



# OUR LADY OF FATIMA, KINGSGROVE

Opening to the challenge of renewal

Living out the Eucharist & Gospel of Jesus Christ

Fostering communal compassion and service

# Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) 27 February 2022



Complying with the NSW Government, Health Regulations and Archdiocese Directives, from Friday, 18th February, two-square-metre rule

had been scrapped; our church can have full capacity. QR code and paper registration check ins will no longer apply on entry.

#### **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. 2 square metre rule had been scrapped. 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)

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#### REFLECTION

Imagine if we always followed Jesus 'advice to take a look at our own failings before criticizing others. We would never criticise anyone, and how much happier our lives and relationships would be. Jesus reminds us that our inner spiritual health can be gauged by how we live our life, by our actions, by the fruit we bear. If we regularly display virtues such as patience, honesty and courage, there is a fair chance that this good is coming from the store of goodness in our heart. If we are prone to bad temper, impatience, dishonesty and any number of other 'rotten fruits ', then, as the Scripture passage says, it is likely we are drawing from a well of badness. How do we create a store of goodness in our heart then? Through staying close to Jesus in prayer, Word and sacrament and filling ourselves with his goodness. I love regularly filling myself up with Scripture-based goodness. We 're still going to sin and make mistakes, but when we're drawing from the well of goodness in our heart, we 're more likely to be able to share good fruits.

God 's Word Daily Reflections 2022

# ASH WEDNESDAY

2 March Mass times: 9:15am & 7:00pm

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

HEALING MASS Friday, 4 March, 12:00 noon

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE PARISH OFFICE PHONES HAVE NOW BEEN FIXED

9150 9665 (main phone line), Others: 9150 9663, 9150 0261 and 9150 0258

For email: please use: info@olfkingsgrove.org.au

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### LATEST COVID-19 UPDATE EFFECTIVE: From Friday, 18 February 2022

- 1. Face masks are still mandatory in the church, public transport, indoors and in organised outdoor events until Feb 25 but it is highly recommended in our church if social distancing is not possible.
- 2. Congregational singing is permitted but wear mask.
- 3. All attendees are no longer required to use the QR code and paper registration upon entry.
- 4. No booking on all masses. Our church can have maximum capacity. The 2-square-metre rule had been scrapped but for our safety, please maintain reasonable safe distancing.
- 5. Avoid congestion before or after mass; attendees should maintain safe distance when lining up for communion, even though 2 square metre rule had been scrapped..
- 6. Sanitise hands before entering the Church. Though easing of restrictions had been announced, we still request you to follow the above in order to protect ourselves and others as an exercise of 'love of neighbour'. We hope to get through this difficult time together. Thank you.

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



# Morning Tea Picnic in Cars:

I thought it would be nice to do something different, so I thought a morning tea in a Park would be a chance to catch up with everyone.

Time: 10.30am

Location: Near the By the Bay Café & Grill, Carss Park If you would like a lift, please let

me

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> March, 2022 Date: What to bring: A chair Coffee or tea

requirement.

Flask of hot water, Morning tea If you want some. I will bring Paper plates and serviettes.

We may be able to get coffee and tea from the café in the park, but best to come prepared. If it should be raining then we will have to pick another date. I hope you can make it. If you require a lift or have any questions, my mobile number is 0412 216 166 or you can email on vtierney37@optusnet.com.au

The Parish Renewal Team of the Archdiocese had created a Lenten Companion booklet: **COME** BACK TO ME: Mercy and Healing Await. These are in the church foyer. Please take one home. Thank you.

#### **GROWING IN FAITH**

## Scriptural readings and Saints for this week

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28 Mon Weekday

1 Pt 1:3-9/Mk 10:17-27 (347)

**MARCH 2022** 

1 Tue

1 Pt 1:10-16/Mk 10:28-31 (348)

2 Wed Ash Wednesday

Jl 2:12-18/2 Cor 5:20—6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18 (219)

Dt 30:15-20/Lk 9:22-25 (220)

4 Fri

**Saint Casimir** 

Is 58:1-9a/Mt 9:14-15 (221)

Is 58:9b-14/Lk 5:27-32 (222)

6 SUN FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Dt 26:4-10/Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-13 (24) Pss I



Last August, 2021, our Parish was invited to be part of the 2021 National Church Life **Survey.** The survey will assist us plan for a better future for our Parish. We are encouraged to participate. The results will provide Parishes, the Diocese and the Australian Churches as a whole with a rich resource for reflection and pastoral planning. Due to Covid lockdown and restrictions, it was postponed for this month.

