

OUR LADY OF FATIMA, KINGSGROVE

Opening to the challenge of renewal

Living out the Eucharist & Gospel of Jesus Christ

Fostering communal compassion and service

Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B 31 October 2021



NSW Government and Health Regulations' easing of restrictions started 11 October. Sydney Archdiocese churches opened from Monday, 18 October. Our church reopened from Saturday, 23 October with 5:00pm vigil mass, then usual mass times thereafter.



**ALL SAINT'S DAY MASSES
MONDAY 1 NOVEMBER, 9:00AM**

Blessing of the Shrine of Remembrance

**ALL SOUL'S DAY MASSES
TUESDAY, 2 NOVEMBER**

9:15AM & 7:00PM

WEDNESDAY, 3 NOVEMBER
9:15AM & 6:30PM (Bereavement Mass)

REFLECTION

The words "I love you" imply a total commitment of heart, soul, mind and strength one to another, a promise given freely and for all time. This is the kind of commitment Jesus speaks about to the scribe-loving God unreservedly, loving myself and my neighbour in the same way that God loves me. What awe-inspiring words-"God loves me". God loves me unreservedly. God is there no matter what. In return, I want to love God and to express that love in real ways. Jesus commends the wisdom of the scribe who seemed to really understand that this was the only way to keep the commandments. Why not take a few moments today to hear God saying "I love you". As Moses said to Israel, let these words be written on your heart. What do I want to say in return? Can I respond wholeheartedly in the psalmist's words: "I love you, Lord, my strength, my rock, my fortress, my saviour?"

God's Word Daily Reflections 2021



NOVEMBER IS A SPECIAL MONTH TO PRAY AND REMEMBER ALL OUR DECEASED LOVE ONES, PARISHIONERS & FRIENDS. DURING ALL OF NOVEMBER THERE WILL BE A SANCTUARY TO PLACE ALL THE NAMES OF OUR DECEASED RELATIVES & FRIENDS.

THE NOVEMBER MASS OFFERING ENVELOPES ARE AVAILABLE BESIDE THE MASS OFFERING BOX OF THE PRESBYTERY AND IN CHURCH FOYER SO ALL NAMES WILL BE READY FOR THE FIRST OF NOVEMBER. PLEASE WRITE NAMES CLEARLY. PLEASE DROP YOUR ENVELOPE AND OFFERINGS INTO THE MASS OFFERING BOX IN THE PRESBYTERY OR IN PARISH OFFICE DURING OFFICE HOURS. THANK YOU.

PLEASE NOTE: the mass time for Monday, 1st

November has been changed to 9:00am as there will be a Funeral for parishioner Benjamin Xuereb at 10:30am.

HEALING MASS

**Friday, 5 November, 12:00 noon
All welcome.**

Parish Priest: Fr Hamilton (Casey) Ureta

Part time Parish Assistant: Fr Stephen Onyekwere

Pastoral Care Coordinator: Monique Choueifati: pastoralcare@olfkingsgrove.org.au

Sacramental Coordinator: Ana D Naduva & Bernadette Bassil, email: ofsacramentalcoordinator@gmail.com

Youth Coordinator: TBA

Secretaries: Katrina McNeill – Tuesday, Wednesday

Imelda Dela Cruz - Thursday, Friday (Bookkeeper, Accounts)

89 Shaw Street, Kingsgrove NSW Postal Address: PO Box 377

Kingsgrove NSW 1480

Ph: 9150 9665 Fax: 9554 9637 Email: info@olfkingsgrove.org.au Website: www.olfkingsgrove.org.au

OLF Primary School Ph: 9502 3723 Email: info@olfkingsgrove.catholic.edu.au

Dear Parishioners and friends,

Welcome back! It had been a fantastic weekend seeing you all once again face to face. We thank God and the intercession of Our Lady of Fatima that we are together once more to celebrate our faith and pray together as a community.

For those unaware, we started to open our church last Saturday, 23 October with the 5:00pm vigil mass and from then on, resume our usual mass schedule. **We are open with mixed congregations, that is everyone whether fully vaccinated, partially vaccinated or as yet unvaccinated.** People who are especially vulnerable, who are vaccinated but anxious about mixing with the unvaccinated, or who are unvaccinated and do not want to risk contact with others, are free to remain at home and join live streamed masses from the cathedral and some parishes. 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 will do all that is reasonably possible to keep everyone safe. **We are again back with 230 people in the church including upstairs with 4 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 recommended 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 mandatory in closed-in places, including places of worship. Congregation singing is not allowed until further notice. 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. Fr Casey and Fr Stephen will be wearing mask during and after mass as required. They know you will understand that they do so for everyone's common protection and compliance.

1. Our Lady of Fatima Kingsgrove church reopened for **personal prayer from 8:30am to 4:00 pm Tuesday to Saturday from 23 October.** Social 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. Social 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

Please come early when attending mass for registration

and to secure your seats. Until further notice, we are allowed 230 people (4 sq-metre rule inside the church including upstairs, on a first come, first serve basis.

