



# OUR LADY OF FATIMA, KINGSGROVE

Opening to the challenge of renewal

Living out the Eucharist & Gospel of Jesus Christ

*First Sunday of Advent (Year B) - 29 November 2020*



**Complying with the NSW Government, Health Regulations and Archdiocese Directives, Masses resumed with restrictions. From 23rd October, our church can have 230 people with 4-sq-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

**Weekend Masses, Saturday, 5:00 pm vigil; Sunday, 8:30 am and 5:00 pm no booking for 230 people but needs to register on entry on main church door; same with Weekday masses. No booking for all 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

Jesus uses a number of vigorous verbs in this Gospel to describe the behaviour he wants to see in us as we await his coming: we are to 'be alert', to be 'awake'. These are all applied to our ordinary existence. Yes, the daily round that doesn't seem important in the eyes of the world is precious in the eyes of God as it is in daily life that the kingdom of God is unfolding for us. We do not drift into this kingdom or find ourselves within it by default. God wants us to actively and effectively participate in making his kingdom a reality in our world. It takes great daily courage to take these words to heart but when we do our lives, our often very humble lives, attain a meaning and depth that cannot come from human sources. Judgement will be made, not upon what presentation we may be able to drum up at the last minute, but rather on what we do day-by-day when no-one is around. When we trust the plan that God has for our lives, the grace of the Spirit opens our eyes to infinite vistas in the confined spaces of our daily life.

*God's Word 2020 Daily Reflections*

## CHRISTMAS STAMPS

Please save any stamps for the Peruvian Missions. Place them in the box on the table in the foyer. Thank you.

## READERS – ALL HANDS ON DECK

A number of readers/commentators will be required for the Advent Novena Masses and the Christmas liturgies. Even if you have been unable to read this year but are planning to attend an Advent Novena and/or Christmas Mass, please consider volunteering on the sheets in the foyer (use your own pen or one of the sanitised pencils). This will avoid last-minute recruiting which is stressful and takes away from dignity of the ceremony. Please be prepared to step in where you see the need. Thanks to you all.

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**Youth Coordinator:** TBA

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*Dear parishioners,*

COVID-19 remains present and highly infectious in the community. With the relaxation of isolation measures from 23rd October, an increase in cases maybe all around. We are therefore encouraged to take necessary precautions and to download the CovidSafe App and abide by the latest public health advice.

Easing of restrictions from 23rd October was announced by the NSW government with churches to allow 300 attendees under the 4-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. Our church can have 230 attendees with the 4-square-metre rule including upstairs. Dot markers are placed where people should sit. **No more booking required on all masses.**

It is still a requirement 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 230 people. Physical distancing and hygiene directions apply. No booking required.

3. **Saturday 9:15 am morning Mass is followed by Confession until 10.30am.** No booking required.

4. **Weekend Mass, regular schedule resumed, maximum of 230 people. All weekend mass - no Booking required**

**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. We are now allowed 230 people inside the church on a first come, first serve basis

5. All Catholics but priests continue to be dispensed from Sunday obligations but those with low risk and able to do so are exhorted to take reasonable steps to attend.

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 permitted but will increase to 300 by 1st December.

9. **Baptisms** can be celebrated with maximum of 300 attendees from 1st December.

10. **Weddings** are permitted with up to 300 people subject to 4-square-metre rule.

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, thanksgiving 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](http://www.olfkingsgrove.org.au) as it is being

**updated. You may also contact us via Email:**

[info@olfkingsgrove.org.au](mailto:info@olfkingsgrove.org.au) or Ph: 9150 9665

*Father Hamilton (Casey) Ureta*

Parish Priest

## GROWING IN FAITH

Scriptural readings and Saints for this week

### NOVEMBER 2020

**30 Mon**

**Saint Andrew, Apostle**

Feast

Rom 10:9-18/Mt 4:18-22 (684) Pss Prop

### DECEMBER 2020

**1 Tue**

Is 11:1-10/Lk 10:21-24 (176)

**2 Wed**

Is 25:6-10a/Mt 15:29-37 (177)

**3 Thu**

**Saint Francis Xavier, Priest**

Memorial

Is 26:1-6/Mt 7:21, 24-27 (178)

**4 Fri**

**Saint John Damascene, Priest and Doctor of the Church**

Is 29:17-24/Mt 9:27-31 (179)

**5 Sat**

Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8 (180)

### 6 SUN SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Is 40:1-5, 9-11/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8 (5) Pss II



### **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 **Barnsbury Grove & Beaconsfield Avenue** praying for their needs and intentions."

## CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR 2020 MASS SCHEDULE

**Sunday 29 November : First Sunday of Advent,**  
usual mass times: 8:30am; 10:00am & 5:00pm

**Tuesday 8 December: The Immaculate  
Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary**  
9:15am Mass only

**Wednesday 9 December : 2nd Rite of  
Reconciliation, 7:00pm** (Covid rules in place-  
please wear a mask) Priests to assist.

**Saturday 12 December: Advent Retreat facilitated  
by Fr Tony Alex (MGL) from Peakhurst/  
Penshurst Parishes**

9:15am Mass followed by Retreat until 3:00pm  
Please call the parish office to register.  
Lunch will be provided. Everyone is welcome

**Saturday 19 December Working Bee after  
morning Mass**

### ADVENT NOVENA EVENING MASSES 15 to 23 December

7:00 pm Weekdays

(Please note that on the above dates, weekday  
morning and all weekend Masses will be as per usual  
schedule.)

