



OUR LADY OF FATIMA, KINGSGROVE

Opening to the challenge of renewal

Living out the Eucharist & Gospel of Jesus Christ

Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A) - 23 August 2020



Complying with the NSW Government, Health Regulations and Archdiocese Directives, Masses resumed with restrictions. From 24 July, churches can have only 100 people.

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 100 people but needs to register on entry on main church door; same with Weekday masses. 10:00 am Sunday mass with booking.

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

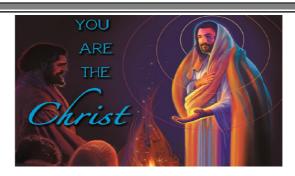
Baptisms: Every 1st and 3rd

Sunday of each month. (Please call

Parish Office)

Weddings: By Appointment (Please

call Parish Office)



REFLECTION

The question Jesus asks in today 's Gospel must always be paramount in our lives _who do you say I am? What answer did I give with my words and what answer do I give with the way I live? Jesus revealed himself in the Gospels as one whose focus is on the kingdom of God. As his follower, am I also focused on the values of the kingdom love, justice, forgiveness, mercy, compassion? Is that what my life is about? Am I living as a follower of a God of love whose life was directed towards sharing this love with everyone he encountered? Does everyone who sees me, see also the God who revealed himself in Jesus? In the end, my answer to Jesus 'question is reflected more in the life I live than in the words Lutter.

God 's Word 2020 Daily Reflections



It is with great sadness that Fr George who was with us since August 2018 is leaving to continue his priestly ministry in his country. We thank you, Fr George for your spiritual direction, healing prayers, faithful and loving service to our Parish. You will surely be missed by everyone. Goodbye but you will still be with us in our thoughts and prayers. May our Lord God bless you

and keep you safe in your travel.

Parish Priest: Fr Hamilton (Casey) Ureta

Assistant Priest: Fr George Sigamony (till 22 Aug 2020)

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Dear parishioners,

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

Further restrictions from 24 July was announced by the Archdiocese with churches in NSW to open under the four-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. Though our church can have more with the four-square-metre rule including upstairs, we are again restricted to have only 100 people. Dot markers are placed where people should sit.

It is a requirement of the Archdiocese 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 100 people. Physical distancing and
- hygiene directions apply. No booking required.

 3. Saturday morning Mass is followed by confession
- until 10.30am. No booking required.
- 4. Weekend Mass, regular schedule resumed, maximum of 100 people.

Saturday Vigil - 5:00pm, no booking required.
Sunday - 8:30am; no booking required.
10:00am booking required (please call the parish Office; booking close by 5:00 pm Friday.
Sunday-5:00pm; no booking required
No more live streamed mass from 5 July.
Please come early when attending weekend mass for registration and to secure your seats. We are allowed only 100 people inside the church on a first come, first serve basis except for 10:00am mass that requires booking.

- 5. All Catholics continue to be dispensed from Sunday obligations.
- 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 are permitted.
- 9. **Baptisms** can be celebrated with also maximum of 100 attendees.
- 10. Weddings are also permitted up to 100 people.

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

Fr Hamílton (Casey) Ureta Parish Priest

> Congratulations-Judith Fleming 2020 Dempsey Award Winner This award is our Archdiocesan award recognising parishioners who gave outstanding service to their Parish Community.

For the last 40 years Judith Fleming has worked tirelessly to support Parish Priests, visiting priests and the local community of Kingsgrove. Judith is a very active Parish Pastoral Care Member. She visits the sick, chronically ill and drives elderly parishioners to mass. She is also Treasurer of the group.

Judith is a problem solver. Every parish priest knows Judith is always there to support them. Judith had no role description-she placed no boundaries on her service.

To know Judy is to know a community builder-God loves community builders. Our thanks to Judy whose service knows no bounds.

Sr Mary O'Neill

The Dempsey Medal will be presented to Judith at 5pm Mass on Saturday, 29th of August.

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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

GROWING IN FAITH

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August

24 Mon

Saint Bartholomew, Apostle

Feas

Rv 21:9b-14/Jn 1:45-51 (629) Pss Prop

25 Tue

Saint Louis; Saint Joseph Calasanz, Priest

2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17/Mt 23:23-26 (426)

26 Wed

2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18/Mt 23:27-32 (427)

27 Thu

Saint Monica, Memorial

1 Cor 1:1-9/Mt 24:42-51 (428)

28 Fri

Saint Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church Memorial

1 Cor 1:17-25/Mt 25:1-13 (429)

29 Sat

The Beheading of Saint John the Baptist

1 Cor 1:26-31 (430)/Mk 6:17-29 (634) Pss Prop

30 SUN TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jer 20:7-9/Rom 12:1-2/Mt 16:21-27 (124) Pss II

PARISH DONATIONS Thank you for your continued financial support of the parish either by the planned giving envelopes or by credit card. Your contributions will enable us to keep the parish running. We don't want to pressure you and understand current circumstances but if you are able to help, it would be very much appreciated. We now have the facility for credit card donation through our website: www.olfkingsgrove.org.au. Please Click on SUPPORT US on the top right of screen, then Donate, and 'Click here to donate

screen, then Donate, and 'Click here to donate to Our Lady of Fatima Kingsgrove'. There is a drop down arrow to select biller code for the type of donation you wish to give, either Planned Giving, First Collection, Second Collection, etc., then follow the next steps.

