



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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Tom Kalaja

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Buxton Thomas

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Ron Klerks (0411057611)

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St. Francis College

Mr. John Marinucci (Principal)
3489 4800

St. Clare's Primary School

Mr. Michael McInerney (Principal)
5549 8000

San Damiano College

Mr. Peter Edwards (Principal)
5670 7000

Weekday Mass Times

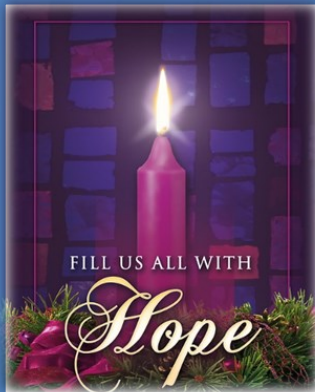
Monday	No Mass
Tuesday	9.00am
Wednesday	9.00am
Thursday	9.00am
Friday	7.00pm
Saturday	8.00am

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday: 5.30pm

Sunday : 8.00 am & 9.30am

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT: 28 NOVEMBER 2021



The First Advent candle is traditionally called the Prophet's Candle. It reminds us of how God spoke to his people through the prophets, offering them hope of a Saviour. It also reminds us of the faithfulness of God's promises, so we can live in hope.

Advent is a time when we expect mercy and liberation because our Lord, the King of the universe whose solemnity we celebrated last Sunday comes with power to reign over his people. This Advent is special because it marks the beginning a special year dedicated to the family.

The first reading from Jeremiah reminds us that we expect the fulfillment of God's promises to us this season. The promise is about our deliverance, and the restoration of our lost integrity which has been stifled by fear of the unknown. It is equally a time of restoration of our hope and faith. Jesus comes also to liberate us from shame and sorrows.

How do we begin this preparation? Paul gives us a clue in our second reading when he says: "May he so confirm your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless in the sight of our God...when our Lord Jesus comes with all his saints."

Holiness of life in our world today appears to have lost its meaning or perhaps is one concept that sounds so abstract or even relative. In other words, it is believed

by many, even Christians, to be unattainable. Yet, it is a necessary condition for seeing and meeting the Lord when he comes because, "without holiness no man can see the Lord" (Heb 12, 14). In spite of the difficulties we face in attaining holiness, this season Paul admonishes us to "conduct ourselves in the way that please God." This is a call to strive for perfection. If it were not possible, Christ would not have demanded it from us. So, this season, let us endeavor to avoid greed, licentiousness, inordinate ambitions, anger, malice, backbiting, gossips, abortion, drunkenness, immodesty, and all sorts of vices. We must prepare and equip ourselves with good virtues like a bride waiting for her groom.

Today's gospel reminds us of something very important in our Christian journey. It calls us to be awake and watchful. Therefore, this is a call for us to intensify and strengthen our prayer life. This is because prayer purifies the soul and casts away all fears. It prepares and strengthens us in joyful hope. Importantly, prayer provides us the spiritual energy, courage and confidence to stand firm. Therefore, as a family, this Advent offers us the opportunity to unite in prayers as we wait for the Lord. So, rather than engage ourselves only with mundane preparations, let us engage ourselves in intensive prayers. We must prepare together as a family through prayer.

May our Lord find us awake and ready when he comes in glory.
So, with the psalmist let us proclaim: "To you, O Lord I lift up my soul."

