



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 2024 to 1st January 2025

PARISH CONTACTS

Parish Priest

Fr. Mikhael Loke SVD 38030862

(Away from 3 January to 17 January 2025)

Priest-in-Residence

Fr. Nick De Groot SVD 38030862

Parish Secretary

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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

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| Monday | No Mass |
| Tuesday | 9.00am |
| Wednesday | 9.00am |
| Thursday | 9.00am |
| Friday | 7.00pm |
| Saturday | 8.00am |

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5.30pm

Sunday Mass: 8.00am & 9.30am

Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph: 29 Dec. 2024



In 1981, Pope John Paul II, in his apostolic exhortation *Familiaris Consortio* (*The Role of the Christian Family in the Modern World*), reinforced the concept of the family as the "domestic church" with its role in fostering prayer, teaching the faith, and nurturing Christian virtues. He highlighted that in the family, the Christian faith is first proclaimed to children, making the family vital to the mission of the Church, and the most fundamental institution in the world.

As we honour the Holy Family, one of the best ways to do so is to prayerfully ponder the daily life that the Holy Family shared. Because Scripture does not record many of their

family interactions in Nazareth, much is left to our prayerful imagination. What we do know is that human familial virtue within the Holy Family, especially between mother and Son, was at a level of perfection. The kindness, respect, obedience, unity, charity, and every other Christian virtue that they lived must become the model for Christian living and for family life.

The Holy Family began with apparent scandal when Mary became pregnant while betrothed to Joseph. Mary and Joseph suffered through the gossip and misunderstandings this miraculous pregnancy brought with it. Though Joseph learned of this conception from an angel in a dream, it was his faith and righteousness that empowered him to remain faithful to Mary and love her with a pure heart. Their family began in Bethlehem, in poverty and rejection. They then fled to Egypt to protect their Child from the paranoia and cruelty of Herod. They later returned to Nazareth and lived faithfully with family and friends. Jesus learned the trade of woodworking from Joseph, grew in wisdom and knowledge, spoke with the elders in the Temple at the age of twelve, and remained obedient to his earthly parents. Saint Thomas Aquinas teaches us that Jesus had direct knowledge of the Beatific Vision from the moment of His conception and had the fullness of infused knowledge. But He also grew in acquired knowledge, learning with a human mind through sensory experience and conceptual understanding. Mary and Joseph watched this growth, participated in it, grew from it themselves, and Mary "pondered all these things in her heart" (Luke 2:51).

As you ponder their inner family dynamics, relationships, and charity, use them as a model of how best to relate to your own family. Some families more fully imitate those sacred virtues; others fall gravely short. Look into your own heart and ask the Holy Family to teach you how to show greater love to those in your family. Though you will never arrive at perfection, you can receive inspiration from their lives, leading to greater growth and unity, making your own family a greater source of strength for your Christian living.

Reflection from: My Catholic Life

Happy New Year

2025

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 2025.

Fr. Mikhael Loke & Fr. Nick De Groot SVD

Date Claimers

Wed 1 Jan 2025: New Year's Day Feast of Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God. Mass at 9am.

Fri. 3 Jan 2025 : First Friday of the month.
Adoration at 6.30pm followed by Mass 7pm.

Roster for the weekend of 4th.& 5th. January 2025

Mass Coordinators

04 Jan 5.30pm - Wilda Fernandes
05 Jan 8.00am - Lele Faaeteete
05 Jan 9.30am - Joy Wallace

Readers

04 Jan 5.30pm - Francesca Ordonez & Malcolm D'Souza
05 Jan 8.00am - Deb Howkins & Lawrence Auva'a
05 Jan 9.30am - Tovio Tagaloa & Mary Klerks

Communion Ministers

04 Jan 5.30pm - Paul Simpson, Sue McKeown, Rosemary O.
05 Jan 8.00am - Rachel M., Sala P., Korina Laban
05 Jan 9.30am - Ron Klerks & Winnie Kepu
Tiitii Toalepai & Shanna Kelemete

Altar Servers

04 Jan 5.30pm - John Paul and Andrew
05 Jan 8.00am - John, May and Zaia
05 Jan 9.30am - Abigail, Annabel and Alexander

Choirs

04 Jan 5.30pm - Saturday Night Choir
05 Jan 8.00am - Congregation Singing
05 Jan 9.30am - Congregation Singing

Counters : Swindells Family

Cleaners : Ekalesia Group

Flowers : Evelyn, Olive and Tanya

THANK YOU!

Congratulation and 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 and Families (Tiresa, Deb, Verity, Nimfa, Helen) 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-Narrators - Tili and Annabel, St Luke - Jerome, Theophilus - Parfait, Mary - Jazmine, Joseph - Antonio, Elizabeth - Ruby, Zechariah - Jude. Angel Gabriel - Sofia, Star Bearer - Adam, Three Wise Men - Prince, Clovis, Alexander, Shepherds - Tezaree, Lucy, LJ, Makavaley, Kirileon, Lio and Angels - Lara, Rose, Destiny, Serenity, Meliana, Elle, Auda, Melina, Cora, Isla. You did an amazing job and everyone is very proud of you. Many thanks also to all the parents/guardians for all the support provided in getting the children/youth to rehearsals and help with costumes.

Sincerely,

Fr. Mikhael and Fr. Nick

Feast of the Holy Family: 29 December 2024

First Reading: 1 Sam 1: 20-22, 24-28

For the whole life, Samuel shall be lent to the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 83:2-3, 5-6, 9-10

How happy they who dwell in your house, O Lord.

Second Reading: 1 John 3:1-2, 21-24

He calls you his own children, and that is what you are.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Open our hearts, O Lord

To listen to the words of your Son.

Alleluia.

Gospel: Luke 2 : 41-52

His parents found him in the temple, sitting among the learned men listening to them.



YARRABILBA MASS CENTRE

Weekend Community Mass

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

Sunday: 29 Dec. 2024 & 5 Jan 2025

Centre Location:

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

All are Welcome!

Roster sheets for Jan and Feb 2025 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.



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 McCreedy, Ian, Sandra Henry, Carol Lloyd, Esjay and Michael Rudd, Judith Sherry, Daphne Canal, Mareta Ni-umagumagu, Maria Nive M. Tiatia, Paxson Swerling, Cliff Naughton, Nanai Sopo Ulusele and all who are ill.