

St. Maximilian Kolbe Catholic Parish

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

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Weekday Mass Times

Monday No Mass Tuesday 9.00am

Wednesday 9.00am Thursday 9.00am & 7pm

Friday 9.00am Saturday 8.00am

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5.30pm Sunday Mass: 8.00am & 9.30am

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time: 4th September 2022



This weekend the church celebrates the spirit of commitment and self-sacrifice of Christ. The spirit of self-sacrifice motivates one do the unimaginable. It was this spirit that made Jesus give up everything, including his own life for our sake. So, through this same spirit, we can become true his disciples of Christ.

Today's first reading draws our attention to the depth of the wisdom of God. He alone knows his intentions for humanity. However, this intention has been fully revealed in Christ who willingly sacrificed himself in order to save us. So, it is the spirit of wisdom that helps us to penetrate into the mystery of God's intention revealed in Christ. In this way, this mystery becomes spirit and life for us.

In the second reading, Paul sent back Onesimus to Philemon in the spirit of sacrifice. Although Paul needed Onesimus and had every right to retain him, he allowed him to return to his former master Philemon who equally needed him. Philemon also had to sacrifice something. He has to drop all his misgiving against Onesimus. So, he was admonished to receive Onesimus as a brother rather than as a slave. Hence, Paul teaches us that we can equally sacrifice our own comfort in order to restore that of others. Also, we must be ready to make some sacrifices in order to repair and restore relationships.

In today's gospel, Jesus invites us to emulate His spirit of commitment and sacrifice in order to be true His true disciples. He says: "If any man comes to me without hating his father, mother, wife...and his own life too, he cannot be my disciple." What does Christ mean by "hating"? He simply teaches and call us to us to learn to make sacrifice, and to be committed to our missions and calls.

Christ is not literarily calling us to hate the members of our family in order to be his disciples. He loved and obeyed his own parents. Also, His mother Mary was one of His first and best disciples. So, we too must love members of our family. He is not in any way preaching the gospel of hatred. Rather, he wants us to be more committed to his ministry. He wants us to be willing to sacrifice our own comfort whenever duty calls.

To be Christ's disciple, means being ready to make sacrifices. Carrying our cross and following Christ also means subduing our own will in order to do His Will. That is, being ready to give up anything. Without commitment and sacrifice, we remain attached to our will, and so, cannot be true disciples of Christ. Without it, we cannot see the needs of others.

Finally, commitment and sacrifice help us to give up anything in order to gain all. It disposes us to be better disciples of Christ. It helps us to be better husbands, wives, parents, and children. It helps us to be better leaders and even servants. In the spirit of commitment and sacrifice, the wisdom of God becomes fully alive and active in us. It also helps us deepen our trust in God's divine providence and protection. Hence, we can confidently proclaim: "O Lord you have been my refuge from one generation to the next".

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

Date Claimers

Tue. 6 Sept: Liturgy Committee Meeting at 7pm

Wed. 7 Sept: Pastoral Council Meeting at 7pm

Fri. 9 Sept : Youth Meeting at 6.30pm

Sun. 11 Sept: Parish Spring Fair Organising Team's

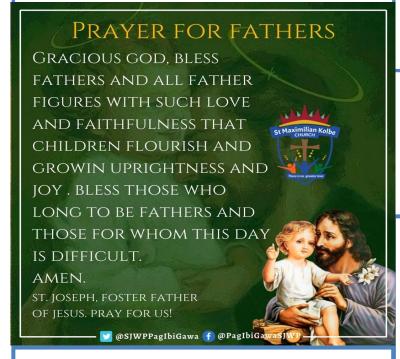
Next Meeting; after 9.30am Mass

11—17 Sept: Marriage Week Australia; there will be

a Special Blessing of Married couples at

all weekend Masses on 10 & 11 Sept.

Tue. 13 Sept: Healing Mass at 10.45am



Roster for the weekend of 10 – 11 Sept 2022

Mass Coordinators:

10 Sept. 5.30pm -Luis Vasquez 11 Sept. 8.00am -Lele Faaeteete 11 Sept. 9.30am -Tua Niumagumagu

> Readers **Altar Servers**

10 Sept. 5.30pm -Sarah Wizz

Wilda Fernandes

11 Sept. 8.00am -Marcia Canty Destiny, July&

> **Buxton Thomas** Iohn

11 Sept. 9.30am -Tamate Tumanuvao Salvius & Anela

Tiliola Niumagumagu

Communion Ministers:

10 Sept. 5.30pm -Sue McKeown, Sue Barrett 11 Sept. 8.00am -Rachel Matijasevic, Korina Laban 11 Sept. 9.30am -Deb Hawkins, Mary Klerks

Choir:

10 Sept. 5.30pm -Saturday Night Choir 11 Sept. 8.00am -African choir

11 Sept. 9.30am -Ekalesia Choir **Counters** Swindells Family

Cleaners Ekalesia Group

Evelyn, Nimfa, Veronica **Flowers**

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time: 04 Sept. 2022

First Reading (Wisdom 9: 13-18)

Who can comprehend the will of God?

