



# St. Maximilian Kolbe Catholic Parish

Kingston-Marsden-Loganlea-Crestmead-Waterford-Logan Reserve-Yarrabilba

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## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

## PARISH CONTACTS

### Parish Priest

Fr. Mikhael Loke SVD 38030862

### Priest-in-Residence

Fr. Nick De Groot SVD 38030862

(Away till 23rd Sept.)

### Parish Secretary

Ronet D'Mello (Away till 14 Sept.)

### Pastoral Council Chairperson

Noel Swindells

### Finance Committee Chairperson

Tom Kalaja

### Parish Safeguarding Children Rep.

Ron Klerks (0411 057 611)

STOP line: 1300 304 550

## PARISH MINISTRY LEADERS

### Liturgy Ministries

William Barncastle

### Children & Families Ministries and

### Children's Sacramental Program

Helen Swindells (0400 014 042)

### Community Life Ministries

Lele Faaeteete

### Youth & Young Adults Ministry

Shanna Kelemete

### Adult Faith Formation Ministries

Adeline Barncastle (0406 675 758)

### 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

Mr. Michael McInerney (Principal)

San Damiano College - 5670 7000

Mr. Peter Edwards (Principal)

## Weekday Mass Times

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| Monday    | No Mass |
| Tuesday   | 9.00am  |
| Wednesday | 9.00am  |
| Thursday  | 9.00am  |
| Friday    | 9.00am  |
| Saturday  | 8.00am  |

## Weekend Mass Times

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5.30pm  
Sunday Mass: 8.00am & 9.30am

## 23rd Sunday In Ordinary Time : 10 September 2023



## Reflection...

Today, the Church reminds us of our responsibility to towards one another and our society. Most importantly, she reminds us that dialogue and mutual love is the best method of to promote reconciliation.

In the first reading, God reminds us through Prophet Ezekiel, that we have a responsibility towards one another. This is especially, with regards to counselling and warning others of the consequences of their actions in other to save them. It takes love to warn, counsel or advice someone. So, we are to do this with love. To say that we have a responsibility towards others, is also to say that it has its own consequence for us too. Therefore, the Lord says: *"I will hold you responsible."* It is our duty to speak out, counsel, and even warn our brothers and sisters, children, friends and relatives when they are missing their path. Being indifferent to the decay (especially, moral, cultural & spiritual) in our family, society, or community could be to our own detriment in future.

Unfortunately, today while things go wrong, some of us prefer to keep quiet, join the majority, or pretend that nothing is wrong. We must make ourselves heard. However, we must be mindful that God says: *"I do not delight in the death of a sinner...let him repent and live"* (Ezek 18, 23). So, whatever action we are to take, must be in order to correct, to rebuild, and to bring back the one who is on the wrong path.

In the second reading, Paul hits the nail right on head: *"Avoid getting into debt, except the debt of mutual love."* We must take note of the adjective, "mutual" with which Paul qualified love. The quality of this love is not just a mere selfish feeling or desire to satisfy oneself. Rather, it is that which thinks and cares about the good and welfare of the other. It can ultimately be known through the actions it prompts in us. It is mutual love because, it takes and shares responsibility. It counsels and accepts good counsels. It corrects and accepts corrections. It is generous and helps the other see clearly.

In the gospel, Jesus gives us the principles of reconciliation. This means that conflicts are inevitable, they must come. They are inevitable in relationships, in families, and in communities. However, the question is how do we resolve them amicably? Suffice to note that at the center of Jesus' principle is, dialogue. Ability to counsel and talk over issues, to see things from the perspective of others or, the ability to empathize with others. Hence, Christ gives us a three-dimensional principle of reconciliation. First, we must sit down and dialogue one on one, and face to face. Then, seek the mediation of a good friend, and finally, seek the mediation of our community or family.

