



# 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 Priests

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#### Asst. Parish Priest

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#### Parish Secretary

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#### 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

Carlos Fernandez

#### Parish Safeguarding Children Rep.

Ron Klerks (0411057611)

#### St. Francis College

Mr. John Marinucci (Principal)  
3489 4800

#### St. Clare's Primary School

Mr. Michael McInerney (Principal)  
5549 8000

### Weekday Mass Times

**Monday** No Mass

**Tuesday** 10.45am

**Wednesday** 9.00am

**Thursday** 9.00am

**Friday** 9.00am

**Saturday** 8.00am

### Weekend Mass Times

**Saturday: 5.30pm**

**Sunday : 8.00 am & 9.30am**

### THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT: 7 MARCH 2021



Today's gospel brings us to that particular incident in the life of Jesus in which He was driving the people, the sellers and the moneychangers out of the temple. He was angry because they made His Father's house like a market place. But later on, He will be the one being driven out of the temple by His enemies, who will then destroy the temple of His body.

Here is a question that confront us today. Have we ever "turned our Father's house or the Church into a market place?"

We have turned it into a marketplace if we make it as a cosy social club instead of Catholic action, or spiritual drive-in instead of a real community of love. On the other hand, have we ever driven the Lord out of the temple of our hearts? We have done so if we have harboured grudges against someone, hate someone, judge them harshly, or ignored their cry for help.

The heart of every Christian is a temple of God. The Blessed Trinity dwells in its inmost depth. God desires to receive prayerful homage and loving worship from the heart of each one of us whom He has created and loved so intensely. Yet how often our hearts are clogged by evil habits and sins or cluttered up with all kinds of unworthy desires and worldly projects that are un-Christian-like. There are oppression of the poor, dishonesty in business, greed for gain, shady dealings with the unscrupulous, cold treatment of neighbours, servants and relatives.

The heart of man needs cleansing, a healing and a renovation. It needs to be transformed into the image of God as it is destined to be. The Parish church is a house of God because in it is the tabernacle where the Body and Blood of Christ are being kept under the appearance of the sacred host and wine. Our parish church is not only the house of God; it is also the assembly for God's people who are celebrating the Last Supper of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist.

St. Paul in his letter to the Corinthians said: "Surely you know that you are God's temple and God's Spirit lives in you! So if anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy him. For God's temple is holy, and you yourselves are His temple" (1Cor 3:16-17). In other words, we are the temple of God; His own house. So, we have the obligation to preserve our health and our life. So, while there is still time left for cleaning ourselves this Lent, may we listen to our Lord more with our hearts than with our ears, lest we miss the meaning He intends for us today.

by Rev. Fr. Joseph S. Benitez - Roman Catholic Diocese of Marbel, Philippines

## DATE CLAIMERS

### 7-day Novena to St. Joseph: 12 - 19 March

Day 1 - Fri. 12 Mar : 6.30pm - 7.30pm  
Day 2 - Sat. 13 Mar : 6.30pm - 7.30pm  
Day 3 - Mon. 15 Mar : 6.30pm - 7.30pm  
Day 4 - Tue. 16 Mar : 6.30pm - 7.30pm  
Day 5 - Wed. 17 Mar : 6.30pm - 7.30pm  
Day 6 - Thur. 18 Mar : 6.30pm - 7.30pm  
Day 7 - Fri. 19 Mar : 6.30pm - 7.30pm  
: 7.30pm Stations of the Cross



### Roster for the week ending 13/14 March 2021

#### Readers:

13 March: 5.30pm - Verity Madsen  
- Malcolm D'Souza  
14 March : 8.00am - Lele Faaeteete  
- Nimfa Brookes  
14 March : 9.30am - Fono Tufuga  
- Manuel Taofinu'u

#### Choir :

13 March: 5.30pm - Saturday Night Choir  
14 March : 8.00am - Africian Choir  
14 March : 9.30am - Ekalesia Choir

Counters: Swindells Family

Cleaner's: Rosary Group, Repeka and Agnes

### 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, T.Canty, 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, C.Rodrigues, V.Venables, T.Gibson, F. Petelo, Helen A Guadez, M.Vaigafa, O.Donna, Verity Madsen, Oliver Barrett, Tatiana Tagirova, Ruperto Martinez, John Daley, Mikaele Tito, Maureen Joy Mitchell, Nora Philips, Alzira D'souza.

