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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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**

6th Sunday of Easter: 14 May 2023

Through today's Gospel we can see our way to the Father. Jesus sets out a road beginning and ending with love. Firstly, and ultimately, there is love. Jesus, the human manifestation of love, explains that if we truly love him, we will also keep his commandments.

Blossoming into our life comes a new advocate sent by the Father: the Holy Spirit. He shall be with us forever. Christ speaks of "…the Spirit of truth whom the world can never receive". But we know him because we know Christ. Our knowledge of Christ, our desire to know him, to make him part of our life, to let him in, to do his will: all of this brings us the Spirit of truth.

We shall not be left orphans. Christ refers to the Fathership of God, intimating that he is one with that Father. We shall not be stranded from our creator. We are designed with love and compassion, and we are destined to reunite with our creator. In a short time, Jesus says, the world will not see him. But we, who practice the love of Christ, who make him our soul desire, we'll see him again. This is because we live in him and he in us. Love Incarnate lives within us. We are seized with the Spirit of God.

Love, then, is the constant on our road to God. Love keeps us moving on and moving closer. If we ever worry that we are not loving God, we can first of all remember that he loves us, and that he did so first. And if we want to find our way to him, there is one thing we must do. And that is to love.

Be under absolutely no illusion: Jesus does not mean that we must simply love those who already love us. Love is not a club. It doesn't have walls. Christ is asking us to do what we often think is almost impossible. We must love those who do not love us, just as he does. He gave us an example in his ministry culminating on his death on the Cross.

It is by no means unusual to begin this journey every day. As the old saying goes: tomorrow I will begin again. And so we pray that we may be more faithful to the love Jesus has shown us and give ourselves completely to him, by loving where we do not want to love, and consenting to be taken by his hand into the difficult places in our life. Let us use his example as our means to attaining the Kingdom of heaven.

Taken from:

https://msjroscrea.ie/gospel-reflection-6th-sunday-of-easter-cycle-a/

A Mother's Day Prayer

Lord we pray for all
MOTHERS
Beautiful and wonderful
they fill the earth
Gracious in Your call they
carry life
In a bond of love they bring
forth a child.

We ask You to bless all
MOTHERS today
May they feel the joys of motherhood
everyday
In all their struggles giving us a livelihood
May Your LOVE and COMPASSION
be with them for good.

May every **MOTHER** feel today
The pride and beauty of a family they bear
Through all pain and sorrow Lord
deliver them
In Your STRENGTH and GRACE
may they always stay.
AMEN!

Read full Prayer at christianstt.com

Date Claimer

Sat. 20 May : 2nd workshop for the sacrament of confirmation from 3pm.

Wishing all Mothers, Grandmothers, Great-grandmothers, Mother-in-Laws, God-mothers & all Mother-figures, a Blessed Mothers' Day! THANK YOU for everything that you do and all the sacrifices you have made in your life for the sake of love!

Roster for the Weekend of 20 - 21 May 2023

Mass Coordinators

Sat. 20 May	5.30pm	-	Adeline Barncastle
Sun. 21 May	8.00am	-	Lele Faaeteete
Sun. 21 May	9.30am	-	Tua Niumagumagu

Readers

Sat. 20 May	5.30pm	-	Francesca O. & William B.
Sun. 21 May	8.00am	-	Louise Timo & Orlando Diente
Sun. 21 May	9.30am	-	Flor Gomez & Tiliola N.

Communion Ministers

Sat. 20 May	5.30pm	-	Sue McKeown & Rosemary O.
Sun. 21 May	8.00am	-	Eseta Alosio & Korina Laban
Sun. 21 May	9.30am	-	Kelemete & Elisapeta Tito

Altar Servers

Sat. 20 May	5.30pm	-	Chagika
Sun. 21 May	8.00am	-	Malachi & Matilda
Sun. 21 May	9.30am	-	Salvius & Parfait

Choirs

Sat. 20 May	5.30pm	-	Trinity Choir
Sun. 21 May	8.00am	-	Peter the Rock Choir
Sun. 21 May	9.30am	-	Flilipino Choir

Counters - **Agnes & Lele**

Cleaners - **Vaisan & Vaighafa family & Diana M**

Floral Arrangement - **Suli**

Collection: Week-ending: 7 May 2023

Envelopes Received	:	**31**
Amount from Contributions	:	**$ 1,925.90**
Yarrabilba Mass Centre	:	**$ 51.50**
TOTAL	:	**$ 1,977.40**

6th Sunday of Easter: 14 May 2023

First Reading: Acts 8: 5-8, 14-17

They laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 65: 1-7, 16, 20

Let all the earth cry out to God with joy

Second Reading: 1 Peter 3: 15-18

In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!
All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them and we will come to them.
Alleluia!