Alternatively, for your donation via direct deposit or electronic funds transfer (EFT) below are our bank details:

Commonwealth Bank: BSB 062-784

Account Number: 5025001

Account Name: Our Lady of Fatima Parish,

Kingsgrove

Reference: Name & envelope number (if Planned Giver and wish to claim 30% tax

deduction).



Prayer By Pope Francis

Loving God, Creator of Heaven, Earth, and all therein contained.

Open our minds and touch our hearts, so

that we can be part of Creation, your gift.

Be present to those in need in these difficult times, especially the poorest and most vulnerable.

Help us to show creative solidarity as we confront the consequences of the global pandemic.

Make us courageous in embracing the changes required to seek the common good.

Now more than ever, may we all feel interconnected and interdependent.

Enable us to succeed in listening and responding to the cry of the Earth and the cry of the poor.

May their current sufferings become the birth-pangs of a more fraternal and sustainable world. We pray through Christ our Lord, under the loving gaze of Mary Help of Christians. **Amen.**

PRAYERS for our Parish:

"Welcome everyone to our live celebration of the Mass and the joy of receiving the Blessed Eucharist. As the caring Community of OLF Kingsgrove, we reach out in love and prayers to our brothers and sisters living in **Sheffield Street & Simmons Road**

praving for their needs and intentions."

ATTENTION READERS

The INTERIM ROSTER runs out on 29/30 August and a new one is to be prepared. Some of you may now be ready to come back on the roster. If so, please contact the Hobans within the next week. All readers, please advise of any change in **contact details** or circumstances. Thanks.

The parish is very grateful to our 'skeleton crew' who have been able to cover the readings each week. Ph: 9502 4257 or jenniferhoban@bigpond.com

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.

BAPTISM PREPARATION EVENING

2nd September 2020

8:00 pm RSVP: 1 September Coordinators: Tom & Tina Coorey

Phone: 9150 6016

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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 (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).

Parishioners who are Sick: Rosemary
Theodoris, Reena Ayuyao Hubilla, Margaret Lynn,
Jim Sackett, Margaret McCafferty, John Foxe,
Robert Powell (John Powell's brother), Angelo
Taranto, James Crilto, 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, Betty Maguire,
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, Teresita
Tonel.

Please pray for our Recently Deceased:

Rolando Loreto, Joe Camuglia, Stella Kiu Chu Tse, Rev Msgr Francisco R. Lansang PC, Manuel Padilla, June Kelly, Peter King, Frederick King, Giorgio Casciola, Frida Katigbak, Victoria Rodriguez Laki, Ivan Bozic. Felicidad Cadiz, Maria Nguyen Thi Tu, Filomena Florival De Araujo, Peter McGlinchey, Dougie Harris, Arturo Iponla, Margolit Phillips, Dr Felix Merlino, Angelo Di Mateo, Josephina Parise, Souad Ziter, Ian Ravaillion, Jean Rovali.

Anniversaries: Arthur Braiding, Rita Cole, Sarah Cunningham, Thomas Payne, Mary Moore, Felice Natoli, William Layton, Alice McEldowney, Molly Hulbert, Eileen Walsh, Patricia Couglan, Anne Lynch, St Magdalen osu, Frank Peluso, Doreen Wesslink, Laura Brown, John Hartman, Paul Trainer, Michele Raffaele, Inez Aquiline, Francis Ovens, James George, Maria Aleixo, Annunziata Di Paolo, George Gooley, George Hanson.

Also For: Safe travel of Fr George, thanksgiving and intentions for Maria & Vince Camuglia, Juanito & Apolonia Gener, Lesley Campbell, Mike Kelly, Ottavio Di Benedetto, Nina Angeles Moncay, prayers and intentions requested through the OLF Kingsgrove Intercessory Prayer group, and all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

ROSTERS 29/30 August

5:00pm 8.30am Reader: N Kevic N Ormerod Commentator: T Abela-King T Ormerod Acolyte: Wilson Jeremy 10:00am 5:00pm Reader: M Policarpio Youth

Commentator: E Russo
Acolyte : Michael

Acolyte: Michael Michelle



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. **AMEN.**



"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 <u>safeguarding equiles@sydneycatholic.org</u>. 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.