Unfortunately, today, we neglect all these basic steps and go straight to: *"treat him like a tax collector."* Before this, if at all it, is necessary, we must make all efforts to reconcile with others through dialogue. Dialogue fosters mutual respect for the other, it saves us a lot of energy and time and the cost of lawsuits. Finally, it fosters mutual love and restores relationships. when we dialogue and to agree, God seals it with a great Amen!

*Reflection taken in part from homily of:*

Fr. Njoku Canice Chukwuemeka, C.S.Sp; a Catholic Priest from the Congregation of the Holy Spirit (Spiritans). <https://frcanicenjoku.com/2017/09/04/>

### Date Claimers

**Sun. 10 Sept : Children & Families Team Meeting at 10.45am; those who wish to join this ministry are very welcome to attend!**

**Tue. 12 Sept : Healing Mass at 10.00am followed by a luncheon. All are welcome!**

*In Loving Memory of*  
**AINIU MIKAELE TITO**  
*who entered eternal life on Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2023*

As a Parish family we extend our deepest condolences to Mikaele's family, as we share their immense loss of this quiet, gentle and prayerful man!

**Funeral Mass to celebrate his life will be held at 11.00am on Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> September 2023**

**Family Service will be held at 6.00pm on Wed, 13<sup>th</sup> Sept at the St. Maximilian Kolbe Catholic Church - Marsden, Queensland**  
**Refreshments will be served after the Family Service & Mass at the Parish Hall**  
**MAY HIS BEAUTIFUL SOUL REST IN SUBLIME PEACE**

### Roster for the weekend of 16th – 17th September 2023

#### Mass Coordinators:

16 Sept. 5.30pm - Adeline Barncastle  
 17 Sept. 8.00am - Lele Faaeteete  
 17 Sept. 9.30am - Tua Niumagumagu

#### Readers

16 Sept. 5.30pm - William Barncastle  
 - Francesca Ordonez  
 17 Sept. 8.00am - Brian Cunningham  
 - Orlando Diente  
 17 Sept. 9.30am - Flor Gomez  
 - Tiliola N.

#### Communion Ministers:

16 Sept. 5.30pm - Sue McKeown & Rosemary Ordonez  
 17 Sept. 8.00am - Eseta Alosio & Korina Laban  
 17 Sept. 9.30am - Kelemete Tito & Elisapeta Tito

#### Altar Servers:

16 Sept. 5.30pm - Abigail & Annabel  
 17 Sept. 8.00am - Malachi, Talalei & Matilda  
 17 Sept. 9.30am - Salvius & Parfait

#### Choir:

16 Sept. 5.30pm - Trinity Choir  
 17 Sept. 8.00am -  
 17 Sept. 9.30am - Filipino Choir

Counters : Swindells Family

Cleaners : Vaigafa Family and Diana Mulcahy

Flowers : Evelyn, Nimfa, Olive and Tanya

### Collection: Week-ending 3rd September 2023

**Envelopes Received : 37**  
**Amount from Contributions : \$2,470-70**  
**Yarrabilba : \$ 106.40**

**TOTAL : \$2,577.10**

### 23rd Sunday In Ordinary Time: 10 Sept. 2023

First Reading - Ezekiel 33:7-9

*If you have not warned the wicked man, then I will hold you responsible for his death.*

Responsorial Psalm - Ps. 94:1-2, 6-9

**O that today you would listen to His voice!**

Second Reading - Romans 13:8-10

*Love is the fulfilment of the Law.*

Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself; and the Good News of reconciliation He has entrusted to us.

