaining two years or more He went from town to town preaching the kingdom of God.

We Christians of today have many advantages over the people of Capernaum of that day. They saw Christ with their bodily eyes as a man of power amongst them; we see Him with the eyes of faith as He really was and is — the Son of God who came on earth as man in order to make us children of God. We know who He really was and we know the full meaning of his mission. We have seen that mission completed amongst us by His death on the cross and his resurrection. By His death he conquered death for us; by His resurrection he opened the gates of heaven for us and led the way there for all who will follow Him. We are members of Christ's kingdom on earth, so that when our life here ends we shall be members of His everlasting heavenly kingdom.

In my daily dealings with people would I be picked out as a Christian? Do I, by my words and deeds, prove to those with whom I live and work that I am convinced there is a future life after death, that reaching that life is the most important thing in this world for me, and that it is through living my short earthly life as a true Christian that I can earn that eternal life? — Excerpted from *The Sunday Readings* by Fr. Kevin O'Sullivan, O.F.M.

COMMISSIONING OF MASS COORDINATORS, READERS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Commissioning of all Mass Coordinators, Liturgical Readers and Eucharistic Ministers will be done on all Week-end Masses of 10th February : 5.30pm Mass and 11th February : 8.00am and 9.30am Masses. All Mass Coordinators, Liturgical Readers and Eucharistic Ministers are requested to attend any one of the week-end Masses.

Fr. Mikhael and Fr. Nick

DATE CLAIMERS

Mon. 5 Feb : Pastoral Council Meeting -7.00pm
Tue. 6 Feb : Liturgy Committee Meeting-7.00pm
Sun.11 Feb: Children and Family Ministry Meeting
@10.30am
Mon 12 Feb : Timeline Bible sessions resume
Tue. 13 Feb : Healing Mass - 10.00am
Wed. 14 Feb : **ASH WEDNESDAY: Mass: 9am & 7pm**
Fri. 16 Feb : Mass at 9am Stations of the Cross 7pm.

Roster for the weekend of 10 Feb — 11 Feb 2024

Mass Coordinators

10 Feb 5.30pm - Luis Vasquez
11 Feb. 8.00am - Nimfa Brookes
11 Feb. 9.30am - Flor Gomez

Readers

10 Feb. 5.30pm - Sarah Wiss & Clarisse Bahati
11 Feb. 8.00am - Orlando Diente & Beah Tualai
11 Feb. 9.30am - Kelemete Tito & Flower Donohue

Communion Ministers

10 Feb. 5.30pm - Hazel McCarick, Patricia V. & Sue M.
11 Feb. 8.00am - Korina L, Rachel M, Talafia T.
11 Feb. 9.30am - Ron Klerks, Alfred Gomez, Doris D.

Altar Servers

10 Feb 5.30pm - John Paul & Andrew
11 Feb. 8.00am - John & May
11 Feb. 9.30am - Gerard & Zaia.

Choirs

10 Feb. 5.30pm - Saturday Night Choir
11 Feb. 8.00am - SMK Choir
11 Feb. 9.30am - Kolbe Family Choir

Flowers : Evelyn, Nimfa, Olive and Tanya

Counters : Malcolm, Wilda and Noel Swindells

Cleaners : Vaigafa Family and Diana Mulcahy

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time: 4 February 2024

First Reading: Job 7:1-4, 6-7

I am filled with sorrow all day long.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 146: 1-6

Praise the Lord who heals the broken-hearted.

Second Reading: I Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23

Punishment will come to me if I do not preach the Gospel.

Gospel Acclamation:

*Alleluia, alleluia!
bore our sickness,
and endured our suffering
Alleluia.*

Gospel: Mark 1: 29-39

He cured many who suffered from diseases of one kind or another.



YARRABILBA MASS CENTRE Weekend Community Mass

will be held at 4.00pm on:

04th Feb and 11th Feb 2024

Centre Location:

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



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.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, Eric Alfred,
Austine Jonse, Zakelyn Curtis, Michelle & John Williams, Cath
Turner, Elizabeth Fernandez, Mary Armand, Mary Rosser,
Ann Gason, Judith Anderson, Brooke, John McCready, Ian,
Sandra Henry, Carol Lloyd.

Pastoral care to the sick in hospitals (volunteer role).

Information morning: Centacare, in conjunction with the Institute of Faith Education, will conduct a registered training course in spiritual and pastoral care to the sick in 2024. Date of the information session: **Wednesday 6 March, 10am – 1pm, Level 1, Cathedral House 229 Elizabeth St, Bne City.** For further information, or to attend the information morning please email judy.norris@bne.centacare.net.au or phone 3324 3193.

Healing Mass

Tuesday, 13 February 2024

Mass @ 10.00am;

followed by luncheon

All are welcome to join in!