### CHRISTMAS EVE

**Thursday 24 December**

6:00 pm Christmas Carols (To be advised)  
6:15 pm Family Christmas Mass (**Booking required**)  
9:00 pm Christmas Mass (**Booking required**)  
11:45 pm Christmas Carols (To be advised)  
12:00 Midnight Christmas Mass (**Booking required**)

### CHRISTMAS DAY

**Friday 25 December**

9:00am & 10:30am Masses only (**Booking required**)  
NO 5PM MASS

### BOXING DAY

**Saturday 26 December**

Vigil Mass (no morning Mass)

### NEW YEAR'S EVE

**Thursday 31 December**

9:15am Mass (followed by holy hour with  
Benediction)

### NEW YEAR'S DAY

**Friday 1 January** Exposition 11am followed by Mass

## FROM THE SACRAMENTAL COORDINATOR 1<sup>ST</sup> HOLY COMMUNION 2020

On Saturday, 28th November, in two special Masses at  
9.30 am and 11.30 am our final group of thirty three  
children received their Sacrament of First Holy  
Communion.

**We congratulate all the children and their families  
on reaching this special milestone in their faith  
journey, and we, as their faith community joyfully  
celebrate with them!**

We pray that their faith continues to grow as they will  
come to receive the Lord in the Eucharist regularly.  
**THANK YOU TO ALL WHO WERE INVOLVED IN ANY WAY  
IN THIS YEAR'S SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM. THANK  
YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND COMMITMENT.**

### Enrolments for the 2021 Sacramental Program is now open.

Enrolment Packages are available in the Church foyer and  
from the Parish Office.

**Completed enrolment forms may be returned to the  
Parish office or emailed to the email address below:**

[ofsacramentalcoordinator@gmail.com](mailto:ofsacramentalcoordinator@gmail.com)

**Closing Date: 18<sup>th</sup> December 2020**

Enquiries regarding the sacramental  
programmes could be directed to the  
Sacramental Coordinator.

Ana Naduva Phone: 9554 5752

### ADVENT NOVENA EVENING MASS

Once again this year, we will be holding evening  
Advent Masses in the immediate days leading up to  
Christmas. Let us join together as a worshipping  
community, in preparing our hearts for the coming of our  
saviour, this Christmas advent season.

**Our Lady of Fatima Kingsgrove Parish  
89 Shaw Street Kingsgrove NSW 2208**

**Invites you to Advent Evening Masses**

**7:00 pm on the following dates:**

**15 December – Tuesday**

**16 December – Wednesday**

**17 December – Thursday**

**18 December – Friday**

**21 December-Monday**

**22 December-Tuesday**

**23 December-Wednesday**

**Weekend and weekday masses will be as  
per usual schedule.**

**Alongside with Father Casey we will be inviting guest  
priests to celebrate mass.**

**(With regards to food and refreshments is it still being  
decided-due to Covid 19)**



### GOD'S WORD 2021

A companion on the journey to pray, to  
share, to grow in God's love and be  
nourished by the Word of God.

The book includes the Bible readings set down  
for each day, with a reflection. It would be a nice  
Christmas gift to your family and friends. **It's on sale at  
Piety Store and Parish Office at \$15.00 per copy.**

### BAPTISM PREPARATION EVENING

Wednesday, 2nd December 2020

8:00 pm RSVP: 30 November

Coordinators: Tom & Tina Coorey

Phone: 9150 6016 0423 854 633



### Availability for Christmas Masses - Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

At each of the Christmas Masses, we will require 5  
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. It would be  
appreciated if Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion  
that are able to assist with Communion at the Christmas  
Masses, could indicate their availability on the form in the  
foyer. If you are using one of the pencils supplied, please  
take the pencil with you, so that we remain COVID Safe.  
Kind regards,  
David Ivers



## 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 (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).

### Parishioners who are Sick:

Caterina Ancona, Joe Millen, Laurie Enright, Loretta Visser, Frank Crimi, Carol Braga, Betty Maguire, Michael & Eileen Neville, Rosemary Cooley, Tom De Michele, Rosemary Theodoris, 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, 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.

### Please pray for our Recently Deceased:

Maria Boufrancis, Nell Stenning, Eliza Ferreira, Mary Margaret Pearce, Joan McAndrew, Fredesvinda Consunji, Michael Borromeo Sr.

**Anniversaries:** Vincenzo Scali, Elizabeth Coluccio, Maria La Spada (Snr), Maura Lumapac, Pedro Snr Lumapac, Angelina De Fina, Charles Gross, Maurice Goodwin, Irene Roddan, Norma Bale, Rene Montano, Lawrence Stevens, Keith Smith, Mary Frost, Patricia Nockles, Maurice Rogers, Vince Rugiero, William Kadwell, Joseph Montano, John Long, Michael Conway, Calogera Roppolo, Constance Smith.

**Also For:** Deceased John Ringo Little, Marando Family, Angela Palisoc and prayers and intentions requested through the OLF Kingsgrove Intercessory Prayer group, and all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.



## ROSTERS 5/6 December

	<b>5:00pm</b>	<b>8.30am</b>
Reader:	T Abela-King	S Fisher
Commentator:	M Millen	N Ormerod
Acolyte:	Ella	Pak
	<b>10:00am</b>	<b>5:00pm</b>
Reader:	C Pighin	Youth
Commentator:	T Pighin	
Acolyte:	Jeremy	Wilson



### 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](mailto: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 [safeguarding@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:safeguarding@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.