

# 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 Easter Year C 8 May 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

Imagine Paul and Barnabas standing tall, the dust from their feet and moving out of the region filled with joy and the Holy Spirit. What a feat, considering they'd not been farewelled with good wishes and gifts. Rather, they were driven out by a group of jealous people, persecuting and protesting against the words they had been sharing. Paul and Barnabas demonstrate that they know the voice of God in their hearts. And knowing this voice, and accepting the invitation to live in God's grace, they have a clear goal to 'bring salvation to the ends of the earth'. This is their mandate, and it is ours. We too are invited to hone in to the voice of God in our hearts, to listen and act, to live in the grace of God and to be a light to all we encounter. Armed with this knowledge, in any hardship, we too can shake the dust from our feet, and move on with joy and praise, filled with the Holy Spirit. God is with us, always.

*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.**

**Parish Priest: Fr Hamilton (Casey) Ureta**

**Part time Parish Assistant:** Fr Stephen Onyekwere

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**Secretaries:** Katrina McNeill – Tuesday, Wednesday

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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

### GROWING IN FAITH

#### Scriptural readings and Saints for this week

May 2022

**9 Mon Easter Weekday**

Acts 11:1-18/Jn 10:1-10 (279)

**10 Tue**

**Saint John of Avila, Priest and Doctor of the Church**

Acts 11:19-26/Jn 10:22-30 (280)

**11 Wed**

Acts 12:24—13:5a/Jn 12:44-50 (281)

**12 Thu**

**Saints Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs; Saint Pancras, Martyr**

Acts 13:13-25/Jn 13:16-20 (282)

**13 Fri Easter Weekday**

**Our Lady of Fatima**

Acts 13:26-33/Jn 14:1-6 (283)

**14 Sat**

**Saint Matthias, Apostle Feast**

Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Jn 15:9-17 (564) Pss Prop

**15 SUN FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

Acts 14:21-27/Rv 21:1-5a/Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35 (54) Pss I



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.

## COME & CELEBRATE FATIMA FESTIVAL

OUR LADY OF FATIMA CHURCH, KINGSGROVE



**TRIDIUM: FAMILY ROSARY & HOLY MASS**  
BRING FLOWERS TO OFFER TO MARY

THURSDAY: 12 MAY – 6:30 PM

FRIDAY: 13 MAY – 6:30 PM

SATURDAY: 14 MAY – 4:30 PM

**SUNDAY 15<sup>th</sup> of MAY**

9:15 AM – ROSARY & PROCESSION

10:00 AM – HOLY MASS

Celebrant: BISHOP DANNY MEAGHER

Auxiliary Bishop of Sydney

Entertainment | Raffles | Food Market  
Religious Articles | Book Store | Animal Patting

**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.**

**We encourage attendees to wear each one's national costume.**

### Prayers on Covid 19

Merciful and compassionate Father, we come to you in our need to seek your protection against the COVID 19 Delta and Omicron virus that has disturbed and even claimed lives. We ask you now to look upon us with love and by your healing hand dispel the fear of sickness and death, restore our hope, and strengthen our faith.

We pray that you guide the people tasked to find cures for this disease and to stem its transmission. We pray for our health workers and medical experts that they may minister to the sick with competence and compassion. Grant them health in mind, soul and body, strength in their commitment and protection from the disease.

We pray for those afflicted, may they be restored to good health soon.

Protect those who care for them. Grant eternal rest to those who have died.

Give us the grace in this trying times to work for the good of all and to help those in need. May our concern and compassion for each other see us through this crisis and lead us to conversion and holiness.

Grant all these through our Lord Jesus Christ your Son who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **Amen.**

We fly to Your protection, oh Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our petition in our necessities, but deliver us always from all dangers, Oh glorious and blessed Virgin. **Amen.**

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR C

**First Reading** Acts 13:14, 43-52

**A reading from the Acts of the Apostles**

*We are now turning to the gentiles.*

Paul and Barnabas carried on from Perga till they reached Antioch in Pisidia. Here they went to synagogue on the sabbath and took their seats. When the meeting broke up, many Jews and devout converts joined Paul and Barnabas, and in their talks with them Paul and Barnabas urged them to remain faithful to the grace God had given them.

The next sabbath almost the whole town assembled to hear the word of God. When they saw the crowds, the Jews, prompted by jealousy, used blasphemies and contradicted everything Paul said. Then Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly, 'We had to proclaim the word of God to you first, but since you have rejected it, since you do not think yourselves worthy of eternal life, we must turn to the pagans. For this is what the Lord commanded us to do when he said:

"I have made you a light for the nations, so that my salvation may reach the ends of the earth." It made the pagans very happy to hear this and they thanked the Lord for his message; all who were destined for eternal life became believers. Thus the word of the Lord spread through the whole countryside.

But the Jews worked upon some of the devout women of the upper classes and the leading men of the city and persuaded them to turn against Paul and Barnabas and expel them from their territory. So they shook the dust from their feet in defiance and went off to Iconium; but the disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit.

