# St. Maximilian Kolbe Catholic Parish

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**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

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

*We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land on which our church stands today, the Yugambeh and Yuggera people, and pay respects to their Elders, past, present and emerging. We, the St. Maximilian Kolbe Community, continue to be inspired by the value of justice, peace, and unity as we work together for the common good.*

## Parish Contacts

**Parish Priest (away till 22nd May)**
Fr. John Quang SVD 38030862
**Priest-in-Residence**
Fr. Nick De Groot SVD
**Parish Secretary**
Ronet D'Mello

**Pastoral Council Chairperson**
Noel Swindells

**Finance Committee Chairlady**
Christine Lapalapa

**Parish Safeguarding Children Rep.**
Ron Klerks / Verity Madsen
STOP line: 1300 304 550

## PARISH MINISTRY LEADERS

**Liturgy Ministries**
Rodolfo (Boyet) Domingo

**Children & Families Ministries and Children's Sacramental Program**
Helen Swindells

**Community Life Ministries**
Lele Faaeteete

**Youth & Young Adults Ministry**
Shanna Kelemete
Lawrence Auva'a

**Adult Faith Formation Ministries**
Alfred Gomez

**Outreach Ministry**
Winnie Kepu

## Affiliated Catholic Schools

**St. Francis College - Tel. No 3489 4800**
Mr. John Marinucci (Principal)

**St. Clare's Primary School - 5549 8000**
Ms. Liesl Profke (Principal)

**San Damiano College - 5670 7000**
Mr. Peter Edwards (Principal)

## Weekday Mass Times

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| **Monday** | **No Mass** |
| **Tuesday** | **9.00am** |
| **Wednesday** | **9.00am** |
| **Thursday** | **9.00am** |
| **Friday** | **9.00am** |
| **Saturday (Anzac Day** | **9.00am** |

## Weekend Mass Times

**Saturday 5.30pm**
**Sunday 7.30am and 9.30am**
**Confession : Saturday 5.00pm**

## THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER : 19 APRIL 2026

Today's Gospel is one of the great passages of the New Testament. It encapsulates, in a little over 20 verses, the whole of Christian life.

It begins with two disciples on the road leaving Jerusalem. For Luke, the focal point of Jesus' mission is Jerusalem. It was the goal to which all Jesus' public life was headed, and from there the new community would bring his Message to the rest of the world.

The two disciples are pilgrims on the road of life. Jesus is the Way, the Road. The problem is that at this moment, they are going in the wrong direction, away from Jerusalem.

The Risen Jesus joins them as a fellow traveller: *...but their eyes were kept from recognizing him.*

Seeing their obvious despondency and disillusionment, Jesus asks what they are talking about. With deliciously unconscious irony they say,

*Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?*

Jesus plays them out a little more with a totally innocent-sounding, "What things?" He wants to hear their version of what happened. To them, the death was the failure of Jesus' mission. They refer to him as a "prophet" as if, after the debacle of his death, they could not see in Jesus, the Messiah they had earlier acknowledged.

*...we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel.*

Jesus then gives them a lesson in reading the Scriptures, and shows them that all that had happened to him—including his suffering and death—far from being a tragedy, was all foreordained.

Jesus is then invited to stay with them and they share the meal. At this point, when Jesus breaks and shares the bread, they recognise Jesus and Jesus disappears. Their hearts are aglow and they rush back to Jerusalem from which they had been fleeing, to share their story with the others. Their faith was renewed with the Word of God and the bread of life.

Fr. Nick

## DATE CLAIMERS

**Fri. Apr. 24: Lectio Divina from 7.00-8.00pm.**
**Sat. Apr. 25: Anzac Day. Mass at 9am.**

## ADULT FORMATION MINISTRY

All Parishioners are cordially invited to attend LECTIO DIVINA sessions that will be facilitated by Fr. Nick, in the Parish Meeting Room on:

**Friday April 24, 2026 : 7:00pm – 8:00pm**

LECTIO DIVINA (Divine Reading) is a contemplative prayer practice which is intended to promote communion with God and deepen one's understanding of Scripture. It involves the reading of a Gospel section, then reflecting on it in silence followed by sharing, which is voluntary. The general experience is how the word of God can open-up in our hearts, for one another and with one another.

