



OUR LADY OF FATIMA, KINGSGROVE

Opening to the challenge of renewal

Living out the Eucharist & Gospel of Jesus Christ

Solemnity of All Saints (Year A) - 1 November 2020



Complying with the NSW Government, Health Regulations and Archdiocese Directives, Masses resumed with restrictions. From 23rd October, our church can have 230 people with 4-sq-metre rule.

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

Weekend Masses, Saturday, 5:00 pm vigil; Sunday, 8:30 am and 5:00 pm

no booking for 210 people but needs to register on entry on main church door; same with Weekday masses. No booking to all masses

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:
Friday:11.00am -12noon

Baptisms: Every 1st and 3rd

Sunday of each month. (Please call Parish Office)

Weddings: By Appointment (Please call Parish Office)

REFLECTION

We are so familiar with the Beatitudes that the radicalism of Jesus ' mission statement " can be missed. But if we begin the last few verses of this Gospel, the challenge given by Jesus hits us. "Happy are those who are persecuted..." Are we happy when we are persecuted? Do we bless those who insult us? Maybe not. Yet when I consider the Christians persecuted across the world, I realise that there are many saints living in our world doing just that. As we ponder their lives, we can come to recognise such holiness closer to home. Parents who continue to care for difficult and selfish children, always hoping for change, live with a form of 'persecution'. Others who remain kind to demanding and problematic parents or neighbours live under abuse and calumny. It is such holiness, such ordinary holiness that we celebrate on this day.

God 's Word 2020 Daily Reflections



ALL SAINTS' DAY MASSES SUNDAY 1 NOVEMBER

8:30am, 10:00am, 5:30pm

ALL SOULS' DAY MASSES

MONDAY, 2 NOVEMBER

9:15AM & 7:00PM



NOVEMBER IS A SPECIAL MONTH TO PRAY AND REMEMBER ALL OUR DECEASED LOVE ONES, PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS. DURING ALL OF NOVEMBER THERE WILL BE A SANCTUARY TO PLACE ALL THE NAMES OF OUR DECEASED BROTHERS AND SISTERS. THE NOVEMBER MASS OFFERING ENVELOPES ARE AVAILABLE IN THE FOYER OF THE CHURCH OR FROM THE PARISH OFFICE.(SO ALL NAMES WILL BE READY FOR THE FIRST OF NOVEMBER) PLEASE

WRITE NAMES CLEARLY. PLEASE DROP YOUR ENVELOPE AND OFFERINGS INTO THE PARISH OFFICE OR THE MASS OFFERING BOX IN THE PRESBYTERY. Thank you

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Dear parishioners,

COVID-19 remains present and highly infectious in the community. With the relaxation of isolation measures from 23rd October, an increase in cases maybe all around. We are therefore encouraged to take necessary precautions and to download the CovidSafe App and abide by the latest public health advice.

Easing of restrictions from 23rd October was announced by the NSW government with churches to allow 300 attendees under the 4-square-metre rule with strict conditions: we must take all reasonable precautions to protect the health of everyone involved and to observe the directives we have received. Our church can have 230 attendees with the 4-square-metre rule including upstairs. Dot markers are placed where people should sit. **No more booking required on all masses.**

It is still a requirement that attendees should write their name, telephone or email address in the sheet provided upon church entry at main door on weekends, side doors on weekdays.

As you would all be aware the government has strongly recommended the wearing of face masks in closed-in places, including places of worship. Whilst this is not compulsory, we would urge you to consider complying for your benefit and that of everyone else too. We are trying as much as possible to keep our church a safe place in which all are welcome to come and worship the Lord. I, for one choose to wear a mask, particularly when distributing communion and when meeting and talking to people. I know you will understand that I do so for our common protection.

1. Our Lady of Fatima Kingsgrove church is open for **personal prayer from 8:30am to 12:00 noon Tuesday to Saturday**. Physical distancing and hygiene directions apply. No booking required. Entry by side door.
2. **Daily Mass:**
Tuesday- Thursday and Saturday 9:15am
Friday 11:00am-12:00pm Exposition of the Holy Eucharist followed by Mass at 12:00pm.
Maximum of 230 people. Physical distancing and hygiene directions apply. No booking required.
3. **Saturday 9:15 am morning Mass is followed by Confession until 10.30am.** No booking required.
4. **Weekend Mass, regular schedule resumed, maximum of 230 people. All weekend mass - no Booking required**
Saturday Vigil - 5:00pm
Sunday - 8:30am
10:00am
5:00pm

No more live streamed mass from 5 July.

Please come early when attending weekend mass for registration and to secure your seats. We are now allowed 230 people inside the church on a first come, first serve basis

5. All Catholics but priests continue to be dispensed from Sunday obligations but those with low risk and able to do so are exhorted to take reasonable steps to attend.
6. At-risk parishioners (elderly, the sick and those with compromised immune and respiratory systems) should still not attend.

