



OUR LADY OF FATIMA, KINGSGROVE

Opening to the challenge of renewal

Living out the Eucharist & Gospel of Jesus Christ

Fostering communal compassion and service

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A) - 23 February 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)



ASH WEDNESDAY

26th February
Mass times:

9:15am & 7:00pm

(This is a day of fasting & abstinence)



REFLECTION

On a compass, east is the farthest point from west and they will never meet. The Psalmist uses similar imagery to show how far our forgiving God removes our transgressions from us. Still, the people need to remember the second great commandment of loving their neighbour. Rather than bearing grudges or having hearts full of hatred, they are called to be holy because God is holy. Paul puts this another way, reminding them that they are temples of the Holy Spirit in which God dwells. They belong to Christ and are to treat one another reverently.

Jesus knows that violence can spiral dangerously out of control. He teaches the people how it can overcome - pay back good for evil, pray for those who wrong you, turn the other cheek, go the extra distance in helping someone, lend and give generously without expecting anything. Jesus reminds them that in doing these things, they are responding as children of their compassionate and merciful Father.

These readings are still relevant. We are saddened and disturbed by the violence and cruelty in our society. As a follower of Christ, and a child of God, am I able to show I take Jesus' teaching to heart by loving, reverencing serving my neighbor?

God's Word 2020 Daily Reflections

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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: _____

STATIONS OF THE CROSS
Every Friday at 11:30am during Lent
(starting next Friday 28th February)



Women's Social Support Group

MARCH ACTIVITY

We will be going to see the Movie "EMMA" at Beverly Hills Cinema. Sorry for the short notice, not sure how long the movie will be showing.

Date: Monday 2nd March Movie time to be confirmed. It will be the morning session around 10.20ish. I will be keeping an eye on the times for the Movie and will update everyone.

After the movie we will have lunch at **D to D's at Beverly Hills.**

If you would you like to come please *rsvp* to **Veronica** by **Thursday 27th February 2020** on **0412 216 166** or vtierney37@optusnet.com.au.



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, Pymont.
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, Pymont.
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.

MOVIE AFTERNOON

Movie Afternoon on 1 Mar will be cancelled due to the Technician needs to go to St Mary's Cathedral for the Rite of Election. Sorry for the disappointment.
The next one will be on 5 Apr (Palm Sunday).

Christ our Light Sunday School

Sunday School usually starts after the day school starts but this year the Organising Team has decided to take a gap year. It means, there will be no Sunday school in 2020. Whether it will resume in 2021 will depend as the needs arises. For details, please pick up a news letter at the foyer of our church. If you are interested in supporting Sunday School next year, please complete an "Expression of Interest" form at the back of the news letter and place in the envelop next to the news letter or give it to Fr Casey. Thank you.



"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.

Rev Fr Tony Alex (MGL) Healing Retreat Date

14 March 2020 (Saturday)

Time : 9.00am-4.00 pm Venue

St Joseph's Parish Hall

Entrance at : Parker St. Rockdale NSW

BYO LUNCH

Morning and Afternoon Tea Provided

Inquiries: Ida - 0424 267 500

Helen- 0488 037 631

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**SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY
TIME SUNDAY 23 FEBRUARY 2020**

First Reading Lv 19:1-2, 17-18

A reading from the book of Leviticus

You must love your neighbour, as yourself.

The Lord spoke to Moses; he said: 'Speak to the whole community of the sons of Israel and say to them: "Be holy, for I, the Lord your God, am holy.

"You must not bear hatred for your brother in your heart. You must openly tell him, your neighbour, of his offence; this way you will not take a sin upon yourself. You must not exact vengeance, nor must you bear a grudge against the children of your people. You must love your neighbour as yourself. I am the Lord."

Responsorial Psalm Ps 102:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13. R. v.8

(R.) The Lord is kind and merciful.

1. My soul, give thanks to the Lord, all my being, bless his holy name. My soul, give thanks to the Lord and never forget all his blessings. **(R.)**

2. It is he who forgives all your guilt, who heals every one of your ills, who redeems your life from the grave, who crowns you with love and compassion. **(R.)**

3. The Lord is compassion and love, low to anger and rich in mercy. He does not treat us according to our sins nor repay us according to our faults. **(R.)**

4. As far as the east is from the west so far does he remove our sins. As a father has compassion on his sons, the Lord has pity on those who fear him. **(R.)**

Second Reading 1 Cor 3:16-23

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

All things are yours, but you belong to Christ and Christ belongs to God.

