



St. Maximilian Kolbe Catholic Parish

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

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PARISH CONTACTS

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PARISH MINISTRY LEADERS

Liturgy Ministries

Rodolfo (Boyet) Domingo

Children & Families Ministries and Children's Sacramental Program

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Youth & Young Adults Ministry

Shanna Kelemete/Lawrence Auva'a

Adult Faith Formation Ministries

Alfred Gomez

Outreach Ministry

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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
<u>Friday</u>	<u>7.00pm</u>
Saturday	8.00am

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5.30pm

Sunday Mass: 8.00am & 9.30am

Confession: Saturday: 5.00pm

Feast of Presentation of the Lord – Sunday, 2 Feb. 2025



Today is the feast of the Presentation of the Lord and the World Day of Consecrated Life. As Christ was presented in the temple, today, Holy Mother Church invites us to continually offer ourselves "as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God" (Rom 12:1).

In our first reading, the prophet Malachi prepares our minds for the coming of the Lord: "And the Lord whom you seek will suddenly enter the temple." This prophecy was fulfilled in both the second reading and today's Gospel. An important question today is, when and how will I meet the Lord?

As we reflect on today's celebration, Jude Nnam's song came to mind: "What shall I offer to the Lord to make him happy?" When he comes, he expects us to be strong and holy. Malachi puts it this way: "The offering of Judah and Jerusalem will then be accepted by the Lord as in the days of old, as in the years of old." God is ready to come to us. Therefore, we must constantly prepare ourselves to receive him with thanksgiving.

The letter to the Hebrews reminds us that Christ is a faithful high priest. In fulfillment of Malachi's prophecy, he entered the temple, presented himself, and sacrificed himself to God for our salvation. To accomplish this mission, he had to be like one of us, assuming our nature. He completed his presentation in the temple on the cross: So by his death he was able to take away all the power of the devil... and to free all who had been held in bondage. Therefore, he entered the temple, both as the priest and as the victim.

In today's Gospel, through his presentation, his parents accompanied him to begin his mission in the right place, the temple. However, as an adult, he offered himself publicly on the cross. Through this public presentation and offering of himself, we now participate in his life. The lesson to be learned from this includes that there is no limit to what we can offer ourselves to God.

Furthermore, today's Gospel reminds us that God is faithful to his promise. This is especially true for those who love him and are faithful to him. Malachi's prophecy was fulfilled in today's Gospel. This is because Simeon and Anna met the Lord in the temple in a way and at a time they least expected: "The Lord whom they are seeking will suddenly enter the temple."

They knew of his coming, they expected to meet him, but they never knew when this would be, until he suddenly appeared in the temple. They both thanked and blessed the Lord for his faithfulness. Truly, "the desire of the righteous will be granted" (Prov 10:24). Therefore, Simeon sang the Nunc dimittis: "Now, Master, you may let your servant go in peace... for my eyes have seen your salvation..."

Finally, today, as we commemorate the presentation of the Lord and the World Day of Consecrated Life, let us pray that we too may continually present and consecrate ourselves to God as a living and worthy sacrifice for the salvation of humanity. Congratulations to all consecrated religious of good will throughout the world.

Peace be with you!

Maranatha!

Reflection was written by Rev. Fr. Njoku Canice Chukwuemeka, C.S.Sp.

Date Claimers

Sun. 02 Feb : Children and Families Ministry Team Meeting at 10.35am
Mon. 03 Feb : Pastoral Council Meeting at 7pm
Tue. 04 Feb. : Liturgy Committee Meeting at 7pm
Fri. 07 Feb. : First Friday: Adoration at 6.30pm followed by Mass at 7pm

Adult Formation Ministry

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

:Friday 14 February 2025: 7:30pm – 8:30pm
: Friday 28 February 2025 7:30pm – 8:30pm

LECTIO DIVINA is a contemplative prayer practice which 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.

Fr Mikhael, Fr Nick and Alfred Gomez

Roster for the weekend of 08th. & 09th. February 2025

Mass Coordinators

08 Feb 5.30pm - Luis Vasquez
09 Feb 8.00am - Orlando Diente
09 Feb 9.30am - Nimfa Brookes

Readers

08 Feb 5.30pm - Beah Tualai & Hilda Bowden
09 Feb 8.00am - Brian C. & Tovio Tagalao
09 Feb 9.30am - Kelemete Tito & Ron Klerks

Communion Ministers

08 Feb 5.30pm - Joshy S., Patricia V., Talafaia Tualai
09 Feb 8.00am - Sera Thomas, Deb H., Korina Laban
09 Feb 9.30am - Flor Gomez & Tua Niumagumagu
Mary Klerks & Elisapeta Tito

Altar Servers

08 Feb 5.30pm - Abigail, Annabel and Alexander
09 Feb 8.00am - Antonio and Andrew
09 Feb 9.30am - Parfait and Clovis

Choirs

08 Feb 5.30pm - Saturday Night Choir
09 Feb 8.00am - SMK Choir
09 Feb 9.30am - African Choir

Counters : Malcolm, Wilda and Noel

Cleaners : Vaigafa Family and Diana Mulcahy

Flowers : Agnes

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, F.Petelo, 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, Sesilia Muevae, 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, John Williams, Elizabeth Fernandez, Mary Armand, Mary Rosser, Ann Gason, Judith Anderson, Brooke, John McCready, Ian, Sandra Henry, Carol Lloyd, Esjay and Michael Rudd, Judith Sherry, Daphne Canal, Mareta Niumagumagu, Maria Nive M. Tiatia, Paxson Swerling, Cliff Naughton, and all who are ill.

Feast of Presentation of the Lord : 02 February 2025

First Reading: Malachi 3: 1-4

The Lord whom you seek will come to his temple.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 23: 7-10

Who is this king of glory? It is the Lord!

Second Reading: Hebrews 2: 14-18

He had to be made like us in all things.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

*This is the light of revelation to the nations,
And glory of your people, Israel.*

Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 2: 22-40

My eyes have seen your saving power.

YARRABILBA

MASS CENTRE

Weekend Community Mass

will be held at 4.00pm on:

Sunday: 2 Feb & 09 Feb 2025

Centre Location:

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

All are Welcome!



Collection: Week-ending: 26 Jan. 2025

Envelopes Received	: 30
Amount from Contributions	: \$ 2,564.65
Yarrabilba Mass Centre	: \$ 119.70

TOTAL : \$ 2,684.35

THANK YOU



On behalf of the St. Vincent society Marsden conference, We want to express our heartfelt thanks to the staff students and families of the San Damiano College and St. Francis

Schools, and a special thank you to our local parishioners for your incredible generosity during our Christmas Appeal. Your gifts have brought joy to so many, and reflect the spirit of love and compassion that lies at the heart of our faith.

The work of the St. Vincent de Paul is a vital part of our community, offering support to those in need and sharing God's light in practical ways. Personally, I can say this work has been deeply rewarding, bringing both challenges and blessings.

But we do need new energy, fresh ideas and more hands to share in this mission. The help can be regular with full membership or it can be casual. Sometimes we would really love to have some young strong muscle, and a utility, perhaps to relocate a fridge in this hot weather. Together we can achieve great things.

Please feel free to speak with me or any of our members. You will know us because we will be wearing our uniform shirts this weekend Thank you again for your generosity and for your love of the poor.

St Vinnies conference, Marsden