7. **Anointing of the sick** will continue to be administered as a Viaticum for the gravely ill and the dying.
8. For **funerals** up to 100 people permitted but will increase to 300 by 1st December.
9. **Baptisms** can be celebrated with maximum of 100 attendees.
10. **Weddings** are permitted with up to 300 people subject to 4-square-metre rule.
If you or someone you love is ill and you wish to offer a prayer for them, I am available to pray for you over the telephone. Please call to organise.
Please remember that you may offer Mass for anniversaries, special intentions, thanks giving or any reason simply by placing your request in an envelope and bringing that to the office or in the mass offering box at the presbytery.
Please continue to check our parish website: www.olfkingsgrove.org.au as it is being updated. You may also contact us via Email: info@olfkingsgrove.org.au or Ph: 9150 9665

Father Hamilton (Casey) Ureta

Parish Priest

GROWING IN FAITH

Scriptural readings and Saints for this week

November

2 Mon

The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)

Any readings from no. 668 or from the Lectionary for Mass (vol. IV), the Masses for the Dead, nos. 1011-1016 Pss Prop

3 Tue

Saint Martin de Porres, Religious
Phil 2:5-11/Lk 14:15-24 (486) Pss III

4 Wed

Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop
Memorial
Phil 2:12-18/Lk 14:25-33 (487)

5 Thu

Phil 3:3-8a/Lk 15:1-10 (488)

6 Fri

Phil 3:17—4:1/Lk 16:1-8 (489)

7 Sat

Phil 4:10-19/Lk 16:9-15 (490)

8 SUN THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Wis 6:12-16/1 Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14/Mt 25:1-13 (154) Pss IV

We need volunteers to be rostered as main entrance door attendants/counters at each of the weekend masses to oversee our compliance with safety directives. If you are interested, please call Parish Office, 9150 9665, Tuesday to Friday, 8:30am to 4:00pm. Alternatively, fill up the form at the church foyer. Thank you.



THE MEMORARE

REMEMBER, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that any one who fled to Thy protection, implored Thy help, or sought Thy intercession, was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence, I fly unto Thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother. To Thee I come; before Thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions; but In Thy mercy hear and answer me. **Amen**



A true "ecological debt" exists, particularly between the global north and south, connected to commercial imbalances with effects on the environment, and the disproportionate use of

natural resources by certain countries over long periods of time. ... The warming caused by huge consumption on the part of some rich countries has repercussions on the poorest areas of the world, especially Africa, where a rise in temperature, together with drought, has proved devastating for farming.

I would like from the outset to show how faith convictions can offer Christians, and some other believers as well, ample motivation to care for nature and for the most vulnerable of their brothers and sisters. If the simple fact of being human moves people to care for the environment of which they are a part, Christians in their turn "realize that their responsibility within creation, and their duty towards nature and the Creator, are an essential part of their faith". It is good for humanity and the world at large when we believers better recognize the ecological commitments which stem from our convictions.

Pope Francis, *Laudato Si'*

Dear Parishioners,

I am pleased to announce that, following an extensive and thorough recruitment process, the new Family Educator at Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Primary School from 2021 will be Mrs Judith Kennedy. Judith is an experienced Family Educator. She currently holds the same role at Our Lady of Lourdes at Earlwood. Judith is very much looking forward to working in partnership with the parish. I am sure you will join me in congratulating Judith on her appointment and that you are looking forward to meeting her early next year. My sincere thanks go to Father Casey, our Parish Priest and the Mission and Identity Team from Sydney Catholic Schools who were instrumental in the recruitment process. I would like to thank Mrs Anita Sicari for her years of service to the OLF community as our most recent Family Educator and I am very confident that Judith can build on Anita's hard work as we look to further strengthen the connections between our schools and our parish of Kingsgrove as we continue to grow our thriving Catholic community.

Kind Regards,
Anthony Weir

As November is the month of the Holy Souls, our parish community celebrates and remembers all deceased parishioners, family members and friends from the past year.

On behalf of Our Lady of Fatima Parish Community, the Caring Support Group invites you and your family members to attend a special Remembrance Mass to be held on:

Wednesday, 4 November at 7.00pm

Due to Covid-19, if you are unable to attend in person, a live-streaming service of the Mass will be available through the following links:

Youtube link: https://youtu.be/FrIz_IWfTsk

Facebook link: <https://www.facebook.com/olofkingsgrove/posts/191349235850105>

PRAYERS for our Parish:

"As a caring faith community, we give thank and pray for all our friends living in other parishes who have chosen to worship and grow with us in the Our Lady of Fatima Parish. Bless them,



BAPTISM PREPARATION EVENING

Thursday, 5th November 2020
7:00 pm RSVP: 2 November
Coordinators: Imelda Dela Cruz
Phone: 0414 979 241
Myrna De La Pena
0490 410 896



COVID-19 update from Archdiocese

Restrictions on church attendance was eased further to allow for up to 300 attendees at Masses, as long as churches follow a four square metre rule. It is important to acknowledge that in practice, only St Mary's Cathedral will be allowed up to 300 attendees because of its dimensions.

