



OUR LADY OF FATIMA, KINGSGROVE

Opening to the challenge of renewal

Living out the Eucharist & Gospel of Jesus Christ

Fostering communal compassion and service

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A 22nd January 2023

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

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Friday: 11.00am - 12noon

Rosary at 8:45am, Tuesday to Thursday and Saturday

Baptisms: Every 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month. (Please call Parish Office)

Weddings: By Appointment (Please call Parish Office)

REFLECTION

Can you imagine what the mother of James and John said to her husband Zebedee when he told her that their sons would not be home that night?: 'What do you mean, the boys won't be home tonight? Are you telling me that they've gone off with that wandering rabbi, the one whose cousin is in goal? You must be joking!' Parents can respond with disappointment, shock, even outrage when their children opt to pursue a religious calling. However, the invitation to discipleship of Jesus is one for all of us. It's a consequence of baptism. It means accompanying others in need, being good news to everyone we encounter as we go about being managers, tradespeople, supermarket assistants, bus drivers. Sometimes it means taking the risk of stepping out of our comfort zones and engaging with strangers as an expression of the Gospel. *Word Daily Reflections 2023*

**Thursday
 26 January:
 Australia Day Mass
 at 9:15AM**



Fr Stephen, thanks for your service to Our Lady of Fatima. We wish you all the best in your future priestly ministry!

PLEASE NOTE: THE NEW PARISH OFFICE HOURS FROM TUESDAY 2ND FEBRUARY. THE OFFICE WILL BE OPEN FROM 8:30AM TO 2:30PM (TUESDAY TO FRIDAY).

Parish Priest: Fr Hamilton (Casey) Ureta

Part time Parish Assistant: Fr Stephen Onyekwere

Pastoral Care Coordinator: Monique Chouefati: pastoralcare@olfkingsgrove.org.au

Sacramental Coordinator: Bernadette Bassil, email: olfsacramentalcoordinator@gmail.com

Secretaries: Katrina McNeill – Tuesday, Wednesday; Imelda Dela Cruz - Thursday, Friday (Accounts)

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WELCOME TO VISITORS AND NEW MEMBERS

(If you would like to register in the parish, please fill out this form and put it in the collection basket and we will mail you a registration form or you may fill one out at the parish office.)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

OLF PARISH PILGRIM STATUE

The home visits of Our Lady of Fatima Pilgrim Statue have resumed. Please contact the Parish Office on 9150 9665 (option 2) if you wish to be included in the weekly roster. Name of host family will be published in the Bulletin. Host family from Saturday:

21 Jan Maria & Carmine Torrelli

GROWING IN FAITH

Scriptural readings and Saints for this week

YEAR A

JANUARY 2023

23 Mon

Heb 9:15, 24-28/Mk 3:22-30 (317)

24 Tue

Saint Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Memorial

Heb 10:1-10/Mk 3:31-35 (318)

25 Wed

The Conversion of Saint Paul the Apostle

Feast

Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Mk 16:15-18 (519) Pss

Prop

26 Thu

Australia Day

2 Tm 1:1-8 or Tit 1:1-5 (520)/Mk 4:21-25 (320)

27 Fri

Saints Timothy and Titus, Bishops

Memorial

Saint Angela Merici, Virgin

Heb 10:32-39/Mk 4:26-34 (321)

28 Sat

Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church

Memorial

Heb 11:1-2, 8-19/Mk 4:35-41 (322)

29 SUN FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Zep 2:3; 3:12-13/1 Cor 1:26-31/Mt 5:1-12a (70) Pss IV



The next Expectant Parents Blessing will take place on Sunday 12 February at 10.00am mass. Tell your family and friends Morning Tea will be provided. after mass.

St Joseph's Parish Riverwood is seeking a part time Parish Secretary. Hours are 9:30am to 3:30pm every Thursday and Friday. The role is shared with the Parish Finance Secretary.

Responsibilities include general administration, phone enquiries and maintenance of sacramental registers. Experience preferred. MYOB experience an advantage. For any enquiries or to request a job description or send your application, including a one-page cover letter and CV, please email stjosephriverwood@outlook.com or phone the Parish on 0490 754 963 . Applications close Tuesday 31 January 2023.

