



St. Maximilian Kolbe Catholic Parish

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

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3489 4800

St. Clare's Primary School

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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	9.00am
Saturday	8.00am

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday: 5.30pm

Sunday : 8.00 am & 9.30am

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT: 12 DECEMBER 2021



The Third Advent candle is traditionally called the Shepherds Candle. It wasn't the rich and famous who came to worship Jesus that first Christmas, but poor shepherds. As we light the pink candle God invites us, His children, 'the poor in spirit' to come into His presence and worship Him

A soul that is devoid of joy is certainly devoid of Christ for Christ is the source and fountain of joy and it is fitting that as we prepare for His coming in glory and for the commemoration of His birth amongst us in human form over 2000 years ago, that our hearts should be filled with joy. Inspired by this, the Psalmist invokes us to "sing and shout for joy for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel." May the joy of the Lord diffuse afresh into us and our families and into the Holy Church of God and through our hearts filled with this joy that knows no end, diffuse to the utmost bounds of the earth; Amen.

The Third Sunday of Advent is known as the Gaudete Sunday, a title taken from the very first word of the Latin version of the Invitatory Antiphon for today's Mass "Gaudete in Domino semper – Rejoice in the Lord always." Most visible in the liturgical setting of this unique Sunday in the Liturgical Calendar is the rare liturgical colour rose that is worn by the priest and with which also the Altar is dressed.

The readings of today are concentrated with this theme of joy and the exhortation to be joyful. In the First Reading (Zephaniah 3:14-18), the prophet convokes us to "Shout for joy, daughter of Zion, Israel, shout aloud! Rejoice; exult with all your heart, daughter of Jerusalem! ... The Lord, the king of Israel, is in your midst; you have no more evil to fear."

Nothing could be a greater reason to be joyful than the presence of God in our midst; a concrete proof of His assurance that He is with us – Emmanuel. John the Baptist, who first and foremost while still in the womb, leapt for joy in recognisance of the eternal presence of God amongst us in the unborn Holy Child Jesus, knows that He is the true fount and source of our joy! In the Gospel Reading (Luke 3:10-18), preparing His people to meet Christ and subsequently pointing Him out to all of us John the Baptist exclaimed, "I baptise you with water, but someone is coming, someone who is more powerful than I am, and I am not fit to undo the strap of his sandals; he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and fire." The Man who John points out to us is the reason of the joy we have in us, the joy that we must share with others. He is Jesus Christ of Nazareth, the Lord.

Joy is a central part of blessedness and as a people walking towards that unique blessedness to which the Lord invites each of us, it is imperative to be joyful. The palpable sign of the presence of joy in us is our ability to inspire joy in others; especially those who seem to have no reason to rejoice. As we await the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, we must be containers and sharers of joy! We contain this joy when our hope is alive and active! A hope that is alive and active is a hope that prepares, a hope that partakes in the celebrations of the sacraments, especially in this Season, the Sacrament of Reconciliation. It is such hope that inflames our hearts with joy and leads us to export this joy to our brothers and sisters.

Extracted from the homily of Fr. Cyril Unachukwu CCE

**Prayer Intention of the Parish for the 3rd Week of Advent:
For all whose lives are void of true happiness**

Date Claimers

Sun 12 Dec - 6.30pm Parish Volunteer Training followed by Appreciation Dinner for all parish volunteers.

Sat 18 Dec - Working Bee from 8.30am onwards.

Sat 18 Dec - Carols on the Green from 7pm to 9pm;
Please bring your families and friends to join us for an evening of fun, nibbles & festive Carols... And don't forget to bring along your Picnic mats/blanket!

Roster for the week ending 18/19 December 2021

Mass Coordinators:

18 Dec. 5.30pm - Luis Vasquez
19 Dec. 8.00am - Lele Faaeteete
19 Dec. 9.30am - Joy Wallace

Readers & Alter Servers

Readers:

Altar Servers:

18 Dec 5.30pm	-	Malcolm D'Souza	
	-	Hilda Bowden	
19 Dec. 8.00am	-	Lele Faaeteete	Anella, May & John
	-	Marcia Canty	
19 Dec. 9.30am	-	Flor Gomez	Vitolina
	-	Flower Donohue	Paula & Michael

Special Ministers for Eucharist:

18 Dec. 5.30pm - Rosemarie Ordonez
19 Dec. 8.00am - Repeka Kasipale
19 Dec. 9.30am - Ron Klerks

Choir :

18 Dec. 5.30pm - Trinity Choir
19 Dec. 8.00am - St. Peter the Rock Choir
19 Dec. 9.30am - Filipino Choir

Counters : Repeka, Agnes and Lele

Cleaners : Ekalesia Group

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

Third Sunday of Advent: 12 December 2021

First Reading: Zephaniah 3: 14-18

With gladness the Lord will rejoice over you.

