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

Parish Priest
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PARISH MINISTRY LEADERS

Liturgy Ministries
Rodolfo (Boyet) Domingo

Children & Families Ministries and Children's Sacramental Program
Helen Swindells

Community Life Ministries
Lele Faaeteete

Youth & Young Adults Ministry
Shanna Kelemete
Lawrence Auva'a

Adult Faith Formation Ministries
Alfred Gomez

Outreach Ministry
Winnie Kepu

Affiliated Catholic Schools

St. Francis College - Tel. No 3489 4800
Mr. John Marinucci (Principal)

St. Clare's Primary School - 5549 8000
Ms. Liesl Profke (Principal)

San Damiano College - 5670 7000
Mr. Peter Edwards (Principal)

Weekday Mass Times

Monday	**9.00am**
Tuesday	**9.00am**
Wednesday	**9.00am**
Thursday	**9.00am**
Friday	**6.30pm**
Saturday	**No Mass**

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday **5.30pm**

Sunday **7.30am and 9.30am**

Confession : Saturday 5.00pm

13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME : 28 JUNE 2026

In today's Gospel, Jesus says: *Whoever loves father or mother…son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me…*

These seem to be scandalous words and a hard saying which many would find difficulty in accepting. However, with a more careful reading, we can see that Jesus is in fact touching on the roots of many problems.

Jesus is saying that no individual and no group of people can so live their lives as to put their own interests absolutely above those of others. This is the false "find their life" which Jesus speaks of. We might say, "My country—right or wrong", "My race or my religion—right or wrong", or "My family—right or wrong". The wants of any person or any group of people (e.g. a family) cannot be met by trampling on or denying the basic rights and needs of others.

We speak of the family as the nucleus of any society and rightly so. But the family cannot be an end in itself, as seems to happen not infrequently.

In the view of Jesus—and it is a theme running right through the New Testament—those who identify with him and become his followers belong to a new family. It is a family where every single person, including family members, relatives, friends as well as complete strangers, but most especially, those in need, are truly my brother or sister.

The bottom line for all of us is: Am I living my life at the expense of others? Do I treat society as a place which owes me—and no one else—a living? Or am I trying to live somehow in solidarity with others? Am I aware of neighbours or people in my area who are in real need? Am I more concerned about my social status than being seen in the company of 'those people'? What does 'family' mean to me? Do I see the human family as being part of my family?

As we prepare soon to share the Body of Christ, which is an expression of our belonging to the family of all God's children, we will say together the 'Our Father'. The 'Our' refers not just to us gathered here, still less our own family members, or the people of our own race, but rather to every single human being. Because we all have one, common Father, we are all very really brothers and sisters to each other.

Far from speaking against the family, Jesus is telling us that we can only be really part of our own families when we realise that we belong to, and are called to share with others, what we have; that we are part of the human family all over the world. Fr. Nick

DATE CLAIMERS

Monday June 29: Feast of St. Peter and St. Paul. Mass at 9am.
Friday July 3: Encounter Catholic Kids (ECK) Holiday Program 9am-5pm with supervision from 8.30am -5pm
Sat. July 4: First Friday: Adoration at 6pm followed by Mass.
Mon. July 6 : Maintenance committee Meeting at 7pm
Tue. July 7: Liturgy Committee Meeting at 7pm.

Feast of St. Peter and St. Paul: Monday 29th June 2026. Together, these two saints are the founders of the See of Rome, through their preaching, ministry and martyrdom there. Mass at 9.00am.

ROSTER SHEETS FOR THE MONTH OF JULY AND AUGUST

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

Annual Peter's Pence Collection

The Peter's pence collection gives Catholics in Australia an opportunity to join in communion with the Catholic faithful throughout the world in support of the charitable works of the Holy See. . The Annual Peter's Pence collection in our Parish will be held on all the weekend Masses of 27th June and 28th June as a special retiring collection. Your generosity is much appreciated. ***Fr. John and Fr. Nick***

Roster for the weekend of 04 — 05 July 2026

Mass Coordinators

04 July	5.30pm	-	Ron Klerks
05 July	7.30am	-	Nimfa Brookes
05 July	9.30am	-	Joy Wallace

Readers

04 July	5.30pm	-	Hilda Bowden & Malcolm D'Souza
05 July	7.30am	-	Destiny D & Lele Faaeteete
05 July	9.30am	-	Kelemete Tito & Flor Gomez

Communion Ministers

04 July	5.30pm	-	Sue M., Rosemarie Ordonez.
05 July	7.30am	-	Korina Laban , Eseta Alosio, Sera T.
05 July	9.30am	-	Tiitii, Alfred G., Winnie K., Elisapeta T.

