



St. Maximilian Kolbe Catholic Parish

Kingston-Marsden-Loganlea-Crestmead-Waterford-Logan Reserve-Yarrabilba

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Weekday Mass Times

Monday	No Mass
Tuesday	10.45am
Wednesday	9.00am
Thursday	9.00am
Friday	9.00am
Saturday	8.00am

Weekend Mass Times

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

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time : 9th October 2022

Reflection...

Most times we spend much time re-counting our woes and disappointments to the extent that we hardly recognize or appreciate the Goodness of God in our lives. So, this Sunday the church reminds us of the importance of showing gratitude to God. If we spend just a moment to reflect over the course of our life, we shall definitely find many reasons why we must always return to God with our heart full of gratitude to Him.



In today's first reading, the story of Naaman the leper is a typical example of how we should express our profound gratitude to God. Naaman also teaches us how to show appreciation to those who have been good to us. Also, we learn from this reading that God does not come to our help because of what he will receive from us. He says: "All the silver and gold in the whole world are mine" (Haggai 2:8-9). However, He does not condemn material offerings to the Church in appreciation of His goodness to us. This is because, "the Church is the visible sign of God on earth. So, our offerings of thanksgiving to the Church is offered to God, for building up his visible body – His church.

In today's gospel, Jesus reminds us of the importance of gratitude to God for favors we have received from Him. In this reading, what caught the admiration of Jesus about the Samaritan was simply that he: "Turned back, praising God at the top of his voice, and threw himself at the feet of Jesus and thanked him." When was the last time we expressed this kind of gratitude to God? Gratitude to God is an expression of our faith in His saving power.

Many of us hardly have time to show gratitude to God for what he has done for us. At times, even to use the gifts we have received freely to serve Him is hard for us. This is because we rationalize too much. Unfortunately, some of us offer to God as if we are investing in a lottery. In other words, "God, has to do something for me because I have given something to Him. Or, "I give to God, because He gives to me!" Showing gratitude to God is very important in our Christian journey with Him. However, it must not be seen as a burden. The truth is that there is no amount of money or material thing that would be enough to pay God for his goodness to us. So, the decision to show gratitude to God must flow from our hearts and from a pure conscience. In light of this, we must approach the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist every day. It is a sacrament of gratitude or thanksgiving to God. It is one whole sacrifice through which we, the Church give thanks to God when we gather as one big and united family in his presence.

Finally, when we gather, we are there to say: "We give you thanks Almighty God, for these and all your benefits to us, through Christ Our Lord." It is not only about offering God material things or gifts alone. Rather, it is more about lifting up our entire being to God in his appreciation and gratitude for His love and goodness to us. It is more about offering ourselves totally and wholly again and again to God. This is the gratitude that flows from a sincere heart.

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

Commissioning of all Communion Ministers, will be held during ALL weekend Masses on 15th and 16th October. All new and existing communion ministers are requested to attend any one of the week-end Masses.



There will be a **SPECIAL MASS** held for all Children & Youth Members of the Parish at 9.30am on Sunday, 30 Oct 2022 to celebrate the 2022 Children's Week

All parents are encouraged to attend this Mass with your Children and to have them participate in the Liturgy (reading, singing with the choir and offertory procession). Please contact our Children's Liturgy Coordinator: Tiresa Vaigafa @ 0434 570 123



Roster for the weekend of 15- 16 Oct. 2022

Mass Coordinators:

15 Oct. 5.30pm - Wilda Fernandes
16 Oct. 8.00am - Nimfa Brookes
16 Oct. 9.30am - Joy Wallace

Readers

15 Oct. 5.30pm - Verity Madsen
- Adeline Barncastle

16 Oct. 8.00am - Orlando Diente
- Lele Faaeteete

16 Oct. 9.30am - Alfred Gomez
- Flower Donohue

Altar Servers

Communion Ministers :

15 Oct. 5.30pm - Sue McKeown, Sue Barrett
16 Oct. 8.00am - Marcia Canty, Eseta Alosio
16 Oct. 9.30am - Filomena Tuiafiso, Alex Makaohi

Choir:

15 Oct. 5.30pm - Saturday Night Choir
16 Oct. 8.00am - St. Peter's the rock Choir
16 Oct. 9.30am - Filipino Choir

Counters : Christine Lapalapa, Noel Swindells
Cleaners : Rosary Group
Flowers : Suli, Litia

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First Reading (2 Kings 5:14-17)

Naaman returned to Elisha, the prophet, and acknowledged the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm : (97: 1-4)

The Lord has revealed to the Nations his saving power.

Second Reading (2 Timothy 2: 8- 13)

If we hold firm, we shall reign with Christ.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

For all things give thanks to God,
Because this is what He expects of you in Christ Jesus.
Alleluia!

Gospel (Luke: 17: 11-19)

It seems that no one has returned to give thanks to God except this foreigner.

