



# St. Maximilian Kolbe Catholic Parish

Kingston-Marsden-Loganlea-Crestmead-Waterford-Logan Reserve-Yarrabilba  
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**PARISH OFFICE HOURS : Mon, Tue, Thurs. & Fri : 9.00am - 2.30pm | Closed on Wednesday**

**Parish Office is closed from 23rd December 2025 to 1st January 2026**

## Parish Contacts

### Parish Priest

**Fr. John Quang SVD 38030862**

**Priest-in-Residence**

**Fr. Nick De Groot SVD**

**Parish Secretary**

**Ronet D’Mello**

**Pastoral Council Chairperson**

**Noel Swindells**

**Finance Committee Chairperson**

**Tom Kalaja**

**Parish Safeguarding Children Rep.**

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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 Faeteete**

**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**

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**Thursday 9:00am**

**Friday 7:00pm**

**Saturday No Mass**

### Weekend Mass Times

**Saturday 5:30pm**

**Sunday 7:30am and 9:30am**

**Confession: Saturday : 5:00pm**

## Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph: 28 Dec. 2025

**Chapter 3: A Church for the Poor.** (Continuation of Document: I have loved You)

### SUMMARY:

In this chapter, Pope Leo surveys the history of the Catholic Church to show how denouncing wealth-hoarding and caring for struggling people has always been at the heart of the Christian tradition. He looks to early figures like St. John Chrysostom and St. Augustine, the ministries of women religious in health care, and the long history of the church in “working for and with migrants” and those in prisons, detention centres, and refugee reception centres (75). In particular, the pope highlights Benedictine monasteries as examples of an “economy of solidarity,” centred on cooperation and sharing instead of accumulation — showing us that alternatives are possible (56)! Pope Leo concludes by writing about popular movements today, calling us to organize, to transform the system, that creates poverty — for the health of our economy, our democracy, and our church.

### KEY QUOTATION:

“What you give to the poor is not your property, but theirs. Why have you appropriated what was given for common use?” (Citing St. Ambrose, 43) “Our response to the challenges posed by contemporary migration can be summed up in four verbs: welcome, protect, promote, and integrate. Yet these verbs do not apply only to migrants and refugees. They describe the Church’s mission to all those living in the existential peripheries, who need to be welcomed, protected, promoted and integrated. ” (Citing Pope Francis, 75) “[Leaders of popular movements] know that solidarity ‘also means fighting against the structural causes of poverty and inequality; of the lack of work, land and housing; and of the denial of social and labour rights. It means confronting the destructive effects of the empire of money. ’” (Citing Pope St. Paul VI, 81)

### REFLECTION

As Pope Leo illustrates, for two thousand years being a “church of the poor” has meant working to ensure that all of us have not only our most basic needs met—food, water, clothing, and shelter—but also good health care, legal rights, freedom from enslavement and exploitation, and dignified treatment, especially for immigrants and refugees (61). These are all elements of an “economy of solidarity,” or An Economy for All, and they cannot be fully achieved without changing laws and policies. It is core to who we are as a church to work together to take care of our communities — including through policy advocacy

### QUESTION

Where do you see mini “economies of solidarity” that put mutual care over accumulation in your community? Some examples: a local mutual aid network, a free health clinic, a “buy nothing” group, a labour union, or a legal clinic that helps immigrants prepare documents. What policies could move us toward an “economy of solidarity” on a larger scale?  
Fr. Nick



**We would like to take this opportunity to thank all and each one of our Parishioners and Volunteers, who have been so generous with their time and energy, to reach out in love and care to our church community during this past year.**

**May each one of you experience in your heart the presence of God’s everlasting love, now and throughout the New Year of 2026.**

**Fr. John Quang & Fr. Nick De Groot SVD**

## Date Claimers

Wed. 31 Dec. 2025: Mass at 9am and 7pm.

Thurs 1 Jan 2026: New Year's Day Feast of Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God. Mass at 9am.

Fri. 2 Jan 2026 : First Friday of the month.

Adoration at 630pm followed by Mass 7pm.

## Roster for the weekend of 3rd.& 4th. January 2026

### Mass Coordinators

03 Jan 5.30pm - Francesca Ordonez

04 Jan 8.00am - Lele Faaeteete

04 Jan 9.30am - Joy Wallace

### Readers

03 Jan 5.30pm - Jasmine Godinet & Malcolm D'Souza

04 Jan 8.00am - Lawrence Auva'a & Rachel Matijasevic

04 Jan 9.30am - Flor Gomez & Christine Lapalapa

### Communion Ministers

03 Jan 5.30pm - Sue McKeown, Rosemary O.

04 Jan 8.00am - Korina Laban, Sera Thomas

04 Jan 9.30am - Tiitii Toalepai, Alfred G., Doris Deurloo

### Altar Servers

03 Jan 5.30pm - Volunteers

04 Jan 8.00am - Volunteers

04 Jan 9.30am - Volunteers

### Choirs

03 Jan 5.30pm - Saturday Night Choir

04 Jan 8.00am - Congregation Singing

04 Jan 9.30am - Ekalesia Choir

**Counters :** Swindells Family

**Cleaners :** Ekalesia Group

**Flowers :** Agnes

## Feast of the Holy Family: 28 December 2025

*First Reading: Sirach 3: 2-6, 12-14*

*Who ever fear the Lord honours his parents.*

*Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 127: 1-5*

*Happy are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.*

*Second Reading: Colossians 3: 12-21*

*Concerning the Christian life in the world.*

*Gospel Acclamation:*

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*May the peace of Christ rule in your hearts; and the fullness of his message live within you.*

*Alleluia.*

*Gospel: Matthew 2 : 13-15, 19-23*

*Take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt.*

St Clare's  
PRIMARY SCHOOL



## **YARRABILBA MASS CENTRE**

### **Weekend Community Mass**

will be held at **4.00pm** on:

**Sunday: 28 Dec. 2025 & 4 Jan 2026**

**Centre Location:**

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

*All are Welcome!*

## **Roster Sheets**

Roster sheets for Jan and Feb 2026 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.

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you

## **CONGRATULATION & THANK YOU**

To the children of the Sunday School and the members of the Youth Group who participated in the Nativity Play at the Christmas Eve Mass. Your performance was amazing and your regular attendance at rehearsals under the guidance of the Youth Leaders Shanna, Lawrence, Fono and Children & Families (Helen, Tiresa, Deb & Verity) Ministry Teams really paid off. The parish appreciated your efforts and thoroughly enjoyed your retelling of the Nativity Story.

Thank you once again for your dedication:

**Reader & Narrators - Ruby, Lara & Lauren**

**Angel Gabriel & Angels**

**Paula, Sally, Aislin & Saoirse & Rose**

**Mary & Joseph - Sina & AJ**

**Caesar - Morrison**

**King Herod - Alfred**

**Wise Men - Sefo, Michael & Antonio**

**Shepherds - Jude, LJ, Jude, TJ & Eamon**

**Shining Star - Lucy**

You did an amazing job and everyone is very proud of you. Many thanks also to all the parents/guardians for all the support.

Sincerely,

**Fr. John & Fr. Nick**



## **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.Dunmore, 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 and all who are ill.