Altar Servers

04 July	5.30pm	-	Jasmine and Tezaree
05 July	7.30am	-	Andrew Tevaga, John and May
05 July	9.30am	-	Ailipata, Antonio and Andrew Taualai

Choirs

04 July	5.30pm	-	Saturday Night Choir
05 July	7.30am	-	Congregational singing
05 July	9.30am	-	Ekalesia Choir

Counters : Agnes and Lele
Cleaners : Ekalesia Group
Flowers : Suli and Lipine

Collection: Week-ending: 21 June 2026

Envelopes Received	:	**29**
Amount from Contributions	:	**$ 2,281.45**
Yarrabilba	:	**$ 142.90**
TOTAL	:	**$ 2,424.35**

13th Sunday In Ordinary Time : 28 June 2026

First Reading: 2 Kings 4: 8-11, 14-16
That is the holy man of God, let him remain there.
Responsorial Psalm: Ps. 88: 2-3, 16-19
For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

Second Reading: Romans 6: 3-4, 8-11
Having been buries with him through baptism, we shall walk in a new life.
Gospel Acclamation:
Alleluia, alleluia!
You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy people. Praise God who called you out of darkness and into his marvellous light! Alleluia!
Gospel: Matthew: 10: 37-42
Anyone who does not accept his cross is not worthy of me. Anyone who welcomes you, welcomes me.

Gospel

Matthew: 10: 37-42
A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

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Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows: 'Anyone who prefers father or mother to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who prefers son or daughter to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who does not take his cross and follow in my footsteps is not worthy of me. Anyone who finds his life will lose it; anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it.

'Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me; and those who welcome me welcome the one who sent me.

'Anyone who welcomes a prophet because he is a prophet will have a prophet's reward; and anyone who welcomes a holy man because he is a holy man will have a holy man's reward.

'If anyone gives so much as a cup of cold water to one of these little ones because he is a disciple, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward.'

In loving memory of

Anthony (Tony) Eastment

Entered eternal life on 20 June 2026.

As a Parish family we extend our deepest condolences to Tony's family as we share in your loss and uphold all of you in our prayers at this time of sadness and grief.

Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul rest in sublime peace, Amen!

Funeral Service will be held on Tuesday, 30th June at 11.00am in our parish.

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

Children's Ministry

Every Sunday Morning
9:30am/ Parish Hall
Come and Join Us!

Parishioners who have children between the ages of 5 up to 13, are encouraged to send their children to attend these weekly faith-forming, fun-filled and learning sessions.

For further information, parents or guardians can contact our Parish Office 0738030862

Live in the Light
St Clare's PRIMARY SCHOOL

YARRABILBA MASS CENTRE
Weekend Community Mass
will be held at 4.00pm on:
Sunday 28 June & 05 July 2026
Centre Location:
St. Clare's Primary School,
2 Combs St, Yarrabilba.

Kolbe Youth Ministry

Young parishioners aged 13 and above, are invited to join the Kolbe Youth Ministry Citizens of Christ every Friday evenings from : 5pm- 7pm at Maryfields Hall.
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!
Please contact:

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St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish, Marsden
ADULT FAITH MINISTRY PRESENTS

WOMEN'S RETREAT

with Sister Anne Bond

SUN 19TH JULY, 2026
10:30am - 3:00pm
(RIGHT AFTER 9:30AM MASS)
SMK MARYFIELDS PARISH HALL

ALL WOMEN PARISHIONERS ARE INVITED AND ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND TO LEARN ABOUT THE EARLY LIFE AND CAREER OF OUR VERY OWN CATHOLIC SAINT

The history and spirituality of Saint Mary MacKillop, the first Australian Catholic saint, and the patron saint of the Archdiocese of Brisbane

PLEASE BRING A PLATE TO SHARE

PARISH PLANNED GIVING CAMPAIGN 2026/2027

As the current financial year is coming to an end on 30 June 2026, 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 in the midst of your personal life circumstances. We just want you to know that your contributions are greatly valued. In saying this, as you know, we are now facing increasing cost of living which directly impacts our operational costs every week. This is especially so with our key expenses such as utilities (electricity and rates) as well as church and ground maintenance including equipment, machinery and repairs due to damages caused by continuous weather events as well as wear and tear. Needless to say, these expenses are heavily impacting our overhead costs every month.

