



# OUR LADY OF FATIMA, KINGSGROVE

Opening to the challenge of renewal

Living out the Eucharist & Gospel of Jesus Christ

*Fourth Sunday of Lent (Year B) - 14 March 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 two-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

**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

In 57 BCE, the Babylonian army conquered Jerusalem. The invading soldiers demolished the city walls, burned down the temple, destroyed buildings and led its leading citizens and artisans off into captivity in Babylon.

In exile, the Jews soon realised that while they were captives in body, they did not have to be captives in spirit. The Babylonians could control where they lived but not what they believed. A faithful group of Jews refused to forget their religious heritage. They resisted every effort of their captors to entice them to ridicule their faith. They refused to allow the beauty of Babylon, with its rivers and poplars, to replace in their hearts the beauty of Jerusalem, the holy city. This resistance is well expressed in today's responsorial psalm. It reveals the peoples' immense grief at the loss of their homeland and their resolve never to forget the God of Israel despite the seemingly hopeless situation they were in.

Like the exiles, we can sometimes feel that we are living in an alien land. We are surrounded by a culture that oftentimes does not recognise Christ or Christian values. Like them we can be tempted to forget our religious heritage. We need to remain faithful to Christ not only for ourselves but also for the well-being of all peoples. God loves the world so much and desires that everyone be saved. By our Christian witness we can be instruments through which the saving grace of Christ is communicated to all.

God's word Daily Reflections 2021



## 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,*

We thank God that for many 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 **wearing of face masks** is no longer mandatory in closed-in places, including places of worship. But for our safety, I would highly 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 especially during communion. I know you will understand that I do so for our common protection and safety.

**Congregation singing is now allowed as long as face masks are worn and 4 sq metre rule is observed.**

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 10:30am-11.25pm, Exposition of the Holy Eucharist, 11:30-12:00pm Stations of the Cross followed by Mass. 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 at risk, the elderly, 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

**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:**

**[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

March 2021

**15 Mon**

Is 65:17-21/Jn 4:43-54 (244)

**16 Tue**

Ez 47:1-9, 12/Jn 5:1-16 (245)

**17 Wed**

**Saint Patrick, Bishop**

Is 49:8-15/Jn 5:17-30 (246)

**18 Thu**

**Saint Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**

Ex 32:7-14/Jn 5:31-47 (247)

**19 Fri**

**SAINT JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

**Solemnity**

2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a (543) Pss Prop

**20 Sat**

Jer 11:18-20/Jn 7:40-53 (249)

**21 SUN FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

Jer 31:31-34/Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33 (35) Pss I

## BAPTISM PREPARATION EVENING

Wednesday, 7th April 2021 8:00 pm

RSVP: 5 April 2021

Coordinators: Paul & Clothilde Elsibai

Phone no: 0410 583 808



## LENTEN SEASON SERVICES

### Stations of the Cross Every Friday

11:30am-English

7:00pm-English

1st & 3rd Saturday 7:30pm in Chinese

**Saturday: 27 March Working Bee**  
from 9:45am

**PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD**  
**Solemn Entry & Blessing of Palms at all Masses**  
**inside the Church. You can bring your own Palm for**  
**blessing. Palms will be available in the Church to be**  
**distributed by volunteers. No touching.**

**Saturday Vigil: 27 March 5.00pm**

**Sunday: 28 March** -8.30am, 10.00am  
5.00pm

**Holy Thursday: 1 April - 7.00pm** Mass of  
The Lord's Supper & Washing of  
the Feet. (Adoration in the Church  
until 12:00am)  
**(No morning Mass. Chrism Mass**  
**at St Mary's Cathedral)**

**Good Friday: 2 April** 10am Stations of  
the Cross 3pm - Commemoration of  
the Lord's Passion (Fasting &  
Abstinence exemption for those  
who are sick or over 65)

**Holy Saturday: 3 April** 9:00am RCIA Liturgy;  
7pm Easter Vigil

**Easter Sunday: 4 April** - 8.30am, 10.00am &  
11:30am  
**(NO EVENING MASS)**

## Lenten Retreat Day

### SATURDAY 13th MARCH

Facilitator: Fr Percival Savare, OSA

9:15am Mass

9:45am Tea/Coffee

10:15am start session till 2:30pm

All Welcome Please book at Parish Office

### CATHECHISTS WANTED

We need two Catechists to teach year 3 (6 students) & year 4 (10 students) at Kingsgrove Primary School. Lessons are on Thursdays, 2pm to 2:30pm, and are easy to follow. No previous teaching experience is required and training and support is provided.

