

OUR LADY OF FATIMA, KINGSGROVE

Opening to the challenge of renewal

Living out the Eucharist & Gospel of Jesus Christ

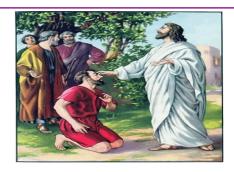
Fostering communal compassion and service

Fourth Sunday of Lent (Year A) - 22 March 2020

MASS TIMES

| Monday: | Closed | |
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| 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 | 1 -12noon | |
| Baptisms: Every 1st and 3rd | | |
| Sunday of each | n month. | |
| (Please contact | t the Parish) | |
| Office) | | |
| Weddings: By | appointment | |

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REFLECTION

In the Gospel of John, the image of light is often used as a metaphor to depict Jesus, who presents us with the illuminating Truth whereby we are set free from the darkness of 'the world', and the blindness of sin. Jesus, as the Divine light, brings vision to the man born blind, in miraculous fashion. To each of us, he offers the grace of vision_not that we may see this world with greater clarity or sharpness, but rather that we may catch a glimpse into the eternal realities which lie beyond this world_that we may perceive the hidden presence of God in all things, and in the infinitude which lies beyong all things.

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** <u>0402 210 055</u>.

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: olfsacramentalcoordinator@gmail.com Youth Coordinator: TBA

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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 | |
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| | Stations of the Cross | |

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 **Pacific and Pangee 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: <u>olfsacramentalcoordinator@gmail.com</u>



"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: <u>https://goo.gl/forms/</u>

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 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

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.

OLF PRACTICAL GUIDELINES FOR WEEKEND MASSES

Dear brothers and sisters,

Recently you would be aware of our global health crisis which has unfortunately affected everyone. At OLF, we are trying our best to follow the professional advice of the NSW Health Government and the Archdiocese of Sydney. The Bishops of Australia have released measures to help prevent the spread of Corona virus. Please be understanding of these changes, your health and wellbeing are our primary concern. We ask that you be mindful about your neighbours' health as well when attending Mass. OLF Parish has resolved to take the following course of action for the weekend Masses:

- All Masses will be limited to 100 people per venue (including: Priest, acolyte, readers, choir)
- Masses will take place in multiple venues: the church and the Clune Centre (first 100 people in the church and the next 100 people in the Clune Centre)
- Mass times remain normal
- During Mass, everyone will be asked to respect social distancing protocol and seat 1.5m away from each other
- Access to each venue will be limited to one entrance and wardens will be present to maintain the limit of attendees (including children)
- Respect the social distancing and maintain two people per pew

Remember, we are in the season of Lent _the season of healing from physical and spiritual illnesses and strengthening our relationship with God. We need to place our trust in our loving God and not to let fear trouble our hearts. Prayer is the medicine that we need right now. Please note, the Parish has not taken these decisions lightly and it is doing everything in its ability to celebrate Mass as normal. Let us continue to trust in our loving God and ask for His Mercy and compassion through the maternal protection of Our Lady Of Fatima. Let us continue to pray for each other.

In unity,

Fr. Hamilton (Casey)/ Fr. George / Parish Pastoral Council/ Pastoral Care/ Liturgy Committee/ Safeguarding Officer.

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.) 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,

info@olfkingsgrove.catholic.edu.au.



Women's Social Support Group Tour of Elizabeth Bay House

Due to the Corona virus we are cancelling this tour.

When it is safe for us to go on public transport again, then I will re-book the tour.

I am sorry about the cancellation of this tour but I think it is best for everyone's health at this time.

Best wishes

Veronica Tierney

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

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

ATTENTION ACOLYTES AND SERVERS

Rehearsals for all the Easter Liturgies 2020 will be held on; **Palm Sunday 5 April 2020, 6.30pm-7.30pm in the church.**

A minimum of TWO acolytes and FOUR servers required for each ceremony.

Please contact your co-ordinator to advise of your availability.

The purpose of the rehearsals is to become familiar with the liturgy, allocate roles and ensure that

everything needed for the liturgy is located and prepared. Thank you

OLF PARISH CALENDARS 2020 ARE AVAILABLE FOR COLLECTION FROM THE PARISH OFFICE.



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 Sister Village, Dulwich Hill), Jane Gallo (Blakehurst Aged Care Centre), Ellen Quirk & Noreen McAvinue, Sid Dixon, Ted Cooper (Huntingdon Gardens), Patricia North (Southhaven 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: Alida Banks, 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, Yolly Ventoza, Tanya Eid, Ofa Halafihi, 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:

Ana Proietto, Arcadia Soriano, Deidre Cilia, Fiona Lee, Esme Elefante, Lucia Natoli, Giacomo Brancatto, Desmond Baker. Rosina Certoma. Eliza Ferreira. Lordito Arrogante, Maria Di Benedetto, Brian Gammel. Noel Spinks, Filomena Palisoc, Freddie Paragas.

Anniversaries: Simon Doueihi, Arnulfo Pan, Anna Fiamingo, Maureen Fulton, Terese Tripodina, George Walker, Gladys Hayward, Patricia Cooper, Archibald Walton, Angelo Paino, Anthony Field, Edward Lee, Joan Cantlon, Kevin Konaghan, Maria Graziana, PArmy Fazzari, Irene Robinson.

Also For: Thanksgiving from Gener-Jasmin family, for the deceased Augusto & Cleofe Hizon, Mylah Hizon-Libre, Rofina Certoma, Bartolomeo & Joe Natoli, Simon Ghosen, Giuseppe Stillone, Isabel Cadaoas, Zosimo Osmena, Tony Chan, Therese, Jamie, Joe, Gina Ottallah family, Mary Ann Grace Tesoriero, Muriel Lillian Knighton, Portia Mariano, Filomena Palisoc, 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

28/29 March

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| Ŭ | Readers: | B Deady | P Lee |
| rs | | J Deady | M Nigem |
| | Commentator: | K Doherty | M Lee |
| | Acolyte | Michelle | Leslie |
| | Music: | Mary/Agnes | Grant |
| | Holy Good Store: | | P Denny |
| | Warden: | | D Fisher |
| а | | 10:00am | 5:00pm |
| | Readers | L Lee | Youth |
| | | S Sicari | |
| ld | Commentator: | C Pighin | |
| | Acolyte | Kelvin | Win-Giok |
| | Music: | 10am Choir | Youth |
| | Holy goods Stall: | | |
| 1 | Warden: | M Kane | |
| | Cleaning Roster: | F & G Cassar, M Lorzar | nto |
| | Counters: | R Cleary, M Kane, Y Ma | adden, J Freeman |
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Altar Servers:

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

The Pilgrim Statue: will be at the home of Linda & Peter Coleman, 5 Shackel Avenue 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: Ezek 37;12-14; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45

