



OUR LADY OF FATIMA, KINGSGROVE

Opening to the challenge of renewal

Living out the Eucharist & Gospel of Jesus Christ

Fostering communal compassion and service

First Sunday of Lent (Year A) - 1 March 2020

MASS TIMES

Monday: Closed
Tuesday: 9:15am
Wednesday: 9:15am
Thursday: 9.15am
Friday: 12noon
Saturday: 9.15am & Vigil
 5.00pm
Sunday: 8:30am 10am
 & 5.00pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: 1st & 3rd Thursday of each month 7:00-8:00pm (in the oratory)

Friday: 11.00am - 12noon

Baptisms: Every 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month.
 (Please contact the Parish Office)

Weddings: By appointment
 (Please contact the Parish Office)



REFLECTION

Prior to commencing his public ministry, Christ was led into the wilderness for a period of forty days. This was a time of earnest prayer, of fasting, of confronting temptation, and of a deeper encounter with the mysteries of silence, solitude and the self. As we arrive at the first Sunday of Lent, it is pertinent to consider how we may emulate our Lord's example. Let us permit ourselves to be drawn more deeply into our own personal desert, into the hidden and sacred solitude of the soul, and through the uncharted empty spaces of our hearts. For it is when we are most truly alone that we become most authentically ourselves. And it is when we become most authentically ourselves that we are closest to God. For the human solitude of the heart, and the divine solitude of God abide, unseen and unknown, in the same ineffable silence.

God's Word 2020 Daily Reflections



HEALING MASS
FRIDAY 6TH MARCH
12 NOON
ALL WELCOME

Parish Priest: Fr Hamilton (Casey) Ureta

Assistant Priest: Fr George Sigamony

Pastoral Care Coordinator: Monique Choueifati: pastoralcare@olfkingsgrove.org.au

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Youth Coordinator: TBA

Secretaries: Katrina McNeill – Tuesday, Wednesday

Imelda Dela Cruz - Thursday, Friday (Bookkeeper, Accounts)

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WELCOME TO VISITORS AND NEW MEMBERS

(If you would like to register in the parish, please fill out this form and put it in the collection basket and we will mail you a registration form or you may fill one out at the parish office.)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____



Please take home a Project Compassion box and/or a set of donation envelopes and support Caritas Australia this

Lenten season themed **"Go Further Together"**. Your generosity will assist some of the world's most vulnerable communities to lift themselves out of poverty. When we **Go Further Together** in love and compassion, the whole world thrives.

You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, or by phoning 1800 024 413 or visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion.

Women's Social Support Group Tour of Elizabeth Bay House



Our April outing will be a tour of Elizabeth Bay House, Elizabeth Bay.

Followed by lunch at Club Bondi Junction RSL.

Date: **Wednesday 29th April, 2020**
 Train: **9.15am Kingsgrove & Bexley North 9.17am**
 Bus: **311 – 10.15am – Stand B**
 Tour: **Time: 11am – 12pm Payment by: Tuesday 14th April, 2020**
 Cost: **\$16.00 concession per person**
 Lunch: **1pm – Walk to Kings Cross – Train to Bondi Junction**

You can leave the payment in an envelope at the Parish Office marked with my name and Elizabeth Bay Tour.

We have to pay up two weeks before the Tour.

*If you would you like to come please **rsvp** to **Veronica** by **Monday 6th April 2020** on **0412 216 166** or **vtierney37@optusnet.com.au**.*

Women's Social Support Group Theatre Parties Organised by the Women's Social Support Group

9 to 5

Date: **Wednesday 10th June, 2020**
 Time: **1:00 p.m**
 Location: **Sydney Lyric Theatre, The Star, Pyrmont.**
 Cost: **\$69.90 per ticket.**
 Payment Date: **Friday 10th April, 2020**
SECRET GARDEN
 Date: **Wednesday 5th August, 2020**
 Time: **1:00 p.m.**
 Location: **Sydney Lyric Theatre, The Star, Pyrmont.**
 Cost: **\$69.90 per ticket.**
 Payment Date: **Friday 5th June 2020**

If you wish to go to either of these Theatre Parties please contact **Veronica** on **0412 216 166** or email vtierney37@optusnet.com.au

Everyone is welcome to come along to any of our Organised Theatre Parties, including friends, husbands, relatives etc.

Our special theatre party prices are for adults only.

Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Primary School is an important ministry of the OLF Parish at Kingsgrove. In partnership with parents and carers and the parish, our school is committed to the development of our students by providing a Catholic faith environment in which the Gospels are learned and lived, delivering an effective curriculum promoting lifelong learning, supporting and nurturing the needs of each child and leading all students to value and respect others within and beyond the school.

Enrolment Applications for Kindergarten 2021 are available from Monday, 2nd March 2020. The enrolment period closes on Friday 29th May 2020. (Enrolment of children in other Year levels is open throughout the year.)

