

St. Maximilian Kolbe Catholic Parish

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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: 5.30pm

Sunday: 8.00 am & 9.30am

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: 11 JULY 2021



Fulfilling God's Purpose and Will for Choosing Me

Today is the fifteenth Sunday of ordinary time. One important theme that is common to all the readings of this Sunday is: "God's Choice." This simply points to both the missionary nature of the church and of our calling as God's messengers. The readings remind us that God's choice of us was not a product of chance, but a deliberate

act. Thus, this Sunday, the church provides us a great opportunity to ask ourselves these very pertinent questions: "What is God's purpose for choosing me as His messenger and, am I fulfilling this purpose?"

In our first reading, God choose Amos – a poor famer, to go and prophesy in the northern kingdom of Israel. God had a purpose for this. He knew very well that there were prophets there. However, they were not his choice because they had compromised their calling. By becoming corrupt and distracted by materialism, they could longer deliver justices to the oppressed and the weak. Instead of speaking for the poor, weak and the oppressed, they spoke for their pockets, bank accounts, and stomachs. Hence, God felt that the only one who was suitable for his work was an innocent poor farmer who was detached from the materialism of the time and the northern kingdom. Of course, in spite of the oppositions and challenges he faced from the "professional and paid prophets" of the northern kingdom, Amos fulfilled God's purpose of choosing him without being corrupted by the materialism of his time.

In our second reading, Paul did not just stop by telling us that God chose us in Christ. Instead, he went further to remind us of the reason God chose us: "To be holy, and spotless, and to live through love in his presence...." Simply put, this is the primary will and purpose of God for choosing us. However, as one does not live for oneself, the secondary purpose why God choose us is to reach out to others. That is, to develop a missionary spirit. These two goals and purposes put together form the ultimate goal and purpose of God for us.

Today's gospel highlights this secondary purpose. Christ took time to prepare his disciples in order to help them achieve the primary purpose of God in their own lives. Afterwards, He sent them out to achieve the secondary purpose and will. That is, mission to their community and world. This is what growth in Christ means. It means striving to achieve the primary purpose of being *holy, impeccable and loving* and also, *going out to help others achieve it*. This is what it means to be a missionary and to develop a missionary spirit. For this to be possible, we must not be selfish, we must let genuine love to move us to invite others to share our experience. Hence, we must behave like an ant that finds a piece of food and, invites others to share the food with it.

Reflected by: Rev. Fr. Njoku Canice Chukwuemeka, C.S.Sp.; a Catholic Priest and a Member of the Congregation of the Holy Ghost Fathers and Brothers (Spiritans) — extracted from: https://frcanicenjoku.com/2015/07/06/homily-for-15th-sunday-of-ordinary-time-year-b/

Date Claimers

Tue. 13 July: Healing Mass at 10.45am

Roster for the week ending 17/18 July 2021

Mass Coordinators:

17 July 5.30pm - William Barncastle 18 July 8.00am - Nimfa Brookes 18 July 9.30am - Joy Wallace

Readers:

17 July 5.30pm - Hilda Bowden

Wilda Fernandes

18 July 8.00am - Rachel Matijasevic

Brian Cunningham

18 July 9.30am - Flor Gomez

Flower Donohue

Special Ministers for Eucharist:

17 July 5.30pm - William Barncastle 18 July 8.00am - Marcia Canty 18 July 9.30am - Filomena Tuiafiso

Choir:

17 July 5.30pm - Trinity Choir 18 July 8.00am - St. Peter's Choir 18 July 9.30am - Filipino Choir

Counters: Repeka, Agnes, Lele

<u>Cleaners</u>: Divine Mercy Group, Patrick & Maria Setefano

Fifteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time: 11 July, 2021

First Reading: Amos 7: 12-15

Go, prophecy to my people..

<u>Responsorial Psalm</u>: Psalm 84: 9-14 Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation

Second Reading: Ephesians 1: 3-14

Before the world was made, he chose us in Christ.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart, that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called.

Alleluia!

Gospel: Mark 6: 7-13

He called the Twelve, and began to send them out.

Collection: Week-ending 04 July 2021

Envelopes Received:

Total Amount : \$ 1,512.70

Yarrabilba Mass Centre: \$ 77.70

TOTAL : \$ 1,590.40

Please pray for the Sick in our Parish



R Kasipale, J&A Pale, F.Bowden, L.Seeto, J.Collins, M.Dunlop, M.Pierce, R.Henwood, D.Curtis, V.Reid, V.Gspejon, V.Dancey, S.Daniel, A.Purkis, L.Guadez, K&S Talatonu, B.Hodgson, M.Finnerty, L.Guadez, M.Glorioso,

D.Hall,J. Lachlan, A.Van Uitregt, N.Cutuk, V.Toalepai, G.&K Brown, M.Trehane, B.Vandenberg, 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, Oliver Barrett, Tatiana Tagirova, Ruperto Martinez, John Daley, Mikaele Tito, Maureen Mitchell, Nora Philips, Alzira D'souza, Agnes Hamilton, Wena Prowse, Tuala V & M L Petelo, Catherine Hethering-



YARRABILBA MASS CENTRE

Weekend Community
Masses

5pm on Sundays: 11 July & 18 July

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

All are Welcome!



