



St. Maximilian Kolbe Catholic Parish

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land on which our church stands today, the Yugambeh and Yuggera people, and pay respects to their Elders, past, present and emerging. We, the St. Maximilian Kolbe Community, continue to be inspired by the value of justice, peace, and unity as we work together for the common good.

Parish Contacts

Parish Priest

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Priest-in-Residence

Fr. Nick De Groot SVD

Parish Secretary

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PARISH MINISTRY LEADERS

Liturgy Ministries

Rodolfo (Boyet) Domingo

Children & Families Ministries and Children's Sacramental Program

Helen Swindells

Community Life Ministries

Lele Faaeteete

Youth & Young Adults Ministry

Shanna Kelemete

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Adult Faith Formation Ministries

Alfred Gomez

Outreach Ministry

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Affiliated Catholic Schools

St. Francis College - Tel. No 3489 4800

Mr. John Marinucci (Principal)

St. Clare's Primary School - 5549 8000

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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 7:00pm

Saturday No Mass

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday 5:30pm

Sunday 7:30am and 9:30am

Confession: Saturday : 5:00pm

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME : 1 FEBRUARY 2026

Today we begin the Sermon on the Mount. In Matthew's Gospel, Jesus is presented as the new Moses. He presents five long discourses by Jesus, which can be seen to match the Pentateuch (the five first books of the Bible), traditionally attributed to Moses as their author and which embody the Jewish Law. Just as the Pentateuch embodies the Jewish way of life, so these discourses embody Jesus' vision of the life he proposes for us.

The Sermon on Mount is the first of these five discourses. It is not a tape recording or a verbatim record of an actual sermon or address. Rather, it is a collection of sayings and teachings focusing on the personal qualities expected of a disciple of Jesus.

It is given on a mountain. Mountains are traditionally seen as holy places where God is specially present, and there are several instances in both the Hebrew and Christian Testaments where mountains feature in a significant way. Apart from today's example, we have, to give just two examples, Mount Sinai where God gave the Law to Moses, and the mountain of the Transfiguration where something of Jesus' inner reality was revealed to three chosen disciples.

Jesus sat down, a position of authority, e.g. when the Pope speaks officially, he does so *ex cathedra*, sitting on his chair or throne. Jesus' audience consists of the Twelve, his other disciples and all those who wish to hear what he says.

Just as the Ten Commandments are the core of the Jewish way of life and a law to follow, so the Beatitudes are the core of the Christian way of life.

Strictly speaking, the Beatitudes are not commandments. They are not so much things to be done, or rules to be kept, as deep-down attitudes of the mind. And, in fact, their observance is only possible with a deep love of God and of other people. They can never be kept fully—they are goals that are always calling us further.

The Beatitudes have a quality and depth which goes far beyond the moral requirements of the Ten Commandments. They call for a very special relationship with God and with the people around us. They involve not merely a personal observance of ethical rules, but a deep concern to be involved in the building up of the world we live in, helping to make it a place of truth, love, compassion, justice, freedom and peace. This is what the 'Kingdom' is all about. Let us listen carefully and open our heart to this invitation today and every day.

"Blessed are those who hear my words and keep them."

Fr. Nick

Date Claimers

Mon. 2 Feb: Pastoral Council & Building committee Meeting at 7pm.

Tue. 3 Feb: Liturgy Committee Meeting at 7pm

Fri. 6 Feb.: First Friday: Adoration at 6.30pm followed by Mass.

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.

Children's Liturgy starts on Sunday 8th Feb. 2026

For further information, parents or guardians can contact our Children's Ministry Co-ordinator: **Tiresa V. 0434 570 123**

Roster for the weekend of 07 — 08 February 2026

Mass Coordinators

07 Feb. 5.30pm - Luis Vasquez
08 Feb. 7.30am - Kristine Domingo
08 Feb. 9.30am - Flower Donohue

Readers

07 Feb. 5.30pm - Hilda Bowden & Jasmine Godinet.
08 Feb. 7.30am - Nimfa Brookes & Nina Domingo.
08 Feb. 9.30am - Ron Klerks & Kelemete Tito.

Communion Ministers

07 Feb. 5.30pm - Deb Howkins and Sue McKeown.
08 Feb. 7.30am - Eseta Alosio and Lawrence Auva'a
08 Feb. 9.30am - Tuala Petelo., Elisapeta Tito., Flor Gomez.

Altar Servers

07 Feb. 5.30pm - Volunteers
08 Feb. 7.30am - Volunteers
08 Feb. 9.30am - Volunteers

Choirs

07 Feb. 5.30pm - Saturday Night Choir
08 Feb. 7.30am - SMK Choir
08 Feb. 9.30am - African Choir

Counters : Agnes and Lele F

Cleaners : Vaigafa Family

Flowers : Agnes

Please Pray for the Sick

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, 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, Rob Canning, Catherine Hetherington, Pete Pietkiewiez, V&A Asiata-Kelemete, Mynott Family, Reef W. Carroll, Daisy A. Thomas, Eric Alfred John Engberg, Coleen Goodwin, Austine Jonse, Zakelyn Curtis, Mary Armand, Mary Rosser, Ann Gason, Judith Anderson, Brooke, John McCready, Ian, Sandra Henry, Carol Lloyd, Esjay McCarthy, Judith Sherry, Mareta Ni-umagumagu, Maria Nive M. Tiatia, Paxson Swerling, Peter Beirne, Janus Deurloo Shiralee Bull, Ron & Anita McGovern, Djoanna Aloquin and all who are ill.

Collection: Week-ending: 25 January 2026

Envelopes Received	: 30
Amount from Contributions	: \$ 2,644.25
Yarrabilba Mass Centre	: \$ 204.75
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TOTAL	: \$ 2,848.00

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: 01 Feb 2026

First Reading (Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12-13)

In your midst I will leave a humble and a lowly people.

Responsorial Psalm (Ps 145:7-10)

R. Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

Second Reading (1 Corinthians 1:26-31)

God has chosen what is weak by human reckoning.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Rejoice and be glad;

Your reward will be great in heaven.

Alleluia! alleluia!

Gospel (Matthew 5:1-12)

Happy are the poor in spirit.

Gospel : Matthew 5:1-12

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Happy are the poor in spirit.

Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up the hill. There he sat down and was joined by his disciples. Then he began to speak. This is what he taught them:

'How happy are the poor in spirit; theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Happy the gentle:

they shall have the earth for their heritage.

Happy those who mourn:

they shall be comforted.

Happy those who hunger and thirst for what is right:

they shall be satisfied.

Happy the merciful:

they shall have mercy shown them.

Happy the pure in heart:

they shall see God.

Happy the peacemakers:

they shall be called sons of God.

Happy those who are persecuted in the cause of right:

theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

'Happy are you when people abuse you and persecute you and speak all kinds of calumny against you on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.'



YARRABILBA MASS CENTRE

Weekend Community Mass

will be held at 4.00pm on:

1 February & 8 February 2026

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