There are 2 ways you can complete this survey.

1) Online Attender Survey can be done anytime by parishioners 15 years and older. Go to attendersurvey.ncls.org.au. Our church code is

TAS07401 Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church Kingsgrove. We also invite children aged 8-14 to complete online at:

- **childsurvey.ncls.org.au.** If you have children with these ages, please review the parents/carers information sheet and encourage them to do the survey.
- 2) For non online paper form survey, we will do it this weekend, 26/27 February. Parish Council and volunteers will be at church main entrance to distribute forms for the Attender Survey for ages 15 and older and Child Survey, 8 to 14 years old. Sanitised pens will be provided. Church code is the same TAS07401.

Thank you.

### **LENTEN SEASON SERVICES 2022**

Wednesday, 2 March ASH WEDNESDAY 9:15AM Mass with Imposition of Ashes 11:00AM OLF School Liturgy 7:00PM Mass with Imposition of Ashes

Stations of the Cross Every Friday from 4 March, 11:30AM and 7:00PM 11:30am-English 7:00pm-English

Wednesday: 30 March

2nd Rite of Reconciliation

7:00pm

Saturday Vigil, 9 April, 5:00PM; Sunday, 10 April,

8:30AM, 10;00AM & 5:00PM:

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.

Holy Thursday: **14 April - 7.00pm** Mass of

> The Lord's Supper & Washing of the Feet. (Transfer & Exposition of The Holy Eucharist right after mass; Adoration in the Church until

12:00am)

(No morning Mass. Chrism Mass at St Mary's Cathedral; pray for the priests as they renew their

Priestly vows)

**Good Friday:** 15 April 10am Stations of

the Cross

3pm - Commemoration of the Lord's Passion (Fasting & Abstinence exemption for those

who are sick or over 65)

16 April 9:00am RCIA **Holy Saturday:** 

Catechumens Sacrament of

Reconciliation

7pm Easter Vigil Celebration; Blessing of the fire; Baptism of the

Catechumens

**Easter Sunday: 17 April -** 8.30am, & 10.00am

(NO AFTERNOON MASS)

**HAPPY EASTER!** 

#### **SATURDAY 26 MARCH**

Facilitator: Fr Stephen Onyekwere

9:15am Mass 9:45am Tea/Coffee

10:15am start session till 2:30pm with lunch break and reconciliation.

All Welcome Please register at Parish Office for catering

purposes. Thank you.

**Enrolment Applications for** Kindergarten 2023 at Our Lady of **Fatima Catholic Primary School** 

Primary School are now available from the School Office in Caroline Street. The school's enrolment policy gives the highest priority to children of Catholic families with strong demonstrable links to the Parish. We welcome your interest in our Catholic Primary School as we work to bring our children to know and love Christ through learning.

Applications close on 1st April 2022. New families to the school must contact Father Casey to arrange a time to complete the Parish Priest Reference form.

Theatre Parties Organised by the Women's Social Support Group



Moulin Rouge!

Location: Capitol Theatre Wednesday 10 Date: August, 2022

Session: 1pm.

**Tickets** \$69.00 per person. Our Seats are all

in the stalls.

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May, 2022 or earlier RSVP by: Payment by: Monday 16<sup>th</sup> May, 2022These Theatre Parties are open to all members of the Parish who would like to attend.

At this stage Face Masks, sign in for QR code and proof of vaccinations may be required to attend all subject to change depending on the venue.

If you wish to attend this Theatre Party please contact Veronica on mob 0412216166 or email vtierney37@optusnet.com.au

# Christ our Light Sunday School



Sunday School is for Kindy to Year 10 students. Each lesson has a unique theme. You are welcome to register any time using the QR code. Once

registered, you will be provided with the Seesaw Student Sign in

instruction. Parents are expected to share the learning materials with their young children. Learning materials are uploaded to Seesaw app twice a month. Face to face gathering/ •

zoom gathering will be arranged once a school term.

**Enquiry: Email to** 

sundayschool.olfkingsgrove@gmail.com

Or send text message to 0413 096 960



#### PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Parishioners living in retirement:

Peg Denny, Noreen McAvinue, Millie Czerny, Colin Chandler, Merle Kenna, Jane Gallo, Patricia North. Noelene Bennett, Enid Taylor;

Nancy Dawson; Frances English, Shirley Farrell, Anthony (Tony) Redford, Anne Sheerin, Caterina Ancona, and Justina De Bellis.

(Should you want to know the place of their retirement homes, please call Parish Office 9150 9665).

