



St. Maximilian Kolbe Catholic Parish

Kingston-Marsden-Loganlea-Crestmead-Waterford-Logan Reserve-Yarrabilba
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5549 8000

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5670 7000

Weekday Mass Times

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

1st Sunday of Advent: 27 November 2022



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

Fri 02 Dec : Eucharistic Adoration at 6.30pm
Followed by Mass at 7pm
Tue. 06 Dec : Healing Mass at 10.45am
Sat. 10 Dec : Carols on the Green from 7pm - 9pm



Roster for the weekend of 03 – 04 Dec. 2022

Mass Coordinators:

03 Dec. 5.30pm - William Barncastle
04 Dec. 8.00am - Nimfa Brookes
04 Dec. 9.30am - Ron Klerks

Readers

03 Dec. 5.30pm - Sue Barrett
- Destiny

04 Dec. 8.00am - Brain Cunningham
- Buxton Thomas

04 Dec. 9.30am - Flower Donohue
Tamate Tumanuvao

Altar Servers

John & May

Jasmine & Israel

Communion Ministers:

03 Dec. 5.30pm - Rosemary Ordonez, Sue McKeown
04 Dec. 8.00am - Rachel Matijasevic, Lele Faaeteete
04 Dec. 9.30am - Filomena Tuiafiso, Mary Klerks

Choir:

03 Dec. 5.30pm - Saturday Night Choir
04 Dec. 8.00am - St. Max Choir
04 Dec. 9.30am - Family Choir

Counters : Swindells Family

Cleaners : Rosary Group

Flowers :

First Sunday of Advent : 27 November 2022

First Reading (Isaiah 2:1-5)

The Lord will gather all nations in eternal peace in the kingdom of God.

Responsorial Psalm (121: 1-2, 4-5, 6-9)

Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

Second Reading (Romans 13: 11-14)

The time has come, our salvation is near.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord Show us your mercy and love,

And grant us salvation

Alleluia!

Gospel (Mathew 24:37-44)

Stay awake, you must be ready.

Collection: Week-ending: 20 Nov. 2022

Envelopes Received : 30
Amount from Contributions : \$ 1,944.80
Yarrabilba Mass Centre : \$ 142.50

TOTAL : \$ 2,087.30



Please Pray for the Sick

F.Bowden, L.Seeto, J.Collins, M.Dunlop,
D.Curtis, M.Pierce, R.Henwood, V.Reid,
V.Gspejon, V.Dancey, S.Daniel, A.Purkis,
L.Guadez, K & S Talatonu, B.Hodgson,
M.Finnerty, M.Glorioso, D.Hall, J.Lachlan, A.Van Uitregt,
V.Toalepai, K Brown, M.Trehane, J.Maloney, E.Kruger,
J&A Dent, G&M Gorosito, Asiata J.Lealaitafea, A.Carter,
E.B Sebuano, Pona Vai, N.Dunmore, V.Venables,
T.Gibson, F. Petelo, Helen Guadez, M.Vaigafa, Verity
Madsen, O. Barrett, Tatiana Tagirova, Ruperto M., John
Daley, Mikaele Tito, Nora Philips, Alzira D'souza, Agnes
Hamilton, Wena Prowse, Tuala V & M L Petelo,
Catherine Hetherington, Pete Pietkiewicz, Zhaylee
Curtis, Sesilia Muevae, V&A Asiata-Kelemete, Mynott
Family, Reef Wallace Carroll. Noreen Audley, Daisy Ann
Thomas, John Williams.



YARRABILBA MASS CENTRE

Weekend Community Mass
will be held at 5.00pm on:

Sunday, 27th Nov. & 04th Dec. 2022

Centre Location:

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

All are Welcome!