Collection: Week-ending: 2 Oct. 2022

Envelopes Received : 35
Amount from Contributions : \$ 1,975.15
Yarrabilba Mass Centre : \$ 142.00

TOTAL : \$2,117.15

Please Pray for the Sick



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, 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 Pietkiewicz, 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

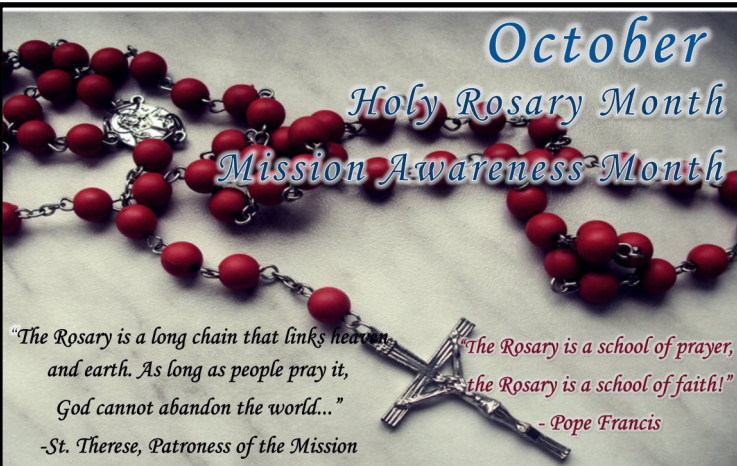
Weekend Community Mass
will be held at 5.00pm on:

Sunday, 9th & 16th October 2022

Centre Location:

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

All are Welcome!



October
Holy Rosary Month
Mission Awareness Month

"The Rosary is a long chain that links heaven and earth. As long as people pray it, God cannot abandon the world..."
- St. Therese, Patroness of the Mission

"The Rosary is a school of prayer, the Rosary is a school of faith!"
- Pope Francis

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, 21st Oct 2022

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

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.



Palms Australia

Embrace the Call to Global Mission

American Samoa, Cambodia, Kiribati, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tanzania, Thailand, Timor-Leste and Zambia are requesting Australian Catholics to live in and share their skills with parish communities. Embrace one of these [Mission Opportunities abroad](#) and mentor those with little other opportunity. You will be well prepared & supported by Palms Australia who have engaged Australian Catholics in this mission since 1961. [Enquire online](#) or Ph: **0422 742 567** and [register](#) for a Webinar on **Sat. Sept 24 at 11:30am** where you can talk directly with Veronica Lawson who is mentoring teachers in Pago Pago, American Samoa now. Or visit others already engaged in Mission with Palms Australia on our [13-day Encounter Tour to Timor-Leste from October 16th to 28th](#).

BRING HOPE TO NEELA AND HER FAMILY

Malnutrition is a challenge many families face in Ethiopia, especially those with babies and young children. In two weeks' time, you will learn about Neela* and her son Ajani*, and how families like theirs can be supported through a new Church-run community program.

This is an opportunity to partner with a life-giving mission program – your prayers and generosity are crucial in ensuring this program can even begin.

This is also a great way to commit to being witnesses of Jesus Christ, as He has called us to be in Acts 1:8.

*Name altered to protect identity



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Celebrating Seniors

A Senior's Prayer

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All Gracious God,
You have given me all I am and have, and
now I give it back to You to stand under Your
Will alone. In a special way I give You these
later years of my life. I am one of those
called by You into old age, a call not given to
all; not given to Jesus, not given to most in
our world today. I humbly ask You, grace me
deeply in each aspect of the struggle. As my
physical eyesight weakens, may the eyes of
my faith strengthen, that I may see You and
Your love in everything. As my hearing fails,
may the ears of my heart be more attentive
to the whisper of Your gentle voice. As my
legs weaken and walking becomes more
difficult, may I walk more truly in Your
paths, knowing all the while that I am held
in the embrace of Your love.



As my mind becomes less alert and memory fades may I remain peaceful in You, aware that with You there is no need for thought or word. And should sickness overtake me and I be confined in bed, may I know myself as one with Your Son as he offers His life for the salvation of the world. Finally, as my heart slows a little after the work of the years, may it expand in love for You and all people. May it rest secure and grateful in Your loving Heart until I am lost in You, completely and forever. Amen.

- *Sr. Moya Hanlen, FDNsc*

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God of Compassion,

You meant us to be both fragile and ordinary.
Silence the voices that say we are not good enough,
Haven't achieved enough,
Haven't enough to show for our lives,
That we are not enough.
Help us to know that we are treasure,
We are prized,
We are cherished,
We are loved.
Infinitely.
By you.

So be with us in our corrugations of feeling:
When our hearts are in downward freefall, be with us
When our minds race with anxiety, be with us
When our throats close in fear, be with us
When sleep will not come, be with us
When waking hurts, be with us.
In the name of Jesus,
Who knew trauma, abuse, despair and abandonment
And has nothing but love for us,
Amen.

Prayer to give thanks to the Lord

O blessed Lord,
You revealed to my heart
your teachings.
You give me strength
I never knew I had.
You lifted up this broken child
and put me on my feet.

Your peace pours out over me
from the sacred wounds of Christ.
And when the enemy rises up,
you cast him out far from me.

For all this and more
I thank you, O loving Lord.
Your abundant grace & mercy
fill my heart with joy.
You are so good to me.

In the Lord Jesus Christ
I find the deepest meaning.
I know that I am loved.
And with your Spirit alive in me
I can love others more & more.

This world may be in turmoil,
but I know for sure who I am.
I am your child, forever free,
in the grace of God I am home.

Thank you blessed Lord,
for my life and for your love.
In Jesus name, Amen.

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The Archdiocese of Brisbane is partnering with Community Refugee Sponsorship Australia (CRSA) to launch the Archdiocese of Brisbane Refugee Sponsorship Initiative. This initiative seeks to engage parishes, faith communities and schools to fund raise, support and build relationships with people as they settle into a new home in Australia. CRSA is a registered, established charity who work to support community groups in their fund raising and welcome of people seeking to make a home in Australia. Here's how the initiative will benefit your community:

- Make a practical response to the ongoing refugee crisis
- Foster connectedness, unity and community life within your parish
- Gain a deeper understanding of love of neighbour

For further information on how to implement the Refugee Sponsorship Initiative in your parish or community, visit:

<http://aobrefugeesponsorship.eom.au/>