



St. Maximilian Kolbe Catholic Parish

Kingston-Marsden-Loganlea-Crestmead-Waterford-Logan Reserve-Yarrabilba
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Mon, Tue, Thur & Fri : 9.00am - 2.30pm | Closed on Wednesday

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William Barncastle

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Shanna Kelemete

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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	10.00am
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

1st Sunday of Advent: 03 December 2023



The Season of Advent is a time of anticipation, preparation, of new beginnings. Advent has a twofold character: as a season to prepare for Christmas when Christ's first coming to us is remembered; and as a season when that remembrance directs the mind and heart to await Christ's Second coming at the end of time. Advent is therefore a period for attentive and joyful expectation.

At Mass during the season of Advent, the "Gloria" is omitted only to help us proclaim it with fuller joy and meaning on the feast of Christmas. Every Sunday of Advent our readings at Mass will remind us to be watchful, vigilant, patient - and yet filled with joy. We will use signs and symbols to express the spirit of this season: *Light* in the form of candles on the Advent wreath, and lights decorating our homes and lawns reflect our yearning for Jesus to be more perfectly the Light of the World. *Evergreens*, in the form of wreaths, garlands and trees, remind us that Jesus is the source of New Life and Never-Ending Vitality. *Gift-giving* is obviously motivated by the Christian's understanding of the meaning of the coming of the Word-made-flesh as God's gift of love, to be shared with those whom we love. We also reach out to the poor, so that they, too, might have reason to rejoice at Christmas.

Advent reminds us that, while God has blessed the earth with his presence, much remains broken, unfulfilled and in darkness. We see plenty of evidence around us of the darkness of sin. If we have learned anything during these last few years, it is that we need help. Not just to protect us from the darkness in the world but the courage to keep the light of hope, love and service to neighbour aglow in us so we can face down the spirit of despair and continue to work in the darkness to be a beacon of hope to others.

Yes we are children of the Light! As Christians, we can transcend the old way of doing things to bring the reality of Christ to the modern world... we can live in the present moment and be full of hope for the future. The four weeks of Advent give us a season of hope. Our Liturgies remind us vividly that God has come, as we relive the mystery of the incarnation of the Son of God in the person of Jesus, son of Mary. Most importantly, these days provide us with the reassurance that God comes now, in the people and events that shape our lives.

Understanding this, we will discover moments when the darkness withdraws and the true light shows itself; when the hungry are fed; wrongs righted; peace breaks out where war has raged; forgiveness allows a new beginning; death is faced down by serene faith; fractured families reconciled and show signs of healing and re-commitment to being faithful servants with eyes fixed on present needs and with anticipation of the Lord's return.

Come, Lord Jesus - Be Our Light, Our Joy And Our Peace!

Excerpts from: <https://www.ecatholicism.org/index.php/reflections/cycle-b/10-lectionary-cycle-b/55-first-sunday-of-advent-being-watchful-and-alert>

Date Claimers

Mon. 4 Dec: Pastoral Council & Finance committee

Meeting at 7pm

Tue. 5 Dec : Healing Mass at 10am

Tue. 5 Dec : Liturgy committee meeting at 7pm



Roster for the weekend of 09 and 10 December 2023

Mass Coordinators

09 Dec. 5.30pm - Luis Vasquez
10 Dec. 8.00am - Lele Faaeteete
10 Dec. 9.30am - Christine Lapalapa

Readers

09 Dec. 5.30pm - Deb Howkins
- Sarah Wiss
10 Dec. 8.00am - Orlando Diente
- Rachel Matijasevic
10 Dec. 9.30am - Tiliola Niumagumagu
- Clavery Birorimana

Communion Ministers

09 Dec. 5.30pm - Patricia Vasquez, Rosemary Ordonez, Sue Mckeown
10 Dec. 8.00am - Korina Laban, Mary Klerks, Marcia Canty
10 Dec. 9.30am - Violete N, TiiTill Toalepai, Doris Deurloo

Altar Servers

09 Dec. 5.30pm - Jazmine & Tezaree
10 Dec. 8.00am - John, May and Ruby
10 Dec. 9.30am - Abigail and Annabel

Choir

09 Dec. 5.30pm - Saturday Night Choir
10 Dec. 8.00am - St. Max Choir
10 Dec. 9.30am - Family Choir

Counters : Swindells Family

Cleaners : Vaigafa family & Diana Mulcahy

ROSTER SHEET FOR DECEMBER

Roster sheet for Liturgy Team for December is available at the entrance of the church. Please take a copy and contact parish office if you need any changes.

Collection: Week-ending 26th November 2023

Envelopes Received : 25
Amount from Contributions : \$ 2,103.20
Yarrabilba : \$ 168.30
TOTAL : \$ 2,271.50

1st Sunday of Advent: 03rd December 2023

First Reading - Isaiah 63:16-17, 64: 1, 3-8

Oh, that you would tear the heavens apart and come down.

Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 79:2-3, 15-16, 18-19

**Lord, make us turn to you,
Let us see your face and we shall be saved.**

Second Reading - 1 Corinthians 1: 3-9

The revelation we looked for, Christ Jesus our Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia!
Lord show us your mercy and love,
and grant us your salvation
Alleluia!**

Gospel - Mark 13: 33-37

Stay Awake! You neer know when the Lord will come.

St Clare's
PRIMARY SCHOOL



YARRABILBA MASS CENTRE

Weekend Community Mass

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

Sunday: 3 Dec & 10 Dec, 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, 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, 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, John
Engberg, Baby Charlotte, Coleen Goodwin, Mary
Farrell, Eric Alfred, Austine Jonse, Zakelyn Curtis,
Michelle & John Williams, Cath Turner, Elizabeth
Fernandez, Mary Armand, Mary Rosser, Frank Lee, Ann
Gason, Judith Anderson, Brooke, John McCready.

ST. MAXIMILIAN KOLBE
PARISH PRESENTS

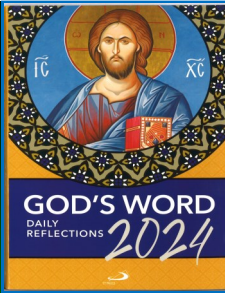
CAROLS BY CANDLE LIGHT



SAT 16TH DEC
7PM - 9PM

EXPERIENCE THE JOY OF THE SEASON! JOIN US FOR AN ENCHANTING CHRISTMAS CAROLS AT OUR CHURCH, AS WE CELEBRATE THE SPIRIT OF CHRIST TOGETHER. THIS IS A FREE ENTRY EVENT AND ALL ARE WELCOME. PLEASE BRING A PLATE TO SHARE.

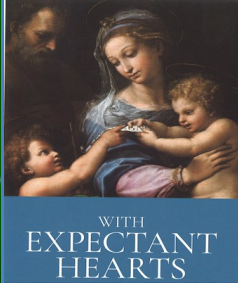
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GOD'S WORD 2024

is now available for purchase at \$20.00/ copy Please get your copy from the piety shop or at the entrance of the Church

Columban Calendar is also available for purchase at \$10.00 each.



ADVENT REFLECTION RESOURCE

Advent reflection book is available for sale at the piety shop for \$10.00.

This is a 22 day prayer and reflection resource for the season of Advent.

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 upcoming events for the rest of the year.



Our next Kolbe Youth Gathering will be at 6.00pm on Friday, 08 Dec. 2023

KOLBE CHILDREN & YOUTH NATIVITY PLAY AT THE CHRISTMAS EVE CHILDREN & YOUTH MASS - Sunday 24th December @ 6pm -



We invite all children and youth to join and participate in this Nativity Play. **Rehearsals will be held every Friday from 24th November 2023.** Parents can register the names of their children on a list that will be placed at the entrance of the church.

Dear Parents/Guardians: Please be advised that Children's Liturgy will not be held on Sunday 3/12/23. It will return for the last time for this year on Sunday 10/12/23. We look forward to seeing all the children there.

The Children and Families Ministry Team



2023 Advent & Christmas Schedule

Friday, 01 December 2023	6.30pm	2 nd Rite of Reconciliation in preparation for Christmas <i>(1st Friday of Dec. : Mass at 9am (No adoration in the evening))</i>
Saturday, 16 December 2023	5.00pm 7.00pm	Vigil Mass Carols by Candlelight <i>(Indoor / bring a plate to share)</i>
Christmas Eve Sunday, 24 December 2023	9.00am	Only one Mass in the morning
	6.00pm *	Children & Youth Nativity Mass—(Ekalesia Choir)
	10.00pm *	Christmas Eve Vigil Mass—(Filipino Choir)
Christmas Day Monday, 25 December 2023	9.00am *	Christmas Day Mass—(African Choir)
Note * Christmas Carols will be sung by the respective choirs from half an hour before all these Masses		
Feast of the Holy Family Tuesday, 26 December 2023	9.00am	Congregation led singing
New Year's Eve Sunday, 31 December 2023	8.00am	New Year's Eve Weekend Mass (SMK Choir)
	9.30am	New Year's Eve Weekend Mass (Ekalesia Choir)
New Year's Day: Monday, 1 January 2024	9.00am	Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God <i>(congregation led singing)</i>

5pm Saturday 2nd
Advent Vespers
Cathedral Schola #

5pm Sunday 3rd
Dominic Perissinotto
(pipe organ) *

5pm Sunday 10th
Christopher Trikilis
(pipe organ) *

5pm Sunday 17th
(in the Chapel)

Vinnies Christmas Appeal
St Vincent de Paul Society
good works

YOUR SUPPORT
WILL GIVE HOPE TO STRUGGLING
FAMILIES THIS CHRISTMAS

Every family deserves a safe and happy Christmas.

This year, our parish St. Vinnies Conference will be collecting Monetary Donation, Gift Cards and Non-Perishable Food items as part of their annual Christmas Appeal project. They welcome your generous and kind contributions in support of this project. A box will be placed at the entrance of the church during our weekend Masses in Advent, to collect the monetary donations and gift cards and a basket to collect the food items. Thank you kindly for all your support!