

# OUR LADY OF FATIMA, KINGSGROVE

Opening to the challenge of renewal

Living out the Eucharist & Gospel of Jesus Christ

Fostering communal compassion and service

*Sixth Sunday of Easter Year C 22 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

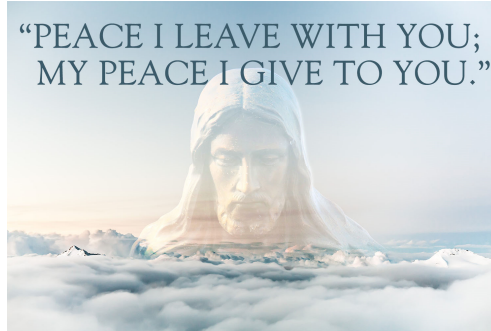
**Weekend Masses, Saturday, 5:00 pm vigil; Sunday, 8:30am, 10:00am and 5:00pm. 2 square metre rule had been scrapped. No booking for all these masses.**

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

I wonder how the women in Jesus' time felt. The apostles, council representatives and elders of the church were all men. Men were officially chosen as the twelve apostles and sent out as the messengers and bearers of the Good News. And yet, we know women were present in the life of Jesus. His mother, Mary, Mary Magdalene, who ran from the tomb having encountered the risen Christ; the woman at the well and the woman who was saved from being stoned to death. Women, too, knew and loved Jesus and were bearers of the Good News. They remind us that women and men are called to be living witnesses of Jesus' love in the world, to be messengers of hope, and bearers of mercy. Whether we are called to live as Religious, married, single, or in a particular profession, we are all mandated by that 'letter' of the Council of Jerusalem to announce the Good News and to live in the joy of our resurrected Christ.

*God's Word Daily Reflections Year C*

I would like to inform you that I will be going away to take a break over the next few weeks. In my absence, Fr Stephen will fill my position. Please keep me in your prayers.

God bless you all.

*Fr Casey*



**TUESDAY, 24 MAY IS FEAST OF OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS, MASS AS USUAL AT 9:15AM**



## CWF MAY PARISH APPEAL

The Charitable Works Fund (CWF) May Appeal is happening this week and next. The devastation of the last two years has especially

taken its toll on the most vulnerable in Sydney: those facing unemployment, homelessness, mental concerns, and more. Special envelopes are available at the pews and at the foyer. Donations of \$2 or more are 100% tax deductible.

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

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

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**Youth Coordinator:** TBA

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

Imelda Dela Cruz - Thursday, Friday (Bookkeeper, Accounts)

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## GROWING IN FAITH

### Scriptural readings and Saints for this week

May 2022

Easter Weekday

23 Mon

Acts 16:11-15/Jn 15:26—16:4a (291)

24 Tue

Our Lady Help of Christians

Acts 16:22-34/Jn 16:5-11 (292)

25 Wed

Saint Bede the Venerable, Priest and Doctor of the Church;  
Saint Gregory VII, Pope; Saint Mary Magdalene de' Pazzi,  
Virgin

Acts 17:15, 22—18:1/Jn 16:12-15 (293)

26 Thu

Saint Philip Neri, Priest

Memorial

Acts 18:1-8/Jn 16:16-20 (294)

27 Fri

Saint Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop

Acts 18:9-18/Jn 16:20-23 (295)

28 Sat

Acts 18:23-28/Jn 16:23b-28 (296)

29 SUN THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

Solemnity

Acts 1:1-11/Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23/Lk 24:46-53  
(58) Pss Prop

## 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.**

**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: 10000143**

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

**Reference: Name & envelope number**

(if Planned Giver and wish to claim 30% tax deduction).

## 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.**

## Campion College Winter Program

Registration for the Campion College Winter Program is now open! If you know a 16–20-year old with an interest in history, literature, philosophy and theology, encourage them to sign up for our immersive four-day program from 5-8 July 2022. Attendance is fully funded but spaces are limited!

Find out more and register on the Campion College website: <https://www.campion.edu.au/event/winter-program>.



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.



## 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 **Wolli, York Streets & Woorail Avenue** praying for their needs and intentions."

## Sixth SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR C

### First Reading

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

[Acts 15:1-2, 22-29](#)

*It has been decided by the Holy Spirit and ourselves not to burden you beyond what is essential.*

Some men came down from Judaea and taught the brothers, 'Unless you have yourselves circumcised in the tradition of Moses you cannot be saved.' This led to disagreement, and after Paul and Barnabas had had a long argument with these men it was arranged that Paul and Barnabas and others of the church should go up to Jerusalem and discuss the problem with the apostles and elders.

Then the apostles and elders decided to choose delegates to send to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas; the whole church concurred with this. They chose Judas known as Barsabbas and Silas, both leading men in the brotherhood, and gave them this letter to take with them:

'The apostles and elders, your brothers, send greetings to the brothers of pagan birth in Antioch, Syria and Cilicia. We hear that some of our members have disturbed you with their demands and have unsettled your minds. They acted without any authority from us, and so we have decided unanimously to elect delegates and to send them to you with Barnabas and Paul, men we highly respect who have dedicated their lives to the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Accordingly we are sending you Judas and Silas, who will confirm by word of mouth what we have written in this letter. It has been decided by the Holy Spirit and by ourselves not to saddle you with any burden beyond these essentials: you are to abstain from food sacrificed to idols, from blood, from the meat of strangled animals and from fornication. Avoid these, and you will do what is right. Farewell.'

