

# 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 in Ordinary Time Year A 12th February 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

This is a very challenging Gospel reading, Jesus upholds the law, but in every case he asks us to go one step further than the letter of the law: we are to fulfil even its spirit. His examples-killing, name-calling, adultery, divorce, swearing-are all just illustrations of the difference between the virtues of 'the scribes and Pharisees' and the virtues that he preaches. Jesus' attitude is what we might call a holistic approach to life. His 'virtue ethics' means that specific choices of actions come from a wider perspective of the heart. It is like seeing through God-tinted glasses. So in our ethical decision-making today, we can be guided by this same attitude. What does 'do not kill' mean in the face of harmful emissions and extinctions of species? What does 'not committing adultery' mean in the face of widespread pornography and human trafficking? What does 'not breaking your oath' mean in the face of fake news and decisions made by artificial intelligence? In all of these, our relationship with God will guide us forward. And, at Mass today, our sign of peace demonstrates how reconciliation with each other enables us to approach the divine. *Word Daily Reflections 2023*



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



## 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.



## ASH WEDNESDAY

22 February

Mass times : 9:15am & 7:00pm

(Day of fasting and abstinence except for over 65 years old and those with medical conditions)

**SAVE THE DATE: Sunday, 19 March**

**2023**

**HEALING MASS AT 10:00am**

**Fr Justin Ma Torres, OATH**

**ALL WELCOME**

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

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

**Pastoral Care Coordinator:** Monique Choueifati: [pastoralcare@olfkingsgrove.org.au](mailto:pastoralcare@olfkingsgrove.org.au)

**Sacramental Coordinator:** Bernadette Bassil, email: [ofsacramentalcoordinator@gmail.com](mailto:ofsacramentalcoordinator@gmail.com)

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

**Youth Coordinator:** TBA

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

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YEAR A

**FEBRUARY 2023**

**13 Mon**

Gn 4:1-15, 25/Mk 8:11-13 (335)

**14 Tue**

**Saints Cyril, Monk, and Methodius, Bishop**

Memorial

Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10/Mk 8:14-21 (336)

**15 Wed**

Gn 8:6-13, 20-22/Mk 8:22-26 (337)

**16 Thu**

Gn 9:1-13/Mk 8:27-33 (338)

**17 Fri**

**The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order**

Gn 11:1-9/Mk 8:34—9:1 (339)

**18 Sat**

**BVM**

Heb 11:1-7/Mk 9:2-13 (340)

**19 SUN SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Lv 19:1-2, 17-18/1 Cor 3:16-23/Mt 5:38-48 (79) Pss III

**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.

### RCIA Ministry

The Leaders of the RCIA Ministry assist the catechumens/candidates searching for spiritual meaning by journeying with them to prepare for Baptism, Confirmation and the Eucharist. The Leaders will share with the catechumens/candidates in the life of the Church expressed in a local faith community and offers them a way to grow in the knowledge of Christ and the Catholic faith in the company with others in a similar journey. The RCIA program usually runs for a period of 10 months, once a week on Fridays, from August to May.

Leaders:

Leslie Phua-Coordinator for the English RCIA Program  
Mary Leung-Coordinator for the Chinese RCIA Program  
Sian Hie

Sabeena Fisher  
Claudette Officer  
Freda Cassar  
Therese Chan

Harry Lo-retired. All leaders wish to express our sincere appreciation for Harry's contribution to the Group.

## Welcome 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***

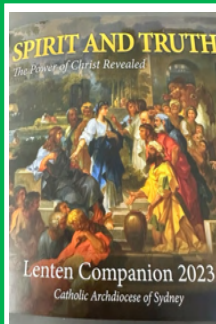
*by **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2023 on 0412 216 166 or vtierney37@optusnet.com.au.***

**CATECHIST MEETING**-Will be held in the Presbytery Meeting Room on Wednesday 15 February at 9:45am (after 9:15am Mass). All catechists, helpers, prayer partners and anyone interested in becoming one of the former are invited. Enquiries Peter Coleman 9787 2554

### 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:

**11 February Mimi & Cesar de Vega**



Ash Wednesday will be on 22nd February. As Lenten draws near, we have a **free Lenten Companion Booklet** for everyone to take home. These were prepared by the Parish Renewal Team of the Archdiocese of Sydney to guide us in our Lenten Journey. The team invites us to use this to draw us to Christ, who sacrificed for our salvation. These are in the church foyer, at side entrance or at the Parish office.