Clune Centre will be open with speakers for attendees over 230 inside the church. 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.

5. **Anointing of the sick** will continue to be administered as a Viaticum for the gravely ill and the dying.
6. For **funerals** uncapped with 4-square metre rule or 230 people inside our church.
7. **Baptisms** can be celebrated uncapped subject to 4-square-metre rule 230 guests inside the church.
8. **Weddings** can be celebrated uncapped with 4-sq-metre rule or 230 guests inside our church.
9. Office OPENED Tuesday, 12 October with the usual opening time 8:30am, closing time 4:00pm with one hour break 12:30 to 1:30pm

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

Parish bulletins will be available online or hard copies may be collected from outside the church on Fridays after 1pm.

If you or someone you love is ill and you wish to offer a prayer for them, We are 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.

Though our churches are already open, let us not be complacent as the Delta virus is still around. Let us shake Heaven with our prayers and care and support one another in faith. Our Lady of Fatima, our celestial Mother, walks with us so let us turn to her in prayer to end this pandemic. We are all one on this journey.

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

May God bless us all.

Father Casey and Father Stephen

The Living Water Catholic Charismatic Prayer Group will recommence on All Saints Day Monday 1st November 6:30pm in the McGinley Room, upstairs in the Clune Centre.

Planned Giving Envelopes are for collection at the church foyer from this weekend and onwards. **Please sanitise hands before and after getting your envelopes.**

GROWING IN FAITH

Scriptural readings and Saints for this week

NOVEMBER 2021

1 Mon

ALL SAINTS

Solemnity Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a (667) Pss Prop

2 Tue

The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)

Any readings from no. 668 or from the Lectionary for Mass (vol. IV), the Masses for the Dead, nos. 1011-1016 Pss Prop

3 Wed

Saint Martin de Porres, Religious

Rom 13:8-10/Lk 14:25-33 (487)

4 Thu

Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop

Memorial

Rom 14:7-12/Lk 15:1-10 (488)

5 Fri

Rom 15:14-21/Lk 16:1-8 (489)

6 Sat

Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27/Lk 16:9-15 (490)

7 SUN THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

1 Kgs 17:10-16/Heb 9:24-28/Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44 (155) Pss IV

PRIESTS' RETIREMENT FOUNDATION
PRIESTS' RETIREMENT FOUNDATION
APPEAL DATE: 30 & 31st
October 2021

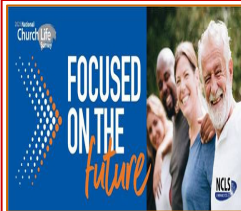
The Priests' Retirement Foundation Appeal – set up with the aim of looking after our sick and retired priests, it provides them with appropriate accommodation and assistance with transition into retirement, medical and dental care, pastoral and other practical support – to give them a life of relative comfort and dignity in retirement. As a way of expressing your gratitude for the men who've nurtured your Catholic faith and provided guidance, friendship and mercy through the years, we hope that you'll consider giving back and donate to the Priests' Retirement Foundation. Thank you.



To donate visit

www.ourfaithourworks.org/prf

or scan the QR Code.



In our 29 August Bulletin, we mentioned that our Parish was chosen to take part in survey by National Church Life Survey (NCLS). The survey was originally scheduled to take place in October/November 2021 but due to the restrictions and difficulties generated by the COVID-related lockdown, NCLS now proposes that our parishes hold these surveys

on **any self-chosen Sunday in February 2022.**

This will give our parish this present time to recover from the lockdown, unencumbered by any additional commitments, and to re-establish itself over the summer months. NCLS has noted that if there are further lockdowns in the new year for some reason, then the survey could be held later again.

PARISH CALENDAR 2022

To assist in preparing the calendar, leaders of various ministries are requested to submit their dates for the calendar to the parish secretary, Katrina or Imelda by 30/11. Thank you in anticipation for your cooperation.

On behalf of Our Lady of Fatima Parish Community, the Caring Support Group invites you and your family members to attend a special Remembrance Mass to celebrate and remember all deceased parishioners, family members and friends from the past year.

To be held on:

Wednesday 3rd November at 6.30pm

Due to Covid-19, if you are unable to attend in person, a live-streaming service of the Mass will be available via the below link:

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/olofkingsgrove/live_videos/

YouTube: <https://youtu.be/zKSM1UdLPX0>



PRAYERS from Our Parish to the World

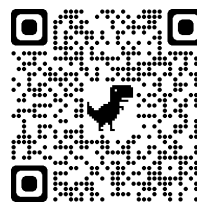
Thank God that we have now returned to celebrating the Mass and Sacraments, we pray for each other and trust in Our God. As a caring community of Our Lady of Fatima Parish, we reach out to each other in love and prayers to our brothers and sisters living in our Parish, the City of Sydney, Australia, and the whole world. Bless and protect us all; guide our leaders; guide and protect our doctors, nurses and medical providers; and inspire scientists in developing ethical and safe vaccines.