#### Parishioners/friends who are Sick:

Emily Nader, Rafer Young, Shaun Karu, Diane Salem, Philip Maguire, Kamala Reddy, Maximino Ilaya, Mary Brown, Maria (Thi Quyen) Lee, Samar & Carlos Munoz, Michael Neville, Peter Carter, Priscilla Watson, Aidan Ravaillion, Steven Holman, 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, Joe Khoury, Amanda Teer, Anne Marie Michels, Raigan Kerr

(Please update us of their status)

#### Please pray for our Recently Deceased:

Ken Lamphee, Priscilla Lopez, Ruben Soriano, Peter Chowne, Josefa Ocampo, Martinus Setiawan, Guido Di Marttia, David Lynch, Mary Rose Pohl, Wan Kei Har, Celia Lagandaon, Esther Doyle, Gloria Fisher, Noel Freeman, Carmela Lazzaro, Nelly Santos, Salam Hanna, Abla Mader, Vittorio Angelo Stendardo.

Anniversaries: Francesco Giglio, Ottavio Di Benedetto, Maureen Kane, George/HiamKhoury, Fernando Ferreira, Helen Chakty, Ramon Chakty, George Ghostine, Rosina Certoma, George & Therese Mir, Emily Khoudair, Hercules Malesci, Phyllis Abela, Esmena Elefante, Lisa Stragapede, Chantelle Delboe, Anunciada Resende, Ventura Brito, Julian Mifsud, Ronald Mitchell, John Foxe, Maura Lumapac, Pedro Snr. Lumapac, M. K. Lie, Fr John McSweeney. Other names anniversaries of deceased are in the red book located in the church foyer.

Also For: Thanksgiving and intentions of Gener-Jasmin family, Deceased Betty & Laurie Maguire, Ken Walker, Joan & John Buckley,, and prayers and intentions requested through the OLF Kingsgrove Intercessory Prayer Group, and all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

Please note: For mass requests to be put in Bulletin, please drop them in the Petitions Box, in the office, call or send email on or before 12:00 noon on Thursdays.

Our 2022 Parish Calendars are now available for pick up at the Parish office during office hours for those who want a copy. Thank you.

#### **BAPTISM PREPARATION NIGHT:**

Thursday, 3 March 2022, 7:00pm RSVP 1 March 2022.

Coordinators: Imelda Dela Cruz 0414 979 241

Myrna De La Pena 0490 410 896

#### ROSTERS 5 & 6 March

5:00pm 8.30am V Hoban P Frederick Reader: Commentator: J Hoban J Kachel Acolyte: Flla Pak 10:00am 5:00pm Reader: J Deacon Youth Commentator: A Sicari

Acolyte: Michael

"Safeguarding in our Parish

Albert



responsibility!

Most of the members of our Children's

Liturgy, Children's choir, Sacramental

It is my responsibility and your

Programme educators, Youth Ministry, Acolyte or Minister of Holy Communion, Senior Altar Server, Reader, Warden or counters undertook Safeguarding training in 2019. If you are new to these Ministries and have not attended a parish Safeguarding Induction Training session, please register for an on-line training course at https://goo.gl/

forms/wSkRi3ZO6PzkRfbo1.

The Safeguarding Office of our Archdiocese has decided that a 3 yearly **Refresher Training** is required for members of these ministries, i.e. those trained in 2019 or earlier.

Unfortunately, due to current COVID-19 concerns the Safeguarding Office has decided to present all training for the first six months of 2022 either online or via zoom.

Volunteers can register for the new Refresher Training **on line** via this link <a href="https://forms.gle/XuQFsRsvq3BYtXqT9">https://forms.gle/XuQFsRsvq3BYtXqT9</a> (which is a different link from the other online training registrations). Just a reminder that volunteers only need to complete the Refresher Training if they have completed the Induction Training prior to 2020.

Volunteer Refresher training is also available via a 1 hour **Zoom**. Volunteers will simply need to register their attendance as soon as possible by emailing <u>safeguardingtraining@sydneycatholic.org</u> for a Zoom training session which are available 9 to 10am Thursday 31 Mar, or 3 to 4 pm on Fri 11 Mar or Mon 16 May, or 4 to 5pm on Wed 6 Apr.

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 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.



Please take home a Project Compassion box and a set of donation envelopes to support Caritas Australia this Lenten season and help support

vulnerable people around the world, now and *For All Future Generations*. With your support, Caritas Australia has been able to support vulnerable communities around the world to tackle poverty, food security, education, water and sanitation and disaster risk reduction to build a better future for all. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow *For All Future* 

Generations. Thank you.