***Fr. Nick and Alfred Gomez***

## Roster for the weekend of 25 — 26 April 2026

**Mass Coordinators**

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| 25 Apr. | 5.30pm | - | Francesca Ordonez |
| 26 Apr. | 7.30am | - | Ron Klerks |
| 26 Apr. | 9.30am | - | Flor Gomez |

**Readers**

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| 25 Apr. | 5.30pm | - | Privelege Mtetwa & Hilda Bowden |
| 26 Apr. | 7.30am | - | Brian Cunningham & Deb Howkins |
| 26 Apr. | 9.30am | - | Boyet Domingo & Andrew Taualai |

**Communion Ministers**

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| 25 Apr. | 5.30pm | - | Rosemarie O., Sue M. Joshy Scaria |
| 26 Apr. | 7.30am | - | Mary K., Sera Thomas, Korina L |
| 26 Apr. | 9.30am | - | Joy W., Kristine D., Winnie K., Millie P. |

**Altar Servers**

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| 25 Apr. | 5.30pm | - | Daniel and Gerard |
| 26 Apr. | 7.30am | - | Clovis and Parfait |
| 26 Apr. | 9.30am | - | Jazmine and Tezaree |

**Choirs**

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| 25 Apr. | 5.30pm | - | Trinity Choir |
| 26 Apr. | 7.30am | - | Congregation Singing |
| 26 Apr. | 9.30am | - | Fono |

**Counters** : Christine Lapalapa and Noel Swindells
**Cleaners** : Vaigafa Family
**Flowers** : Suli, Lipine and Malia

## Collection: Week-ending: 12 April 2026

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| **Envelopes Received** | : | **24** |
| **Amount from Contributions** | : | **$ 1,200.20** |
| **Yarrabilba** | : | **$ 82.50** |
| **TOTAL** | : | **$ 1,282.70** |

**Donation from Divine Mercy Group: $ 500.00**

## Third Sunday Of Easter: 19th April 2026

**First Reading: Acts 2:14, 22-33**
*It was impossible for him to be held by the power of Hades.*
**Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 15: 1-2, 5, 7, 7-11**
*Lord, you will show us the path of life.*

**Second Reading: 1 Peter 1: 17-21**
*The ransom that was paid to free you was the blood of the Lamb, Jesus Christ*

***Gospel Acclamation:***

**Alleluia, alleluia!**
*Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us;*
*Make our hearts burn with love when you speak.*
**Alleluia!**

**Gospel: Luke 24:13-15**
*The recognised him at the breaking of the bread.*

## Gospel

### Luke 24: 13-15

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke**

***The recognised him at the breaking of the bread.***

Two of the disciples of Jesus were on their way to a village called Emmaus, seven miles from Jerusalem, and they were talking together about all that had happened. Now as they talked this over, Jesus himself came up and walked by their side; but something prevented them from recognising him. He said to them, 'What matters are you discussing as you walk along?' They stopped short, their faces downcast.

Then one of them, called Cleopas answered him, 'You must be the only person staying in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have been happening there these last few days.' 'What things?' he asked. 'All about Jesus of Nazareth' they answered 'who proved he was a great prophet by the things he said and did in the sight of God and of the whole people; and how our chief priests and our leaders handed him over to be sentenced to death, and had him crucified. Our own hope had been that he would be the one to set Israel free. And this is not all: two whole days have gone by since it allhappened; and some women from our group have astounded us: they went to the tomb in the early morning, and when they did not find the body, they came back to tell us they had seen a vision of angels who declared he was alive. Some of our friends went to the tomb and found everything exactly as the women had reported, but of him they saw nothing.'

Then he said to them, 'You foolish men! So slow to believe the full message of the prophets! Was it not ordained that the Christ should suffer and so enter into his glory?' Then, starting with Moses and going through all the prophets, he explained to them the passages throughout the scriptures that were about himself.

When they drew near to the village to which they were going, he made as if to go on; but they pressed him to stay with them. 'It is nearly evening' they said 'and the day is almost over.' So he went in to stay with them. Now while he was with them at the table, he took the bread and said the blessing; then he broke it and handed it to them. And their eyes were opened and they recognised him; but he had vanished from their sight. Then they said to each other, 'Did not our hearts burn within us as he talked to us on the road and explained the scriptures to us?'

They set out that instant and returned to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven assembled together with their companions, who said to them, 'Yes it is true, The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon.' Then they told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised him at the breaking of bread.

## SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION for Children

INFANT/CHILDREN BAPTISM INFORMATION BROCHURE IS AVAILABLE AT THE ENTRANCE OF THE CHURCH. ARRANGEMENTS CAN BE MADE BY CONTACTING OUR PARISH OFFICE (DURING OFFICE HOURS)

OUR PARISH'S CHILDREN BAPTISM COORDINATOR IS MRS. HELEN SWINDELLS

## Children's Ministry

**Every Sunday Morning**
**9:30am/ Parish Hall**
**Come and Join Us!**

Parishioners who have children between the ages of 5 up to 13, are encouraged to send their children to attend these weekly faith-forming, fun-filled and learning sessions.

