



St. Maximilian Kolbe Catholic Parish

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

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

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3489 4800

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5549 8000

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5670 7000

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 Vigil Mass: 5.30pm

Sunday Mass: 8.00am & 9.30am

20th Sunday In Ordinary Time : 20 August 2023

After Jesus was harshly challenged by the Pharisees, He and His disciples took a 35-mile journey to the northwest to a region that was in pagan territory and outside of the jurisdiction of Herod and the Jewish leaders. It might have been a time of repose for Him and His disciples and an opportunity for Jesus to form the disciples more directly. It was during this retreat that a pagan woman came to ask Jesus for help.

As the story unfolds, we see that her prayer is a model for us all. First, she acknowledges Who Jesus is the Son of David. This is a manifestation of her faith and a clear contrast to the lack of faith Jesus had experienced with many of the people in Galilee. Second, her request is expressed in straightforward and simple language, "Have pity on me!" And, "Lord, help me." Third, her prayer is persistent. Jesus allows her to manifest her persistence by first being silent to her request and then telling her "It is not right to take the food of the children and throw it to the dogs." Jesus obviously does not say this to be rude, but to invite her to manifest her faith in a persistent way. And that she does. Finally, her prayer is one of deep humility. She responds, "Please, Lord, for even the dogs eat the scraps that fall from the table of their masters." She was begging for the "scraps" of Jesus' mercy, and she received His mercy in abundance.

Do you desire the scraps of Jesus' mercy in the way a dog desires the scraps from the table of its owner? Hopefully you do. This is the disposition that we must all have in prayer. Sometimes, out of pride, we can think that we have a right to God's mercy. We can think that God owes us. And though we might realize that mercy is not deserved, we must allow that truth to sink in deeply. That is why this story is so important. It presents us with the ideal way to pray and the humble interior disposition we must have when approaching God.

Prayerfully sit with the image of a dog begging for scraps from the table. When a dog is given what is left over, it is thrilled. To us, eating the scraps from another's plate is undesirable. But if the "plate" belongs to the Saviour of the World and the "food" is His grace and mercy, then that changes everything. In the end, the Master also invites us to the table and feeds us with the finest of spiritual food. But that doesn't change the fact that we must always have the humble disposition exemplified by this humble woman.

Reflect, today, upon this holy woman. In the end, Jesus cried out, "O woman, great is your faith!" But that did not come until she wholeheartedly expressed her faith with humility and persistence. With her as a shining example, reflect upon how you pray to God. Do you pray with self-righteousness, as if you deserve God's mercy? Do you tend to see God as one Who owes you something? Do you get angry with God when He doesn't immediately answer your demands? Try to humble yourself like this woman. Beg for whatever God wants to give to you. Do so with perseverance and the utmost trust. If you do, our Lord will not only pour forth the scraps of His mercy, He will also pick you up and invite you to the glorious meal of His abundant grace.

Most merciful Jesus, I beg of You that I be given only the scraps from the table of Your mercy. I beg this of You with all my heart. Though I do not deserve You, I seek You anyway. You know what I need, dear Lord; please bestow upon me Your mercy for those needs. Jesus, I trust in You.

Reflection taken from: [mycatholic.lifehttps://mycatholic.life/books/catholic-daily-reflections-series/ordinary-time](https://mycatholic.life/books/catholic-daily-reflections-series/ordinary-time).

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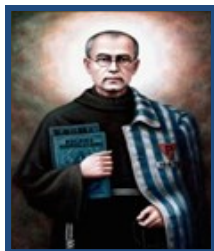
Sun. 27 August: Commissioning of Leaders and Members of various groups during 9.30am Mass

PARISH SUMMIT 2023

After the outcome of our Parish Summit 2023, all the team leaders and their members will be commissioned during 9.30am Mass on Sunday, 27th August 2023.

All the team leaders along with their members are requested to attend this commissioning ceremony.

Fr. Mikhael and Fr. Nick



ST. MAXIMILIAN KOLBE

PRAYER

Lord, You inflamed St. Maximilian Kolbe with love for the Immaculate Virgin and filled him with zeal for souls and love of neighbour. Through His prayers, grant that we may work strenuously for Your Glory in the service of others and so be made conformable to Your Son in death. Amen

Roster for the weekend of 26 – 27 August 2023

Mass Coordinators:

26 Aug. 5.30pm - Luis Vasquez
27 Aug. 8.00am - Orlando Diente
27 Aug. 9.30am - Joy Wallace

Readers

26 Aug 5.30pm - Sarah Wiss
- Verity Madsen
27 Aug 8.00am - Lele Faaeteete
- Josephine Thomas
27 Aug 9.30am - Kelemete Tito
- Elenora Tufuga

Communion Ministers :

26 Aug 5.30pm - Sue McKeown & Rosemary Ordonez
27 Aug 8.00am - Buxton Thomas & Mary Klerks
27 Aug 9.30am - Elisapeta Tito & Viyolette N

Altar Servers :

26 Aug 5.30pm - Jazmine & Israel
27 Aug 8.00am - John & May
27 Aug 9.30am - Malachi & Talalei

Choir:

26 Aug 5.30pm - Saturday Night Choir
27 Aug 8.00am - African Choir
27 Aug 9.30am - Divine Mercy Choir

Counters : Malcolm, Wilda and Noel

Cleaners : Divine Mercy Group

Flowers : Agnes

20th Sunday In Ordinary Time:

20 August 2023

First Reading (Isaiah 56: 1, 6-7)

I will lead the foreigners to my holy mountain .

Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 66: 2-3, 5-6, 8)

O God, let all the Nations praise you!

Second Reading (Romans: 11: 13-15, 29-32)

The gifts and call of God are irrevocable.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

**Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom,
And healed all who were sick.**

Alleluia!

Gospel (Mathew 15:21-28)

Woman, you have great faith.

Collection: Week-ending 13 August 2023

Envelopes Received : 35
Amount from Contributions : \$ 3,203.10
Ekalesia Group : \$ 300.00

TOTAL: \$ 3,503.10

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YARRABILBA MASS CENTRE

**St Clare's
PRIMARY SCHOOL**



Weekend Community Mass
will be held at 4.00pm on:

Sunday, 20 Aug. & 27th 2023

Centre Location:

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



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, 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, Tatiana Tagirova, Ruperto M, John
Daley, Mikaele Tito, Nora Philips, Alzira D'souza, Agnes Hamil-
ton, Wena Prowse, Tuala, V&M L Petelo, Zhaylee Curtis, Sesilia
Muevae, Rob Canning, Catherine Hetherington, Pete
Pietkiewiez, V&A Asiata-Kelemete, Mynott Family, Reef W.
Carroll, Daisy A. Thomas, Patricia Donovan, John Engberg, June
Curyer, Baby Charlotte, Coleen Goodwin, Mary Farrell, Eric
Alfred, Austine Jonse, Zakelyn Curtis. Michelle Williams and
John Williams, Cath Turner.

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.



In this 150th year of the Cathedral of St Stephen
Archbishop Mark Coleridge
invites couples together with family and friends

Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass

Saturday, 30th September 2023

Mass at 11:30am

followed by refreshments on the Cathedral grounds.

Other couples married at the Cathedral or Chapel,
are also invited to attend with family and friends
to celebrate 150 years of weddings at the Cathedral.



To register to attend the Mass
and for catering purposes please
RSVP: Friday 22nd September 2023
cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au
3324 3030

If you have photos or stories to share
of your wedding at the Cathedral,
please contact David Todd.
email: toddd@bne.catholic.net.au
telephone: 3324 3030
by 1st September 2023

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0422 472 567.**



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CHILDREN'S LITURGY

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).

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, 18th Aug. 2023

Queensland Parliament Multifaith Prayer Service

Join Queensland faith leaders as they pray for our Government representatives and those in leadership positions in our State. This FREE event will feature prayers and readings from many traditions. Please bring government issued photographic ID (license, passport, 18+ card) for entry through Parliament House security. Entry to the event is through the Parliamentary Annexe on Alice St.

Legislative Council Chamber
(Upper House)
Queensland Parliament
House

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Annual Catholic Campaign

Over the weekend of August 19 - 20 we will be promoting the Annual Catholic Campaign in our parish.

This is to support the many important and meaningful initiatives of the Archdiocese of Brisbane.

It is the one time every year that all of the parishes in the Archdiocese come together to help vital works of our church and the local community.

Funds raised will support ministries that directly impact this parish.

The Campaign supports training future priests, caring for our elderly, and retired priests, helping local families in dire need access a Catholic education and caring for those suffering physically and emotionally in our community.

Please do take a Campaign brochure and contribution envelope with you when you go today.



catholiccampaign.com.au



Your gift today is a blessing to your local community

The face of the Church can seem ordinary enough, as can the face of each of us. But if we open the door of faith and allow God's mercy to flow through us into the lives of those in need, people will see in the Church and in each of us the face of Christ himself. May God, who is the giver of all gifts, bless you in every way.



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CENTACARE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND PASTORAL MINISTRIES

Your gift to Centacare provides care to families in distress, to victims of domestic violence, to those suffering mental illness, to those in prison, and to hospital chaplaincy. Much of this work is hidden, but these ministries are some of the most important outreaches of the Church to people in real need.



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HOLY SPIRIT SEMINARY

With your gift, you help educate our ordained leaders of the future. These men need to be formed to be the ministers of Christ's mercy; through your care, you make that possible.



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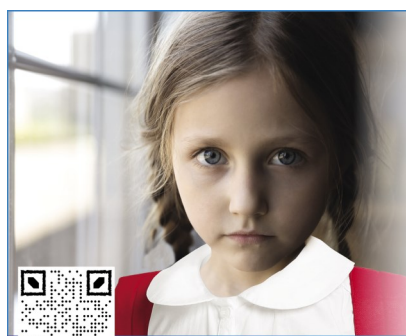
THE PRIESTS FOUNDATION

Your support helps our retired and infirm priests who have dedicated their lives to meeting human need with the merciful love of God. As their number grows greater, so too does the need to boost the Foundation which makes care for them possible.



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Through your gift, you serve and care for destitute families who can only dream of a Catholic education for their children. Your gift will provide bursaries for these children to attend their local Brisbane Catholic Education school.



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You can either pop it in the mail or return it next week.

Thank you very much for your generosity & your continued support!

God Bless You!