

OUR LADY OF FATIMA, KINGSGROVE

Opening to the challenge of renewal

Living out the Eucharist & Gospel of Jesus Christ

Síxth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B) - 14 February 2021

Complying with the NSW Government, Health Regulations and Archdiocese Directives, easing of restrictions apply on all masses. From Friday, 12 February 2021, our church can have 460 people with twosquare-metre rule.



MASS TIMES

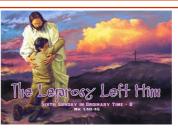
Monday:	Closed	
Tuesday:	9:15am	
Wednesday:	9:15am	
Thursday:	9.15am	
Friday:	12noon	
Saturday:	9.15am & Vigil	
	5.00pm	
Sunday:	8:30am 10am &	
	5.00pm	

Weekend Masses, Saturday, 5:00 pm vigil; Sunday, 8:30am, 10:00am and 5:00pm no booking for 460 people but needs to register on entry on main church door; same with weekday masses. No booking for all these 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

' If you want to you can cure me. ' These are the words, the plea, of a desperate man suffering from leprosy who came to Jesus begging for healing. The man approaches Jesus and falling on his knees makes his request. Jesus is profoundly moved by this man 's plea and does the unthinkable-he stretches out his hand and touches the man saying, 'of course I want to! Be cured. ' To touch someone with leprosy was against the law and made the person unclean. Jesus 'compassion to the man goes beyond the law. While we are not afflicted with leprosy, perhaps we are experiencing other physical, spiritual or emotional conditions that are eating away at us and leading us to feel alone and isolated. We may carry shame in our hearts from past experiences. Le us approach Jesus in trust, believing that he will not turn us away. May we hear today these powerful words of Jesus- 'be cured '. Jesus wants to stretch out his hand to us so that we too can experience the loving and compassionate touch of God in our suffering. Let us also always approach others and welcome them as Jesus does with us. God 's Word 2021 Daily Reflections

> ASH WEDNESDAY 17TH February Mass times : 9:15am & 7:00pm

(Day of fasting and abstinence except for over 65 years old and those with medical condition)

OLF PARISH CALENDARS 2021 ARE AVAILABLE FOR COLLECTION FROM THE PARISH OFFICE.



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Dear parishioners,

We thank God that for 24 consecutive days, there were no cases of community transmission of Coronavirus. As such, from Friday, 12 February, easing of restrictions was announced.

But we have to continue to be careful and take all reasonable precautions to protect the health of everyone involved and to observe the directives we have received. We are again back with 460 people in the church including upstairs with 2 square metre rule. Indicators are in each pew for the limit of number of people to sit unless from same household. Dot markers are placed where people should sit. No booking required on all masses but on a first come, first serve basis.

It is always a requirement that attendees should register before entering the church. It is compulsory that registration now is through scanning the Service NSW QR code using smartphones with Service NSW App. For those with no smart mobile phones please write your name, telephone or email address in the sheet provided upon church entry at main door on weekends, side doors on Weekdays.

The <u>wearing of face masks</u> is no longer mandatory in closed-in places, including places of worship. But for our safety, I would recommend wearing of face masks if social distancing is not possible. We are trying as much as we can to keep our church a safe place in which all are welcome to come and worship the Lord. I will still be wearing mask during communion. I know you will understand that I do so for our common protection and compliance. Congregation singing is STILL cancelled until further notice.

- 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 460 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 460 people. All weekend mass - no Booking required Saturday Vigil - 5:00pm

Sunday - 8:30am 10:00am 5:00pm

Please come early when attending mass for registration and to secure your seats. Until further notice, we are allowed 460 people inside the church including upstairs, on a first come, first, serve basis. Clune Centre will be open with speakers for attendees over 460.

5. From Friday, 12 February, dispensation had been again lifted. All Catholics (except those ar risk, the eldely, the sick and those with compromised immune and respiratory systems) are once again obliged to attend Sunday mass and Holy Days. If restrictions are once again tightened, and church attendance is limited to one person per 4 square metre rule, the dispensation will again be in place. Those unable to attend mass are encouraged encouraged to do Prayers at home, read Scriptures or watch live streamed mass on TV and asking God for graces normally received at Holy Communion.