Didn't you realise that you were God's temple and that the Spirit of God was living among you? If anybody should destroy the temple of God, God will destroy him, because the temple of God is sacred; and you are that temple.

Make no mistake about it: if any one of you thinks of himself as wise, in the ordinary sense of the word, then he must learn to be a fool before he really can be wise. Why?

Because the wisdom of this world is foolishness to God. As scripture says: The Lord knows wise men's thoughts: he knows how useless they are, or again: God is not convinced by the arguments of the wise. So there is nothing to boast about in anything human: Paul, Apollos, Cephas, the world, life and death, the present and the future, are all your servants; but you belong to Christ and Christ belongs to God.

PRAYERS for our Parish:

As a caring community, we reach out in love and prayers to our brothers and sisters in **Narramore Street & New England Drive** praying for their needs and intentions.



Gospel Mt 5:38-48

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Love your enemies.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'You have learnt how it was said: Eye for eye and tooth for tooth. But I say this to you: offer the wicked man no resistance. On the contrary, if anyone hits you on the right cheek, offer him the other as well; if a man takes you to law and would have your tunic, let him have your cloak as well. And if anyone orders you to go one mile, go two miles with him. Give to anyone who asks, and if anyone wants to borrow, do not turn away.

'You have learnt how it was said: You must love your neighbour and hate your enemy. But I say this to you: love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you; in this way you will be sons of your Father in heaven, for he causes his sun to rise on bad men as well as good, and his rain to fall on honest and dishonest men alike. For if you love those who love you, what right have you to claim any credit? Even the tax collectors do as much, do they not? And if you save your greetings for your brothers, are you doing anything exceptional? Even the pagans do as much, do they not? You must therefore be perfect just as your heavenly Father is perfect.'

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.

FREE

Anyone interested on being an Acolyte? Training will be provided and will be guided by an experienced Acolyte for next roster. Enquiries: Jeremy Seeto, ph 0414 490 899, email: jezza.seeto@gmail.com.



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, Margolitt 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:

Giacomo Brancatto, Desmond Baker, Rosina Certoma, 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: Ray Kenna, Maureen Fulton, Maureen Kane, Helen Chakty, Raymon Chakty, Liliana Teremi, Mariano Stendardo, Santo Livolsi, Bernadette Liana Liaww, Joan Deady, Reginald Clarke, Rachael Metcalfe, Frederick Goodwin, Winifred Brooks, Mark Brennan, Victor Crowder, Francis Nolan, Angela Tusa, Patricia Browne, Lloyd Talbot, Shirley Grill, Maria Villareal, Edward Kearney, Madeline Thomas, Rosaleen Byrne, Josephine Cullen, Giuseppe Tesoriero, Maria Gregorio, Maria Villareal, Marjorie Hanson, Joan Hamilton, Joseph Patterson.

Also For: 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

29 FEBRUARY/1 MARCH

	5:00pm	8.30am
Readers:	B & J Deady	E Russo J M Touma
Commentator:	V Dick	N Ormerod
Acolyte	Michael	Pak
Music:	Mary/Agnes	Grant
Holy Good Store:		P Denny
Warden:		P Bozic
	10:00am	5:00pm
Readers	E Hong M Guiffrida	Youth
Commentator:	R Lansdown	
Acolyte	Michelle	Win/Giok
Music:	10am Choir	Youth
Holy goods Stall:		
Warden:	J Policarpio	
Cleaning Roster:	T & N Ormerod, M & W Phillips	
Counters:	P Yip, K Chan, M Rana	

Altar Servers:

Sat Vigil	:	L Kasses, M Kelly, R & V Kwong
Sun 8.30am	:	R & C Doan J Shori
Sun 10.00am	:	J Kim, D Pighin, S & H Tandaovong
Sun 5.00pm	:	M Chung, T Lee, J Lui, N Ng, W Setiadji

The Pilgrim Statue: will be at the home of Sian & Leslie Phua, 490B Forest Road, Bexley. 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 2:7-9, 3:1-7; Rom 5:12-19; Mt 4:1-11

