



# St. Maximilian Kolbe Catholic Parish

Kingston-Marsden-Loganlea-Crestmead-Waterford-Logan Reserve-Yarrabilba  
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## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Mon, Tue, Thur & Fri : 9.00am - 2.30pm | Closed on Wednesday



## Parish Contacts

### Parish Priest

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### Asst. Parish Priest

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### Parish Secretary

Ronet D'Mello 3803 0862

### Pastoral Council Chairperson

Noel Swindells

### Finance Committee Chair

Tom Kalaja

### Care and Concern Co-ordinator

Sue Barrett

### Youth Leader

Diana Faaeteete

### Liturgy Committee Co-ordinator

Buxton Thomas

### Parish Safeguarding Children Rep.

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** 9am & 7.00pm

**Tuesday** 10.45am & 7.00pm

**Wednesday** 9.00am

**Thursday** 9.00am

**Friday** 7.00pm

**Saturday** 8.00am

## Weekend Mass Times

**Saturday: 5.30pm**

**Sunday : 8.00 am & 9.30am**

## THIRTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME : 31 OCT. 2021

### Reflection

Jesus approaches the end of his journey. He has already entered Jerusalem when a 'scribe', who is evidently well disposed, asks which is the greatest of the commandments of the Law. As interpreters of the Law, the scribes had listed 613 ordinances calling for observance; it is not surprising that they often discussed their relative importance. This man seeks Jesus' view on the matter. This last exchange Jesus has with the leaders of Israel, in Mark's account, raises an issue important for his disciples. The incident illustrates how Jesus taught with an 'authority' that was different from the approach of the scribes (Mt 7:29). The scribes backed their interpretation by appealing to the authority of recognised interpreters; the response that Jesus gives is backed by his own authority. He underlines the commandment given in today's reading from Deuteronomy, familiar to all faithful Jews as part of their daily prayer: 'You must love the Lord with all your heart, soul, mind and strength' – in other words, with your whole being; to love anything in preference to the Lord is idolatry.

Jesus is calling his hearers back to the radical faith and trust that so often finds expression in the Old Testament – especially in the prophets and the psalms – a faith and trust that was a true response to the God who had entered into covenant with the chosen people. Jesus goes on, however, to show great originality and wisdom, by linking the 'first' commandment with a 'second': 'You must love your neighbour as yourself' (Lev 19:18).

The Covenant was intended to make old Israel 'a light to the nations' – their life, shaped by the ways of God, learned through the covenant relationship, was to be an invitation to all peoples of the earth to find the one, true God – 'The Lord our God is the one Lord' – and the blessings life with God can bring. The Saviour links the two commandments under the rubric of 'love'. The love true believers have for fellow human beings is a love that has been learned from God.

The theme of 'love', so important to every human heart, was soon to emerge, we know, as the very heart of the Gospel, the good news that 'God so loved the world that he gave his only Son'. (For Paul, 'Love is the fulfilment of the Law', Rom 13:10; as we live 'in Christ', God's own love 'has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit', Rom 5:5. Similarly, according to John, a 'new commandment' rules our Christian life, 'Love one another just as I have loved you', Jn 13:34; indeed, John declares, 'God is love', 1 Jn 4:8). The response of the scribe and the praise it won from Jesus, 'You are not far from the kingdom', point towards this fulfilment. Mark is reminding us that not all the leaders of the people were closed to the message of Jesus. Is it not likely that this scribe was soon to share in the faith inaugurated by the Lord's Paschal Mystery? This faith is interpreted in the reading from Hebrews, where Christ's saving work is compared with the role of priests of the Old Testament. But there is also a great contrast. The old role ended with death, and was compromised by sinfulness. The Old Testament ideal of clinging to God with one's whole being must have seemed a daunting, almost impossible one; now however faith in the Paschal Mystery assures us that the risen Saviour – 'holy, innocent and uncontaminated', and 'made perfect for ever' – gives us a share in his life with the Father.

Reflected by the late Fr. John Thornhill sm.