- 6. **Anointing of the sick** will continue to be administered as a Viaticum for the gravely ill and the dying.
- 7. For **funerals** up to 300 people with 2-square metre rule.
- 8. **Baptisms** can be celebrated with 300 attendees subject to 2-square-metre rule.
- 9. Weddings can be celebrated with 300 guests inside our church. Same with other venues.

All of these notices might change depending on the Covid 19 situation.

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: <u>www.olfkingsgrove.org.au</u> as it is being updated. You may also contact us via Email: <u>info@olfkingsgrove.org.au</u> or Ph: 9150 9665

Father Hamilton (Casey) Ureta Parish Priest

GROWING IN FAITH

Scriptural readings and Saints for this week

February 2021

15 Monday Gn 4:1-15, 25/Mk 8:11-13 (335)

16 Tuesday Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10/Mk 8:14-21 (336)

17 Wed Ash Wednesday Jl 2:12-18/2 Cor 5:20—6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18 (219) Pss IV

18 Thursday after Ash Wednesday Dt 30:15-20/Lk 9:22-25 (220)

19 Friday after Ash Wednesday Is 58:1-9a/Mt 9:14-15 (221)

20 Saturday after Ash Wednesday Is 58:9b-14/Lk 5:27-32 (222)

21 SUN FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT Gn 9:8-15/1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15 (23) Pss I

We need volunteers to be rostered as main entrance door Attendants/wardens 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. Thank you.

BAPTISM PREPARATION EVENING



Tuesday, 2nd March 2021 8:00 pm RSVP: 26 February 2021 Coordinators: Tom and Tina Coorey Phone Nos.: 9150 6016; 0423 854 633

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LENT	EN SEASON SERVICES	2021 First Reconciliation Preparation Program Begins
Stations of 19 February	the Cross Every Friday from	This coming Saturday, 20th February, 57 children, will make their commitment, before the parish community at the 9.15 am Mass, as they begin their
,	11:30am-English	preparation program to receive the Sacrament of First
	7:00pm-English	Reconciliation.
		The four weeks of preparation will then begin on the
	1st & 3rd Saturday 6:00pm in Chinese	23rd of February up until the 21 st of March
		A parent is required to accompany their child to
Tuesday:	10 March	the Commitment Mass and the 4 weeks of
	2nd Rite of Reconciliation	preparation.
	7:00pm	The sacrament of Reconciliation restores our sense of
	(Invited Priests to assist)	belonging when we are unfaithful to our baptismal
		calling. It is a sacrament of healing, which calls us back
		to God through his great mercy and reconciles us to
Saturday:	27 March Working Bee	our greater church family where, by our baptism, we
	from 9:45am	truly belong.
		As their church family, we can help support these
PALM SUN	DAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD	children and their families prepare for their sacraments
Solemn Entr	y & Blessing of Palms at all Masses	through our heartfelt prayers. For this purpose, we
	hurch. You can bring your own Palm for	have set up a prayer wall display of the children,
		located on the back wall of the church. Please take a
-	ms will be available in the Church to be	little time to go past and offer a prayer for them on
distributed	by volunteers. No touching.	behalf of the one Body of Christ.
		Please direct enquiries regarding sacramental
Saturday Vi	gil: 27 March 5.00pm	programmes to the Sacramental Coordinator on the
_		contacts below.
Sunday:	28 March –8.30am, 10.00am	Ana Naduva Sacramental Coordinator
Canady	5.00pm	Phone: 9554 5752
	5.00pm	
Holy Thurse	day: 1 April - 7.00pm Mass of	Theatre Party
	The Lord's Supper & Washing of	Organised by the Women's
		Social
	the Feet. (Adoration in the Church	Support Group
	until 12:00am)	COME FROM AWAY
	(No morning Mass. Chrism Mass	
	at St Mary's Cathedral)	
		Time: 1pm
Good Frida	y: 2 April 10am Stations of	Location Capitol Theatre
	the Cross 3pm - Commemoration of	Cost: \$75.00
	the Lord's Passion (Fasting &	Payment Date: Friday 23rd June 2021
	Abstinence exemption for those	This production is based on the remarkable true
	who are sick or over 65)	story of what happened when hundreds of planes
		were diverted from their US destinations to towns
Holy Saturd	ay: 3 April 9:00am RCIA Liturgy;	in Canada immediately after the 9/11 attacks.
Tiony Sature		The town of Gander was one of the towns that
	7pm Easter Vigil	took 38 planes and the story is based on real
		events that happened on this island in
Easter Sund	• •	Canada and what the people of that island did for
	11:30am	these passengers.
	(NO EVENING MASS)	If you wish to go to the above Theatre Party 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.
SA	TURDAY 13th MARCH	
Facilitator:	Fr Percival Savare, OSA	PRAYERS for our Parish: "Welcome everyone to our live celebration of the