Reflection by Rev. Fr. Njoku Canice Chukwuemeka, C.S.Sp.
Catholic Priest & a Member of the Congregation of the Holy Ghost Fathers & Brothers (Spiritans)

Prayer Intention of the Parish for the 1st Week of Advent:
For our broken world that is struggling from the effects of the Covid-19 pandemic & extreme weather conditions

Date Claimers

Thur. 2 Dec - 6.30pm : 1st day Novena to St. Joseph
Fri. 3 Dec - 6.30pm : 2nd day Novena followed by Mass
Sat. 4 Dec - 6.30pm : 3rd day Novena (after 5.30pm Mass)
Sun. 5 Dec - 6.30pm : 4th day Novena
Mon. 6 Dec - 6.30pm : 5th day Novena
Tue. 7 Dec - 10.45am : Healing Mass followed by Christmas Luncheon
 - 6.30pm : 6th day Novena followed by Liturgy Committee Christmas Gathering in the Hall
Wed. 8 Dec - 6.30pm : 7th day Novena followed by fellowship
Fri. 10 Dec - 7.00pm : 2nd Rite of Reconciliation
Sun 12 Dec - 6.30pm Parish Volunteer Training followed by Appreciation Dinner for all parish volunteers.

Roster for the week ending 4/5 December 2021

Mass Coordinators:

4 Dec. 5.30pm - William Barncastle
 5 Dec. 8.00am - Nimfa Brookes
 5 Dec. 9.30am - Diana Faaeteete

Readers & Alter Servers Readers: Altar Servers:

4 Dec 5.30pm - Hilda Bowden
 - Adeline Barncastle
 5 Dec. 8.00am - Josephine Thomas Anella, May
 - Brian Cunningham & John
 5 Dec. 9.30am - SMK Youth Destiny & Salvius

Special Ministers for Eucharist:

4 Dec. 5.30pm - William Barncastle
 5 Dec. 8.00am - Lele Faaeteete
 5 Dec. 9.30am - Joy Wallace

Choir :

4 Dec. 5.30pm - Saturday Night Choir
 5 Dec. 8.00am - SMK Choir
 5 Dec. 9.30am - SMK Youth Choir

Counters : Malcolm & Wilda, Noel Swindells

Cleaners : Mafuli and Tua Niumagumagu

Flowers : Suli, Litia, Telesia, Luta

1st Sunday of Advent: 28 November 2021

First Reading: Jeremiah 33: 14-16

I will cause a good seed to spring forth from David

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 24:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14

To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 3:12 - 4:2

When Christ comes may he strengthen your hearts in holiness

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord, show us your mercy and love,
and grant us your salvation.

Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

Your redemption is near at hand.

Collection: Week-ending 21 November 2021

Envelopes Received	:	45
Total Amount	:	\$ 2,409.25
Yarrabilba Mass Centre	:	\$ 191.25
TOTAL	:	\$ 2,600.50

Please Pray for the Sick in our Parish

R Kasipale, J&A Pale, F.Bowden, L.Seeto,
 J.Collins, M.Dunlop, M.Pierce, R.Henwood,
 D.Curtis, V.Reid, V.Gspejon, V.Dancey, S.Daniel,
 A.Purkis, L.Guadez, K&S Talatonu, B.Hodgson,
 M.Finnerty, L.Guadez, M.Glorioso, D.Hall, J.
 Lachlan, A.Van Uitregt, N.Cutuk, V.Toalepai,
 G.&K Brown, M.Trehane, B.Vandenberg,
 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, Oliver
 Barrett, Tatiana Tagirova, Ruperto Martinez,
 John Daley, Mikaele Tito, Maureen Mitchell,
 Nora Philips, Alzira D'souza, Agnes Hamilton,
 Wena Prowse, Tuala V & M L Petelo, Catherine
 Hetherington, Pete Pietkiewiez. Emmanuel Dela
 Cruz Jr. Zhaylee Curtis.

SHARING SCRIPTURE

Discover • Jesus • Together

BIBLE SHARING GROUP

We invite parishioners who may be interested in joining a Bible Sharing Group. You are welcome to share your faith with others based on the Word of God. For more information, please contact our Bible Sharing Group Leader: **Domingo Fataccioli at 0429 656 264**



***In Loving Memory of...* Geoffrey Malcolm Brown**

Geoff passed away peacefully on 22 November 2021. We extend our deepest condolences to Geoff's beloved wife, Kaylene and the rest of his family during this time of grief.