## **Christ our Light Sunday School**

Sunday School will resume on 19 Feb (The third Sunday of Feb) in the Clune Centre. The time is 11:00am (after 10:00am Mass) for about an hour. Afterwards we will have light lunch together. If

children like, they can stay for some more games after lunch.

Please register your child(ren) using the QR code or this link: <https://forms.gle/oDWfB1rXB8eptKGU7>

Parents, grandparents/carers and siblings are welcome to join this first lesson.

Registered students will receive a personalised Sunday School Passport in the first lesson.

For enquiry:

[sundayschool.olfkingsgrove@gmail.com](mailto:sundayschool.olfkingsgrove@gmail.com)

Or text message to 0413 096 960



**St Ursula's College  
KINGSGROVE**

# OPEN DAY

**8 March 2023  
3.30-6pm**

Register at:

[stursulakingsgrove.syd.catholic.edu.au](https://stursulakingsgrove.syd.catholic.edu.au)

PROUDLY PART OF THE COMMUNITY OF Sydney Catholic Schools

Please see flyer at church foyer.

## **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](mailto:info@sydneycatholicyouth.org)

Come spend time in joyful prayer and song, worshipping Him with the **Living Water Catholic Charismatic Prayer Group** this Monday 6:30pm in the McGinley Room, upstairs in the Clune Centre (entry via the main door off Shaw St). Enquiries - John Deacon 0418 77 88 56.



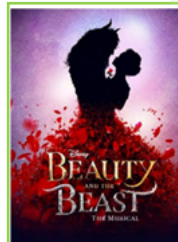
## **GOD'S WORD 2023**

**We still have a few books left.**

A companion on the journey to pray, to share, to grow in God's love and be nourished by the Word of God.

The book includes the Bible readings set down for each day, with a reflection. It would be a nice gift to

your family and friends. **It's on sale at Parish Office during office hours at a discounted price of \$15.00 per copy. It's \$19.95 at other Catholic bookstores. Please call or send email if you can't come during office hours.**



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

## *Disney's Beauty And The Beast*

**Theatre: Capitol Theatre  
Date: Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September, 2023  
Session: 1pm.  
Tickets \$76.00 per person.**  
(our seats are all in the stalls).

**RVSP by: Friday 2nd June, 2023  
Payment by: Monday 3rd July 2023**

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

**If you wish to attend this Theatre Party please  
Contact Veronica on mob 0412216166 or  
Email [vtierney37@optusnet.com.au](mailto:vtierney37@optusnet.com.au)**



## **BAPTISM PREPARATION NIGHT**

**Wednesday, 1st March  
2023, 8:00pm. RSVP 28  
February 2023.**

Coordinators: Paul &  
Clothilde Elsibai  
Phone: 0410 583 808



### 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:

Carina Garcia, Frank Crimi, 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, Nicole Hraiki, Jasmin Ghasan, George Chayeb, Pat McGuirk, 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, Tom De Michele, Rosemary Theodoris, James Crito, 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:

John Cutler, Therese Chan, Joselito Del Pilar, Ashley Boormon, Rosemary Brien, Cardinal George Pell, Baby Luca Zayn Ambriano, Angelo Raciti, Denise Fitzgerald.

**Anniversaries:** Rosina Certoma, George Ghostine, Jaroslava Mysak, Frank Mysak, Stuart Reed, Pat & Gladys Greene, Era Munla, Patricia Matthews, Augusto/Ceefe Hizon, Benjamin Dizon, Phyllis Abela, Lisa Stragapede, Chantelle Delboe, Martinus Setiawan, Sebastianus Rozali, Anunciada Resende, Manuel Fernando, Ventura Debrito.

*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 Beatriz Nucum, Raquel Guarin, Gener-Jasmin Family (20 years in Sydney); intentions for Millette Reynon, Ozoa family; deceased Laurie & Barry Morley, Vincent Camuglia, Maria & Peter Patane, Juan Agbuya, 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 18 & 19 February

	<b>5:00pm</b>	<b>8.30am</b>
Reader:	M Millen	T Spata
Commentator:	L Corbett	P Frederick
Acolyte:	Alyssa	Pak
	<b>10:00am</b>	<b>5:00pm</b>
Reader:	A Sicari	Youth
Commentator:	J Deacon	
Acolyte	Wilson	Tom

#### Altar Servers:

Sat Vigil	:	P Brunet, A Shen
Sun 8.30am	:	J Lacorcia, I Policarpio
Sun 10.00am	:	A & J Faddoul, S Sicari
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 [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.



### PRAYERS for our Parish:

As a caring community, we reach out in love and prayers to our brothers and sisters in **Narramore Street & New England Drive** praying for their needs and intentions.