9:15am Mass 9:45am Tea/Coffee 10:15am start session till 2:30pm All Welcome

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 **Edward & Elizabeth Streets** praying for their needs and intentions."



PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Parishioners living in retirement: Peg Denny, Coleen Davoran, 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), 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); Anthony (Tony) Redford (Pathways Cronulla Pines), Victa Hanzel (RFBI Lakemba Masonic Village).

Parishioners/friends who are Sick:

Leonardo Pagano, Ramon & Caridad Hizon, Kevin Ryan, John & Maureen Dowd, Elisa De Guzman, Nelly Vanzyl, Rosa Alaso, Rhose Cunningham, David Burrell, Joanne Dick, Caterina Ancona, Joe Millen, Loretta Visser, Frank Crimi, Betty Maguire, Michael & Eileen Neville, Tom De Michele, Rosemary Theodoris, Margaret Lynn, Jim Sackett, Margaret McCafferty, Angelo Taranto, James Crilto, Bambina Canosa, Alida Banks, 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 & Lena Xuereb, Judy & Colin Elliott, Frank Brown, Rosalina Mirabueno, Maria Braga, John Fick, Valerie McInnis, Samar Munoz.

Please pray for our Recently Deceased:

George Ghostine, Teresa Lai-Wah Leung, Araceli Esmilla, Nestor Reforma, Gay Chan, Miguel Ventosa, Ramona & Danilo Feliciano, John Foxe, Fr Isidore Anantharaj, Warlito Del Pilar, Carolina Augusta Braga, Margaret Tai, Monica Cherry, Govind Reddy, Rosemary Cooley, John Fisher, Bishop Geoff Robinson, Michael Guerra, Raffy Hizon, Abla Nader, Kerry Single, Robert Powell, Fernande Cantrell, Edmund Pew.

Anniversaries: Rosina Certoma, Zosimo Osmena, Esme Elefante, Isabel Cadaoas, Frank Mysak, Jamel & Hiam Khouri, George Kamahl, Giuseppe Stillone, Mary Robinson, Gaspari Valenti, Marianna Iacono, Robert Stanley, Herbert Burns, Laszlo Kovacs, Rose Robertson, Carmen Cuschieri, Henri Gauci, Vincenzo Colagiuri, Josephine Barbato, James Carroll, William McDonald, Norma Prout, Lucy Crossland, Maureen Kane.

Also For: Thanksgiving and intentions of Valerie Okwechime, Choeu family; deceased John Ringo Little, Paul & Reymond Coorie, Yvette Basha, and prayers and intentions requested through the OLF Kingsgrove Intercessory Prayer group, and all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

ROSTERS 20/21 February

	5:00pm	8.30am
Reader:	V Hoban	N Ormerod
Commentator:	J Hoban	T Ormerod
Acolyte:	Ella	Pak
	10:00am	5:00pm
Reader:	S Sicari	Youth
Commentator:	J Deacon	
Acolyte :	Michael	Kelvin



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 Svdnev 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>safeguardingPSS</u> O@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</u> <u>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.