**Alleluia!**

Gospel - Matthew 18:15-20

*If your brother or sister listens to you, you will have won that person back.*



### **YARRABILBA MASS CENTRE**

**Weekend Community Mass**  
 will be held at 4.00pm on:

**Sunday: 10th and 17th Sept, 2023**

#### Centre Location:

St. Clare's Primary School, 2 Combs St,  
 Yarrabilba

***All are Welcome!***



### Please Pray for the Sick

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,  
 B.Hodgson, M.Finnerty, G & M. Glorioso, D.Hall,  
 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.Dunmore, T.Gibson, F.Petelo, Helen Guadez,  
 M.Vaigafa, Verity Madsen, Tatiana Tagirova, Ruperto M,  
 John Daley, Nora Philips, Alzira D'souza, Agnes Hamilton,  
 Wena Prowse, V&M L Petelo, Zhaylee Curtis, Sesilia Muevae,  
 Rob Canning, Catherine Hetherington, Pete Pietkiewiez,  
 V&A Asiata-Kelemete, Mynott Family, Reef W. Carroll,  
 Daisy A. Thomas, Patricia Donovan, John Engberg,  
 June Curyer, Baby Charlotte, Coleen Goodwin, Mary Farrell,  
 Eric Alfred, Austine Jonse, Zakelyn Curtis. Michelle Williams and John Williams,  
 Cath Turner, Hilda D'Mello, Clara Archibald.

Young parishioners **aged 13 and above**, are invited to join the Kolbe Youth Ministry. Come participate and enjoy the fellowship with others in your age group, to strengthen your faith journey and get involved in our parish events during the year.



**Our next Kolbe Youth Gathering will be at 6.00pm on Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> September 2023**

## 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.



Sessions will be held at the Parish Hall at 9.30am every **Sunday**. Parishioners who have children between the ages of 5 up to 13, are encouraged to send their children to attend this weekly faith-forming, fun-filled and learning sessions. For further information, parents or guardians can contact our Children's Ministry Coordinator, **Tiresa Vaigafa - 0434570 123**. *We are also currently seeking volunteers to help in this Ministry every Sunday morning at the 9.30am Mass. You would need to have a blue card (if you don't have one, the Parish Office can assist to help you apply for one).*



*Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."*  
Matthew 19:14

## Healing Mass

**Tuesday, 12 Sept 2023  
@ 10.00am**

**Followed by a luncheon to celebrate Father's Day**



## PARISH HALL RENTAL INFORMATION

The hourly rental rate of our Parish Hall had been revised to **\$75 per hour** (effective Jan 2023). This is to cater for the rising costs of utilities which makes it necessary for the Parish to financially sustain the use of this space.

This would apply to **ALL** renters; both individuals & groups. Please note that the Hall fee above is a fixed amount payable at the hourly rate; 'donations' do not count as a Hall fee.

Also, Hall fees **do not apply** to all meetings held in relation to Parish events/matters).

All Renters are required to pay a refundable **deposit of \$150** upon booking of the hall at the Parish Office. This amount will be refunded upon verification that the use of the hall had completely satisfied all conditions stated in the booking form/agreement. Also, a **\$50 cleaning fee** is applicable to renters who do not intend to do the cleaning & removing of all waste material after their use of the Hall; this amount is also payable upon booking of the Hall. Thank you for your understanding.

Fr. Mikhael Loke, SVD

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## Becoming Catholic

COMMITMENT . PROFESSION . COMMUNION . WITNESS . MISSION

THE JOURNEY TO CHRISTIAN INITIATION WITH THE  
ST. MAXIMILIAN KOLBE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY – MARSDEN, QLD

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is the pathway of preparation for those who desire to become Catholic and be fully initiated into the Catholic Church. It resembles the journey those in the early church undertook in preparation to be baptised and received into the Catholic faith.

The RCIA is not a program, but rather a process of ongoing conversion to the life and teachings of Jesus Christ towards spiritual maturity as a missionary disciple in the Church. Dedication to the process involves individual spiritual formation and preparation, investigation and discernment of the Catholic faith, and moments of public commitment to one's pursuit of holiness.

This pathway is designed for those who are unbaptized or coming from another religion, baptised Christians who are seeking to become Catholic, and baptised Catholics who desire to complete their Sacraments of Initiation (i.e Reconciliation, Holy Eucharist and/or Confirmation).