Tours of the school are available on Friday, 6th March from 9.30am-11.00am. If your child is turning 5 before June 2021 you are eligible to apply. Priority for enrolment is given to Catholic families with strong demonstrable links to the OLF Parish. Please contact the School Office on 9502 3723 or visit the school website for more details.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS
Every Friday at 11:30am & 7:30pm during Lent



"Safeguarding in our Parish
It is my responsibility and your responsibility!

To make our Parish a safer place, all volunteers in any Ministry in our Parish are requested to use their PC to register for an online training course at: <https://goo.gl/forms/wSkRi3ZO6PzkRfbo1> If you have Safeguarding concerns you wish to raise, you can contact us via the e-mail address: safeguardingPSSO@olfkingsgrove.org.au

John Deacon and Gina Guiffrida, PSSO (Parish Safeguarding Support Officer)

A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney Abuse is a crime. The appropriate

people to deal with a crime are the police. If you – or anyone you know – have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at (02) 9390 5810 or

safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org.

You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT SUNDAY 1 MARCH 2020

First Reading [Gen 2:7-9; 3:1-7](#)

A reading from the book of Genesis

Creation of our first parents, and sin.

The Lord God fashioned man of dust from the soil. Then he breathed into his nostrils a breath of life, and thus man became a living being.

The Lord God planted a garden in Eden which is in the east, and there he put the man he had fashioned. The Lord God caused to spring up from the soil every kind of tree, enticing to look at and good to eat, with the tree of life and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil in the middle of the garden.

The serpent was the most subtle of all the wild beasts that the Lord God had made. It asked the woman, 'Did God really say you were not to eat from any of the trees in the garden?' The woman answered the serpent, 'We may eat the fruit of the trees in the garden. But of the fruit of the tree in the middle of the garden God said, "You must not eat it, nor touch it, under pain of death".' Then the serpent said to the woman, 'No! You will not die! God knows in fact that on the day you eat it your eyes will be opened and you will be like gods, knowing good and evil.' The woman saw that the tree was good to eat and pleasing to the eye, and that it was desirable for the knowledge that it could give. So she took some of its fruit and ate it. She gave some also to her husband who was with her, and he ate it. Then the eyes of both of them were opened and they realised that they were naked. So they sewed fig-leaves together to make themselves loin-cloths.

Responsorial Psalm [Ps 50:3-6. 12-14. 17. R. see v.3](#)
(R.) Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

1. Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness. In your compassion blot out my offence. O wash me more and more from my guilt. Band cleanse me from my sin. **(R.)**
2. My offences truly I know them; my sin is always before me. Against you, you alone, have I sinned; what is evil in your sight I have done. **(R.)**
3. A pure heart create for me, O God, put a steadfast spirit within me. Do not cast me away from your presence, nor deprive me of your holy spirit. **(R.)**
4. Give me again the joy of your help; with a spirit of fervour sustain me. O Lord, open my lips and my mouth shall declare your praise. **(R.)**

Second Reading [Rom 5:12, 17-19](#)

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

Where sin increased, there grace abounded all the more.

Sin entered the world through one man, and through sin death, and thus death has spread through the whole human race because everyone has sinned. If it is certain that death reigned over everyone as the consequence of one man's fall, it is even more certain that one man, Jesus Christ, will cause everyone to reign in life who receives the free gift that he does not deserve, of being made righteous. Again, as one man's fall brought condemnation on everyone, so the good act of one man brings everyone life and makes them justified. As by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by one man's obedience many will be made righteous.

Gospel [Mt 4:1-11](#)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus fasted for forty days and nights.

Jesus was led by the Spirit out into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights, after which he was very hungry, and the tempter came and said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to turn into loaves.' But he replied, 'Scripture says: Man does not live on bread alone but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.'

The devil then took him to the holy city and made him stand on the parapet of the Temple. 'If you are the Son of God,' he said, 'throw yourself down; for scripture says: He will put you in his angels' charge, and they will support you on their hands in case you hurt your foot against a stone.'

Jesus said to him, 'Scripture also says: You must not put the Lord your God to the test.'

Next, taking him to a very high mountain, the devil showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour. 'I will give you all these', he said, 'if you fall at my feet and worship me.' Then Jesus replied, 'Be off, Satan! For scripture says: You must worship the Lord your God, and serve him alone.' Then the devil left him, and angels appeared and looked after him.

The Carer and Support Group
Our Lady of Fatima Kingsgrove
in partnership with GriefCare
invites you to:



Companioning Workshops

How do we grow care, empathy and
compassion for others in times of loss,
grief, mourning and bereavement?

10am-12pm
March 3rd / March 10th / March 17th
Our Lady of Fatima Parish Hall

RSVP: Parish Office Phone (02) 9150 9665
or email: pastoralcare@olffkingsgrove.org.au
All materials provided.



PRAYERS for our Parish:

As a caring community, we reach out in love and prayers to our brothers and sisters in **New Illawarra Road & Northcott Avenue** praying for their needs and intentions.





PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Parishioners living in retirement:

Coleen Davoren, (Huntington Gardens), Merle Kenna (Warrigal, Shell Cove), Esme Roberts (St Mary's Hostel, Berkeley) Maria Ryan (Bupa, Clemton Park), Mike Skennar (Maronite Sisters Village, Dulwich Hill), Jane Gallo (Blakehurst Aged Care Centre), Ellen Quirk & Noreen McAvinue, Sid Dixon, Ted Cooper (Huntingdon Gardens), Patricia North (Southaven Aged Care, Padstow Heights), Monica Cherry (Leigh Place, Roselands), Noelene Bennett and Enid Taylor (John Paul Village); Carmela Lazzaro (Menaville Nursing Home); Nancy Dawson (Stella Maris Retirement Home); Pat Parkinson (Bexley Park Aged Care); Frances English (Strathfield Gardens), Patrick Lehane (Homewood Aged Care), Yuk Hwo Sin (Fairlea Aged Care), Millie Czerny (Huntingdon Gardens).

Parishioners who are Sick: Govind Reddy, Peter Nair, Maureen Tinker, Angela Braga, Colin Chandler, Grazia Passeretti, Maria Ryan, Margolite Phillips, Raiyne Saunders, Linda Swords, Angelo Taranto, Emilia Scali, Tak Ying Lau, Antonietta Roberto, Lou and Jean Rovali, Ray Mason, Stephen Doyle, Josie Wenko, Arcadia Soriano, Yolly Ventoza, Tanya Eid, Ofa Halafih, Alida Banks, Renae Corban, Betty Maguire, Helen Donnelly, Joe Khoury, Don Khoury, Agnes Mak, Amanda Teer, Anne Marie Michels, Raigan Kerr, Larissa Anne Salt, Jim & Margaret Sackett, Ben Xuereb, Christine Gale, Judy & Colin Elliott, Frank Brown, Rosalina Mirabueno, Maria Braga, John Fick, Ivan Bozic, Valerie McInnis, Samar Munoz.

Please pray for our Recently Deceased:

Lucia Natoli, Giacomo Brancatto, Desmond Baker, Rosina Certoma, Lordito Arrogante, Esme Elefante, Maria Di Benedetto, Brian Gammel, Noel Spinks, Filomena Palisoc, Freddie Paragas, Jan Maree Baty, Colin Burns, Pietro Modellino, Eddie O'Shea, Pasquale Cordi, Danielle Linkson, Maria Condello, Lidia Zidaric, Patsy Dunne.

Anniversaries: Maureen Fulton, Jack McArthur, Alan Fazzari, Sr Agnes McDermott osu, Gaetanina Soccio, Ronald Clarke, Claudio Leone, Maria Pulone, Wing Sang Leong, Dorothy Hollis, Rodney Duffy, Ting Kwan Yee, John Williams, Jack Lord, Esther Sage, Teresa Welsh, Irene Moroney, Raymond Denny, Norman Shepherd, Nell Gooley, Giovanni Immarrata, Michael McEnroe, Elsie Scott, Anthony Cutrie.

Also For: Augusto & Cleofe Hizon, Mylah Hizon-Libre, Simon Ghosen, Giuseppe Stillone, Tony Chan, Therese, Jamie, Joe, Gina Ottallah family, Mary Ann Grace Tesoriero, Muriel Lillian Knighton, Portia Mariano, Linda Porter, Victoria, Domenico Beth Conlon, and all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

BAPTISM PREPARATION EVENING

Wednesday, 4th March 2020

8:00 pm

RSVP: 2 March 2020 Tina & Tom Coorey

Ph: 9150 6016 Mob: 0423 854 633



ROSTERS

7/8 MARCH

	5:00pm	8.30am
Readers:	J & J Henderson	P Frederick R Naderuzzam
Commentator:	M Millen	P Lee
Acolyte	Michelle	Leslie
Music:	Mary/Agnes	Indonesian
Holy Good Store:		M McCafferty
Warden:		A Garcia
	10:00am	5:00pm
Readers	T & C Pighin	Youth
Commentator:	J Deacon	
Acolyte	Anthony	Giok/Win
Music:	Indonesian	Youth
Holy goods Stall:	G Macri, M Valix	
Warden:	A Macpherson	
Cleaning Roster:	L Patterson, J Quinn	
Counters:	V Ho, J Au, V Au	

Altar Servers:

Sat Vigil	:	C & D Farag, E Hawkins
Sun 8.30am	:	N Seneviratne, J & K Yazbeck
Sun 10.00am	:	A Lansdown, E, I & J Wu
Sun 5.00pm	:	J Hanna, K Loho, R Mulia, P Warner

The Pilgrim Statue: will be at the home of John Fick, 18 Morgan Street, Kingsgrove. Rosary is recited each evening from Monday until Friday at 7.30pm. All friends and neighbours are most welcome.



OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTIONAL PRAYER AT OLF CHURCH KINGSGROVE

Please join us every first Wednesday of the month, immediately after the weekday morning Mass, around 9:45 AM for special prayer session of devotional prayers to Our

Lady of Perpetual Help. The next session will be on Wednesday, 4th March 2020.

(Please note of change of time, previously 8:45 AM before mass)

Next Sunday's Readings: Gen 12:1-4; 2 Tim 1:8-10; Mt 17:1-9

