



OUR LADY OF FATIMA, KINGSGROVE

Opening to the challenge of renewal

Living out the Eucharist & Gospel of Jesus Christ

Fostering communal compassion and service

Fourth Sunday of Lent (Year C) 27 March 2022

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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.

Rosary at 8:45am, Tuesday to Thursday and Saturday 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 the Gospel of John, the image of light is often used as a metaphor to depict Jesus, who presents us with the illuminating Truth, whereby we are set free from the darkness of 'the world', and the blindness of sin. Jesus, as the Divine light, brings vision to the man born blind, in miraculous fashion. To each of us, he offers the grace of vision—not that we may see the world with greater clarity or sharpness, but rather that we may catch a glimpse into the eternal realities which lie beyond this world—that we may perceive the hidden presence of God in all things, and in the infinitude which lies beyond all things.

God 's Word Daily Reflections for Year A

INVITATION TO PARISHIONERS to participate in the washing of the feet ceremony at the Holy Thursday Mass on 14th April at 7pm. Please sign the sheet in the foyer.

WHY YEAR A READINGS? The Year A gospels for the 3rd, 4th and 5th Sundays of Lent are of major importance in regard to Christian initiation (RCIA). On these Sundays, our Elect undertake the Scrutinies as their final step in preparing to receive the Easter sacraments. As a symbol of our unity with our Elect, our community joins with them in reflecting on the meaning of these readings in our own lives.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion that are able to assist with Communion at the Easter Masses and Good Friday Service, are asked to indicate their availability on the roster sheets in the foyer of the Church. Thank you. Parish Liturgy Committee

Parish Priest: Fr Hamilton (Casey) Ureta

Part time Parish Assistant: Fr Stephen Onvekwere

Pastoral Care Coordinator: Monique Choueifati: pastoralcare@olfkingsgrove.org.au **Sacramental Coordinator:** Bernadette Bassil, email: olfsacramentalcoordinator@gmail.com

Youth Coordinator: TBA

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

- 1. Face masks are still mandatory in public transports; no longer mandatory in churches 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. We are providing sanitised paper towels to clean your seats.

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.



Dear Parishioners,

According to the Official Church calendar, the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima is celebrated on the 13th of May. In previous years, we began our celebrations at that time but held the major celebration closest to the 13th of October, namely when the final apparition of our Lady occurred.

Following consultation with the Pastoral Council and the Liturgy Group, it was decided that starting from this year, we will hold our feast day of Our Lady of Fatima on the Sunday closest to May 13, therefore for this year that will be MAY 15. The aim of this move is to broaden the celebration of this very special feast day to include as many people in our community as possible. Previously, the October celebration meant that a lot of families were away due to the school holidays. As this happens, it will also coincide with the school's celebration of the feast day of Our Lady of Fatima. We hope that this change will enable many more to join us.

In Jesus and Mary,

Fr Hamilton (Casey) Ureta

Parish Priest

GROWING IN FAITH

Scriptural readings and Saints for this week

28 Mon Lenten Weekday

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

29 Tue

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

30 Wed

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

31 Thu

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

APRIL 2022

1 Fri

Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30 (248)

2 Sat

Saint Francis of Paola, Hermit

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

3 SUN FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Is 43:16-21/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11 (36) Pss I



Theatre Parties Organised by the Women's Social Support Group Moulin Rouge!

Location: Capitol Theatre
Date :Wednesday 10 August, 2022

Session: 1pm.

Tickets \$69.00 per person. Our Seats

are all in the stalls.

RSVP by: Monday 9th May, 2022 or earlier Payment by: Monday 16th May,

2022

These 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

You are welcome to join The Living Water Catholic Charismatic Prayer Group every Monday, 6:30pm in the McGinley Room, upstairs in the Clune Centre.



PRAYERS for our Parish:

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

LENTEN SEASON SERVICES 2022

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 outside in St Francis' Courtyard. 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)

Holy Saturday: 16 April 9:00am RCIA

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.



UKRAINE CRISIS

Over 3.3 million people fled their homes in Ukraine, and there have been at least 2,149 civilian casualties.

You can help the Caritas Ukraine staff on the ground to provide families with emergency food, water, shelter and hygiene support.

Call 1800 024 413

Diocese of Lismore 2022 Flood Appeal

To donate in Australia, please transfer funds to the account below:

BSB: 037-889

Account number: 1061 5829 Name: DOL Flood Appeal

To donate from other countries use this

PayPal link:

https://www.paypal.com/donate/? hosted_button_id=DDS9CFAWSPLYN This link can also be used within Australia.

Please note that donations to the Diocese of Lismore Flood Appeal are **NOT** tax deductible.

For enquiries,

email: appeals@lismore.catholic.org.au

Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP has asked Catholics to support the e-petition launched by Upper House MLC Greg Donnelly opposing proposed euthanasia laws in NSW. A parliamentary committee has recommended that the Legislative Council proceed with considerationof the bill. Parishes are encouraged to urge as many people as possible to oppose the laws.

https://www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/lc/Pages/epetition-

details



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:

Pam Jones, Patricia Gray, Sarina Raffaele, Maureen O'Connor, Jun Letran, Avelia Calugay, Diane Salem, Philip Maguire, Kamala Reddy, Maximino Ilaya, 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, Raigan Kerr.

(Please update us of their status)

Please pray for our Recently Deceased:

Glorito Soriano, Victor Haavisto, Victa Hanzel, Emily Nader, Victor Alacqua, Mary Brown, Ken Lamphee, Ruben Soriano, Peter Chowne, Josefa Ocampo, Martinus Setiawan, Guido Di Marttia.

Anniversaries: Arnulfo Pan, Mary Nyuk Chiaw Ng, Maureen Fulton, Eng Heng Tan, Aurelia Sebastian, Anna Fiamingo, Kevin Callaghan, Manuel Mariano Nocon, Antonio Pinto, Julita Enriquez Nocon, Max Fleming, Nada Di Michele.

Other names anniversaries of deceased are in the red book located in the church foyer.

Also For: The general intentions of Joan Freeman & Family, and the general intentions of Maria Setiawan & 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 Parish Finance and Works Committee will be starting on a project to refurbish our Clune Centre. We are seeking quotes from painters, tradesmen to fix windows, ventilation and suppliers of chairs.

If interested, please call the Parish office, 9150 9663.

BAPTISM PREPARATION NIGHT:

Wednesday 6 April 2022, 8:00pm RSVP 4 April 2022.

Coordinators: Tom & Tina Coorey

Ph: 9150 6016 0423 854 633

ROSTERS 2 & 3 April

5:00pm 8.30am P Simon E Russo Reader: Commentator: K Doherty R Naderuzzam Acolyte: Michelle Pak 10:00am 5:00pm Reader: N Kevic Youth Commentator: R Lansdown

Anthony



Acolyte:

"Safeguarding in our Parish

Tom

It is my responsibility and your responsibility!

Most of the members of our Children's Liturgy, Children's choir, Sacramental 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 https://forms.gle/XuQFsRsvq3BYtXqT9 (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 safeguardingtraining@sydneycatholic.org 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 April.

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_equiies@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.



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.