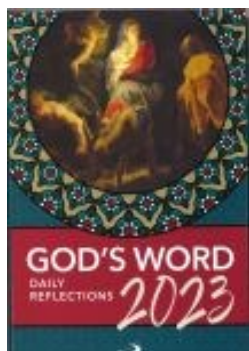


Christmas Eve on Saturday, 24 Dec 2022

Carols @ 5.30pm

Children's Mass & Nativity Play @ 6.00pm

If you want to have your child(ren) participate in the Nativity Play, please contact our Parish's Children's Ministry coordinator: [Nimfa Brookes](#) for further information at [0474 037 195](tel:0474 037 195).
Registration is open. Please fill in the information on the sheet at the entrance of the church



GOD'S WORD 2023
is now available for purchase at
\$15.00/copy
Please get your copy from the
piety shop or at the entrance of
the Church

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



ST MAXIMILIAN KOLBE MUSIC MINISTRY

Invitation to All parishioners (including members of our various choir groups) to join the St. Maximilian Kolbe Music Ministry to provide music for the Christmas Eve Mass on 24 December at 10pm. The SMKMM Choir Practice schedule is as follows:

- ◆ Monday, 12 December at 7:00pm for Musicians
- ◆ Thursday, 15 December at 7:00pm for the whole choir.

SAMOAN MASS ON SUNDAY **4 DECEMBER AT 11.30AM**

On behalf of the Ekalesia Samoa, we would like to invite all our Samoan people to come and join us in celebrating this Samoan Mass together on Sunday 04 Dec. 2022 at 11:30am at St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish, Marsden.

Our first choir practice will be on Sat. 26.11.2022 @ 10am at St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish. Looking forward to seeing you all. Thank you and God Bless!

Ekalesia Samoa Group

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, 2nd Dec. 2022



2022 Advent & Christmas Program

As a Parish community, we welcome you to join us in celebrating the true reason for the season: the birth of Jesus Christ our Saviour!
Please feel free to bring your family and friends and come along to any of our Advent events and liturgical services schedule here!

Saturday, 10 December	7.00pm - 9.00pm	Christmas Carols on the Green <i>(outdoor; BYO mat/rugs, food & cold drinks)</i>
Friday, 16 December	7.00pm - 8.00pm	2nd Rite of Reconciliation in preparation for Christmas
<u>Christmas Eve</u>	6.00pm *	Children & Youth Nativity Play & Christmas Mass (Ekelesia & Divine Mercy Choir)
Saturday, 24 December	10.00pm *	Christmas Eve Vigil Mass (St. Maximilian Kolbe Music Ministry Choir)
<u>Christmas Day</u> Sunday, 25 December	9.00am * (there will be only one Mass)	Christmas Day Mass (African Choir)
Note * Christmas Carols will be sung by the respective choirs from half an hour before all these Masses		
<u>New Year's Eve</u>	5.30pm	Eucharistic Adoration
Saturday, 31 December	6.00pm	Saturday Vigil Mass
<u>New Year's Day:</u>	8.00am	<i>congregation led singing; however, if there is any choir who is available to lead the singing on either of the two Masses here, please notify the Parish Office. Thank you.</i>
Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God	9.30am	
Sunday, 1 January 2023	5.00pm	Mass at Yarrabilba

An Advent Prayer

Lord Jesus, Master of both the light and the darkness, send your Holy Spirit upon our preparations for Christmas.

We who have so much to do seek quiet spaces to hear your voice each day.

We who are anxious over many things look forward to your coming among us.

We who are blessed in so many ways long for the complete joy of your kingdom.

We whose hearts are heavy seek the joy of your presence.

We are your people, walking in darkness, yet seeking the light.

To you we say, "Come, Lord Jesus!"
Amen.

HENRI J.M. NOUWEN



OurSundayVisitor

10 ATTITUDES FOR ADVENT



Search

God in others and in your day to day life.



Be coherent

Match your actions to your beliefs.



Speak

about God. Don't be ashamed of Him.



Be generous

Share your time and your joy.



Love

others through simple and kind gestures.



Illuminate

others with joy. Be a light in the world.



Trust

God is always listening.



Reconcile

with God and others.



Be grateful

with God for all your blessings.



Pray

Dedicate some special time to God.



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!