As well as enriching the faith of some great children, you will enrich your own faith. You will also be doing something worthwhile to support our Community of Faith here at Kingsgrove. We hope you are able to assist.  
Enquiries: **Peter Coleman 9787 2554**



### 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 **Girraween & Glamis Streets** praying for their needs and intentions."

## PROJECT COMPASSION BE MORE

Please take home a Project Compassion box and or a set of donation envelopes and support Caritas

Australia this Lenten Season themed "Be More". These are at the church foyer. Through your generosity and by aspiring to be more, you are assisting some of the world's most vulnerable people build better futures for themselves, their families and their communities. You can donate through these boxes and envelopes or by visiting [www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion](http://www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion) or call 1800 024 413.

## Appeal for Children's Liturgy of the Word - Leaders and helpers

If you have been thinking about getting more involved in parish life but cannot commit too much of your time, the Children's Liturgy Team Ministry might be just the thing for you this year.

We require leaders for Yr kinder to Yr 6, as well as helpers. The only requirement is that you are 18 years or older and willing to provide a Working With Children's Check.

Mentoring will be provided to you if you are new to the ministry, by an experienced leader.

The commitment required is a maximum of two Sunday mornings, once a term; the reward for all those involved is immeasurable.

If you are interested in joining this wonderful ministry or have any questions regarding Children's Liturgy of the Word please contact Ana on the email or telephone number below.

Ana Naduva Sacramental Coordinator

Phone: 9554 5752

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



Our Lady of Fatima  
Primary School

Open Day

Friday 26 March

9:20 am - 10:50am

Enrolments for Kindergarten are now open. If you have a child wishing to attend Kindergarten in 2022 please collect an enrolment pack from the school office.

**Enrolments for Kindergarten 2022 close end of April.**

Bishop Terry Brady warmly invites us to the celebration of St Patrick's Feast Day Mass, Wednesday, 17 March 2021 @ 10:30am, St Mary's Cathedral. RSVP: email: [kym.newman@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:kym.newman@sydneycatholic.org). Please see flyer at church foyer.



### OPEN AFTERNOON 2021

Wednesday, 24 March

3:00 pm - 6:30 pm

Enrolment for Year 7, 2021

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## 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); 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), Anne Sheerin (Holy Spirit Aged Care, Croydon).

### Parishioners/friends who are Sick:

Fr Ric Fernando, sdb, Dra. Rosette Santiago Hizon, Leonardo Pagano, Kevin Ryan, John & Maureen Dowd, Elisa De Guzman, Nelly Vanzyl, Rosa Alaso, Rhose Cunningham, 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 Crito, 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:

Jack Minahan, Pietro Testa, Dr Hermilo Jasminez, Ligaya Dungca, Pat Parkinson, Tony Iannella, Antonio Pinto, Emily Khoudair, George Mir, Adrienne Schneijderberg, George Ghostine, Teresa Lai-Wah Leung, Araceli Esmilla, Gemma Santiago, Gay Chan, Miguel Ventosa, Ramona & Danilo Feliciano, John Foxe, Fr Isidore Anantharaj, Warlito Del Pilar, Carolina Augusta Braga, Monica Cherry, Govind Reddy, Rosemary Cooley.

**Anniversaries:** Maureen Fulton, Francesco Gilio, Arcadia Soriano, Jaime Jose Snr., Ting Kwan Yee, Frank Mann, Andrew Derrig, Gregory Chu, Michael Baker, Lena Dimarco, Nicholas Kevic, Douglas Stewart, Rose Hughes, George Tse, Margaret Sharpe, Joseph Miletic, Sidney Mapps, Pamela Nanavati, Howard Brooker, Michael Roche, Patricia Beavers, Anna Proietto, Mary Fisher, Kathleen Johnson, Sr Agatha osu, Vincent Costa.

**Also For:** Thanksgiving and intentions of George & Nawal Ajami, deceased Wadad & Hanna Ayoub, Antoun Saad, Boutros Maroun; deceased John Ringo Little, Paul & Reymond Coorie, and prayers and intentions requested through the OLF Kingsgrove Intercessory Prayer group, and all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

## ROSTERS 20/21 March

	5:00pm	8.30am
Reader:	J Deady	E Russo
Commentator:	B Deady	P Lee
Acolyte:	Christopher	Jeremy
	10:00am	5:00pm
Reader:	J Deacon	Youth
Commentator:	N Kevic	
Acolyte :	Wilson	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 <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 [safeguardingequies@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:safeguardingequies@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.