



St. Maximilian Kolbe Catholic Parish

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

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St. Clare's Primary School

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5549 8000

San Damiano College

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5670 7000

Weekday Mass Times

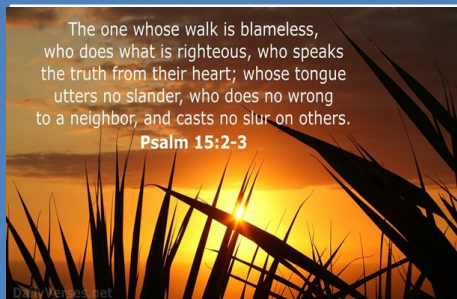
Monday	No Mass
Tuesday	9.00am
Wednesday	9.00am
Thursday	9.00am
Friday	7.00pm
Saturday	8.00am

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday: 5.30pm

Sunday : 8.00 am & 9.30am

TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME : 29 AUGUST



The one whose walk is blameless,
who does what is righteous, who speaks
the truth from their heart; whose tongue
utters no slander, who does no wrong
to a neighbor, and casts no slur on others.

Psalm 15:2-3

Life in a human community is governed by 'laws and customs', as Moses reminds the people of old Israel in the first reading. These regulations and their interpretation can give rise to confusion; so Moses urges the people to 'add nothing' and 'take nothing from' the law which he gives them in the name of God. We meet the same issue in today's gospel reading: Jesus is being hounded by

antagonists – some of whom have come from Jerusalem for the purpose. They resent the fact that the disciples of Jesus 'do not respect the traditions of the elders' and observe ritual purifications. The response of Jesus has an important lesson for every age, as we endeavour to make Church regulations that are truly life-giving.

The Response to the Psalm expresses well the message of the liturgy's readings: 'The just will live in the presence of the Lord'. As the Sermon on the Mount (Mt chapters 5 and 6) teaches us, we are truly the People of God if our life together gives expression to the ways of our Father in heaven. This is the standard against which we should evaluate the 'laws and customs' we draw up for the Church's common life, and the way they are applied.

The words of Jesus, in this and similar exchanges, are surprisingly sharp. The issue is far more important than a detail of ritual observance. Those who were leaders in Israel should have been helping the people to live according to the ways of God – so that they would be 'a light to the nations', as the prophets had taught. Instead they had lost sight of Israel's great destiny, and worked against it, in fact, by elaborating a system of self-serving regulations. They have no real concern for the ways of God, Jesus tells them, and he quotes against them the words of Isaiah: 'This people honours me only with lip service, while their hearts are far from me'. Jesus shows himself a true interpreter of Israel's faith as he urges his followers to find integrity through the motives of the heart rather than in the observance of external rituals of purification. No wonder the people followed him so eagerly. But in what follows – as Jesus departs radically from the provisions of the Old Law concerning foods considered to make a person 'impure' – we recognise that he is conscious of an authority that is above the Law of Moses.

The second reading gives us a glimpse of the outlook that united the first Jewish converts to faith in Christ. It is very down to earth and practical, filled with the spirit of the Wisdom literature of the Old Testament. And because this literature fosters life in harmony with the ways of God, it illustrates well the spirit Jesus advocates in the gospel. James points to 'the Father of lights', the giver of 'everything that is perfect'; he urges making the message of the 'Word' of God our life standard; and we should honour God especially by our generosity to those in need.

Reflected by the late Fr. John Thornhill sm.

Adapted from: <http://www.theemmausseries.com/about.html>

ROSTER SHEETS

The roster sheets for Mass Coordinators, Readers, Counters and Cleaning Team are available at the entrance of the Church. Please take a copy and contact the parish office if you need any changes in the future roster.

Fr. Mikhael

Date Claimers

**Friday 3 Sept : First Friday: Adoration at
6.30pm followed by Mass at 7pm**

Roster for the week ending 04 /05 September 2021

Mass Coordinators:

04 Sept. 5.30pm - Adeline Barncastle
05 Sept. 8.00am - Marcia Canty
05 Sept. 9.30am - Diana Faaeteete

Readers:

04 Sept 5.30pm - Malcolm D'Souza
- Noreen Audley
05 Sept. 8.00am - Lele Faaeteete
- Buxton Thomas

05 Sept. 9.30am - SMK Youth

Special Ministers for Eucharist:

04 Sept. 5.30pm - Rosemary Ordonez
05 Sept. 8.00am - Buxton Thomas
05 Sept. 9.30am - Elisapeta Tito

Choir :

04 Sept. 5.30pm - Saturday Night Choir
05 Sept. 8.00am - St.Max Choir
05 Sept. 9.30am - SMK Youth

Counters : Swindells Family

Cleaners : Rosary Group, Lele, Agnes and Repeka

Flowers : Fr. Long, Evelyn, Nimfa and Veronica

Twenty Second Sunday in ordinary time : 29 August, 2021

First Reading: Deuteronomy 4: 1-2, 6-8

*You may add nothing to the word which I speak to you-
keep the commands of the Lord.*

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 14: 2-5

The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

Second Reading: James 1: 17-18, 21-22, 27

Be doers of the word.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

*The Father gave us birth by his message of truth,
that we might be as the first fruits of his creation.
Alleluia!*

Gospel: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

*You forget the commandments of God and hold on to
human tradition.*

Collection: Week-ending 22 August 2021

Envelopes Received : 45

Total Amount : \$ 2,105.70

Yarrabilba Mass Centre : \$ 200.00

TOTAL : \$ 2,305.70



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 Hetherington, Pete Pietkiewicz.

