



St. Maximilian Kolbe Catholic Parish

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land on which our church stands today, the Yugambeh and Yuggera people, and pay respects to their Elders, past, present and emerging. We, the St. Maximilian Kolbe Community, continue to be inspired by the value of justice, peace, and unity as we work together for the common good.

Parish Contacts

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PARISH MINISTRY LEADERS

Liturgy Ministries

Rodolfo (Boyet) Domingo

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Youth & Young Adults Ministry

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Alfred Gomez

Outreach Ministry

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Affiliated Catholic Schools

St. Francis College -

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Mr. John Marinucci (Principal)

St. Clare's Primary School -

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Ms. Liesl Profke (Principal)

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Mr. Peter Edwards (Principal)

Weekday Mass Times

Monday :Australia Day 9.00am

Tuesday 9:00am

Wednesday 9:00am

Thursday 9:00am

Friday 9:00am

Saturday No Mass

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday 5:30pm

Sunday 7:30am and 9:30am

Confession: Saturday : 5:00pm

The Third Sunday In Ordinary Time - 25 Jan. 2026

REPENTANCE AS A RESPONSE TO GOD'S REIGN

Since Advent we keep hearing the name of John the Baptist mentioned. Then Jesus came along. They both began their ministry by calling out for repentance. "Repent for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." (Mat 3:2). Why repentance is so important that both proclaimed it?

The word repentance that both Jesus and John used is metanoia in Greek, which means more than just confessing sins the way we do when going to confession or reconciliation. Metanoia means changing our mind and heart and therefore the ways we conduct our lives radically. The metanoia of St. Paul is an example, from being a bloody persecutor of early Christians, after his encounter with Christ, struck down and blind for a while, Paul radically changed his life. He became the greatest zealous missionary for the gospel cause that he had previously tried to destroy. For Paul, proclaiming the gospel is his life, "woe to me if I do not preach the gospel" (1 Cor. 9.16)

Why we Christians embrace the call to repentance? Repentance metanoia, is a necessary response in light of God's kingdom already here among us. It requires us to change our ways of life accordingly with the godly values:

We humanity have deviated from the kind of people that God originally created us to be: people of life and love. Sin has distorted the image and likeness of God in us. Since God is holy, sin is incompatible to God. So repentance is a call to holiness like God.

By repentance, we align our ways of life back to what God meant us to be, and come back to God and be reconciled and then be restored. Salvation!

Repentance is a lifetime call and examined under the light of God's word. The word of God is the guideline leading us on the right path of repentance, as left to our own, we are helpless and can do nothing.

Jesus proclaimed the coming of God's kingdom and called for repentance as a response. Jesus then called his first disciples to share his mission. It should be no surprise that repentance is for every Christian also part of ongoing discipleship.

Fr. John Quang svd.

Date Claimers

Mon. 26 Jan: Australia Day Mass at 9am
Mon. 2 Feb: Pastoral Council & Building committee Meeting at 7pm.
Tue. 3 Feb: Liturgy Committee Meeting at 7pm

Australia Day Prayer

Monday, 26 January

We bless you, God of the Universe, for this land, for its contrasts of landscape and climate, for its abundance of wealth and opportunity. We bless you for our history, with all its struggles in adversity, its courage and hope. Give us in our diversity, acceptance and respect for each other and a passionate commitment to justice for all. Bless us so that we will always be a blessing to others. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Mass @ 9.00am



Adapted from: <https://www.defenceanglicans.org.au/prayers/australia-day/>

Roster for the weekend of 31 Jan & 01 Feb. 2026

Mass Coordinators

31 Jan 5.30pm - Mary Klerks
 01Feb 7.30am - Lele Faaeteete
 01Feb 9.30am - Joy Wallace

Readers

31 Jan 5.30pm - Privilege Mtetwa & Hilda Bowden
 01Feb 7.30am - Malcolm D'Souza & Rachel Matijasevic
 01Feb 9.30am - Melody Gombe & Tiliola Niumagumagu

Communion Ministers

31 Jan 5.30pm - Ron Klerks and Elenora Tufuga
 01Feb 7.30am - Korina Laban and Sera Thomas
 01Feb 9.30am - Doris D, Tiitii Toalepai, Alfred Gomez

Altar Servers

31 Jan 5.30pm - Volunteers
 01Feb 7.30am - Volunteers
 01Feb 9.30am - Volunteers

Choirs

31 Jan 5.30pm - Saturday Night Choir
 01Feb 7.30am - Buxton and Josephine
 01Feb 9.30am - Ekalesia Choir

Counters : Christine Lapalapa and Noel Swindells

Cleaners : Ekalesia Group

Flowers : Suli, Lipine and Malia



YARRABILBA MASS CENTRE

Weekend Community Mass
will be held at 4.00pm on:

Sunday: 25 Jan & 01 Feb. 2026

Centre Location:

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

Collection: Week-ending: 18 Jan. 2026

Envelopes Received : 34
Amount from Contributions : \$ 2,670.05
Yarrabilba Mass Centre : \$ 191.75

TOTAL : \$ 2,861.80

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time: 25th Jan. 2026

First Reading: Isaiah 8: 23—9:3

In the Galilean country, the people have seen a great light.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 26: 1, 4, 13-14

The Lord is my light and salvation.

Second Reading: Corinthians 1: 10-13, 17

I appeal to you, my brothers and sisters, make up the differences between you.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom and healed all who were sick.

Alleluia!

Gospel: Mathew 4: 12-23.

He went to Capernaum, that the prophecy of Isaiah be fulfilled.



Please Pray for the Sick

Samantha Miriam Briody, F.Bowden, L.Seeto, J.Collins, Tuala, M.Dunlop, D.Curtis, M.Pierce, R.Henwood, V.Reid, V.Gspejon, V.Dancey, S.Daniel, A.Purkis, L.Guadez, K&S Talatonu, D.Hall, B.Hodgson, M.Finnerty, G&M Glorioso, 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.Dun more, T.Gibson, Helen Guadez, M.Vaigafa, Verity Madsen, Tatiana Tagirova, Ruperto M, John Daley, Alzira D'souza, Agnes Hamilton, Wena Prowse, V&M L Petelo, Zhaylee Curtis, Rob Canning, Catherine Hetherington, Pete Pietkiewicz, V&A Asiata-Kelemete, Mynott Family, Reef W. Carroll, Daisy A. Thomas, Eric Alfred John Engberg, Coleen Goodwin, Austine Jonse, Zakelyn Curtis, Mary Armand, Mary Rosser, Ann Gason, Judith Anderson, Brooke, John McCready, Ian, Sandra Henry, Carol Lloyd, Esjay McCarthy, Judith Sherry, Mareta Niumagumagu, Maria Nive M. Tiatia, Paxson Swerling, Peter Beirne, Janus Deurloo Shiralee Bull, Ron & Anita McGovern, Djhoanna Aloquin and all who are ill.



Rosary Prayer Group

"One generation praises your deeds to another; they proclaim your mighty works. Psalm 145:4.

Come grow closer to Christ through Mary
 We are launching a new group where we come together to learn the Rosary, deepen prayer, and grow in faith under Our Blessed Mother.

30 Jan 2026 | 5:00 PM

St Maximilian Kolbe Catholic Church

