

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 of Easter (Year A) 23rd April 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

Though loneliness can at times lead to desperation, it can also be the start of a journey to faith. To be lonely occasionally is a reminder that within us is a void that can be filled only by Jesus who was with us, even if his presence is often unrecognized.

This is the symbolism of the 'journey to Emmaus'. The two disciples who walk the road to Emmaus are lonely. The week before, they saw Jesus acclaimed as king coming 'in the name of the Lord', then betrayed and crucified. Now they walk out of Jerusalem defeated, trying to understand the course of events and gather together the pieces of their lives broken by the death of their Master.

In their troubled state, they do not at first recognise Jesus who joins them in their journey and explains to them that the Messiah had to suffer and die. Slowly their eyes are opened: loneliness gives way to a fire burning inside and hope finally blooms when they recognise Jesus in the 'breaking of the bread' (the term early Christians used for the Eucharist). Having experienced Jesus' presence, the two disciples immediately become missionaries, returning to Jerusalem to bring this good news that they know will rekindle the faith and hope of the other disciples.

Christianity does not guarantee a secure life. A Christian may sometimes feel so alone and God so distant because of unfulfilled expectations and hopes. The experience of Jesus' presence brings joy. At the same time, however, it challenges one to mission. *God's Word Daily Reflections 2023*

Mass on Anzac day Tuesday, 25th April
9:00am followed by morning tea.



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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: _____

Congratulations to Vince Hoban and Mary Leung 2023 DEMPSEY MEDAL AWARDEES

(This Dempsey medal is an Archdiocesan award for recognizing parishioners for long outstanding service to the Parish Community)



Our thanks go to **Vince Hoban** for his dedicated, outstanding service to our Parish. Vince has been an active member of the parish since 1983. During this time, Vince served continuously on the parish Liturgy Committee. His primary ministry during this time has been as a reader and the coordinator of the Readers in the parish.

Vince's commitment to his ministry has been exceptional. Beyond the organization of the roster, Vince saw to the training and practicing of readers. In addition to over almost 40 years of service to the parish, Vince has often been seen as a mentor to those new to the parish and young adults alike, looking to enter any range of parish ministries available at Kingsgrove.

Vince is a sincere seeker of the truth, who easily conveys a sense of empathy with people and a comforting presence.



Thank you also to **Mary Leung** for being a dedicated and faithful member of the Kingsgrove Parish. She is a tireless community builder for over 40 years of service to the Catholic Community of Kingsgrove.

Mary has been a dedicated team leader in the Chinese Outreach Group in the Kingsgrove Parish since 1970 and established the Youth Chinese Group in 1980. Until the present time, she has been training the RCIA class and teaching around 20 catechumens each year. She has also been organising the monthly Chinese Mass in the Church for the last 25 years.

Mary is a leader of a choir, encouraged baptized catholics to get involvement in church ministries. She is efficient, kind and has a good and caring personality.

**Vince and Mary will be presented their well-deserved Dempsey Medal award at St Mary's Cathedral on Sunday, 21 May 2023, at the 10:30am Mass.
ALL ARE INVITED TO ATTEND.**



WEDDING ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE

Are You Good With PowerPoint Presentations?

We have been very blessed for many years in having Teresa Macpherson, who has always looked after the PowerPoint Presentation for the Wedding Anniversary Mass. Teresa has now left our Parish and we have lost her skills.

So we are looking for someone who might like to volunteer to take over this most rewarding role. You will of course need to be experienced in using PowerPoint.

If you are interested could you please contact Veronica on 0412 216 or email to vtierney37@optusnet.com.au if this is something you would like to do.



Women's Social Support Group

Train Trip to Kiama & Lunch

Event: A Bus and Train Trip with Lunch at The Grand Hotel Kiama.
This event will be looked after by Teresa Macpherson & Kerrie O'Farrell.

Date: *Friday 19th May, 2023*
Bus: *490 leaves from Kingsgrove to Hurstville at 9.15am*

Train: *9.46am from Hurstville to Kiama arrives 11.39am*

Lunch: *The Grand Hotel, Kiama*

RSVP: *To Kerrie O'Farrell on 0414287241 or email kerrieofarrell@gmail.com by Friday 12 May 2023.*

Hoping you can come it would be great to see you.



Feast of Our Lady of Fatima Festival Kingsgrove



7th May, 2023

A fun filled day that includes food, drinks,
music, stalls, games and entertainment.

