



# 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 in Ordinary Time Year A 29th 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

The Beatitudes might well be described as the opening of Jesus' inaugural speech as he set about explaining to a large gathering what his mission was going to be. He began with eight statements of hope and encouragement directed to ordinary people struggling with things like injustice, destitution, grief and discrimination. In the kingdom of God which he was ushering in, they would find consolation, blessing, comfort and acceptance. But before proceeding, he hastened to explain himself: "Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law and the prophets. I have come not to abolish them but to fulfil them" (Matthew 5:17). The Beatitudes, then, complement the Law and the Prophets, describing people who struggle yet remain faithful, who turn their attention to compassion and care for others, who work for justice and peace. How do we bring the Beatitudes to life in our world today?

*Word Daily Reflections 2023*

**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).**



## 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.



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.

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

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**Youth Coordinator:** TBA

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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: \_\_\_\_\_

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

**YEAR A**  
**JANUARY 2023**

**30 Mon**

Heb 11:32-40/Mk 5:1-20 (323)

**31 Tue**

**Saint John Bosco, Priest**

Memorial

Heb 12:1-4/Mk 5:21-43 (324)

**FEBRUARY 2023**

**1 Wed**

Heb 12:4-7, 11-15/Mk 6:1-6 (325)

**2 Thu**

**The Presentation of the Lord**

**Feast**

Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32 (524) Pss Prop

**3 Fri**

**Saint Blaise, Bishop and Martyr; Saint Ansgar, Bishop**

Heb 13:1-8/Mk 6:14-29 (327)

**4 Sat**

**BVM**

Heb 13:15-17, 20-21/Mk 6:30-34 (328)

**5 SUN FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Is 58:7-10/1 Cor 2:1-5/Mt 5:13-16 (73) Pss I



**Women's Social Support Group**

**Mass and Luncheon**

***I would like to invite any women, young or not so young, to come along and join our group and enjoy and share some time with other women.***



We have a variety of activities such as lunches, dinners, tours, train trips and we have lots of laughs and enjoy each other's company. It would be great to have you come and join us. We also collect gold coins at all our functions for our charity.

Details for our first gathering for the year are listed below:

**Date: Friday 24th February 2023**

**Mass: 12 noon** at Our Lady of Fatima Kingsgrove

**Lunch: 1pm** at Fireside Bistro, Kingsgrove RSL

I hope you can make it to either the Mass or the lunch or both. If you need a lift please let me know.

*If you would you like to come please **rsvp** to **Veronica***

*by **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2023 on 0412 216 166 or [vtierney37@optusnet.com.au](mailto:vtierney37@optusnet.com.au).***

**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.

**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:

**28 January Mira Pernar**

**Growing Wings**

**Enza Di Franco Russo**

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

Proceeds go to the parish.

**29th January 2023 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**First Reading** Zep 2:3; 3:12-13

**A reading from the prophet Zephaniah**

*In your midst I will leave a humble and a lowly people.*

Seek the Lord

all you, the humble of the earth, who obey his commands.

Seek integrity, seek humility:

you may perhaps find shelter

on the day of the anger of the Lord.

In your midst I will leave

a humble and lowly people,

and those who are left in Israel will seek refuge in the name of the Lord.

They will do no wrong, will tell no lies;

and the perjured tongue will no longer

be found in their mouths.

But they will be able to graze and rest

with no one to disturb them.

**Responsorial Psalm** Ps 145:7-10. R. Mt 5:3

(R.) Happy the poor in spirit;  
the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

or

(R.) Alleluia!

1. It is the Lord who keeps faith forever,  
who is just to those who are oppressed.

It is he who gives bread to the hungry,  
the Lord, who sets prisoners free. (R.)

2. It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind,  
who raises up those who are bowed down,  
the Lord, who protects the stranger  
and upholds the widow and orphan. (R.)

3. It is the Lord who loves the just  
but thwarts the path of the wicked.  
The Lord will reign for ever,  
Zion's God, from age to age. (R.)

**Second Reading** 1 Cor 1:26-31

**A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians**

*God has chosen what is weak by human reckoning.*

Take yourselves, brothers, at the time when you were called: how many of you were wise in the ordinary sense of the word, how many were influential people, or came from noble families? No, it was to shame the wise that God chose what is foolish by human reckoning, and to shame what is strong that he chose what is weak by human reckoning; those whom the world thinks common and contemptible are the ones that God has chosen – those who are nothing at all to show up those who are everything. The human race has nothing to boast about to God, but you, God has made members of Christ Jesus and by God's doing he has become our wisdom, and our virtue, and our holiness, and our freedom. As scripture says: if anyone wants to boast, let him boast about the Lord.

**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 5:12

Alleluia, alleluia!

Rejoice and be glad;

Your reward will be great in heaven.

Alleluia!

**Gospel** Mt 5:1-12

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

*Happy are the poor in spirit.*

Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up the hill. There he sat down and was joined by his disciples. Then he began to speak. This is what he taught them:

‘How happy are the poor in spirit:

theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Happy the gentle:

they shall have the earth for their heritage.

Happy those who mourn:

they shall be comforted.

Happy those who hunger and thirst for what is right:

they shall be satisfied.

Happy the merciful:

they shall have mercy shown them.

Happy the pure in heart:

they shall see God.

Happy the peacemakers:

they shall be called sons of God.

Happy those who are persecuted in the cause of right:

theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

‘Happy are you when people abuse you and persecute you and speak all kinds of calumny against you on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.’



**Theatre Parties  
organised by the  
Women's Social Support  
Group**

*Tina*

**The Tina Turner Musical**

**Theatre:** Theatre Royal Sydney

**Date:** Wednesday 2nd August, 2023

**Session:** 1pm

**Tickets:** \$110 per person.

(our seats are all in the stalls).

**RSVP by: Wednesday 31 May, 2023**

**Payment by: Friday 9th June, 2023**

The Theatre Parties are open to all members of the Parish who would like to attend.

**If you wish to attend this theatre Party  
please contact Veronica on mobile 0412 216 166  
or email vtierney37@optusnet.com.au**



## 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 Ravallion, 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 Brien, Cardinal George Pell, Baby Luca Zayn Ambriano, Angelo 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:** Phyllis Abela, Lisa Stragapede, Chantelle Delboe, Martinus Setiawan, Sebastianus Rozali, Anunciada Resende, Manuel Fernando, Ventura Debriro, Era Munla, Patricia Matthews, Feliciano Guenco, Augusto/Cleofe Hizon, Benjamin Dizon, Frano Kovacevic, Guido Di Mattia, Nancy Taylor, Mrs M.K. Lie.

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 by Richard and Millette Reynon, intentions by Ozoa family, Anna Aidone, Joe Aidone; 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.

## ROSTERS 4 & 5 February

	<b>5:00pm</b>	<b>8.30am</b>
Reader:	K Doherty	N Linning
Commentator:	P Simon	P Frederick
Acolyte:	Ella	Jeremy
	<b>10:00am</b>	<b>5:00pm</b>
Reader:	T & G Coorey	Youth
Commentator:	F David	
Acolyte	Michael	Tom

### Altar Servers:

Sat Vigil :	H Choi, A Speranza
Sun 8.30am :	T & S-R Bassil
Sun 10.00am :	D Yazbeck, M Serraglio, A Lontos
Sun 5.00pm :	J Brown, M Nader, C Tan



### "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](mailto: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](mailto: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 [safeguarding@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:safeguarding@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 **Morgan Street & Morris Avenue** praying for their needs and intentions.