

OUR LADY OF FATIMA, KINGSGROVE

Opening to the challenge of renewal

Living out the Eucharist & Gospel of Jesus Christ

Fostering communal compassion and service

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A) - 28 June 2020



Complying with the NSW Government Regulations and Archdiocese Directives, Masses resumed with restrictions. From 1st July, our church can have 210 people at a time adhering to the four-square-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	
	& 5.00pm	

Weekend Masses, Saturday, 5:00 pm vigil; Sunday, 8:30 am; 10:00 am and 5:00 pm no booking for 210 people but needs to register on entry on main church door; same with

Weekday 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

During the time of the Old Testament patriarchs, when both the nature of the terrain and the constant threat of misadventure made hospitality a necessity, it was regarded as a sacred duty to welcome guests and to provide for them with honour-a tradition that endures to this day, at least in some parts of the Holy Land. A good example is to be found in our first reading from the Second Book of the Kings. Rather extravagantly, 'a woman of rank' welcomes the prophet Elisha and his servant Gehazi and offers them food and purpose-built accommodation. Jesus himself both gave and received hospitality (at the home of Martha, Mary and Lazarus to give but one example) during the busy years of his itinerant public ministry. In today 's excerpt from his discourse on mission he affirms the importance of such conduct and points to its deeper significance. "Anyone who welcomes you, " he says to his disciples, "welcomes me; and those who welcome me welcome the one who sent me. " Mindful of today 's refugee crisis, Pope Francis reminds us that ' a uthentic hospitality is a profound Gospel value '; and Peter, addressing the Christians in Rome, says: " Make hospitality your special care " (Rom 12:21). God 's Word 2020 Daily Reflections



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

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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 is expected. We are therefore encouraged to download the CovidSafe App and abide by the latest public health advice.

Further easing of restrictions from 1 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. With four-square-metre rule, our church can have 210 people including upstairs. 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, side doors are closed.

1. Our Lady of Fatima Kingsgrove church is open for **personal prayer from 8:30am to 3.00pm Tuesday to Saturday**. Spatial distancing and hygiene directions apply. No booking required.

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 210 people. Spatial distancing and hygiene directions apply. No booking required.

3. Saturday morning Mass is followed by confession until 10.30am.

4. Weekend Mass, regular schedule resumes, no bookings are required, maximum of 210 people. 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. With the four-square-metre rule, we will only have 210 people inside the church.

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 210 people are permitted.

9. **Baptisms** can be celebrated with also maximum of 210 attendees.

10. **Weddings** are also permitted with four-squaremetre-rule up to 210 people.

If you or someone you love is ill and you wish to offer a prayer for them, Father George and myself are 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

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.

GROWING IN FAITH Scriptural readings and Saints for this week

29 Mon SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES Solemnity

Acts 12:1-11/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19 (591) Pss Prop

30 Tue The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church Am 3:1-8; 4:11-12/Mt 8:23-27 (378)

JULY 1 Wed Am 5:14-15, 21-24/Mt 8:28-34 (379)

2 Thu Am 7:10-17/Mt 9:1-8 (380)

3 Fri Saint Thomas, Apostle Feast Eph 2:19-22/Jn 20:24-29 (593) Pss Prop

4 Sat Am 9:11-15/Mt 9:14-17 (382)

5 SUN FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Zec 9:9-10/Rom 8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-30 (100)

Prayer Resources during time of Pandemic The Archdiocese of Sydney has a dedicated webpage with prayers and scriptural reflections to help nurture your faith during these difficult times. You'll find the webpage here-<u>https://</u> www.sydneycatholic.org/coronavirus-updates/ prayer-resources-for-the-coronavirus-pandemic/



After a long period of waiting, the Elects will be baptised on Saturday 4/7 at 5pm Vigil mass. As a faithful family, please keep them in prayers.

New Cantonese RCIA class will commence

from Sunday 2/8, English class from end of August. Enquiry please contact Mary Leung (mobile 0414533011 or parish office).

THE MINISTRY OF EXPECTANT PARENTS AND BABIES

Due to the current corona virus restrictions we are unable to have a blessing for our Expectant Parents this month.

However, Our Lady of Fatima parish wish all our Expectant Parents every blessing for a safe and healthy birth.

PRAYER FOR EXPECTANT PARENTS

Father we thank you for your marvellous gift; you have allowed us to share in your divine parenthood.

During this time of waiting,

We ask you to protect and nurture

These first mysterious stirrings of life.

