

St. Maximilian Kolbe Catholic Parish

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

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Weekday Mass Times

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Tuesday 9.00am

Wednesday 9.00am

Thursday 9.00am

Friday 9.00am

Saturday 8.00am

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday: 5.30pm

<u>Sunday: 8.00 am & 9.30am</u>

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT: 21 FEBRUARY 2021



In undertaking an important journey we must be well prepared. As we set out on our journey to Easter, we must be clear about the destination that gives meaning to this journey.

Today's gospel reading invites us to prepare ourselves in the company of

Jesus. As he set out on the journey that was to lead to Easter, he prepared himself by withdrawing to some desert place, and confronting the temptation to avoid the great task that lay ahead of him. This is an astounding moment in the life of Jesus. Have we taken seriously the fact that, in sharing our human experience, Jesus knew the weight of human decisions and the temptations involved — though, of course, he was without sin in the response he made? This testing brought Jesus new strength, and he began to proclaim the Good News of the coming reign of God. In his company, during the coming days, let us recognise the nature of our temptations, and the bonds of selfishness from which we want to be freed as we make our journey to Easter.

Jesus found strength in the certainty with which he looked to the end of his journey. Though what lay ahead would not be easy, he knew that God's goodness and mercy would be victorious in the end – through his generous response to the call of his Father.

The first reading from the Book of Genesis invites us to share in this hope and expectation as we set out on our journey. It is the conclusion of the story of Noah and the ark which saved him from The Flood – one of the old stories in the introductory pages of the Bible, describing a wayward humanity, in need of the salvation God was to give. The story ends on a note of hope and promise – the rainbow will be a sign of the covenant God makes with humanity, promising that he will always be merciful. What a magnificent symbol - reminding us of the trust we can place in God, whatever our difficulties and failings! Whenever we see the rainbow and know its promise of fine, clear weather after a storm, we should remember God's promise, and renew our trust in God's mercy, and the final triumph of God's goodness.

The second reading interprets the story of the flood and Noah's being saved as a kind of foretelling of the wonder of baptism – the destination of our journey to Easter, because it is through our baptism that we share in the risen life of Christ. The beginning of our journey is a time for personal reflection for each of us.

By Fr. John Thornhill sm Adapted from: http://www.theemmausseries.com/blent01.html

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Mon. 22 Feb : Choir Leaders Meeting—7pm

Fri. 26 Feb : Stations of the Cross - 7pm

Mon. 1 Mar : Pastoral Council Meeting - 7pm

Tue. 2 Mar : Liturgy Committee Meeting - 7pm

Fri. 5 Mar : Eucharistic Adoration - 6.30pm

: Stations of the Cross - 7pm

Tue. 9 Mar : Healing Mass - 10.45am

#### 7-days prayers to St. Joseph (12 - 19 Mar)

Day 1 - Fri. 12 Mar : 6.30pm - 7.30pm
Day 2 - Sat. 13 Mar : 6.30pm - 7.30pm
Day 3 - Mon. 14 Mar : 6.30pm - 7.30pm
Day 4 - Tue. 15 Mar : 6.30pm - 7.30pm
Day 5 - Wed. 16 Mar : 6.30pm - 7.30pm
Day 6 - Thur. 17 Mar : 6.30pm - 7.30pm
Day 7 - Fri. 18 Mar : 6.00pm - 7.00pm

#### Roster for the week ending 27/28 Feb. 2021

#### **Readers:**

27 February: 5.30pm - Faye Tiresa

- William Barncastle

28 February: 8.00am - Marcia Canty

- Nimfa Brookes

28 February: 9.30am - Ron Klerks

- Maria Setefano

Choir:

27 February: 5.30pm - St. Max Choir 28 February: 8.00am - Divine Mercy Choir 28 February: 9.30am - Family Choir

26 February . 9.30am - Family Chon

**Counters:** Christine Lapalapa and Noreen Audley

Cleaner's: Winnie Kepu, Alex and Lipin,

Filomena T. and Christine Lam

#### 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, T.Canty, 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, C.Rodrigues, V. Venables, N.Dunmore, T.Gibson. F. Petelo, Helen A Guadez, M. Vaigafa, O. Donna, Verity Madsen, Oliver Barrett, Tatiana Tagirova, Ruperto Martinez, John Daley, Mikaele Tito, Maureen Joy Mitchell, Nora Philips, Alzira D'souza.

#### First Sunday of Lent: 21 February, 2021

First Reading: Genesis 9: 8-15

I will recall the covenant between myself and you, the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 24: 4-9

Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth,

To those who keep your covenant

Second Reading: I Peter 3: 18-22

The water of the flood is a type of the baptism which saves you now.

