

# St. Maximilian Kolbe Catholic Parish

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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

### **Parish Secretary**

Ronet D'Mello

# **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

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
Friday	9.00am
Saturday	8.00am

### **Weekend Mass Times**

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

# 2nd Sunday of Advent: 10 December 2023

As the journey of Advent continues, and as we prepare to celebrate the nativity of Christ, John the Baptist's call to conversion sounds out in our communities. It is a pressing invitation to open our hearts and to welcome the Son of God who comes among us to make Divine judgement manifest. The Father, writes St. John the Evangelist, does not judge anyone, but has entrusted the power of judgement to the Son, because He is the Son of Man.

And it is today, in the present, that we decide our future destiny. It is with our concrete everyday behaviour in this life that we determine our eternal fate. At the end of our days on earth, at the moment of death, we will be evaluated on the basis of our likeness or otherwise to the Baby Who is about to be born in the poor grotto of Bethlehem, because He is the measure God has given humanity.

Through the Gospel, John the Baptist, continues to speak down through the centuries to each generation. His hard clear words bring health to us, the men and women of this day in which even the experience and perception of Christmas often, unfortunately, reflects materialist attitudes.

The 'voice' of the great prophet asks us to prepare the way for the coming Lord in the deserts of today, internal and external deserts, thirsting for the water of life which is Christ. — Benedict XVI

Excerpts adapted from: https://www.catholicculture.org/culture/liturgicalyear/calendar/day.cfm?date=2017-12-10



Lord, in a season when every heart should be happy and light many of us are struggling with the heaviness of life-burden that steal the joy right out of our stockings. Tragedy arrives as innocent victims suffer, and an inner voice whispers, "Be afraid!". We need your peace, Jesus. We confess that our hearts are too often filled with wonder of a different kind: wondering when the bills will be paid, when the terror of Covid will stop, when rest will come?????...

In a world where worry, not peace, prevails, God of Peace, stir up that good news again!. This Advent, make it real in our hearts. Never have we needed Your joy and peace more than now. Thank You for the gift of Jesus, our Immanuel, the Word made flesh. Your name is still called "Wonderful.: "Counselor", "The Mighty God", "The Everlasting Father" and "The Prince of Peace". We know that peace on earth can only come when hearts find peace with you.

Edited from Rebecca Barlow Jordon's "A Prayer for Peace and Joy of Christmas"

### **Date Claimers**

Dec. 16 Saturday: Evening Mass at 5pm instead of 5.30pm in preparation for Carol singing. Please bring a plate to share during the carol singing.

On behalf of all Parishioners of the parish of St. Maximilian Kolbe, we warmly welcome

# Jacob Wang, seminarian from SVD

Jacob Wang is from China. He has already finished his Novitiate and Philosophy and came to Australia from China to study English and to continue his studies in Melbourne. He will be with us from 9<sup>th</sup> December till 12<sup>th</sup> February 2024.

Fr. Mikhael Loke & Fr. Nick de Groot

### 2nd Sunday of Advent: 10th December 2023

First Reading: Isaiah 40: 1-5, 9-11 *Prepare the way for the Lord* 

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm: 84: 9-14

Lord, let us see your kindness,
and grant us your salvation.

Second Reading: 2 Peter 3: 8-14

We wait for new heavens and a new earth

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!
Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths:
all people shall see the salvation of God.
Alleluia.

Gospel: Mark 1:1-8

Make straight the paths of the Lord.

### Roster for the weekend of 16 and 17 December 2023

#### **Mass Coordinators**

16 Dec. 5.00pm - Luis Vasquez 17 Dec. 8.00am - Orlando Diente 17 Dec. 9.30am - Tua Niumagumagu

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#### Readers

16 Dec. 5.00pm - Hilda Bowden

Francesca Ordonez

17 Dec. 8.00am - Lele Faaeteete

- Beah Taualai

17 Dec. 9.30am - Boyet Domingo

Nina Domingo

#### **Communion Ministers**

16 Dec. 5.00pm-Patricia Vasquez, Wendy & Paul Simpson17 Dec. 8.00am-Korina Laban, Sera Thomas, Brian Cunningham17 Dec. 9.30am-Winnie Kepu, TiiTill Toalepai, Doris Deurloo

Altar Servers

16 Dec. 5.00pm - Abigail & Annabel

17 Dec. 8.00am - Malachi, Talalei and Matilda

17 Dec. 9.30am - Salvius and Parfait

**Choir** 

16 Dec. 5.00pm - Family Choir

17 Dec. 8.00am - Congregation led singing

17 Dec. 9.30am - Filipino Choir

<u>Counters</u> : Malcolm, Wilda and Noel

Cleaners : Rosary Group

### **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 03rd December 2023**

Envelopes Received : 28

Amount from Contributions : \$ 2,409.95
Yarrabilba : \$ 128.15
TOTAL : \$ 2,5.8.10



# YARRABILBA MASS CENTRE

Weekend Community Mass

will be held at 4.00pm on:

# Sunday: 10 Dec & 17 Dec, 2023

### **Centre Location:**

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

All are Welcome!

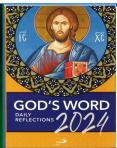


### Please Pray for the Sick

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.





### **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 NATIVTY 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 24<sup>th</sup> November 2023. Parents can register the names of their children on a list that will be placed at the entrance of the church.

Working Bee

# Saturday, 16th December from 8.30am



We invite all able-bodies to help us to prepare our church building and grounds for the upcoming Christmas celebrations.

Thank you very much!

Fr. Mikhael & Fr. Nick



