



# 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**

Fr. Mikhael Loke SVD  
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#### **Asst. Parish Priest**

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#### **Parish Secretary**

Ronet D'Mello

#### **Pastoral Council Chairperson**

Noel Swindells

#### **Finance Committee Chairperson**

Tom Kalaja

#### **Care and Concern Co-ordinator**

Sue Barrett

#### **Youth Leaders**

Shanna

#### **Liturgy Committee Co-ordinator**

(currently vacant)

#### **Parish Safeguarding Children Rep.**

Ron Klerks (0411 057 611)

STOP line: 1300 304 550

#### **Sacramental Team Leader**

Helen Swindells (0400 014 042)

#### **R.C.I.A. Coordinator**

Adeline Barncastle (0406 675 758)

#### **St. Francis College**

Mr. John Marinucci (Principal)  
3489 4800

#### **St. Clare's Primary School**

Mr. Michael McInerney (Principal)  
5549 8000

#### **San Damiano College**

Mr. Peter Edwards (Principal)  
5670 7000

### Weekday Mass Times

<b>Monday</b>	<b>No Mass</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>9.00am</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>9.00am</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>9.00am</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>9.00am</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>8.00am</b>

### Weekend Mass Times

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>5.30pm</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>8.00am and 9.30am</b>

### **Feast of the Ascension of the Lord - Sunday, 21 May 2023**

Jesus remained with His disciples only a relatively short period of time after His resurrection. In the beginning of the Acts of the Apostles, St. Luke remarks that after Jesus had spent forty days presenting Himself to the disciples, He promised them that they would be "baptised with the Holy Spirit" and be His witnesses starting in Jerusalem and spreading throughout the world.

The passage from St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians speaks about GOD giving a Spirit of wisdom and revelation to believers so that they can have fuller knowledge of Jesus and they can realize the hope to which they are called – a hope of an inheritance with Jesus, a share in His glory in heaven, and a part in His Body, which is the Church.

In the passage today from the end of St. Matthew's Gospel, Jesus speaks of "all power in heaven and earth have been given" to Jesus and from Jesus to His disciples so that they can go out to all the world and make disciples of all nations, baptising them. Jesus also promises that He will be with His followers always, even until the end of time. What this says to us is that we are called and empowered to continue the work of Jesus. This is not just the call of the ordained clergy or pastoral staff. It is the call of each and every follower of Jesus. Each of us, as disciples of the Master, are given the ability, and responsibility, to further the spread of the Good News.

We often ask, "How can I serve in the proclamation of the Gospel?" We think that because we have not been trained or because we have not dedicated our lives to missionary work that we are not going to be responsible for the ministry of spreading the faith. In some ways we are like the disciples who today look up in the heaven as Jesus is taken from their sight. Perhaps we can take a little consolation in the fact that it took the disciples at least ten days to get motivated. And it was only after they received the further outpouring of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost that they were able to get moving in their mission of furthering the Gospel. What we need to do is to continue to pray for the coming of the Holy Spirit into our lives. The coming of the Holy Spirit, by the way, is not just a one-time thing. It is an on-going process. The more we are open to the Spirit's presence in our lives, the more we will be empowered to be Spirit-filled individuals and become the missionaries whom we are called to be.

Being missionaries does not mean we have to sell all our belongings and move to some far away land to spread the faith, although some may be called to do this. Missionaries literally means "those who have been sent" or those "on a mission." Maybe we are being sent as "far away" as our own home. We may be called to announce the Good News to our family members. The way we announce the message is by living lives of Good News. It may be the hardest audience to whom we can be sent. We may truly need the indwelling of the Holy Spirit to announce the Good News, because our family knows who we really are, with all our failings and all the times we have "missed the mark" (sinned) in living out the Gospel. That is why we need to keep turning to the Lord and praying, "Send us Your Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of us who are trying to be faithful. Inflame in our hearts the fire of Your love."

*Excerpts taken from: <https://reflectionsbybob.weebly.com/>*



## Date Claimer

**Mon. 22 May : Timeline Bible at 6.30pm**

**Wed. 24 May : Feast of Our Lady, Help of Christians, Patroness of Australia Mass at 9.00am**

**Sat. 27 May : Special Eucharistic Adoration for the Feast of Pentecost from 6.30pm to 12 midnight**

## Roster for the Weekend of 27 - 28 May 2023

### Mass Coordinators

Sat. 27 May 5.30pm - William Barncastle  
Sun. 28 May 8.00am - Ron Klerks  
Sun. 28 May 9.30am - Joy Wallace

### Readers

Sat. 27 May 5.30pm - Verity M. & Adeline B.  
Sun. 28 May 8.00am - Nimfa Brookes & Rachel M.  
Sun. 28 May 9.30am - Abel Budiono & Elenora Tufuga

### Communion Ministers

Sat. 27 May 5.30pm - Wilda Fernandes & Sue McKeown  
Sun. 28 May 8.00am - Lele Faaeteete & Mary Klerks  
Sun. 28 May 9.30am - Doris Deurloo & Viyolete N.