Gospel: John 14: 15-21

I shall ask the Father and he will give you another Advocate.

KEEP THEM IN YOUR PRAYERS

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.

Live in the Light
St Clare's PRIMARY SCHOOL

YARRABILBA MASS CENTRE
Weekend Community Mass

Centre Location

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

Mass will be held at 4.00pm

on Sunday: 14th & 21st May 2023

In Loving Memory of Roque Antonio Wellington Vaz & Joseph Bartolo

Roque Antonio Wellington Vaz passed away peacefully on 7th May 2023. Joseph Bartolo passed away peacefully on 10th May 2023.
We extend our deepest condolences to their families during this time of sorrow and grief.

Eternal Rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let your perpetual light shine on them.
May their beautiful souls rest in sublime peace, Amen!

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**

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.

Kolbe Youth Ministry

Our next Kolbe Youth Gathering will be at 6.00pm on Friday, 19th May 2023

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

Schedule of Preparation for the 2023 Children's Sacrament of 1st Holy Eucharist

Eligibility (who can enrol)	**This sacrament is offered to children (Grade 3 & above) who have already received their Confirmation.** Note: ⇒ *Enrolment Forms are available in folders on the table at the right-hand side of the main entrance to the Church, as you come.* ⇒ *Kindly ensure the forms are duly completed and attached with a copy of the child(ren)'s Baptism and Confirmation Certificates before submitting to the Parish Office by the enrolment dateline below.*
Dateline for the submission of Enrolment Forms	**Sunday, 18th June 2023**
Wed, 12 July	**Parents/Guardians' Information Session** at 6.30pm with Lorraine Wynne.
Sun, 16 July	**Rite of Enrolment** @ the 9.30am Mass
Sat, 22 July	**1st Workshop**: 3.00pm to 5.00pm; Followed by Mass at 5.30pm.
Sat, 29 July	**2nd Workshop**: 3.00pm to 5.00pm; Followed by Mass at 5.30pm.
Sat, 5 August 9.00am	**Sacrament of 2nd Rite of Reconciliation** & **Rehearsal for Holy Eucharist**
Sun, 6 August	**Sacrament of 1st Holy Eucharist Mass @ 9.30am**

Lamps Ablaze: Apostolic Priorities for the Archdiocese of Brisbane

Priority Five: Engaging Anew with First Nations Peoples

The injustice done to First Nations peoples in this country is a running sore at the heart of the nation. It is contemporary Australia's original sin… We need a genuinely new engagement of the Church with the First Nations peoples, especially in an Archdiocese like this where the Indigenous presence is strong. A new engagement will mean, first of all, listening to Indigenous voices, and believing that we can learn if we really listen. In the past, non-Indigenous Australia has struggled to believe that we could learn anything from First Nations peoples. They could learn from us, but not we from them. That has to change, both in the Church and in Australia more generally. Then the listening and learning need to lead to action.

WITH LAMPS ABLAZE

Download the whole document at tinyurl.com/lampsablaze

Please donate
(by sponsoring a participant)
and/or
join us in person for the
2023
Vinnies Community Sleepout
Springwood – Logan Region
from
6pm on Friday, 16 June 2023
to
9am on Saturday, 17 June 2023
at
St. Paul's Primary School
Woodridge,
3 St. Paul's Drive Woodridge

A family blessing

Lord of all,

Bless our families.
Be they formed by blood or by circumstance,
Make them holy.

As you reveal yourself to us in three persons:
Father, Son, and Spirit,
And in the relationship that flows among the three,
May we find you in our relationships.
In our marriages, in our families
In our households, in our communities
In our global humanity.

May we look across all that divides us
And see family
And embrace as a family does.
And love as a family ought to.

For where two or three gather in your name
There are you in the midst.
There indeed are you,
The one for whom we long so deeply.

Amen

Photo by Oscar Leiva/Silverlight for CRS

This year, the event will include the EUCHARISTIC MIRACLE EXHIBITION which is a photographic display of over 150 Eucharistic miracles. It will be set up at the Francis Rush Centre next to the Cathedral on the same weekend:
Sat 11am-5.30pm and Sunday 9am - 5pm

If there are a good number of interest from within our Parish, we will make arrangements for a bus service to transport our group to and from the Cathedral to attend this procession. This will come at an estimated cost of $10 per person to off-set the costs to book the bus. However, please note that at this stage we will not be able to confirm the availability of a bus which with wheelchair access.

To register your interest to participate in this event, please fill-up the registration form at the entrance of the church. Payment is only due once transport arrangements have been firmed up.
Thank you! Fr. Mikhael Loke