**St Clare's
PRIMARY SCHOOL**



**YARRABILBA MASS
CENTRE**

Weekend Community
Mass

**5pm on Sunday:
29 Aug & 5 Sept.
2021**

at the St. Clare's
Primary School,
2 Combs St, Yarrabilba
All are Welcome!

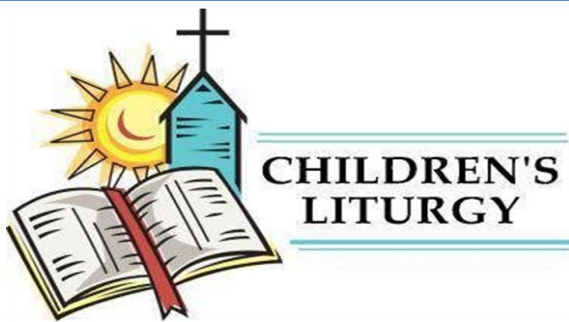
**EUCCHARISTIC
ADORATION**

Friday, 3 September 2021

Adoration: 6.30pm

Mass: 7.00pm





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

Also we are seeking some volunteers, especially those with teaching experience to join our Children Liturgy Ministry Coordinator, Tilesa and her team in this ministry.

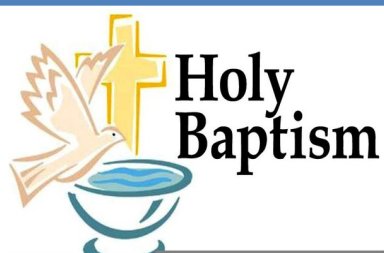
Parents and volunteers can contact **Tilesa Vaigafa** for further information at **0434 570 123**.



We invite all youth aged 14 and above, to join the SMK Youth Group. You are warmly welcome to participate in 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. If you can play a music instrument or want to join our youth choir, or just wish to find out more information on any of the upcoming Youth events, please contact our Youth Communications leader:

Desiree Masaga @ 0406 100 677

Our next Youth Mass will be at
**9.30am on Sunday,
5th September**



**The Sacrament of
Baptism for Children**
is available every Sunday,
by pre-arrangement.

Please contact the Parish Office to make further enquires.

Our Parish's Children Baptism Coordinator is **Helen Swindells**.

Position Vacant – Pastoral Associate

Applications are open for a position at the Sunnybank Parish. The Pastoral Associate will be required to coordinate children and their families preparing for the Sacraments. The applicant will also be involved in Liturgy preparation, Adult Education and Pastoral Care of Parishioners. The applicant will require recent study and practice in the Sacraments of Initiation and Theological qualifications are essential.

The position is permanent part time 28 hours per week (Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, and Sunday)

For additional information, please visit the Archdiocese of Brisbane website <https://clientapps.jobadder.com/68451/aob-internal-career-opportunities>

Applications close: 30 September 2021

RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults



In the near future the Parish will be starting the RCIA Journey –

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

This is the way we accompany people seeking to know God better, to become a Catholic. It provides for people who have never been baptised and for those who have been baptised in another Christian tradition. It is a journey of faith getting to know God better through discussion about Jesus, the life and teachings of the Catholic Church and our own personal spiritual journey.

If you are someone or you know of someone who...

- ☐ Has expressed an interest to become a Catholic
- ☐ Would like to learn more about the Catholic faith
- ☐ Was baptized as a Catholic but has not received the Sacraments of Holy Eucharist & Confirmation

We welcome you to contact the Parish Office to register your interest in joining our upcoming inquiry session at 7pm on Wednesday, 1st September 2021

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The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference has made an historic commitment to work towards a more sustainable Church in its annual statement promoting social justice. In the Social Justice Statement 2021-22 launched today, *Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor*, the bishops commit to a seven-year journey towards seven Laudato Si' Goals.

"We are facing an ecological crisis and Pope Francis wants the whole Church globally to act with a greater sense of urgency," said Bishop Vincent Long OFM Conv, chair of the Bishops Commission for Social Justice, Mission and Service. "In Australia, passionate individuals, religious institutes, schools and organisations have been working on ecological issues for a long time. I want to affirm and thank them all, and to urge the whole Catholic community to join them." Bishop Long pointed out that "Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people have been caring for country from time immemorial. The rest of us need to listen, and to learn how we can walk together to care for the whole of creation – including one another."

The statement explains that the Laudato Si' Goals "aim to put Pope Francis' [2015] encyclical into practice, making communities around the world sustainable in the spirit of the integral ecology of *Laudato Si'*". The bishops invite Catholics to "uncover the sacramentality of creation" in recognising the divine presence in the world, and to respond with wonder and awe. They call for a "profound conversion expressed in a new way of living, both personally and collectively".

"We are being called to a new way of thinking, feeling, understanding and living," the statement says. Speaking during the online launch of the statement, Bishop Long said: "My hope is that *Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor* will encourage ever deeper and more effective Christian responses to the urgent cries of the earth and of the poor."

The statement urges families, schools, parishes, dioceses and organisations to join the bishops in signing up to the Laudato Si' Action Platform. The platform, an initiative of the Vatican Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development, will gather ideas for action from around the globe to help participants in their journeys. The Bishops Conference's Office for Social Justice has been involved in developing the platform. At the statement's launch, Bishop Long also announced a new name for that agency – now known as the Office for Justice, Ecology and Peace – affirming "social justice, ecology and peace are inseparable".