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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Priest-in-Residence
Fr. Nick De Groot SVD

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Ronet D'Mello

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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	**No Mass**
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

14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME : 05 JULY 2026

Have you ever noticed that some of the most tired people are not those who work the hardest, but those who carry the heaviest burdens in their hearts? Worries about the future, regret over the past, grief, family struggles, illness, loneliness, or simply the pressure of trying to hold everything together can leave us exhausted. It is to people like us that Jesus speaks these beautiful words: "Come to me, all you who labour and are burdened, and I will give you rest."

What Jesus offers is not an escape from life's difficulties. He never promises a life without pain or struggle. Instead, he promises something much greater, his presence. There is an important difference between being free *from* our burdens and finding peace *within* them. Sometimes we pray for God to remove our problems, yet the answer is not to take away the cross but to give us the strength to carry it. As someone once said, "God does not always calm the storm, but He calms the sailor."

Jesus himself lived this truth. In the Garden of Gethsemane, he prayed that the suffering ahead of him might pass. The Father did not remove the cross, but He gave Jesus the strength to embrace it. When Jesus rose from prayer, the situation had not changed, but he had. His heart was filled with a quiet peace that came from trusting completely in the Father's will.

That is why Jesus invites us**,** "Take my yoke upon you." A yoke was never meant for one animal alone; it joined two together so they could share the load. This is a beautiful image of the Christian life. Jesus is not asking us to carry our burdens by ourselves. He is saying, "Walk with me. Let me carry the weight with you." When we try to do everything alone, life becomes overwhelming. But when we allow Christ to walk beside us, even the heaviest burden becomes lighter because we no longer carry it alone.

This week, we can ask ourselves not, "How can I get rid of this burden?" but rather, "Am I allowing Jesus to carry it with me?" The promise of the Gospel is not that life will always be easy, but that we will never have to face it alone. The one who says, "Come to me," is gentle, humble of heart, and faithful. In His presence, we discover a peace that the world cannot give and a rest that reaches the deepest part of our souls.

Deacon Gusty

DATE CLAIMERS

Sun. July 5: Children and Families Ministry Team Meeting at 10.35am.
Mon. July 6 : Maintenance committee Meeting at 7pm
Tue. July 7: Liturgy Committee Meeting at 7pm.
Tue. July 14: Healing Mass at 10.am.

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.

ADULT FORMATION MINISTRY

All Parishioners are cordially invited to attend LECTIO DIVINA sessions that will be facilitated by Fr. Nick, in the Parish Meeting Room on:

Friday July 10, 2026 : 7:00pm – 8:00pm

LECTIO DIVINA (Divine Reading) is a contemplative prayer practice which is intended to promote communion with God and deepen one's understanding of Scripture. It involves the reading of a Gospel section, then reflecting on it in silence followed by sharing, which is voluntary. The general experience is how the word of God can open-up in our hearts, for one another and with one another.

CAR PARKING AT THE CHURCH PREMISES

The parishioners are requested to park their cars in the designated parking bays of the church car park and adjacent school car park . Please avoid parking on the grass and under the trees beyond the parking bays. Fr. John & Fr. Nick

Roster for the weekend of 11 — 12 July 2026

Mass Coordinators

11 July	5.30pm	-	Boyet Domingo
12 July	7.30am	-	Mary Klerks
12 July	9.30am	-	Kelemete Tito

Readers

11 July	5.30pm	-	Chris Atkins & Deb Howkins
12 July	7.30am	-	Rachel Matijesevic & Beah Taualai
12 July	9.30am	-	Destin Kampangu & Flower Donohue

Communion Ministers

11 July	5.30pm	-	Kristine Domingo.
12 July	7.30am	-	Talafaia Taualai, Eseta Alosio.
12 July	9.30am	-	Flor G., Elisapeta T., Joy W.

Altar Servers

11 July	5.30pm	-	Gerald and Daniel
12 July	7.30am	-	Adam, Antonio and Andrew Taualai
12 July	9.30am	-	Ailipata, and Zain Wiss

Choirs

11 July	5.30pm	-	Saturday Night Choir
12 July	7.30am	-	SMK Choir
12 July	9.30am	-	Congregational singing

Counters : Swindells Family
Cleaners : Alosio Family
Flowers : Agnes

Collection: Week-ending: 28 June 2026

Envelopes Received	:	**27**
Amount from Contributions	:	**$ 2,180.55**
Yarrabilba	:	**$ 145.00**
TOTAL	:	**$ 2,325.55**

14th Sunday In Ordinary Time : 05 July 2026

First Reading: Zech 9: 9-10
See how humbly your king comes to you!
Responsorial Psalm: Ps. 144:1-2, 8-11, 13-14
I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.
Second Reading: Romans 8: 9, 11-13
If by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeeds of the body, you will live.
Gospel Acclamation:
Alleluia, alleluia!
Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; You have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.
Alleluia, Alleluia!
Gospel: Matthew: 11: 25-30
I am gentle and humble of heart.

Gospel

Matthew: 11: 25-30

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

I am gentle and humble of heart.

Jesus exclaimed, 'I bless you, Father, Lord of heaven and of earth, for hiding these things from the learned and the clever and revealing them to mere children. Yes, Father, for that is what it pleased you to do. Everything has been entrusted to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, just as no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

'Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened, and I will give you rest. Shoulder my yoke and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. Yes, my yoke is easy and my burden light.'

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 Pietkiewiez, 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 McCartthy, Judith Sherry, Mareta Niumagumagu, Maria Nive M. Tiatia, Paxson Swerling, Peter Beirne, Shiralee Bull, Ron & Anita McGovern, Djhoanna Aloquin, Rosario Esguerra, Thora Lua, John Williams, Ashleigh Van Till and those who are ill.

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

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM SCHEDULE	SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY EUCHARIST
Age Group	Grade 3 & above
Important Enrolment Conditions	This sacrament is offered to children who have already received their Confirmation
2nd Workshop Session: 3pm – 5pm; followed by 5.30pm Mass	Saturday, 18 July 2026
Rehearsal * Only for 1st Holy Eucharist, the rehearsal will be preceded by the 2nd Rite of Reconciliation	9am Saturday, 25 July 2026
DAY OF SACRAMENT	5.30pm Mass on Saturday, 01 August 2026

St Clare's PRIMARY SCHOOL

YARRABILBA MASS CENTRE
Weekend Community Mass
will be held at 4.00pm on:
Sunday 05 July & 12 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

Archdiocese of Brisbane

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday Mass

Walking Together in Christ:
A Celebration of Faith and Culture

Sunday 5 July 2026
9:45am at the Cathedral of St Stephen

Marking 40 years of Pope St John Paul II's visit and 50 years of NAIDOC

Followed by a celebration of culture, community and faith in the Hanly Room

Archdiocesan MINISTRIES

ARCHDIOCESE OF BRISBANE RECONCILIATION ACTION PLAN

NAIDOC WEEK 50 YEARS DEADLY 5–12 JULY 2026

The Archdiocese of Brisbane

Murri MINISTRY

This event has been made possible by funding from the National Indigenous Australians Agency.