



OUR LADY OF FATIMA, KINGSGROVE

Opening to the challenge of renewal

Living out the Eucharist & Gospel of Jesus Christ

Fostering communal compassion and service

Second Sunday of Easter Year C (Divine Mercy Sunday) 24 April 2022

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

Today, as we listen to the end of John's Gospel, maybe we recognise ourselves in the person of Thomas, wanting reassurance that the risen Jesus is really with us. Jesus says, 'happy are those who have not seen and yet believe'. It is all a matter of seeing with the eyes of faith, the eyes of our heart, noticing that 'Jesus, the Christ, the Son of God' is very much with us whenever we are. This presence brings peace, fills us with joy and sends us out on mission. Sounds easy! But just as our significant relationships take time to grow and deepen, so does our faith relationship with God. Thomas needed to see Jesus, to experience his presence, before he could believe. What do I need to do to nurture, my faith? Perhaps I need to look no further than to the actions, beliefs, and presence of other believers. Perhaps, like Thomas, I need to take the opportunity to 'see' Jesus for myself. If so, there's no better day than today to start 'seeing'.

God 's Word Daily Reflections Year C



EXPECTANT PARENT BLESSING

Its Back!!
Fr Casey will be giving
a blessing for all
Expectant Parents on

Sunday 8 May at the 10am Mothers Day mass.

Looking forward to seeing our Expectant Parents.



Mass on Anzac day Monday 25th April 9am followed by morning tea

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Part time Parish Assistant: Fr Stephen Onyekwere

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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



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY-24 APRIL, 2022

At Our Lady of Fatima Church, Kingsgrove

on 89 Shaw St Kingsgrove (near Train Station)

2.00pm Adoration of the Holy Eucharist

Divine Mercy Prayers & Confession

3.00pm Benediction

3:15pm Feast of Mercy Holy Mass

with Blessing of the People & Divine

Mercy mages

Veneration of The Divine Mercy Image

For Divine Mercy information & Prayers: www.trustandmercy.com



PRAYERS for our Parish:

"As a caring faith community, we give thank and pray for all visitors and faith family members who are celebrating the Easter Season with us at Our Lady of

Fatima Parish. Bless them, protect them, and fulfil their needs. We also pray for protection over our parishioners who are travelling."



On the above event, Fatima Festival, SUNDAY, 15 May 2022, there will be NO 8:30 AM AND 5:00 PM MASS.

Church parking is closed all day from 6:00am.
Thank you.

Christ our Light Sunday School

Sunday School has uploaded 3 lessons in the Seesaw in Term 1.



In Term 2, we will start reading Bible stories.

Each lesson has a unique theme. We always welcome new students. You may 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.

We will have a Zoom gathering for all registered families on May 1 (Sun) at 3:00pm. Registered students will receive Zoom link closer to the day. New students will receive the link after they have registered using the QR Code.

Enquiry: Email to

sundayschool.olfkingsgrove@gmail.com Or send text message to 0413 096 960







We give thanks to God for all of you for your generous contributions to the life of OLF Parish Family. In particular, we thank all those who have been generously and skilfully involved in preparing our Holy week and Easter celebrations ~ those of the Liturgical / Sacramental Team, Choirs and Musicians, RCIA/RCIC team, Acolytes, Altar servers, Altar Society & Liturgical Decorations, Wardens collectors, door attendants, & Holy Water/Candle Helpers Thank you to all for making our holy journey to Easter a great success!



We would like to thank the Hizon family for their donation of this beautiful statue of the Risen Christ from the Philippines.



PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Parishioners living in retirement:

Peg Denny, 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, Patricia Gray.

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

Parishioners/friends who are Sick:

Peter Matt, Jason & Etienne Eid, Sarina Raffaele, Jun Letran, Avelia Calugay, Diane Salem, Philip Maguire, Kamala Reddy, Maximino Ilaya, Maria (Thi Quyen) Lee, Samar & Carlos Munoz, Aileen 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:

Renato Valencia, Annie Mangioni, Pam Jones, Chi Kan Au, Michael Brett, Steven McGuire, Glorito Soriano, Noel Freeman, Virgilio Navarro Tagle, Noreen McAvinue.

Anniversaries: Caterina Giannoccolo, Antonino De Fina, Mario Carta, Joan/John McCreanor, Eugenio Gallo, Kevin McGreal.

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

Also For: For deceased Betty & Laurie Maguire, Winifred/Ralph McCreanor, Caterina, John, Robert Vella, Jesus Cadiz, Felicidad Cadiz, Joselito Inso, 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.

Bulletins are printed or sent electronically on Thursday afternoon or Friday morning. Thank you.



support.

Like most churches, since November 2021, we have a device where you can give your donation using your credit card by a tap on the **Ouest Donation Point Tap**.

There will be 2 at church entrance and foyer. It has a set amount of \$5.00. Should you wish to give \$10, tap twice and so on if you want to donate more. Please note that donations made through these are not tax deductible. It will not show your name or envelope numbers on our bank statement. The donation will automatically go into our Parish account. Your tap donation will show as "OLF Parish Kingsgrove" in your credit card statement. This is a secure, cashless donation point used by most Parishes as recommended by the Archdiocese. For tax deductible donations, please continue using your envelopes, direct deposits and online credit cards where you can indicate your name and Planned Giving Envelope number. Thank you for your ongoing

ROSTERS 30 April -1 May

5:00pm8.30amReader:K DohertyP FrederickCommentator:P SimonJ KachelAcolyte:ChristopherPak10:00am5:00pm

Reader: A Sicari Commentator: N Kevic

Acolyte: Anthony Tom

"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/

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, 3 to 4 pm Mon 16 May.

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 equiies@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.

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.

BAPTISM PREPARATION NIGHT:

Wednesday 4 May 2022, 8:00pm RSVP 2 May 2022.

Coordinators: Paul & Clothilde Elsibai

Ph: 0410 583 808

PROJECT COMPASSION—THANK YOU

Caritas Australia would like to THANK YOU for supporting Project Compassion 2022. If you still have your box or set of envelopes at home, please bring them back or visit lent.caritas.org.au to donate online. Your generosity will empower the world's most vulnerable communities to grow stronger and lift themselves out of poverty.