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 reduce our increased running costs and also to enable the parish to fund more spiritual development programs for our different ministries and also to provide for parish community events.

To those of you who are still uncertain about joining our Planned Giving Program, we urge you to talk to 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:

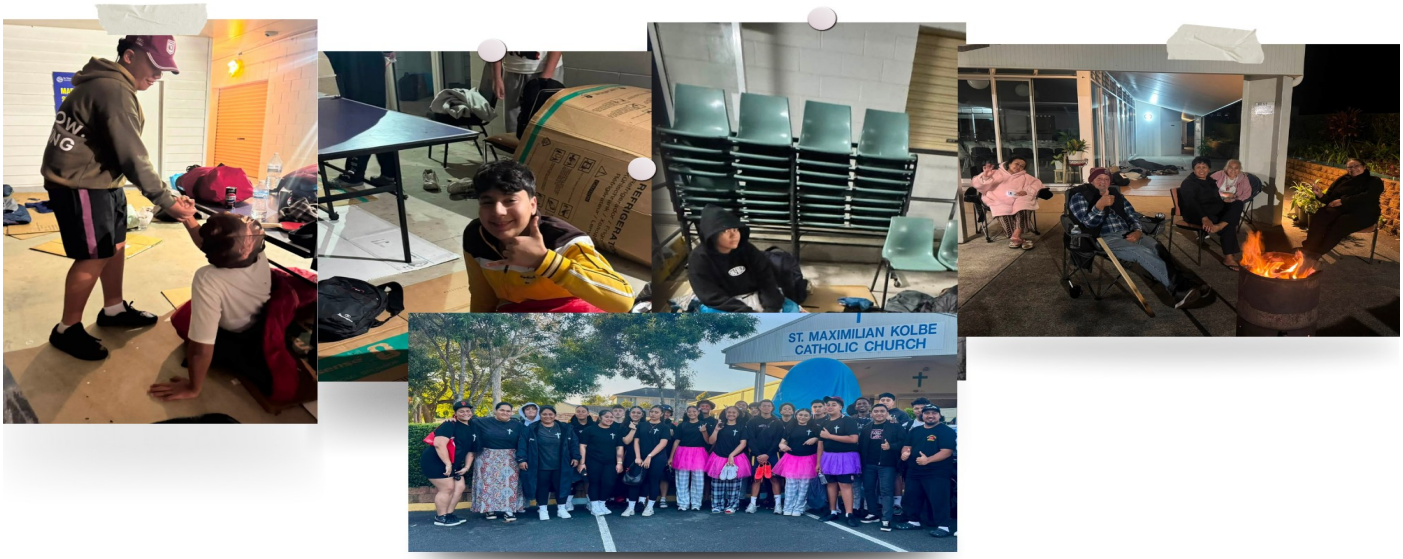
- ***By making a Direct Debit. (This method is highly recommended)***
- ***By using the weekly planned giving envelopes.***
- ***By downloading & using Planned Giving App:***

Please collect your planned giving envelopes from the table located at the entrance of the church.

Direct debit contributors please collect your letter from the table located at the entrance of church

Your continued support to our parish is greatly appreciated and we remain very grateful for your generosity!

Fr. John, Fr. Nick and Finance Council



SMK YOUTH

Winter Sleepout & Footy Fest

Last Friday night, our young people participated in the Winter Sleepout, spending the night in the cold to help raise awareness of the challenges they face.

We are proud of the way they embraced the experience and the conversations it inspired.

We would also like to thank everyone who supported our FootyFest event. Youth had a great time building connections with other young faithful groups with friendly competition.

Thank you to our parish family for all your continued support and encouragement.

Blessings from the Citizens of Christ Youth Group, Marsden