## Third Sunday of Lent: 07 March, 2021

First Reading: Exodus 20: 1-17

*The law was given through Moses.*

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 18:8-11

*Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.*

Second Reading: Corinthians 1: 22-25

*We are preaching a crucified Christ, a scandal to many, but to those who have been called, the wisdom of God.*

Gospel Acclamation:

*Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!*

*God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son, That allow believe in him might have eternal life.*

*Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!*

Gospel: John 2: 13-25

*Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.*

## YARRABILBA MASS CENTRE

**Weekend Community Mass @ 5.00pm**

**Sunday, 7 March & 14 March**

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

*All are welcome*



### Thanksgiving: Week Ending 28 February 2021

**Envelopes Received : 43**

**Total Amount : \$ 3,107.20**

**Yarrabilba Mass Centre : \$ 124.50**

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**TOTAL : \$ 3,231.70**

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## **Sacramental Program 2021**

We will begin our Children's Sacramental Program for 2021 very soon. This would be for the **Sacrament of Confirmation** and the **Sacrament of First Holy Communion**. If you want your child/children (above 8 years old) to receive either one of these sacraments, please enrol their names for this program.

The enrolment forms are now available at the entrance of the Church and in the parish office. The last date for enrolment is Sun. 7 March 2021.

**The Sacrament of Confirmation will be held on Sunday, 9th May 2021**

## **Schedule of Preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation**

Day/Date	Particulars
<b>Sunday, 07 March</b>	Registration and Enrolment
<b>Sunday, 14 March</b>	Session with parents/guardians 10.30am with Lorraine Wynne
<b>Sunday, 21 March</b>	Children presented with books 1 <sup>st</sup> Session for Confirmation at 10.30am
<b>Sunday, 18 April</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Session for Confirmation at 10.30am
<b>Sunday, 25 April</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Session for Confirmation at 10.30am
<b>Thursday, 29 April</b>	Session with parents/guardians at 6.30pm with Lorraine Wynne
<b>Saturday 08 May</b>	Sacrament of Reconciliation and Rehearsal for the Confirmation
<b>Sunday, 09 May</b>	<b>Confirmation Day</b>

## **COMBINED CHOIR PRACTICE**

There is a musicians practice for the combined choir on **Wednesday 10th March at 7pm at the church.**

All the musicians are requested to attend.

## **ALTAR SERVERS MEETING**

Altar Server's meeting and training for the Holy Week on **Saturday 13 March 2021 from 10 to 11.30am.** All Altar Servers are requested to attend **Fr.Long**



## **2nd Rite of Reconciliation**

**The 2nd Rite of Reconciliation will be held on Friday 26 March**

**2021 from 6pm onwards.**

**Reflection session will be lead by Fr. Ray Sanchez at 6 pm followed by Reconciliation at 7pm.**

**All are requested to attend.**

**Fr. Mikhael**



# Lenten Prayer: 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent

God, we come  
With hesitant steps  
and uncertain motives.  
To sweep out the corners  
Where sin has accumulated,  
And uncover the ways  
We have strayed from your truth.  
Expose the empty and barren places  
Where we don't allow you to enter.  
Reveal our half-hearted struggles  
Where we have been indifferent  
To the suffering of others.  
Nurture the faint stirrings of new life,  
Where your spirit has begun to grow.  
Let your healing light transform us,  
into the image of your Son.  
For you alone can bring new life  
and make us whole.

## International Women's Day 2021!

God our Creator,  
You have built up  
your Church through  
the love and devotion  
of women everywhere,  
throughout the ages:  
Inspire us to follow their  
great example and especially  
that of our beloved Mother,  
the Blessed Virgin Mary,  
that we may with them share  
in the vision of your Glory!  
Amen!



## PROJECT COMPASSION BE MORE

Oliva, 22, could not read, write or count, and her business was losing money. Then she attended Caritas Australia-supported literacy and numeracy classes, and set up a home classroom to teach her neighbours. Now her classes, business and family are thriving, and she aims to become a pastor and run for local leadership.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2021 and support people like Oliva's gain access to education to build a brighter future and live in communities that upholds everyone's dignity.

You can donate through  
Parish boxes and  
envelopes, by visiting  
[www.caritas.org.au/  
projectcompassion](http://www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion)  
or  
phoning 1800 024 413.



## Prayer to St. Joseph

St. Joseph,  
You were receptive to God working in your life. Help us  
by your prayers during this challenging times. You kept  
Jesus and Mary under your watchful care: may your  
prayers assist our local Church to respond to those in  
need. You taught the Christ Child your trade and  
prayers: help us to follow his example of love.

You were part of God's plan for all humanity: assist us to be vigilant and responsible  
this day. You spent your life in service: may we be mindful of others, particularly the  
elderly and vulnerable, caring for them in these difficult days. You trusted in the clear  
primacy of God over all history and every situation: help us to grow in faith and pray  
to the Father, Thy will be done. Amen