Eternal Rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let your perpetual light shine on him. May his soul rest in peace, Amen!

Funeral Service will be held on Tue. 30 Nov at 11.00am

**St Clare's
PRIMARY SCHOOL**



YARRABILBA MASS CENTRE

**Weekend Community
Mass**

5pm on Sunday:

28 Nov & 5 Dec 2021

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



7-day Novena to St. Joseph (to close the Year of St. Joseph)

The Music Ministry
Combined Choir Group
will sing on Wed, 8 Dec
at the 7pm Mass

- Day 1: Thurs, 2 Dec - 6.30pm Novena
- Day 2: Fri, 3 Dec - 6.30pm Novena; followed by 7pm Mass (no Adoration)
- Day 3: Sat, 4 Dec - 6.30pm Novena; after 5.30pm Mass
- Day 4: Sun, 5 Dec - 6.30pm Novena
- Day 5: Mon, 6 Dec - 6.30pm Novena
- Day 6: Tues, 7 Dec - 6.30pm Novena
- Day 7: Wed, 8 Dec - 9.00am Mass (no Novena in the morning)
- 6.30pm Novena; followed by 7pm Mass to close the Year of St. Joseph*

* please bring a plate to share for light refreshments after Mass



Parents with children aged 14 and above are encouraged to send their children to join our Parish Youth Group. The teenage years are particularly critical in faith formation and fellowship with others in the parish community. Please support our Youth Group with your prayers and the participation of your children. For more information please contact our Youth Communications leader:

Desiree Masaga @ 0406 100 677

Our next Youth Mass will be at
9.30am on Sunday, 5th Dec. 2021



Holy Baptism for Children

Available every Sunday, by arrangement

Please contact the Parish Office to make further enquires.

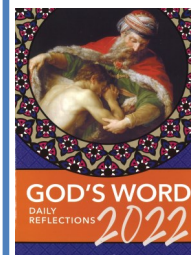
Our Children Baptism Coordinator is
Helen Swindells.



SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

In preparation for Christmas
there will be a
2nd Rite of Reconciliation
held at 7.00pm on
Friday, 10 December 2021

Fr. Mikhael and Fr. Long will lead us in a short time of reflection, to be followed by the 2nd Rite of Reconciliation. We may also have other priests available to hear confessions.



**GOD'S WORD
2022**
is now
available for
purchase at
\$15.00/copy

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

Advent Reflection Booklets
This is a daily reflection for
the season of Advent is now
available at \$5.00

Please get your copy from
the piety shop or at the
entrance of the Church

Special Invitation to ALL our Parish Volunteers

You are requested to attend a short half-hour compulsory training as required by the Brisbane Archdiocese at

6.30pm on Sunday, 12 December 2021

&

thereafter to join us for our

Volunteer Appreciation Dinner

at the Parish Hall

As this event will be catered for, kindly confirm your attendance either by calling or email the Parish Office or you can sign up at the entrance of the church by **Tuesday, 8 Dec 2021**



YOUR SUPPORT WILL GIVE HOPE TO STRUGGLING FAMILIES THIS CHRISTMAS



Every family deserves a safe and happy Christmas.

Monetary Donations and Gift Cards required. Please donate now and make a difference.

Carols by Candlelight

Saturday, 18 December 2021 from 7pm



All parishioners who wish to contribute their time/effort to help the Parish Council in planning and organizing this very special community event, are invited to join the **Christmas Event Committee**. The next **Committee Meeting** will be held on **Sunday, 5 December at 10.30am** at the **Parish Hall** (after the 9.30am Mass). Thank you! Fr. Mikhael

Healing Mass

Tuesday, 7 Dec 2021

10.45am

followed by

Christmas Luncheon



Everyone is
welcome!



DAILY

ADVENT CHALLENGE

Reflect on how you need Jesus in all aspects of your life. How will you prepare yourself this Advent for Him to meet your needs more fully?

