



OUR LADY OF FATIMA, KINGSGROVE

Opening to the challenge of renewal

Living out the Eucharist & Gospel of Jesus Christ

Fostering communal compassion and service

Second Sunday of Lent (Year A) - 8 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

Today's Gospel is one of the most dramatic moments in all Scripture-transfiguration of Jesus Christ, in which our Lord appears to his chosen disciples in glory, enrobed in dazzling light, with a splendour exceeding anything of this earth, and anything of this universe. The transfiguration of our Lord is best understood as a temporary and partial dropping of the veil of appearances, so that the disciples were able to catch a glimpse of the true divine splendour of Jesus, a small rift in the obdurate darkness of the window which separates phenomena from *noumena*, which divides the illusion of this world from the truth of eternity. What they saw, indeed, was but the merest glance, the slightest revelation; anything more would have overwhelmed them-but it was enough to fill them with awe and wonder. And it is this same Jesus Christ who appears to us in every Mass, clothed, not in raiment of dazzling white, but in the visible form of humble bread and wine. Let us therefore say at each celebration of the Eucharist, "Lord, it is good for us to be here!"

God's Word 2020 Daily Reflections

Position Vacant: Youth Coordinator,

*Our Lady of Fatima Parish Kingsgrove. Part-time position, working 20 hours/week. For further information please contact **Anthony Spata** on **0402 210 055.***

Parish Priest: Fr Hamilton (Casey) Ureta

Assistant Priest: Fr George Sigamony

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

Sacramental Coordinator: Ana D Naduva, email: ofsacramentalcoordinator@gmail.com

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: _____

LENTEN SEASON SERVICES

Fridays: 11:30AM & 7:30pm
Stations of the Cross
Wednesday: 18 March
2nd Rite of Reconciliation
7:00pm

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD
Solemn Entry & Blessing of Palms at all Masses
(in the Parish Courtyard)

Saturday Vigil: 4 April 5.00pm
Sunday: 5 April –8.30am, 10.00am
5.00pm
Holy Thursday: 9 April - 7.30pm Mass of
The Lord's Supper & Washing of
the Feet. (Adoration in the Church
until 12:00am)
**(No morning Mass. Chrism Mass
at St Mary's Cathedral)**
Good Friday: 10 April 10am Stations of
the Cross
3pm - Commemoration of
the Lord's Passion (Fasting &
Abstinence exemption for those
who are sick or over 65)
Holy Saturday: 11 April - 7pm Solemn Easter Vigil
(No morning Mass)
Easter Sunday: 12 April - 8.30am & 10.00am
(NO EVENING MASS)



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 epidemic. 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.
AMEN.



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

PRAYERS for our Parish:

As a caring community, we reach out in love and prayers to our brothers and sisters in **Oatley & Oliver Streets** praying for their needs and intentions.



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.

Appeal for Children's Liturgy of the Word - Leaders and helpers

If you have been thinking about getting more involved in parish life but cannot commit too much of your time, the Children's Liturgy Team Ministry might be just the thing for you this year.

We require leaders for Yr kinder to Yr 6, as well as helpers. The only requirement is that you are 18 years or older and willing to provide a Working With Children's Check.

Mentoring will be provided to you if you are new to the ministry, by an experienced leader.

The commitment required is a maximum of two Sunday mornings, once a term; the reward for all those involved is immeasurable.

If you are interested in joining this wonderful ministry or have any questions regarding Children's Liturgy of the Word please contact Ana on the email or telephone number below.

Ana Naduva

Sacramental Coordinator Phone: 9554 5752

Email: olfsacramentalcoordinator@gmail.com



"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 Guifrida, 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.

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT SUNDAY 8 MARCH 2020

First Reading [Gen 12:1-4](#)

A reading from the book of Genesis

The call of Abraham, the father of God's people.

The Lord said to Abram, 'Leave your country, your family and your father's house, for the land I will show you. I will make you a great nation; I will bless you and make your name so famous that it will be used as a blessing.