Parish Ministries: Every week, we are publishing a brief information that describes the works being undertaken by various Parish ministries. This is part of the initiative of the Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) to bring more awareness and greater participation in all the fantastic works being undertaken in the various ministries within the parish. We had published some last year. The PPC is aware that so many people are generously giving their time to volunteer in a range of ministries that are having a positive effect on the lives of many people, both within the parish and outside of it. We would like to acknowledge these wonderful works and call them out across the various platforms that are available to us.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE FOR WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS CELEBRATION

This special celebration takes place at the 10am Mass in August. We bring couples together to celebrate their special Wedding Anniversaries during the Mass and renew their vows.

We celebrate **10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60** or more years. This is a chance to celebrate and acknowledge their great devotion to each other during their married life together.

At the beginning of Mass we place a flower lapel on the husband's coat and corsage on the wife's clothes. We also give them a special candle as a memento of this special celebration.

We advertise the upcoming Wedding Anniversary Celebration Mass for at least a month beforehand. We send a confirmation letter to the couples after they commit to being part of this special celebration. The invitation also extends to family and friends.

After the Homily Father Casey brings the couples to the front of the Altar to renew their vows.

We organise special Prayers of the Faithful especially dedicated to the Wedding Anniversary Mass.

We also ask the couples to give us a photo of their Wedding Day and one of them as they are now. We use these photos for a PowerPoint Presentation accompanied by singing. This happens after communion.

Just before the final blessing, Father Casey blesses the special Anniversary Cake and then we have a photo cutting the cake with all the couples and Father Casey.

Following the Mass the Wedding Anniversary Committee put on morning tea for all the couples and their families, friends and Parishioners.

Growing Wings

Enza Di Franco Russo

**There are few copies left at the Holy Good Store
(cost \$20)**

Proceeds go to the parish.

22nd January 2023 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading Is 8:23 – 9:3

A reading from the prophet Isaiah
In the Galilean country, the people have seen a great light.

In days past the Lord humbled the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in days to come he will confer glory on the Way of the Sea on the far side of Jordan, province of the nations.

The people that walked in darkness has seen a great light; on those who live in a land of deep shadow a light has shone. You have made their gladness greater, you have made their joy increase, they rejoice in your presence as men rejoice at harvest time, as men are happy when they are dividing the spoils. For the yoke that was weighing on him, the bar across his shoulders, the rod of his oppressor, these you break as on the day of Midian.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 26:1. 4. 13-14. R. v.1 (R.) The Lord is my light and my salvation.

1. The Lord is my light and my help; whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the stronghold of my life; Before whom shall I shrink? (R.)

2. There is one thing I ask of the Lord, for this I long, to live in the house of the Lord, all the days of my life, to savour the sweetness of the Lord, to behold his temple. (R.)

3. I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness in the land of the living. Hope in him, hold firm and take heart. Hope in the Lord! (R.)

Second Reading 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17 A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

I appeal to you, my brothers and sisters, make up the differences between you.

I appeal to you, brothers, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ, to make up the differences between you, and instead of disagreeing among yourselves, to be united again in your belief and practice. From what Chloe's people have been telling me, my dear brothers, it is clear that there are serious differences among you. What I mean are all these slogans that you have, like: 'I am for Paul', 'I am for Apollos', 'I am for Cephas', 'I am for Christ'. Has Christ been parcelled out? Was it Paul that was crucified for you? Were you baptised in the name of Paul? For Christ did not send me to baptise, but to preach the Good News, and not to preach that in the terms of philosophy in which the crucifixion of Christ cannot be expressed.

NO BAPTISM PREPARATION IN JANUARY 2023

The first one for 2023 is on Wednesday, 1st February 2023, 8:00pm. RSVP 28 Jan 2023

Coordinators: Tina & Tom Coorey Phone 9150 6016; 0423 854 633

Gospel Acclamation Mt 4:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom and healed all who were sick.

Alleluia!

Gospel Mt 4:12-23

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

He went to Capernaum, that the prophecy of Isaiah be fulfilled.

Hearing that John had been arrested Jesus went back to Galilee, and leaving Nazareth he went and settled in Capernaum, a lakeside town on the borders of Zebulun and Naphtali. In this way the prophecy of Isaiah was to be fulfilled:

Land of Zebulun! Land of Naphtali!

Way of the sea on the far side of Jordan, Galilee of the nations!

The people that lived in darkness has seen a great light;

on those who dwell in the land and shadow of death

a light has dawned.

From that moment Jesus began his preaching with the message, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.' As he was walking by the Sea of Galilee he saw two brothers, Simon, who was called Peter, and his brother Andrew; they were making a cast in the lake with their net, for they were fishermen. And he said to them, 'Follow me and I will make you fishers of men.' And they left their nets at once and followed him.