Responsorial Psalm: Isaiah 12: 2-6

Cry out with joy and gladness:

For among you is the great and Holy One of Israel.

Second Reading: Philippians 4: 4-7

The Lord is near

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me;
He sent me to bring Good News to the poor.

Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 3: 10-18

What then, must we do.

Collection: Week-ending 05 December 2021

Envelopes Received	:	39
Total Amount	:	\$ 2,213.50
Yarrabilba Mass Centre	:	\$ 99.50
TOTAL	:	\$ 2,213.00

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. Zhaylee Curtis, Sesilia Muevae.

We request a helping hand from every able bodied person to clean and prepare the church building and grounds for our upcoming Christmas Celebrations. So please come along to our Working Bee scheduled on:



Saturday, 18 Dec 2021
8.30am to 11.00am

The Catholic Leader December 2021 Issue. Yours to take home for \$4

- Men of God join ministry – new deacons ready to serve God
- Archbishops Coleridge speaks of Advent's first call to us
- A time to pray – Pope Francis' prayer intention for December
- Thinking shifts on safeguarding of the vulnerable
- New Catholic education executive director Dr Sally Towns announced
- Brisbane women from religious communities want people working together within the Church
- God sustains Dinh and Phien Nguyen through 70 years of marriage
- Dominican Father Karl Emerick called home to God
- How parents pass their religion on to the next generation
- Words of wisdom - Joyful expectation builds in Advent
- The powerful reality of parents' prayer can help us understand St Joseph's

St Clare's
PRIMARY SCHOOL



YARRABILBA MASS
CENTRE

Weekend Community
Mass

5pm on Sunday:

12 Dec. & 19 Dec 2021

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

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



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
Friday, 24th Dec. 2021 @ 6pm



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.

KOLBE KIDS CHRISTMAS PROGRAM



Christmas Eve on Friday, 24 Dec 2021

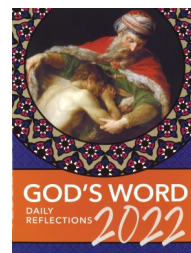
Carols @ 5.30pm

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:

Tilesa Vaigafa for further information at **0434 570 123**

Registration opens from 5th Dec 2021



**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



Friday, 10 December	7.00pm	2nd Rite of Reconciliation in preparation for Christmas
Saturday, 18 December	7.00pm	Carols by Candlelight (<i>outdoor / bring a plate to share</i>)
Christmas Eve Friday, 24 December	6.00pm *	Children & Youth Mass (Ekelesia & Divine Mercy Choir)
	9.00pm *	Kenneth and Fono Group
	12 midnight *	Parish Combined Choir
Christmas Day Saturday, 25 December	9.00am *	African Choir
Note * Christmas Carols will be sung by the respective choirs from half an hour before all these Masses		
Feast of the Holy Family Sunday, 26 December	8.00am	Divine Mercy Choir
	9.30am	Family Group Choir
	5.00pm @ Yarrabilba	Yarrabilba Choir
New Year's Eve Friday, 31 December	9.00am	Thanksgiving Mass (<i>congregation led singing</i>)
New Year's Day: Saturday, 1 January 2022	9.00am	Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God (<i>congregation led singing</i>)

ST. MAXIMILIAN KOLBE PARISH
PRESENTS

Carols
ON THE
Green

Saturday 18th December 2021
7-9pm

ST. MAXIMILIAN KOLBE CATHOLIC CHURCH
26-38 MACARTHY RD, MARSDEN

BYO CHAIRS, BLANKETS, FOOD/DRINKS
COMPLIMENTARY TEA/COFFEE AVAILABLE

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PERFORM, PLEASE CONTACT FONO ON 0406852930



SISTINE CHAPEL EXHIBITION

OCTOBER 27 — JANUARY 2, 2022

Take a life-size up-close perspective of Michaelangelo's Sistine Chapel. With special expertise and care, the ceiling paintings from the Chapel have been reproduced in a truly unique way using high definition photos.

Visitors are given a way to engage with the art work in ways that were never before possible; seeing every detail, every brushstroke, and every colour of the artists 34 frescoes. Tickets: Adults for \$22 per person; VIP Adult \$28 per person; Seniors or students \$17.60 per person, VIP Senior or Student \$23; Children for \$15.50 per person

Venue: The Ice Cream Factory, Level 2, West Village, 97 Boundary Road, West End 4101
Scan the QR code in the postcard below or visit <https://feverup.com/m/101306> for bookings.