May our child come safely into the light of the world and to the new birth of baptism.

Mother of God,

We entrust our child to your loving heart. Amen



ST VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY WINTER APPEAL

We will be conducting our Winter appeal during masses this weekend 27/28 June. We expect the need for assistance will greatly increase this year due not only to the normal winter challenges but also the economic effects stemming from the necessary measures taken by the Government to contain the virus. At the same time the COVID-19 restrictions for gatherings is having a dramatic affect on Church attendance numbers and we expect our Winter appeal this year will be significantly affected. In addition to the usual appeal during the masses over the weekend, with the assistance of Vinnies head office, we have set up an online a local Winter appeal which can be accessed through the following weblink:

https://my.fundraise.vinniesnsw.org.au/fundraise-your-way/ kingsgrove-vinnies-winter-appeal

We understand that you too may be affected but for those of you who can help your assistance will be greatly appreciated.

Bernie Deady

Open Our Churches national petition

While it is pleasing to see progress made on the easing of restrictions on churches in NSW, our fellow Catholics in some other states and territories are still struggling to practice their faith under unfair restrictions at this time. You can voice your concerns directly with all the premiers and chief ministers by signing the Open Our Churches petition at this address: www.openourchurches.com.au

Goodbye but not farewell

A very big thank you to Veronica Tierney for the kind words in regard to our departure from the parish recently. Regretfully, due to the CoVid-19 restrictions we were unable to say our goodbyes to many of you but as Kiama is not too far away we hope to visit occasionally and so catch up with you then.

While we hold precious memories of our many years living and being very much part of the Kingsgrove community we are very happy with our 'sea change' and hopefully will be able to enjoy a long and happy retirement in our new location. Thank you to all of you for enriching our lives during our time in Kingsgrove. It is a wonderful parish made up of many exceptionally generous and faith filled people and we will certainly miss the community and the dear friends we have made over the years.

Teresa and Alan Macpherson

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: <u>www.olfkingsgrove.org.au</u>. Please Click on **SUPPORT US on the top right of 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

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).

Planned Giving Envelopes 2020/21

The new sets are ready for collection at the church foyer. Please ensure you check your name with corresponding address and pick the correct one. The archdiocese can still offer 30% tax deduction. Instead of envelopes, you could opt for periodic payment using credit card by contacting Parish Office, ph 9150 9665.

BAPTISM PREPARATION EVENING Wednesday, 1st July 2020



8:00 pm RSVP: 29th June Coordinators: Imelda Dela Cruz 0414 979 241; Myrna De La Pena 0490 410 896

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: 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, Gabby Maalouf.

Please pray for our Recently Deceased:

Margolit Phillips, Dr Felix Merlino, Angelo Di Mateo, Josephina Parise, Souad Ziter, Ian Ravaillion, Ivan Bozic, Jean Rovali, Apolonia Gener, Catalino Mata, Sr Juju Dizon, Ellen Quirk, Laraine Lay, Ray Mason, Anna Proietto,

Anniversaries: Vito Genco, George and Stephen Abagi, Biaggio Signorelli, Geoffrey Loe, Salvatore Sgroi, Luigi Giannoccolo, Antonino De Fina, Rosina Hansen, John Edgton, Hedvig Szirt, Ellen Burke, Michael Freestone, Romeo Costa, Ranji Scott, Maria Corino, Ciro Gonanao, Noela Auprince, May Ovens, Domenica Valenti, William Price, Jack Sachs, John Fulton, Betty Hughes, Janice Collins, Filippo Di Paola, Mary Leckie, Wai Fong Seeto, Brendan Dillon, Rumiz Erminio, Irma Lee, Patricia Hudson, Marie Smithson, Allan Collins, Anthony Camenzuli, Madeline McLennan, Caterina Nogare, John O'Sullivan, John Douglas, Severino Guiducci.

Also For: Thanksgiving and intentions for Honorato (Jun) Letran, Rachel and Rohit, prayers and intentions requested through the OLF Kingsgrove Intercessory Prayer group, and all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

ROSTERS 4/5 JULY

Reader:	5:00pm J Hoban	8.30am P Lee
Commentator: Acolyte:	P Frederick Kelvin/Ella	J M Touma Pak
Reader: Commentator: Acolyte :	10:00am A McGahan R Eid Tom	5:00pm Youth Michael



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 <u>https://goo.gl/forms/</u> 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 <u>safeguardingPSSO@olfkingsgrove.org.au</u>

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</u>

Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.