### Responsorial Psalm

[Ps 66:2-3, 5-6, 8. R. v.4](#)

**(R.) O God, let all the nations praise you!**

1. O God, be gracious and bless us and let your face shed its light upon us. So will your ways be known upon earth and all nations learn your saving help. **(R.)**

2. Let the nations be glad and exult for you rule the world with justice. With fairness you rule the peoples, you guide the nations on earth. **(R.)**

3. Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you. May God still give us his blessing till the ends of the earth revere him. **(R.)**

### Second Reading

[Rv 21:10-14, 22-23](#)

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

*He showed me the holy city coming down out of heaven.*

In the spirit, the angel took me to the top of an enormous high mountain and showed me Jerusalem, the holy city, coming down from God out of heaven. It had all the radiant glory of God and glittered like some precious jewel of crystal-clear diamond. The walls of it were of a great height, and had twelve gates; at each of the twelve gates there was an angel, and over the gates were written the names of the twelve tribes of Israel; on the east there were three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. The city walls stood on twelve foundation stones, each one of which bore the name

of one of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

I saw that there was no temple in the city since the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb were themselves the temple, and the city did not need the sun or the moon for light, since it was lit by the radiant glory of God and the Lamb was a lighted torch for it.

### Gospel Acclamation

[Jn 14:23](#)

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

All who love me will keep my words,  
and my Father will love them and we will come to them.  
**Alleluia!**

### Gospel

[Jn 14:23-29](#)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

*The Holy Spirit will teach you everything and remind you of all I have said to you.*

Jesus said to his disciples:

'If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him and make our home with him. Those who do not love me do not keep my words. And my word is not my own: it is the word of the one who sent me.

I have said these things to you while still with you; but the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all I have said to you.

Peace I bequeath to you, my own peace I give you, a peace the world cannot give, this is my gift to you.

Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid.

You heard me say: I am going away, and shall return.

If you loved me you would have been glad to know that I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I.

I have told you this now before it happens, so that when it does happen you may believe.'

### Prayer for Priests

Lord, they carry the troubles of others, yet like all people, they know loneliness and temptation. Keep them close to the friendship of your love. They Baptise us, absolve us, teach us, pray for us, care for us. Do we ever pray for them? Bless all our priests especially Father Casey, Father Stephen and all Archbishops, Bishops and Religious to whom we owe so much. **Amen.**

### Reclaiming Evangelisation Series

2 weeks to go! Presenter of the "Bible in a Year" podcast Fr Mike Schmitz

Saturday 28 May, 10AM- 11:30 AM

Fr Schmitz will speak on: 'Why make disciples? What our Tradition tells us about calling and forming disciples.'

He will examine the great adventure of calling and forming disciples which saints and sinners have been living from the time of the apostles until the present day.

Please register at [www.gomakedisciples.org.au/cas-events](http://www.gomakedisciples.org.au/cas-events)

Inquiries: [parishrenewal@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:parishrenewal@sydneycatholic.org)

### The Walk With Christ Returns

After 2 years of postponement due to Covid-19, this event will be on Sunday, 19 June on the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ from 2:30pm from corner of Pitt St and Martin Place. Please save the date!





## PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

### Parishioners living in retirement:

Bambina Canosa, 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:

Therese Mitry, Bill Taylor, Reynald Agbuya, 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, Nely 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, Amanda Teer, Raigan Kerr.

*(Please update us of their status)*

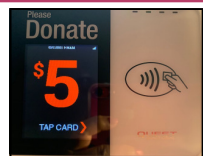
### Please pray for our Recently Deceased:

Ramon L. Hizon, Janelle Harrington, Gina Mandanas, So Ho, Alessandro Giampietro, Margaret McCafferty, Renato Valencia, Victor Alacqua, Annie Mangioni, Pam Jones, Chi Kan Au.

**Anniversaries:** Peter Fang, Luigi Giannoccolo, Chiara Maciocco, Antonino De Fina, Vittorio & Maria Macri, Felice & Maria Mandile, Thersio & Comemoracion Pagunuran, Leopoldo & Emilia Perez, John & Mary Fick.

*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:** Thanksgiving & intention of Mila Costa; for deceased Winifred McCreanor, Catarina Vella, Fr Ray Weaver, Betty & Laurie Maguire, Ralph McCreanor, John, Robert Vella, Simon Ghosen, and prayers and intentions requested through the OLF Kingsgrove Intercessory Prayer Group, and all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.



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 28 & 29 May

	<b>5:00pm</b>	<b>8.30am</b>
Reader:	M Millen	E Russo
Commentator:	L Corbett	Rana M N
Acolyte:	Ella	Michelle
	<b>10:00am</b>	<b>5:00pm</b>
Reader:	J Deacon	Youth
Commentator:	A Sicari	
Acolyte:	Anthony	Albert



### "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.

**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.

### Children & Young People's Participation in Catholic Communities Guide

The Archdiocese of Sydney together with the Dioceses of Parramatta and Broken Bay have worked together to create the Children & Young People's Participation in Catholic Communities Guide. This guide helps inform all adults within the Catholic Community with information on how to provide children and young people with an opportunity to experience meaningful contributions to decision making, to be heard and to be taken seriously. You can download a copy of this resource from the Safeguarding website: [www.sydneycatholic.org/safeguarding-and-child-protection/](http://www.sydneycatholic.org/safeguarding-and-child-protection/)

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, 7:00pm, 2nd June 2022

RSVP 31st May 2022

Coordinators: Imelda Dela Cruz/Mryna De La Pena

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