Collection: Week-ending: 28 January 2024

Envelopes Received : 31
Amount from Contributions : \$2,026.15
Yarrabilba Mass Centre : \$ 170.25

TOTAL : **\$2,187.65**

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. **We currently need more volunteers to help in this ministry; please contact the Parish Office for more details.**



Children's Liturgy will re-commence on Sunday, **18th February 2024**. 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*

PLANNING SCHEDULE FOR ST. MAXIMILIAN KOLBE PARISH SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION - 2024

SACRAMENTS	1 st RITE OF PENANCE (RECONCILIATION)	CONFIRMATION	FIRST HOLY EUCHARIST
Age Group	Grade 5 & above	Grade 3 & above	Grade 3 & above
Important Enrolment Conditions	This sacrament is offered to children who have already received their Confirmation and 1 st Holy Eucharist	This sacrament is offered to children who have already been Baptised	This sacrament is offered to children who have already received their Confirmation
Dateline for Submission of Enrolment Forms	Sunday, 25 February 2024	Sunday, 24 March 2024	Sunday, 26 May 2024
Parent/Guardian Information Session	-	6.30pm on Wednesday, 17 April 2024	6.30pm on Wednesday, 05 June 2024
Rite of Enrolment in Church during Mass	-	9.30am Mass on Sunday, 21 April 2024	9.30am Mass on Sunday, 09 June 2024
1 st Workshop Session: 3pm – 5pm; followed by 5.30pm Mass	Only 1 workshop Saturday, 09 March 2024	Saturday, 27 April 2024	Saturday, 15 June 2024
2 nd Workshop Session: 3pm – 5pm; followed by 5.30pm Mass	-	Saturday, 11 May 2024	Saturday, 13 July 2024
Rehearsal * Only for 1st Holy Eucharist, the rehearsal will be preceded by the 2nd Rite of Reconciliation	-	9am Saturday, 18 May 2024	9am Saturday, 20 July 2024
DAY OF SACRAMENT	Saturday, 09 March 2024 (after the workshop)	5.30pm Mass on Saturday, 25 May 2024	5.30pm Mass on Saturday, 27 July 2024

WORD of GOD Sunday 2024

FEBRUARY 4, 2024

One of the primary ways in which the faithful honour God's Word in the liturgy is by faithfully listening to the proclamation of the readings and the homily, and by discerning the various ways in which God's Word applies to their lives.

Within the liturgical celebration itself, the Church's General Instruction of the Roman Missal (2012) offers concrete guidelines for honouring God's Word at Mass. One most visual sign is proclaiming the Word from a dignified Lectionary or a specially decorated Book of the Gospels at the ambo (cf. GIRM 349). Holding the Book of the Gospels aloft during the entrance procession and carrying the Book from the Mass altar to the ambo during the singing of the Gospel Acclamation is a way of highlighting the Lord's Word to be proclaimed. Incensing the open Book of the Gospels and arranging servers to hold lighted candles on either side of the ambo are ways of reverencing the sacredness and light of Christ's presence during the proclamation of the Gospel. As a sign of love for Christ and his message, the Book containing the Gospel reading is also kissed by the priest or deacon after the reading, like the altar which is venerated by the presiding celebrant at the beginning and end of Mass (cf. GIRM 123, 134, 169).

Pope Francis' Apostolic Letter *Aperuit Illis* (30 September 2019) suggests that on Sunday of the Word of God, the book containing God's Word might be "enthroned" or given due honour in the church. It is a point also made in Benedict XVI's Apostolic Exhortation *Verbum Domini* (2010) n. 68, so the faithful can reflect upon God's Word. An important point to remember here is the Second Vatican Council's insight that Christ's presence is recognised in the actual "proclamation" of the Word, when the Church believes that Christ is present and speaking to those assembled through the words of the Church's minister [*Sacrosanctum concilium* (1963) art. 7], rather than in the physical book itself.

Aperuit Illis also reminds us that for many centuries before being written down, God's Word was passed down orally from one generation to another. Therefore the actions of proclamation, listening and heeding God's Word are still accorded high priority. The other ways in which due honour might be given to God's Word including placing the Lectionary or Book of the Gospels on a significant stand near the ambo or entry to the church, in a dedicated side chapel or in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, for people to read.

Prepared by Dr. Paul Taylor, Former Director of National Office for Liturgy

2024 Parish Lenten Talk



**AN INVITATION TO ALL PARISHIONERS
TO ATTEND OUR PARISH LENTEN TALK**

**"APPRECIATING CULTURAL DIVERSITY AND
PROMOTING CULTURAL INTEGRATION"**

BY MOST REV. BISHOP TIM NORTON SVD

**On Tuesday, 27th February 2024
From 6.00pm to 7.30pm**

Please come along with your family and friends.

Fr. Mikhael & Fr. Nick