### Altar Servers

Sat. 27 May 5.30pm - Pramudsth & Saneth  
Sun. 28 May 8.00am - John & May  
Sun. 28 May 9.30am - Ruby & Israel

### Choirs

Sat. 27 May 5.30pm - Saturday Night Choir  
Sun. 28 May 8.00am - African Choir  
Sun. 28 May 9.30am - Family Choir

Counters - Swindells Family

Cleaners - Divine Mercy Group

Floral Arrangement - Suli

## Feast of the Ascension of the Lord: 21 May 2023

### First Reading: Acts 1: 1-11

*Why are you standing here looking into the sky? Jesus has been taken into heaven.*

### Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 46: 2-3, 6-9

**God mounts His throne to shouts of joy:  
a blare of trumpets for the Lord.**

### Second Reading: Ephesians 1:17-23

*He made Jesus to sit at his right hand in heaven.*

### Gospel Acclamation:

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Go and teach all people my gospel.  
I am with you always, until the end of the world.  
Alleluia!**

### Gospel: Matthew 28: 16-20

*All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.*



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 Talatou, 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 Pietkiewicz, Rob Canning, V&A Asiata-Kelemete, Mynott Family, Reef W.Carroll, Daisy A.Thomas, Patricia Donovan, Noreen Audley, John Engberg, June Curyer, Baby Charlotte.

## **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:  
21st and 28th May 2023**



**Our Lady Help of Christians,  
Patroness of Australia  
Feast Day : Wednesday, 24<sup>th</sup> May**

### **NATIONWIDE ROSARY TO HONOUR OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS, PATRONESS OF AUSTRALIA**

We are called to come together  
in strength and unity to pray  
The Holy Rosary, as one Body of Christ,  
and ask our Holy Mother for protection  
and guidance in these troubled times.  
Please invite your family and friends to  
join us in Church **on Saturday 27th May**  
**at 5pm followed by Vigil Mass.**

Thank you, Fr. Mikhael

### Collection: Week-ending: 14 May 2023

Envelopes Received	: 35
Amount from Contributions	: \$ 2,947.70
Yarrabilba Mass Centre	: \$ 142.00
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<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>: \$ 3,089.70</b>





## 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.



**Our next Kolbe Youth Gathering will be at 6.00pm on Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2023**



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

## CHILDREN AND YOUTH PLEASE JOIN US FOR CONFIRMATION MASS CHOIR REHEARSAL

**SATURDAY 27 MAY, 2023  
9AM-10AM  
ST. MAXIMILIAN KOLBE CHURCH**

This is an invitation for all children and youth of our parish to join us in singing for the celebration of the Confirmation Mass on Sunday 11 June at 9:30AM.



## Lamps Ablaze: Apostolic Priorities for the Archdiocese of Brisbane

### Priority Six: Implementing Integral Ecology

Natural and human ecology interact in mysterious and unmistakable ways. To interfere with one is to interfere with the other; to promote the good of one is to promote the good of the other. Fratelli Tutti (a recent Papal Encyclical) focuses more upon human ecology in speaking of the radical interconnectedness of all human beings at a moment when alienation and polarisation are making disconnectedness seem the norm. The Church is called in such a moment to be a sign of contradiction, speaking in a way that rises above politics and economics so that a genuinely biblical and Christian voice can be heard.

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Download the whole document at [tinyurl.com/lampsablaze](https://tinyurl.com/lampsablaze)



# CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION

"HE WHO FOLLOWS ME WALKS NOT IN DARKNESS" - JOHN 8:12

**2PM SUNDAY 11 JUNE 2023**

Cathedral of St Stephen, BRISBANE CITY



Starting and ending at the Cathedral of St Stephen and featuring prayers, rosary, hymns and Benediction with proceedings led by Archbishop Mark Coleridge.

#### ALSO INCLUDES:

Eucharistic Miracles Exhibition (10th - 11th June, Holy Room)

Vigil night Adoration (10th June 7pm - 11th June 6am, Mary Mackillop Chapel)

To watch the livestream of the procession and for information regarding parish bus timetables, visit the website or call 0412 802 122



corpuschristibrisbane.com

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



## EUCHARISTIC Adoration

**There will be a Special Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament held in preparation for the upcoming Feast of Pentecost.**

**Saturday, 27th May**

**Adoration will commence at 6.30pm, after the Vigil Mass and conclude by 12 midnight.**

**All are Welcome!**



Holy Father, God of Love, You are the Creator of all things. We acknowledge the pain and shame of our history and the sufferings of Our peoples, and we ask your forgiveness. We thank you for the survival of Indigenous cultures. Our hope is in you because you gave your Son Jesus to reconcile the world to you. We pray for your strength and grace to forgive, accept and love one another, as you love us and forgive and accept us in the sacrifice of your Son. Give us the courage to accept the realities of our history so that we may build a better future for our Nation. Teach us to respect all cultures. Teach us to care for our land and waters. Help us to share justly the resources of this land. Help us to bring about spiritual and social change to improve the quality of life for all groups in our communities, especially the disadvantaged. Help young people to find true dignity and self-esteem by your Spirit. May your power and love be the foundations on which we build our families, our communities and our Nation, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen!

(Wontup Bi-Buya Indigenous Theology Working Group 13 March 1997 Brisbane, Qld).



**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**