Christ our Light Sunday School

With the COVID-19 restrictions relaxed, Sunday School is back in Nov 2021

We will use the Seesaw



Classroom to deliver the lessons and will have a face to face gathering before Christmas break.

If your child (K – Year 10) have not been registered please use the below QR Code to do so. We will start lesson in the first week of November.

Parents are expected to share the materials with their young children in simple language after receiving the learning materials.

Enquiry:
sundayschool.olfkingsgrove@gmail.com



PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Parishioners living in retirement:

Peg Denny, Coleen Davoran, Noreen McAvinue, Millie Czerny, Colin Chandler (Huntingdon Gardens), Merle Kenna (Warrigal, Shell Cove), 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), Shirley Farrell, (Homewood Aged Care), Yuk Hwo Sin (Fairlea Aged Care); Anthony (Tony) Redford (Pathways Cronulla Pines), Anne Sheerin (Holy Spirit Croydon) Caterina Ancona, Justina De Bellis (St George Aged Care).

Parishioners/friends who are Sick:

Don Khoury, Netta Donnelly, Maximino Ilaya, John De Bellis, Mary Brown, Maria (Thi Quyen) Lee, Samar & Carlos Munoz, Aileen Munoz, Tyler Byrne, Maricar Estantino, Peter Morgan, Jeanette Assaeloff, Anna Burnett, Mercedes Nardella, Michael Neville, Peter Carter, Priscilla Watson, Aidan Ravallion, Steven Holman, Timothy Sackett, Dhiren Boidya, Leonardo Pagano, Kevin Ryan, Nelly Vanzyl, Paolo & Rhea Primavera, Loretta Visser, Frank Crimi, Tom De Michele, Rosemary Theodoris, Angelo Taranto, James Crilto, Alida Banks, Peter Nair, Angela Braga, Grazia Passeretti, Antonietta Roberto, Stephen Doyle, Josie Wenko, Renae Corban, Helen Donnelly, Joe Khoury, Don Khoury, Amanda Teer, Anne Marie Michels, Raigan Kerr.

Please pray for our Recently Deceased:

Benjamin Xuereb, Pamela Peters, John Vella, Peter Wastie, Giuppina D'Agostino, Jeffrey Lovisolo, Salvatore Rizzo, Sal Abela, Ljuba Ancic, Betty Maguire, Margaret Darcy, Hilton Smith, Margaret McCafferty, Martin Hardman, Mark Fitzgerald, Maria Iacono, Remedios Alfoforo, Judith Leishman, Joan Hutchins, Joan Coorey,

Anniversaries: John Fick, John Vella, Ida Taranto, Mary Deacon, Maria Irace, Laureana Encabo, Mr T. L. Tan, Rustico & Florita Maglupay, Ida Pagnacco, Isidoro John Defina, Wing Lau Leung, Geoffrey Loe, Mia Murray.

Also For: General intentions of Caterina and Norman Ancona; deceased Cirilo Encabo, Kevin Quintal, Laurie Maguire and prayers and intentions requested through the OLF Kingsgrove Intercessory Prayer Group, and all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

Please note: For requests for mass offerings to be put in Bulletin, please drop your offerings in the Petitions Box, call or send email on or before 6:00 pm on Wednesdays.

For your donation via direct deposit or electronic funds transfer (EFT), below is our new bank details:

Commonwealth Bank: BSB 062-784
 Account Number: 100000143
 Account Name: Our Lady of Fatima Parish, Kingsgrove
 Reference: Name & envelope number (if applicable)

ROSTERS 6 & 7 NOVEMBER

	5:00pm	8.30am
Reader:	J & J Henderspm	P Lee
Commentator:	J Hoban	J Kachel
Acolyte:	Michelle	Jeremy
	10:00am	5:00pm
Reader:	Kalifa Family	Youth
Commentator:	Kalifa Family	
Acolyte :	Michael	Tom



BAPTISMS WILL RESUME: 7 AND 21 NOVEMBER; PREPARATION NIGHT:

Thursday, 4 Nov, 6pm RSVP: 1 Nov
 Coordinators: Imelda Dela Cruz,
 ph 0414 979 241;
 Myrna De La Pena 0490 410 896



PRAYERS for our Parish:

As a caring community, we reach out in love and prayers to our brothers and sisters in **Morgan Street & Morris Avenue** praying for their needs and intentions.

Prayers against the Spread of Coronavirus

God our Father, we come to you in our need. We ask for your protection against the COVID-19 Delta strain 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 good 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.**

Sign the No Euthanasia Petition to prevent state-sanctioned killing in NSW Go to: https://www.no euthanasia.org.au/protect_life_nsw

Write to your local MP to stop proposed laws.

Tool is available on: https://www.no euthanasia.org.au/petition_2108_ocp_nsw



"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>

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. 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.