**Responsorial Psalm** Ps 99:1-3. 5. R. v.3

**(R.) We are his people, the sheep of his flock.**

or

**(R.) Alleluia!**

1. Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.  
Serve the Lord with gladness.  
Come before him, singing for joy. **(R.)**
2. Know that he, the Lord, is God.  
He made us, we belong to him,  
we are his people, the sheep of his flock. **(R.)**
3. Indeed, how good is the Lord,  
eternal his merciful love.  
He is faithful from age to age. **(R.)**

**Second Reading** Rv 7:9, 14-17

**A reading from the book of the Apocalypse**

*The Lamb who is at the throne will be their shepherd and will lead them to springs of living water.*

I, John, saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. One of the elders said to me, 'These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and because they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb, they now stand in front of God's throne and serve him day and night in his sanctuary; and the One who sits on the throne will spread his tent over them. They will never hunger or thirst again; neither the sun nor scorching wind will ever plague them, because the Lamb who is at the throne will be their shepherd and will lead them to springs of living water; and God will wipe away all tears from their eyes.'

**Gospel Acclamation** Jn 10:14

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;

I know my sheep, and mine know me.

**Alleluia!**

**Gospel** Jn 10:27-30

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to John**

*I give my sheep eternal life.*

Jesus said:

"The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice;

I know them and they follow me.

I give them eternal life; they will never be lost and no one will ever steal them from me.

The Father who gave them to me is greater than anyone, and no one can steal from the Father.

The Father and I are one."

### Support Caritas Ukraine Appeal

As millions of people are likely to be displaced due to Russia's invasion, your support is more important than ever for the people of Ukraine.

Donate generously to the Caritas Ukraine Appeal:

<https://www.caritas.org.au/donate/ukraine-appeal/>

Donations over \$2 are tax deductible.

**PARISH DONATIONS** Thank you for your continued financial support of the parish either by the planned giving envelopes, by credit card or tap cashless donations. Your contributions will enable us to keep the parish running. We don't want to pressure you and understand current circumstances but if you are able to help, it would be very much appreciated.

We now have the facility for credit card donation through our website:

[www.olfkingsgrove.org.au](http://www.olfkingsgrove.org.au). Please Click on

**SUPPORT US on the top right of screen, then Donate, and 'Click here to donate to Our Lady of Fatima Kingsgrove'**. There is a drop down arrow to select biller code for the type of donation you wish to give, either Planned Giving, First Collection, Second Collection, etc., then follow the next steps.

Alternatively, for your donation via direct deposit or electronic funds transfer (EFT) below are our bank details:

**Commonwealth Bank: BSB 062-784**

**Account Number: 100000143**

**Account Name: Our Lady of Fatima Parish, Kingsgrove**

**Reference: Name & envelope number**  
(if Planned Giver and wish to claim 30% tax deduction).



### PRAYERS for our Parish:

"Welcome everyone to our live celebration of the Mass and the joy of receiving the Blessed Eucharist. As the caring Community of OLF Kingsgrove, we reach out in love and prayers to our brothers and sisters living in **Way Street & Waycott Avenue** praying for their needs and intentions."



## PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

### Parishioners living in retirement:

Peg Denny, Millie Cerny, 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:

Bill Taylor, 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 Ravallion, 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 Crito, 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:

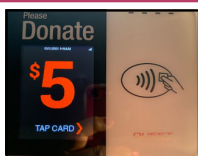
Gina Mandalas, Margaret McCafferty, Renato Valencia, Victor Alacqua, Annie Mangioni, Pam Jones, Chi Kan Au, Michael Brett, Steven McGuire, Noel Freeman, .

**Anniversaries:** Ian Ravallion, Margaret D'Arcy, Jamila Doueihy, Luisa Veran, Apolonia Gener, Salwa Jabbour, Spiro Zammit, Ivan Bozic, Eugenia Diacono, Simon Ghosen, Joseph & Ina Attie.

*Starting this month of May, list of parishioners whose death anniversaries occur during the month will be included in Bulletin once at the beginning of each month and will be offered masses..*

**Also For:** For deceased Fr Ray Weaver, 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 Intercensory 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.*



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 **Quest 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 support.

## ROSTERS 14 & 15 May

	<b>5:00pm</b>	<b>8.30am</b>
Reader:	B Deady	<b>NO MASS</b>
Commentator:	J Deady	
Acolyte:	Michelle	
	<b>10:00am</b>	<b>5:00pm</b>
Reader:	<b>PARISH FEAST DAY</b>	<b>NO MASS</b>
Commentator:		
Acolyte:	Anthony	



### "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](mailto: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 [safeguardingequities@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:safeguardingequities@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.

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:

Thursday 2nd June 2022

RSVP 31st May 2022

Coordinators: Imelda Dela Cruz/Mryna De La Pena

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### 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](http://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.