

St. Maximilian Kolbe Catholic Parish

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Weekday Mass Times

Monday	No Mass
Tuesday	11.00am
Wednesday	9am & 7pm
Thursday	9.00am
Friday	7.00pm
Saturday	8.00am

Weekend Mass Times

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

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time: 30th October 2022

Reflection ...

On this 31st Sunday of ordinary time, the Church reminds us that though we might seem insignificant, yet it does not diminish the love, mercy, and salvation of God for us. God loves all that exist. So, in his mercy, He comes to dwell with us. All it takes is one divine encounter with Him for a transformation to take place.



In today's first reading, the book of Wisdom reminds us of the mercy of God which extends to all his creatures irrespective of their status. Hence, in spite of the weakness of humankind, God continues to be merciful: "Yet, you are merciful to all because you can do all things and overlook men's sins so that they can repent." In order words, our merciful God gives us the opportunity to retrace our steps. This is the nature of God's mercy!

As a father who would not despise his own child, God will not despise his people because He values each one of us. Even when we offend him, Wisdom says: "Little by little, therefore, you correct those who offend, and you admonish and remind them how they have sinned..."

In the second reading, Paul prays for us to persevere in good deed and faith in Christ. He equally encourages us to continue without being carried away by false rumours of the Lord's imminent coming. In order words, in as much as the Lord will come in fulfilment of his promise to us, we must go ahead living our lives. We must not just sit down doing nothing. Rather, we have to get ourselves busy with good deeds.

Today's gospel reminds us that every day Jesus keeps 'coming our way' full of mercy and love. He comes our way through our neighbours, through the sacraments, and through the whole of creation. Do we see or recognize Him? How much effort do we make to have a glimpse of him?

The story of Zacchaeus is a true indication that the merciful Christ comes to seek and save us. Irrespective of all human obstacles, the courage and humility of Zacchaeus attracted the attention and mercy of Christ to him. He refused to be limited by the crowd, or allow his short coming be a hindrance to his salvation. He saw mercy and salvation, and immediately took advantage of them.

In life, there are so many obstacles preventing us from seeing Christ. If we make frantic efforts as Zacchaeus did, Christ will certainly notice us and show us his loving mercy. Therefore, we must rise above all obstacles that prevents us from seeing Christ and receiving his mercy. Paul advised Timothy thus: "Do not to allow any one look down on you because you are young" (I Tim 4:12). Likewise, we must not allow any obstacle prevent us from seeing Christ.

Finally, humility helps us to accept who we are. However, it does not prevent us from trying to overcome our shortcomings. Instead, it should spur us to search good paths to success in life. Zacchaeus' humility and effort to see and encounter Christ is worth emulating. He acknowledged the fact that he was short and could not contend with the crowd for space. He did not quarrel with anyone. Rather, he simply explored another option. There are so many other options in life better than that one that has made your life miserable.

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. Nov. 1 : All Saints Day. Healing Mass at 11 am

Wed. Nov. 2: All Souls Day: Masses at 9am & 7pm

Mon. Nov. 7: Pastoral Council Meeting at 7pm

Tue. Nov. 8 : Liturgy Committee Meeting at 7pm

Roster Sheets for November & December 2022

Roster sheets for November & December 2022 are available at the entrance of the church. Please take a copy and contact parish office if you need any changes in the next roster.

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 05-06 Nov. 2022

Mass Coordinators:

05 Nov. 5.30pm - Hilda Bowden 06 Nov. 8.00am - Lele Faaeteete 06 Nov. 9.30am - Kelemete Tito

<u>Readers</u> <u>Altar Servers</u>

05 Nov. 5.30pm - William Barncastle

Francisca Ordonez

06 Nov. 8.00am - Nimfa Brookes

Brian Cunningham

06 Nov. 9.30am - Tamate Tumanuvao

Mary Klerks

Communion Ministers:

05 Nov. 5.30pm - Sue McKeown, Sue Barrett
06 Nov. 8.00am - Irene Marooth, Josephine Thomas
06 Nov. 9.30am - Winnie Kepu, Viyolete N.

Choir:

05 Nov. 5.30pm - Saturday Night Choir 06 Nov. 8.00am - St. Max Choir 06 Nov. 9.30am - Family Choir

Counters:Malcolm, Wilda, NoelCleaners:Mafuli & Tua Niumagumagu

Flowers : Agnes

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time: 30 Oct. 2022

First Reading (Wisdom 11: 22 -12-2)

You have mercy on all things because you love everything that exists.