Join our Parish celebrating the Feast Day
honouring Our Lady of Fatima.

9am: Rosary and Procession at the parish grounds.

10am: Celebration of the Holy Mass.

11:15am - 3pm: Festivities on the Parish grounds.

NO evening Mass



Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church, Kingsgrove.
89 Shaw St. Kingsgrove, 2208

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Raffle Tickets

- Each (1) ticket is \$2
- 3 tickets for \$5

First Prize: \$300 Gift Voucher
Second Prize: \$200 Gift Voucher
Third Prize: handmade quilt

More prizes will be
announced shortly.



Prizes drawn on 7th May, 2023



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GROWING IN FAITH

Scriptural readings and Saints for this week

YEAR A

APRIL 2023

24 Mon Easter Weekday

Saint Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest and Martyr
Acts 6:8-15/Jn 6:22-29 (273)

25 Tue Easter Weekday

Saint Mark, Evangelist, Feast
Anzac Day

1 Pt 5:5b-14/Mk 16:15-20 (555) Pss Prop

26 Wed Easter Weekday

Acts 8:1b-8/Jn 6:35-40 (275)

27 Thu Easter Weekday

Saint Louis Grignion de Montfort, Priest
Acts 8:26-40/Jn 6:44-51 (276)

28 Fri Easter Weekday

Saint Peter Chanel, Priest and Martyr
Acts 9:1-20/Jn 6:52-59 (277)

29 Sat Easter Weekday

Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church
Memorial
Acts 9:31-42/Jn 6:60-69 (278)

30 SUN FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 2:14a, 36-41/1 Pt 2:20b-25/Jn 10:1-10 (49) Pss IV

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:

22 April Teresita & Honorato Letran

ATTENTION:

Our office email: info@olfkingsgrove.org.au had stopped receiving and sending emails since last Wednesday, 2 April. The Archdiocese head office is trying to fix it at the earliest possible time. If you had sent emails after 2 April, we were not able to receive them.

In the meantime, please use:
kingsgroveolf@gmail.com until further notice.

Rejoice, He truly has Risen. Come spend time in joyful prayer and song, worshipping Our Saviour with the **Living Water Catholic Charismatic Prayer Group** this Monday 6:30pm in the Cronin Room, upstairs in the Clune Centre (entry via the stairs near the new toilets).

Enquiries - John Deacon 0418 77 88 56.



PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Parishioners living in retirement:
Mavis Armour, 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:

Chris Banks, Rei Santos, Justin Bautista, George Coorey, Sherwin Encarnacion, Patricia Grey, Laura Smith, John Aleixo, Frank Crimi, James Genco, Fr Hugh Thomas, Judy Fleming, Fr Tan, OSA, Laurie Enright, Isaias Alaso, Annalisa Castagnone, Anna Glinatsis, Gopamma Naldu, Jeanette Affara, 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 Ravailion, Steven Holman, Dhiren Boidya, Leonardo Pagano, Kevin Ryan, Nelly Vanzyl, Paolo & Rhea Primavera, Tom De Michele, Rosemary Theodoris, James Critto, Alida Banks, Peter Nair, Angela Braga, Grazia Passeretti, Antonietta Roberto, Stephen Doyle, Renae Corban, Amanda Teer, Raigan Kerr.

(Please update us of their status)

Please pray for our Recently Deceased:

Nick Travia, Patrizia Flaherty, Norman Sharf, Sevilla Alarca, Anna Ippolito, Angela Ablong, Janet Gattas, Gracia Campagna, John Yassa, Maria Di Matteo, Emily Bongabong, Maria Mai Nguyen, Ivan Sesar, Christine Craigie, Renato Cervero, Mark Pezzano, Filippo Renna, Denis Luigi Colla.

Anniversaries: Kevin McGreal, Caterina Giannoccolo, Antonino De Fina, Felicidad Cadiz, Jesus Cadiz, Joselito Inso, Teotimo Inso, Franklin Cadiz, Joseph Liu, Mary Ng, Clare Chai, Eng Heng Tan.

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 of Gener-Jasmin Family and John Umboh; deceased Laurie Maguire, Eliza Ferreira-Gorge, Maria Delminda Konen, Teresita Villanueva Odtojan, Augusto, Cleofe, Ramon & Caridad Hizon, 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. Thank you.



BAPTISM PREPARATION NIGHT Wednesday, 3rd May 2023, 6:00pm. RSVP 28 April 2023.