For further information, parents or guardians can contact our Children's Ministry coordinator:
**Tiresa Vaigafa 0434 570 123**

## LOGAN CITY CATHOLIC YOUTH PRESENTS

# ALL IN

ENCOUNTER WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT

FRIDAY 22ND MAY 2026
6PM - 8:30PM

ST. EDWARD'S HALL DAISY HILL SCHOOL HALL
104 CHATSWOOD RD, DAISY HILL QLD 4127

PRAISE & WORSHIP
GUEST SPEAKER: FR BONNIE ABRAHAM
PRAYER TEAMS | RECONCILIATION
FOOD AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

COME AS YOU ARE AND BE PART OF SOMETHING BIGGER - AN OPPORTUNITY TO CONNECT, BELONG, AND ENCOUNTER CHRIST IN A REAL MEANINGFUL WAY.

MAKE SURE TO SCAN THE CODE TO REGISTER →

St Clare's PRIMARY SCHOOL

**YARRABILBA MASS CENTRE**

**Weekend Community Mass**

will be held at 4.00pm on:

**Sunday 12th April & 19th April 2026**

**Centre Location**: St. Clare's Primary School,

2 Combs St, Yarrabilba.

## Kolbe Youth Ministry

Young parishioners aged 13 and above, are invited to join the Kolbe Youth Ministry Citizens of Christ every Friday evenings from :
5pm- 7pm at Maryfields Hall.
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!

Please contact:

Shanna Kelemete 0456152625
salzhope83@outlook.com
Lawrence Auva'a 0434763218
auvaalaw30@gmail.com

St Francis College

# Open Day

**28 April | Crestmead**
**3.30 pm**

Discover our school
BCE **Open Week**

A Brisbane Catholic Education School Logan

## Schedule of Preparation for the Children's Sacrament of Confirmation

| Day/Date | Particulars |
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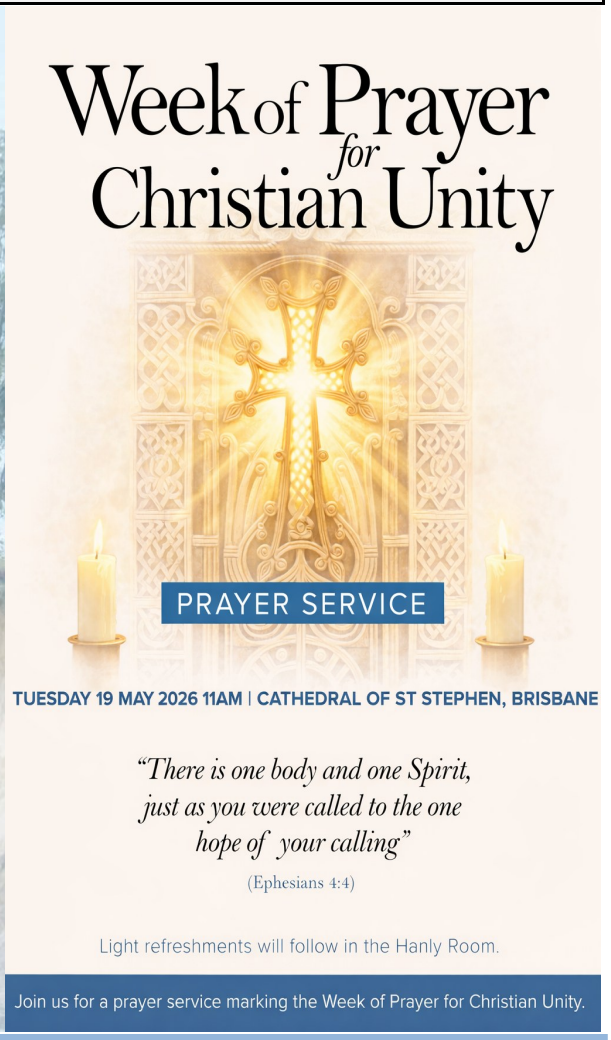
| **Wed. 29 April** | **Parents/Guardians' Information Session** at 6.30pm. |
| **Sat. 02 May** | **1st Workshop**: 3.00pm to 5.00pm;<br>Followed by Mass at 5.30pm. |
| **Sat. 16 May** | **2nd Workshop**: 3.00pm to 5.00pm;<br>Followed by Mass at 5.30pm. |
| **Sat. 23 May** | **Rehearsal** for the Confirmation at 9.00am |
| **Sat. 30 May** | **Confirmation Day @ 5.30pm** |




**We here at the Parish of St Maximilian Kolbe , as part of the Archdiocese of Brisbane MUST ABIDE BY AND ADHERE TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE PRIVACY ACT AND THE AUSTRALIAN PRIVACY PRINCIPLES.** Archdiocesan Website www.bne.catholic.net.au or www.kingstonmarsdenparish.org.au

We are also compelled to adhere to the **Policy of the Safeguarding Children & Vulnerable Adults**

https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/support/safeguard/