The latest easing of restrictions has also impacted upon the celebration of some sacraments such as weddings, baptisms and funerals. You'll find more information here: <https://www.sydneycatholic.org/coronavirus-frequently-asked-questions/>



PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Parishioners living in retirement:

Coleen Davoren, Noreen McAvinue, Sid Dixon, Ted Cooper and Millie Czerny (Huntingdon 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), 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).

Parishioners who are Sick:

Caterina Ancona, Carol Braga, Betty Maguire, Eileen Neville, Rosemary Cooley, Tom De Michele, Rosemary Theodoris, Margaret Lynn, Jim Sackett, Margaret McCafferty, John Foxe, Robert Powell (John Powell's brother), Angelo Taranto, James Crlito, Bambina Canosa, Alida Banks, Govind Reddy, Peter Nair, Angela Braga, Colin Chandler, Grazia Passeretti, Maria Ryan, Antonietta Roberto, Lou Rovali, Stephen Doyle, Josie Wenko, Renae Corban, Helen Donnelly, Joe Khoury, Don Khoury, Amanda Teer, Anne Marie Michels, Raigan Kerr, Larissa Anne Salt, Ben Xuereb, Judy & Colin Elliott, Frank Brown, Rosalina Mirabueno, Maria Braga, John Fick, Valerie McInnis, Samar Munoz.

Please pray for our Recently Deceased:

Fredesvinda Consunji, Anna & Sam Proietto, Audrey Schneiderberg, Maria Rizzo, Michael Borromeo Sr., Jorge Teixeira Alves, Noel Dimaculangan.

Anniversaries: John Browne, John Vella, Susan Wong Suaco, Geoffrey Loe, Tjhoen Lim Tan, John Cardiff, Gladys Beaumont, Roy Williamson, Maria Keleman, Kyle Archer, Florence Talbot, Ashley Ward, Ryan Ward, Joyce Giller, Doreen Noble, Louis Barbato, Alice Clarke, Joseph Donnelly, Marjorie Etherington, Joyce Carr.

Also For: Thanksgiving & intentions of Joan Neilson, Constanca Alamo, Juanito & Apolonia Gener, Gebron Gebron, prayers and intentions requested through the OLF Kingsgrove Intercessory Prayer group, and all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.



ROSTERS 7/8 November

	5:00pm	8.30am
Reader:	N Kevic	J M Touma
Commentator:	J Hoban	P Lee
Acolyte:	Ella	Leslie
	10:00am	5:00pm
Reader:	T Coorey	Youth
Commentator:	S Sicari	
Acolyte:	Wilson	Tom



Prayers against the Spread of Corona Virus

God our Father, we come to you in our need. We ask for your protection against the COVID-19 Corona Virus, that has claimed many lives and has affected many. We pray for your grace for the people tasked with studying the nature and cause of this virus and its disease and of stemming the tide of its transmission. Guide the hands and minds of medical experts that they may minister to the sick with competence and compassion and of those governments and private agencies that must find a cure and a solution to this pandemic. We pray for those afflicted, may they be restored to health soon. Grant us the grace to work for good of all and to help those in need. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your son, who lives and reign with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.



"Safeguarding in our Parish

It is my responsibility and your responsibility!

Are you a part of the Children's Liturgy, Children's choir, Youth Ministry, a Acolyte or Minister of Holy Communion, Senior Altar Server, Reader, Warden or counter?

To protect our children and youth, if you have not attended a parish Safeguarding Induction Training session, please register for an on-line training course at <https://goo.gl/forms/wSkRi3ZO6PzkRfbo1>

If you are over 18, you also need a Working with Children (WWC) approval that you can apply for online.

Volunteers do not need to pay for the WWC.

Thank you to the volunteers of our OLF Community who have already attended Safeguarding Training and supplied details of their WWC to the Parish Office.

During June, the Archdiocese of Sydney Safeguarding Office is asking adults, youth and children to participate in a staying safe online 5 minute CyberSafety

Survey <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/TC7CYQ3>

If you have Safeguarding concerns you wish to raise, you can approach Fr Casey, or email John Deacon and Gina Giuffrida, PSSO (Parish Safeguarding Support Officer) via the email

address safeguardingPSSO@olfkingsgrove.org.au

A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with crimes 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 safeguarding@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.