Coordinators: Tom & Tina Coorey
Ph: 9150 6016
0423 854 633

ROSTERS 29 & 30 April

	5:00pm	8.30am
Reader:	Hobans	E Russo
Commentator:	Hobans	N Linning
Acolyte:	Michelle	Leslie
	10:00am	5:00pm
Reader:	T Coorey	Youth
Commentator:	N Kevic	
Acolyte	Michael	Kelvin

Altar Servers:

Sat Vigil	:	H Choi, A Speranza, A Chan
Sun 8.30am	:	T & S Bassil
Sun 10.00am	:	D Yazbeck, M Serraglio, A Liontos
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

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 safeguardingequies@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.



"As a caring faith community, we reach out in love and prayers to our brothers and sisters in Rosebank Avenue & St Albans Road praying for their needs and intentions. "



**An invite to all Year 6 and High School youths
to the next Youth Gathering!**

30th April (Sunday)

**We start with the 5pm Youth Mass followed by
Food, Fellowship and Service till 7:30pm**

At last month's Youth Gathering, on 26/3 (Sunday) 15 of us gathered in the Parish Hall, Clune Centre.

It was a wonderful night that started with pizza and garlic bread. After we prayed, the group enjoyed a soulful discussion of the meaning of Palm Sunday; through the Old Testament and the New Testament.

This event was filled with games where we split into 2 groups and had a Spelling bee, played Pictionary & Charades. Other game we played was 'races to pop balloons' that had hidden scriptures inside. Finally, the complete match of 'Find the scripture reference in the Bible' was invigorating.

I want to send major congratulations to Group 1, who were the overall Champions of the night.

Feeling missed out? Come to our the next fun filled evening.

The Youth Group runs once a Month on the last Sunday.

For enquiry, please call the Parish office on 9150 9665, Tue-Fri 9am-2pm. Or email to: OLF Youth Group at info@olfkingsgrove.org.au.

General Car Service and/or Car Wash



*Fundraising for Tuione & Joe
for World Youth Day*



- Oil + filter change
 - Tyres check
 - Water level + cooling check
 - Brake pads check
 - Check and reset error codes
 - Other safety checks
- > (leaks, cracks (worn bushing) and air filter change)

Also a Car Wash will be provided:
Up to 5 seater vehicle- \$20
More than 5 seater vehicle- \$30

Garage Locations:

Woodfield Blvd, Caringbah or
Harp Street, Kingsgrove

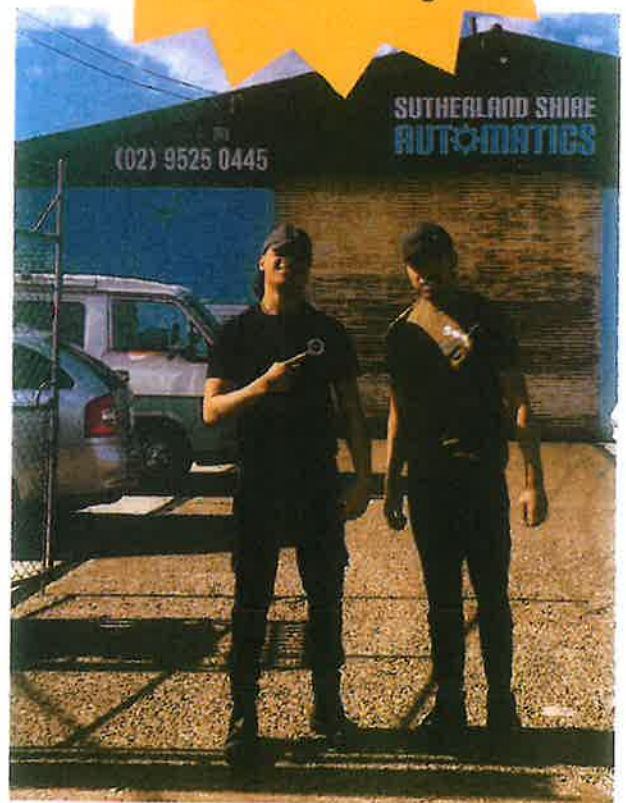
When:

Every Saturday at 12pm
dedicating their outside work
hours.

22nd April to 20th May

To make a booking (call or text):
Patrick Muller: 0420 440 142

**From \$150
starting price
for General Car
Service Only**



*Tuione is a 3rd year apprentice.
Joe is a 1st year apprentice with 2
years experience.*