Adapted from: <http://www.theemmausseries.com/about.html>

### Date Claimers

**Mon. Nov. 1 : All Saints Day: Mass at 9am & 7pm**  
**Tue. Nov. 2 : All Souls Day: Mass at 10.45am & 7pm**  
**Fri. Nov. 5: First Friday, Adoration @6.30pm followed by Mass**  
**Mon. Nov. 8 : Combined Pastoral Council and**  
**Finance committee meeting at 7pm**  
**Tue. Nov. 9 : Liturgy Committee Meeting at 7pm**

### Roster for the week ending 06 /07 November 2021

#### Mass Coordinators:

06 Nov. 5.30pm - William Barncastle  
 07 Nov. 8.00am - Nimfa Brookes  
 07 Nov. 9.30am - Diana Faaeteete

#### Readers& Alter Servers      Readers:      Altar Servers:

06 Nov. 5.30pm - Adeline Barncastle  
 - Hilda Bowden

07 Nov. 8.00am - Buxton Thomas  
 - Brian Cunningham

07 Nov. 9.30am - SMK Youth

#### Special Ministers for Eucharist:

06 Nov. 5.30pm - Rosemarie Ordonez  
 07 Nov. 8.00am - Josephine Thomas  
 07 Nov. 9.30am - Kelemete Tito

#### Choir :

06 Nov. 5.30pm - Saturday Night Choir  
 07 Nov.. 8.00am - St. Max Choir  
 07 Nov. 9.30am - SMK Youth

Counters : Malcolm , Wilda and Noel Swindells

Cleaners : Ekalesia Group

Flowers : Fr. Long, Evelyn, Nimfa, Veronica and Olive

### Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time: 31 Oct, 2021

#### First Reading: Deuteronomy 6: 2-6

*Hear Israel, you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart.*

#### Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 17: 2-4, 47, 51

*I love you, Lord, my strength.*

#### Second Reading: Hebrews 7:23-28

*This one, because he remains for ever, has an eternal priesthood. .*

#### Gospel Acclamation:

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**All who love me will keep my words,  
 and my Father will love them, and we will come to them.**

**Alleluia!**

#### Gospel: Mark 12: 28-34.

*This is the first commandment, and the second is similar to it.*

### Collection: Week-ending 24 October 2021

Envelopes Received	:	
Total Amount	:	\$ 2,174.40
Yarrabilba Mass Centre	:	\$ 95.50
<b>TOTAL</b>	:	<b>\$ 2,269.90</b>

**THE CATHOLIC LEADER**  
 Keeping Faith with You

**The Catholic Leader for October is available at  
 the piety shop for \$4.00.**

### QUESTIONS ABOUT THE CATHOLIC VIEW ON VACCINATION?

You can learn more about Pope Francis's recent encouragement to all to get vaccinated with approved Covid-19 vaccines in the link below. Pope Francis referred to it as 'an act of love.' [https:// www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2021-08/pope-francis-appeal-covid-19-vaccines-act-of-love.html](https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2021-08/pope-francis-appeal-covid-19-vaccines-act-of-love.html)

The Archdiocese of Brisbane supports COVID-19 vaccination except for those people with a valid medical exemption from their health professional. We do recognise that some Catholics have concerns about the origins of the cell-line associated with the development of the AstraZeneca vaccine. If this is a concern for you then the Pfizer and Moderna vaccines provide two alternatives that avoid this issue.



### 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 Pietkiewicz, Emmanuel Dela Cruz Jr.

**St Clare's  
 PRIMARY SCHOOL**



**YARRABILBA MASS  
 CENTRE**

**Weekend Community  
 Mass**

**5pm on Sunday:  
 31 Oct & 07 Nov.  
 2021**

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

***All are Welcome!***

**Our Children's Liturgy** sessions will be held at the Maryfields Hall at **8.00am every Sunday.**



**CHILDREN'S LITURGY**

Parents with children aged 5 up to 13, are encouraged to send their children to attend these faith-forming, fun filled and learning sessions. Also we are seeking volunteers, especially those with teaching experience to join our Children Liturgy Ministry Coordinator, Tilesa and her team in this ministry.

For further information, parents/guardians can contact **Tilesa Vaigafa (Ph No: 0434 570 123)**



We invite all youth aged 14 and above, to join the SMK Youth Group. You are warmly welcome to participate in 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. For more information please contact our Youth Communications leader:

**Desiree Masaga @ 0406 100 677**

Our next Youth Meeting will be held on

**Friday, 26 Nov 2021 @ 7pm**

Our next Youth Mass will be at **9.30am on Sunday, 7th Nov. 2021**



**Holy Baptism**

**Sacrament of Baptism for Children**

Available every Sunday, by arrangement.