If you or someone you know are keen to begin your journey of discovery in the Catholic faith, please call our Parish Office to register your interest and provide your contact information. Our Parish Office email is: [marsden@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:marsden@bne.catholic.net.au) and our contact number is **3803 0862**

## ULURU STATEMENT FROM THE HEART

We, gathered at the 2017 National Constitutional Convention, coming from all points of the southern sky, make this statement from the heart:

Our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander tribes were the first sovereign Nations of the Australian continent and its adjacent islands, and possessed it under our own laws and customs. This our ancestors did, according to the reckoning of our culture, from the Creation, according to the common law from 'time immemorial', and according to science more than 60,000 years ago.

This sovereignty is a spiritual notion: the ancestral tie between the land, or 'mother nature', and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples who were born therefrom, remain attached thereto, and must one day return thither to be united with our ancestors. This link is the basis of the ownership of the soil, or better, of sovereignty. It has never been ceded or extinguished, and co-exists with the sovereignty of the Crown. How could it be otherwise? That peoples possessed a land for sixty millennia and this sacred link disappears from world history in merely the last two hundred years?

With substantive constitutional change and structural reform, we believe this ancient sovereignty can shine through as a fuller expression of Australia's nationhood. Proportionally, we are the most incarcerated people on the planet. We are not an innately criminal people. Our children are alienated from their families at unprecedented rates. This cannot be because we have no love for them. And our youth languish in detention in obscene numbers. They should be our hope for the future. These dimensions of our crisis tell plainly the structural nature of our problem. This is the torment of our powerlessness.

We seek constitutional reforms to empower our people and take a rightful place in our own country. When we have power over our destiny our children will flourish. They will walk in two worlds and their culture will be a gift to their country. We call for the establishment of a First Nations Voice enshrined in the Constitution.

Makarrata is the culmination of our agenda: the coming together after a struggle. It captures our aspirations for a fair and truthful relationship with the people of Australia and a better future for our children based on justice and self-determination. We seek a Makarrata Commission to supervise a process of agreement-making between governments and First Nations and truth-telling about our history.



### REMINDER

Parents and/or Guardians, kindly mind your children whilst within the premises of the Church especially during services. This is to help us to maintain a sacred-space within our parish grounds and to ensure the safety and comfort of all present during and after worship.

Thank you,  
Fr. Mikhael Loke

## Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

14 September



### O Cross of Christ

*By St Flavian Bishop (Died 449)  
from Day's Psalter 1562*

O Cross of Christ, immortal tree  
On which our Saviour died,  
The world is sheltered by your arms  
That bore the Crucified.

From bitter death and barren wood  
the tree of life is made;  
Its branches bear unfailing fruit  
And leaves that never fade.

O faithful Cross, you stand unmoved  
While ages run their course;  
Foundation of the universe,  
Creation's minding force.

Give glory to the risen Christ  
And to His Cross give praise,  
The sign of God's unfailing love,  
The hope of all our days.

*Anastpaul18*

## MULTICULTURAL MASS

POPE FRANCIS

"Free to choose whether to migrate or to stay"



Sunday, 24 Sept 2023

Mass at 2:30pm  
followed by  
refreshments &  
and performances

St Stephen's Cathedral,  
249 Elizabeth St  
Brisbane City



In this 150th year of the Cathedral of St Stephen  
Archbishop Mark Coleridge  
invites couples together with family and friends

### Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass

Saturday, 30th September 2023

Mass at 11:30am

followed by refreshments on the Cathedral grounds.

Other couples married at the Cathedral or Chapel,  
are also invited to attend with family and friends  
to celebrate 150 years of weddings at the Cathedral.



To register to attend the Mass  
and for catering purposes please  
RSVP: Friday 22nd September 2023  
cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au  
3324 3030

If you have photos or stories to share  
of your wedding at the Cathedral,  
please contact David Todd.  
email: toddd@bne.catholic.net.au  
telephone: 3324 3030  
by 1st September 2023