'I will bless those who bless you:

I will curse those who slight you.

All the tribes of the earth

shall bless themselves by you.'

So Abram went as the Lord told him.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 32:4-5. 18-20. 22. R. v.22

(R.) Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

1. The word of the Lord is faithful and all his works to be trusted. The Lord loves justice and right and fills the earth with his love. **(R.)**

2. The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine. **(R.)**

3. Our soul is waiting for the Lord. The Lord is our help and our shield. May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you. **(R.)**

Second Reading [2 Tm 1:8-10](#)

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy

God has saved us, and called us to be holy.

With me, bear the hardships for the sake of the Good News, relying on the power of God who has saved us and called us to be holy – not because of anything we ourselves have done but for his own purpose and by his own grace. This grace had already been granted to us, in Christ Jesus, before the beginning of time, but it has only been revealed by the Appearing of our saviour Christ Jesus. He abolished death, and he has proclaimed life and immortality through the Good News.

Gospel [Mt 17:1-9](#)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

His face shone like the sun.

Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain where they could be alone. There in their presence he was transfigured; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became as white as the light. Suddenly Moses and Elijah appeared to them; they were talking with him. Then Peter spoke to Jesus. 'Lord,' he said 'it is wonderful for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' He was still speaking when suddenly a bright cloud covered them with shadow, and from the cloud there came a voice which said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; he enjoys my favour. Listen to him.' When they heard this, the disciples fell on their faces, overcome with fear. But Jesus came up and touched them. 'Stand up,' he said 'do not be afraid.' And when they raised their eyes they saw no one but only Jesus. As they came down from the mountain Jesus gave them this order. 'Tell no one about the vision until the Son of Man has risen from the dead.'



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 vtierey37@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.

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@oifkingsgrove.org.au
All materials provided.

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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, Margolit 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:

Fiona Lee, Lucia Natoli, Giacomo Brancatto, Desmond Baker, Rosina Certoma, Eliza Ferreira, 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, Nadim Nehme, Antonio De La Pena, Delia Smith, Patrick Carroll, Rita Bortolozzi, Francis Connolly, Ann Wilson, Iris Burns, Rita Burbidge, Rita Irwin, Frank Gard, Keith Compton, Istvan Kiss, Veronica McNamara, Francesco Giglio, Reginald Carroll, Allan Robertson.

Also For: Augusto & Cleofe Hizon, Mylah Hizon-Libre, Bartolomeo & Joe Natoli, 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, Juan Agbuya and all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

BAPTISM PREPARATION EVENING

Wednesday, 1st April 2020

8:00 pm

RSVP: 30th March Paul & Clothilde Elsibai

Ph: 0410 583 808



ROSTERS

14/15 MARCH

	5:00pm	8.30am
Readers:	V & J Hoban	S Fisher S Wong
Commentator:	B Deady	P Frederick
Acolyte	Win/Giok	Pak
Music:	Mary/Agnes	Thea /Margolit
Holy Good Store:	Nelochanna	T Valdoria
Warden:		N Ormerod
	10:00am	5:00pm
Readers	J Deacon S Graham	Youth
Commentator:	L Lee	
Acolyte	Michael	Kelvin
Music:	10am Choir	Youth
Holy goods Stall:		
Warden:		
Cleaning Roster:	C Ho & The Chinese Outreach Group	
Counters:	L & S Hua, Vincent	
Lawn mowing:	G Stewart, B Kauter	

Altar Servers:

Sat Vigil	:	J Doueih, J Gebron, A & S Nacarella
Sun 8.30am	:	S Chou, I & A Nehme, A Youd
Sun 10.00am	:	R Banaghan, A Greensmith, S & R Sicari
Sun 5.00pm	:	A Bernard, Y Esteban R Horner, J & J Ung

The Pilgrim Statue: will be at the home of Margaret McCafferty, 49 Berith 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, 1st April 2020. **(Please note of change of time, previously 8:45 AM before mass)**

Next Sunday's Readings: Ex 17:3-7; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42