Please contact the Parish Office to make further enquires. Our Parish's Children Baptism Coordinator is **Helen Swindells.**

*All Souls Day*

**Tuesday. 2 Nov; Masses at:**

- **10.45am - Healing Mass**
- **7.00pm – followed by Blessing of the Columbarium**



*Those whose loved ones have passed away, may bring a photo of your loved ones to be placed on the Altar before Mass.*

A Memorial Book will be placed at the side of the Altar for anyone to write the names of your loved ones who have passed: these names will be incorporated into the Liturgies during the month of November.



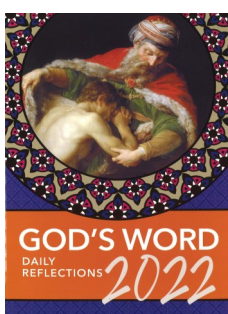
**Monday, 1 November**

**ALL SAINTS DAY**

**Mass at 9am & 7pm**



Thank you, God, for the tremendous sacrifices made by those who have gone before us. Bless the memories of your saints, God. May we learn how to walk wisely from their examples of faith, dedication, worship, and love, through Christ our Lord. Amen



**GOD'S WORD 2022**

is now available for purchase at **\$15.00/copy**

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

**HEALING MASS**

**Tues, 2 Nov 2021 @ 10.45am**



*followed by*

**MELBOURNE CUP LUNCHEON**

**Everyone is Welcome!**

*There will be heaps of Raffle draws prizes  
+ Melbourne Cup Sweepstakes  
+ Prizes for Best Dressed  
+ Best Hat / Headpiece*



**Hosted by the Ministry of Care & Concern**



## ANGLICAN ROMAN CATHOLIC RECONCILIATION SERVICE

Each year people from the Catholic Archdiocese of Brisbane, the Catholic Diocese of Toowoomba and the Anglican Church of Southern Queensland (the Diocese of Brisbane) gather to pray with and for one another for a greater mutual understanding and reconciliation. This year's service will be hosted by our Archdiocese at St Stephen's Cathedral and the theme is centred on the Season of Creation: "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." (Luke 12:32-34 NRSV)

**Details: Time: 11am-12pm Date: Thursday 4 November 2021**

**Location: St Stephen's Cathedral (249 Elizabeth St, Brisbane City)**

**Pre-registration for this event is not required**

## ANGLICAN ROMAN CATHOLIC

RECONCILIATION  
SERVICE



## CHAPLAINCY

*"The spiritual life does not remove us from the world, but leads us deeper into it"* Henri Nouwen

Dear Parishioners,

Many of you, now fall into the category of semi or fully retired people. And there are times, when you may find, that time weighs heavily on your shoulders, that you often feel, that there is still something else, that you would like to do, to achieve, to make better use of your many God-given talents. St Augustine gives us a clue, as to what is the cause of our ceaselessly wanting to achieve something new, our endless restlessness: *"You have made us for Yourself, O Lord, and our hearts are restless until they rest in You."* Our lives have been full of successes, but also of many good byes, and now, what is there left to satisfy our yearnings?

It is all about Spirituality. Plato lays out a broad spirituality, when he says that *'we are on fire, our souls come from beyond, the soul through its longing and hope creates fire in us and draws us back towards itself.'* Finding something to do is the answer to our restlessness, at least until we rest in God. So, what I am suggesting is that you seriously consider, the possibility of using your God-given gifts in the service of others, who are often much less fortunate than you are.

The ministry, I am suggesting that you seriously consider, is one of Chaplaincy. I have no doubt, that in your Parish, there are many wonderful community members, who frequently visit the former Parishioners, who are now confined to a Nursing Home, bringing them the Eucharist and some kind of friendly chat, news of the world. There are others, who visit the people, who are home-bound, and brighten their day with the joy of Christ.

To all this, I am offering you another opportunity for considering the possibility of becoming a Chaplain in the Logan Hospital. If this suggestion is a little surprising, then that is good. Mention that you are interested in learning more about Chaplaincy, to your Parish Priest, and we will arrange a suitable time for an information evening. After that, I am prepared to offer you a learning period of about a month, half a day once a week, walking the Wards of our local hospital, in the company of an experienced Chaplain. In a sense, this will be a little bit like standing in the wings of the stage, closely observing the action, asking questions, and having a first hand experience of what a Chaplain actually does. Pray about this sacred ministry, and seriously consider yourself as being part of such a Christ-like pastoral care service to the least and the most in need.

God bless always.  
Brother Brian Cunningham

**Interested persons please contact Fr. Mikhael (07-3803 0862 or email : [lokem@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:lokem@bne.catholic.net.au))**