#### Gospel Acclamation:

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!
No one lives on bread alone, but on every word
that come from the mouth of God.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Gospel: Mark 1: 12-15

He was tempted by Satan, and the Angels looked after Him.

#### YARRABILBA MASS CENTRE

Weekend Community Mass @ 5.00pm

Sunday, 21 February & 28 February

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

All are welcome



Thanksgiving: Week Ending 14 February 2021

**Envelopes Received : 35** 

Total Amount : \$ 2,333.35 Yarrabilba Mass Centre : \$ 135.00

TOTAL : \$ 2,468.35

#### Position Vacant: Project Officer, Children & Families

Applications are open for the above position with Evangelisation Brisbane. The position is a full-time 37.5 hour role from Monday to Friday.

# Position Vacant: Administration Assistant / EA Support

Applications are open for the above full-time 37.5 hour positions. The Archbishop's Office is currently seeking three applicants to fill these positions.

#### <u>Position Vacant – Chaplaincy Secretary</u>

Applications are open for the above position at the Latin American Catholic Community. The position is a part-time 18 hours per week position.

For additional information on any of the above vacant positions, , please visit the Archdiocese of Brisbane website https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/ and to careers.

The Archdiocese of Brisbane has standards of conduct for workers to maintain a safe and healthy environment for children. Our commitment to these standards requires that we conduct working with children checks and background referencing for all persons who will engage in direct and regular involvement with children and young people (0 - 18 years) and/or vulnerable adults. The organisation is fully committed to child safety and has a 0 tolerance to abuse of children or vulnerable adults.



## Parish Sacramental Program 2021

We will begin our Children's Sacramental Program for 2021 very soon. This would be for the **Sacrament of Confirmation** and the **Sacrament of First Holy Communion**. If you want your child/children (above 8 years old) to receive either one of these sacraments, please enrol their names for this program.

The enrolment forms <u>are now available</u> at the entrance of the Church and in the parish office. The last date for enrolment is Sunday 7 March 2021.

The Sacrament of Confirmation
will be held on
Sunday, 9th May 2021







Jamila, 22, is a Rohingya woman living in the world's largest refugee camp in Bangladesh. She was forced to flee the armed conflict in Myanmar to save herself, her elderly mother and her eight-month-old baby. With the support of Caritas Australia, through Caritas Bangladesh, Jamila was able to access emergency food and shelter. She also received counselling, emotional support, and learnt sewing skills to help her earn an income. Jamila now feels less alone, with a sense of community around her. She is able to 'Be More' to her little family. "Thank you, and thanks Caritas Australia," Jamila says.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2021 to help mothers like Jamila be more for her family and her community.

You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting <a href="www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion">www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion</a> or phoning 1800 024 413.

# Lenten Prayer: 1st Sunday of Lent

God, heavenly Father, look upon me and hear my prayer during this holy Season of Lent. By the good works You inspire, help me to discipline my body and to be renewed in spirit.

Without You I can do nothing. By Your Spirit help me to know what is right and to be eager in doing Your will. Teach me to find new life through penance. Keep me from sin, and help me live by Your commandment of love.

God of love, bring me back to You. Send Your Spirit to make me strong in faith and active in good works. May my acts of penance bring me Your forgiveness, open my heart to Your love, and prepare me for the coming feast of the Resurrection of Jesus.

Lord, during this Lenten Season,

nourish me with Your Word of life and make me one with You in love and prayer.

Fill my heart with Your love and keep me faithful to the Gospel of Christ. Give me the grace to rise above my human weakness. Give me new life by Your Sacraments, especially the Mass.

Father, our source of life, I reach out with joy to grasp Your hand; let me walk more readily in Your ways.
Guide me in Your gentle mercy, for left to myself I cannot do Your Will.

Father of love, source of all blessings, help me to pass from my old life of sin to the new life of grace. Prepare me for the glory of Your Kingdom. I ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever. Amen.



# 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 it the way we accompany people seeking to know God better, to become 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 inquiry session (dates will be fixed in due course)

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## Feast of St. Joseph

**7-day Novena** at 6.30pm daily from **12 to 19 March** (except Sunday, 14 March) **Feast Day**: Friday, 19 March: Novena at 6.30pm followed by Mass @ 7.00pm

## 2nd Rite of Reconciliation

Thursday, 25 March @ 5.30pm

## **Stations of the Cross**

Every Friday during Lent @ 7.00pm

## **Holy Week**

Palm Sunday : Sunday, March 28

Holy Thursday : Thursday, April 1

Good Friday : Friday, April 2 Note:

Easter Vigil : Saturday, April 3

Easter Sunday : Sunday, April 4

At this point, Mass times have not been determined yet; so please keep checking our Parish Facebook page and weekly Newsletters during

Lent to find the updates for the Holy Week schedule.

Thank you!



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