Going on from there he saw another pair of brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John; they were in their boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. At once, leaving the boat and their father, they followed him.

He went round the whole of Galilee teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the Good News of the kingdom and curing all kinds of diseases and sickness among the people.



TOILETS

The outside toilets were demolished and will be replaced with new ones.

While construction is going on, please use the Clune Centre toilets.

Access will be at front or at the back of the hall. Please follow signs. We are sorry for the inconvenience. Ramp accessibility on the side of the Hall.

World Youth Day, Lisbon 2023 The Archdiocese of Sydney invites young adults to join millions of young pilgrims from around the world to the next World Youth Day, to be held in Lisbon, Portugal, in August 2023. Three pilgrimage options for prospective pilgrims include: (1) Footsteps of Jesus—Portugal via Holy Land, (2) Portugal via Italy, and (3) WYD direct to Portugal. For more information, please contact Sydney Catholic Youth on: (02) 9307-8152 or email: info@sydneycatholicyouth.org



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:

James Genco, Fr Hugh Thomas, Judy Fleming, Nick Travia, Fr Tan, OSA, Laurie Enright, Maria Carmen de Pasion-Tangaroa, Isaias Alaso, Annalisa Castagnone, Anna Glinatsis, Gopamma Naldu, Jeanette Affara, Modesta Laroco, Colin Elliott, Samar Munoz, Maria Febes de Pasion, Luisa Maria Karin, Michael Doueihy, Peter & Patricia Matt, Christine Ureta, Alvin Ureta, Lucy Yu, Nicole Hraiki, Beatriz Nucum, Jasmin Ghasan, George Chayeb, Pat McGuirk, Fidela Gener-Jasmin, Thelma Gribocck, Bill Taylor, Jun Letran, Diane Salem, Philip Maguire, Kamala Reddy, Maximino Ilaya, Maria (Thi Quyen) Lee, Carlos Munoz, Aileen Munoz, Peter Carter, Priscilla Watson, Aidan Ravailion, Steven Holman, Dhiren Boidya, Leonardo Pagano, Kevin Ryan, Nelly Vanzyl, Paolo & Rhea Primavera, Loretta Visser, Frank Crimi, Tom De Michele, Rosemary Theodoris, 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:

Rosemary Briew, Cardinal George Pell, Baby Luca Zayn Ambriano, Angela Raciti, Denise Fitzgerald, Valerie McInnes (sister of Enid Taylor), Eriberto Hizon-Gomez, Joshua and Anne Callaghan, Alfonso Reyes, Kath Minahan, Domenico Smigliani, Kay Simmat.

Anniversaries: Frano Kovacevic, Nancy Taylor, Mrs M.K. Lie, Augusto & Cleofe Hizon, Benjamin Dizon, Era Munla, Patricia Matthews, Feliciano Gucco, Fr John McSweeney, Carmel Hoban, Clair Stead.

We had started last May 2022, list of parishioners whose death anniversaries occur during the particular month will be included in Bulletin once at the beginning of each month and will be offered masses..

Also For: Thanksgiving and intentions by Jason Jasmin, Susana Mano, Marilou Agbuya, Gener-Jasmin Family, prayer request for the family of Gloria Netallah and her friend Bella; deceased Laurie & Barry Morley, Vincent Camuglia, Maria & Peter Patane, Mario Magnone, 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.

ROSTERS 28 & 29 January

	5:00pm	8.30am
Reader:	Hendersons	Rana MN
Commentator:	Hendersons	E Russo
Acolyte:	Christopher	Leslie
	10:00am	5:00pm
Reader:	Kalifa Family	Youth
Commentator:	Kalifa Family	
Acolyte	Wilson	Albert

Altar Servers:

Sat Vigil :	P Brunet, A Shen
Sun 8.30am :	C & N Badr
Sun 10.00am :	A & J Faddoul, S Sicari
Sun 5.00pm :	E Loho, A Nehme



"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://forms.gle/9ebT3voEAtfP7P8R9> or via Zoom by sending an email to safeguardingtraining@sydneycatholic.org

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.

Volunteers can register for the new Refresher Training **on line** via this link <https://forms.gle/XuQFsRsvq3BYtXqT9> or via Zoom by sending an email to safeguardingtraining@sydneycatholic.org 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. 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.



PRAYERS for our Parish:

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