

# OUR LADY OF FATIMA, KINGSGROVE

Opening to the challenge of renewal

Living out the Eucharist & Gospel of Jesus Christ

bostering communal compassion and service

# First Sunday of Lent (Year C) 6 March 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

Friday: 12noon   Saturday: 9.15am & Vigil   5.00pm 8:30am 10am &	Monday: Tuesday: Wednesday: Thursday:	Closed 9:15am 9:15am 9.15am
5.00pm	Friday:	12noon
•	Saturday:	0
5.00pm	Sunday:	8:30am_10am &

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)

Weddings: By Appointment (Please call Parish Office)

## REFLECTION

Later in our Eucharistic celebration we will pray, "Father...lead us not into temptation. " It is a plea that our loving God will strengthen and support us in the trials that inevitably confront us in our efforts to live faithful lives in accordance with God 's will for his creation. In this, as in all matters related to our spiritual growth, Jesus, who was 't empted in every way that we are, though he is without sin ' (Hebrews 4:15), is our exemplar. "Learn from me,\" he says, " and you will find rest for your souls " (Matthew 11:29-30). The dramatic account of Jesus ' encounter with Satan (the adversary) occurs in all three Synoptic Gospels. It is an appropriate reading with which to introduce the penitential season of Lent. The temptations that Jesus faced at the beginning of his public ministry relate to three issues that lie at the heart of the discord and division that bedevil contemporary society-our self-centered attitudes to power, property and prestige-an unholy trinity that claims the worship of so many people. The ominous words which conclude today 's reading are a reminder that the tempter is still destructively active among us and that we should be on our guard.



The Funeral for Mary Brown will take place at 11am on Wednesday, the 9th of March.

DURING LENT...Our parish will be using the Apostles' Creed to profess our faith.

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

#### Parish Priest: Fr Hamilton (Casey) Ureta Part time Parish Assistant: Fr Stephen Onyekwere Pastoral Care Coordinator: Monique Choueifati: pastoralcare@olfkingsgrove.org.au Sacramental Coordinator: Bernadette Bassil, email: olfsacramentalcoordinator@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; 9150 9663; 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

#### 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.

# Women's Social Support Group Morning Tea Picnic in Carss



#### g Tea Picnic in Park

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

Near the By the Bay Café & Grill, Park If you would like a lift, please let know.

me k Date: What to bring:

Location:

Carss

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> March, 2022 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 <u>vtierney37@optusnet.com.au</u>



## PRAYERS for our Parish:

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

### **GROWING IN FAITH** Scriptural readings and Saints for this week

#### March 2022

7 Mon Lenten Weekday Saints Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Mt 25:31-46 (224)

8 Tue Saint John of God, Religious Is 55:10-11/Mt 6:7-15 (225)

9 Wed Saint Frances of Rome, Religious Jon 3:1-10/Lk 11:29-32 (226)

**10 Thu** Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Mt 7:7-12 (227)

**11 Fri** Ez 18:21-28/Mt 5:20-26 (228)

12 Sat

Dt 26:16-19/Mt 5:43-48 (229)

**13 SUN SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT** Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Phil 3:17—4:1 or 3:20—4:1/Lk 9:28b-36 (27)

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Church Life



Most of those who attended last weekend's masses were given the Attender Survey forms. Please return them at the church or at the office as soon as you can. We were given an extension to submit these forms till 12 March. There is still time to participate. Paper forms are still available at church foyer or at the office. Online survey can still be completed till 31 March with details below:

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.

## Thank you.

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.

# **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 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.

14 April - 7.00pm Mass of Holv Thursdav: 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)

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



Date :

Session:

Theatre Parties Organised by the Women's Social Support Group Moulin Rouae! Location: Capitol Theatre

Wednesday 10 August, 2022 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

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## 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:

Jun Letran, Rafer Young, Shaun Karu, 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: Victa Hanzel, Emily Nader, Mary Brown, 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.

Anniversaries: Nada Di Michele, Felicidad Cadiz, Jesus Cadiz, Antonio De La Pena, Francesco Giglio, Ottavio Di Benedetto, David Nadarajah, Maureen Kane, George/HiamKhoury, Fernando Ferreira, Helen Chakty, Ramon Chakty, George Ghostine, Rosina Certoma, George & Therese Mir, Emily Khoudair, Hercules Malesci, Phyllis Abela, Lisa Stragapede, Chantelle Delboe, Anunciada Resende, Ventura Brito, Julian Mifsud, Ronald Mitchell, John Foxe, Maura Lumapac, Pedro Snr. Lumapac, M. K. Lie. 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 12 & 13 March

5:00pm J Deady Reader: Commentator: B Deady Acolyte: Michelle 10:00am Reader: R Lansdown Commentator: N Kevic Anthony Acolyte:

8.30am R Naderuzzam E Russo Jeremy 5:00pm Youth





#### "Safeguarding in our Parish 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/

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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.