Responsorial Psalm: (144:1-2, 8-11, 13-14)

I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

Second Reading (2 Thessalonians 1: 11—2-2)

The name of the our Lord Jesus Christ will be glorified in you and you in him.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

God loved the world so much he gave us his only Son,
That all who believe in him might have eternal life.
Alleluia!

Gospel (Luke: 19:1-10)

The Son of Man came to seek and to find that which was lost.

Collection: Week-ending: 23 Oct. 2022

Envelopes Received : 28

Amount from Contributions: \$ 1,629.35 Yarrabilba Mass Centre: \$ 115.00

TOTAL : \$1,744.35



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 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:

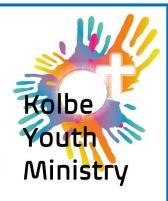
Sunday, 30th Oct. & 6th Nov. 2022

Centre Location:

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

All are Welcome!

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, 4th Nov 2022

CEILDREN'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

HEALING MASS

Tuesday, 1 Nov 2022 @ 11.00am followed by luncheon, sweeps, raffles & prizes for the Best Hat and Best Dressed for the occasion!



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.





SATURDAY 19 NOVEMBER 10:30 A M TO 7 P M

To celebrate World Youth Day locally, the Archdiocese will host a Brisbane WYD Festival day!

Picture this: a fun day playing touch footy (youth group vs youth group), live music, Mass, food trucks, new friends and more!



◆ REGISTER HERE





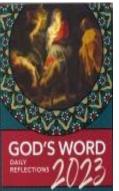
7:30pm Saturday 26 November 2022 St Francis of Assisi Catholic Church Hall, West End

Inspired by the Catholic parish dances held around Brisbane during the 1950s – 1970s (ask your parents/grandparents about them!), the St Francis Social will be a good of fashion dance/social mixer for young adults in their 20s and 30s, with a bit of fundraising for local charities thrown in for good measure.

GOOD TUNES + GOOD DANCING + GOOD PEOPLE + FOR A GOOD CAUSE - A GOOD NIGHT OUT



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A Prayer for the Month of the Holy Souls Cameron Bellm

In these days when we look back
Upon generations of the mercy of God,
Brilliantly lit in those who came before us,
I like to think, too,
Of the mercy that will stretch beyond us.
We have laid so many to rest this year
That our grief is ever present with us,
But so, likewise, are our loved ones—
The paths they walked, the prayers they prayed for us.
May we realize, too, that someday
We also will live on earth only in memory.

We also will live on earth only in memory, Carried in the hearts of those who loved us. In remembering our death, may we move

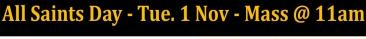
through each day With tenderness, with gentleness, With love strong enough to stretch that

Between heaven and earth into

transparency.
May we light the candles that will brighten the lives
Of those who will come after us.

And may we always recognize this truth:

That the goodness of God Is matched only by its might, Ever transcending both life



God we are surrounded by a cloud, Faithful witnesses who have gone before. Those who have loved where we would have hated. Those who have healed where we would have hurt. Those who have spoken out

when we remained silent. God may we walk in their footsteps, Learning courage from their sacrifice, Gaining strength from their faithfulness.

May we learn to give so that others may receive. May we learn to love so that others may be set free. May we learn to die to self so that others might live. God may we join that cloud of faithful witnesses,

Treading paths of loving obedience, Leaving footprints for others to walk in. God may we too lead kingdom lives, And walk into your ways. Amen.



Image: Fra Angelico Prayer: Christine Sine http://godspace-msa.com

All Souls Day

Wednesday 2 Nov; Masses at:

All Souls Day

2 Nov 2022

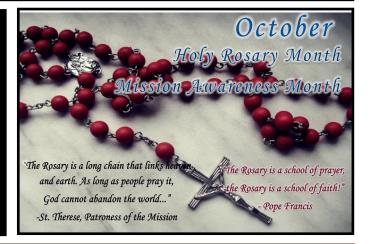
Masses:

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- **Both** Masses will be followed by the Blessing of the Columbarium

Those whose loved ones have passed away, may bring a photo of your loved ones to be placed on the Altar before Mass.

A Memorial Book will be placed at the side of the Altar for anyone to write he names of your loved ones who have passed: these names will be ncorporated into the Liturgies during the month of November.





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