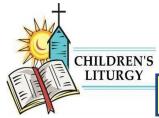
In Loving Memory Of Irene Davies

Irene passed away peacefully on

Tuesday, 6th of July 2021

We extend our deepest condolences to Irene's family during this time of grief and sadness.

Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord, and let the perpetual light shine on her. May her beautiful soul rest in eternal peace. Amen!



Children's Liturgy will recommence from:

Sunday, 18 July 2021

Sessions will be held at the Maryfields Hall at **8.00am every Sunday from the above date**. Parents with children aged 5 up to 13, are encouraged to send their children to attend these faith-forming, fun filled and learning sessions.

We are also seeking some volunteers, especially those with teaching experience to join our Children Liturgy Ministry Coordinator, Tilesa and her team in this wonderful ministry. Parents and volunteers can contact **Tilesa Vaigafa** for further information at **0434 570 123**.

Thank you,



Holy Baptism for Children is available by arrangement, every Sunday.

Please contact the Parish Office to make further enquires. Our Parish's Children Baptism Coordinator is **Helen Swindells.**



Fr. Mikhael wishes to encourage all parents to support their teen children in joining the Youth Group at our Parish. Come along and

share your thoughts on how we can help provide a safe and spiritually nourishing and nurturing environment for our young people.

We are in the midst of planning new programs for these youngsters, to run over the 2nd half of this year.

We invite all youth aged 14 and above, to join the SMK Youth Groups and to participate in and enjoy fellowship with others in your age group, strengthen your faith journey and have loads of fun with our many exciting and enjoyable activities: Our next Parish Youth Choir Practice would be held on:

Youth Mass on 1st August @ 9.30am

For further information, please call:

Desiree Masaga @ 0406 100 677

Prayer for those suffering directly or indirectly from the continued effects of the COVID-19 pandemic

In this time of anxiety and distress, we lift up to you, God of Mercy, the COVID-19 situation throughout the world and here in Australia. Abba Father, we beg You to halt the spread of this disease and to grant healing and comfort to those afflicted. Lord Jesus, we beseech You to grace government leaders and medical experts with wisdom and knowledge to combat the spread of COVID-19 and to find a cure for it. Holy Spirit, please breathe peace and new life into everyone. May you grace us with a strong sense of social responsibility to do the necessary, and to be prudent and considerate in our actions. Bless all people to work together as one family of God and to be compassionate to one another.

You are our strength and our shield; in You our hearts trust; so we are helped, and our hearts exult, and with our song we give thanks to You.





Heavenly Father, may your Healing Love go out into the world, to the place where you sustain the creation. Raise good leaders to channel your words of life, to guide us to paths of truth and righteousness. May all of us take our part in telling and living the story of Jesus.

In your mercy, may you the Creator who called forth life, Jesus, who bore the Word for the life of the world, and the Spirit whose breath makes language possible sustain us in all ways. Amen.

PARISH PLANNED GIVING CAMPAIGN

As the current financial year is coming to an end on 30 June 2021, we wish to extend a grateful thanks to each and every one of you who have faithfully and very generously supported the Parish financially through the past year despite your personal life circumstances. Your contributions were greatly valued particularly during the months when we were not able to have our regular Masses i.e for the better part of 2020. In saying this, as you know we are not totally out of the woods just yet and the pandemic still affects our ability to function fully without any restrictions; therefore we are unable to hold our regular fundraisers.

On that note, we are humbly asking if you would kindly consider reviewing your personal contributions to see if there is any possibility of an upward revision. This will certainly help us in planning for the next half of this year, particularly to deflate our running costs which has increased due to need to provide extra sanitisation material, as well as to provide for further spiritual formations led by guest speakers. To those of you who are still uncer-

tain about joining our Planned Giving Program, we urge you to talk of one of us so that you can get a better understanding on how your contributions help keep our Parish afloat financially so that we can continue to provide spiritual and pastoral shelter for all who seek to share our space here in this part of Logan. You may action your planned giving in any one of the following ways:

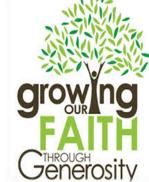
- ◆ By making a Direct Debit (This method is strongly recommended)
- By using the weekly planned giving envelopes.
- ◆ By using Planned Giving App.



Your generous support to our parish is greatly appreciated!

Thank you very much!

Fr. Mikhael, Fr. Long and Parish Finance Committee



Healing Mass

Tuesday, 13 July 2021 @ 10.45am

Due to on-going Covid restrictions; we <u>will NOT</u> be serving our usual luncheon after the Healing Mass. Also, please remember to wear your mask if attending.