Responsorial Psalm: (89: 3-6, 12-14, 17)

In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

Second Reading (Philemon: 9-10, 12-17)

Receive him, not as a slave anymore, but as a very dear

brother.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Let your face shine on your servant, And teach me your laws. Alleluia!

Gospel (Luke: 14: 25-33)

All who do not renounce their possessions cannot be my disciples.

Collection: Week-ending: 28 August 2022

Envelopes Received : 35

Amount from Contributions: \$2.030.50 Yarrabilba Mass Centre 98.00

TOTAL: \$2.128.50

Please Pray for the Sick



L.Guadez, K & S Talatonu, B.Hodgson, M.Finnerty, M.Glorioso, D.Hall, J.Lachlan, A.Van Uitregt, V.Toalepai, K Brown, M.Trehane, J.Maloney, E.Kruger, J&A Dent, G&M 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, Catherine Hetherington, Pete Pietkiewiez, Zhaylee Curtis, Sesilia Muevae, Hilda DMello, V&A Asiata-Kelemete, Mynott Family, Reef Wallace Carroll. Noreen Audley, Daisy Ann Thomas, John Williams.



YARRABILBA MASS CENTRE

Weekend Community Mass

will be held at 5.00pm on:

Sunday, 04 Sept. & 11 Sept. 2022

Centre Location:

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

All are Welcome!

Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of our God

8 September Mass at 9am and 7.00pm

Mary our Mother, our Father in Heaven created you with delight. You are His creature whom He made worthy to become the holy Mother of His Son. You were born into a family of Saints. Pray for us today that our joy in your Son will increase and that our family may become more holy. Loving Mother, on this feast of your birth, please pray for stronger and holier families.

Jesus our Lord and Master, please grant through Your mother's intercession that we may always bring Your Love, Your Peace and Your Mercy into our Family, Amen!





ALTAR SERVERS MINISTRY

Training Session for all **Altar Servers**

Parents invited are their children encourage who have already received 1st Holy Communion to join this very important ministry in our Parish. Training will be held for all current and new Altar Servers on Saturday, 10 Sept 2022 @ 10.00am.

So please make every effort to attend!

Thank you, Fr. Long

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



Our next Kolbe Youth Gathering will be held at 6.30pm on Friday, 9th September 2022



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 these faith-forming, fun-filled and learning sessions.

For further information, parents/guardians can contact our Children's Liturgy Ministry Coordinator, Tiresa Vaigafa (Ph No: 0434 570 123).

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.

PARISH SPRING FAIR 2022

Please contact Mr. Kelemete Tito and Mr. Raphael Kepu, the coordinators of the Parish Spring Fair for further information.





WE NEED YOUR HELP TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

NEW MEMBERS WANTED

The St Vincent de Paul Society Queensland aspires to be recognised as a caring Catholic charity offering a "hand up" to people in need. We do this by respecting their dignity, sharing our hope and

encouraging them to take control of their own destiny The Society will grow your passion by providing:

- · Opportunities & development
- A chance to make a difference in people's lives
- Meaningful social action
- Connections with other like-minded people

We are currently seeking open minded people to help the less fortunate in our community

Thank You!

Christine Neilson Membership & Development Officer St Vincent de Paul Society QLD/South Coast Diocesan Central Council Office

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A Prayer for Families



Heavenly Father, thank You for the gift of our family. Enlighten our hearts and minds that we may live more fully this vocation to love. In our daily life and work, may we reflect the self-giving love which You, O Father, eternally show with Your Son and the Holy Spirit. Let Your love be evident in the peace that reigns in our home and in the faith we profess and live. May our family always be a place of generosity, understanding, forgiveness, and joy. Kindly give us the wisdom and courage to be witnesses to Your eternal design for the family; and grant that the Holy Family of Nazareth may always guide our path to holiness as a family. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. Amen.

(written by Archbishop William E. Lori – the 16th Archbishop of Baltimore, US)

HONOURING & CELEBRATING God's divine plan for marriage & family

Marriage Week 11 - 17 September 2022