

OUR LADY OF FATIMA, KINGSGROVE

Opening to the challenge of renewal

Living out the Eucharist & Gospel of Jesus Christ

Fostering communal compassion and service

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A) 2 July 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

Our readings for this Sunday speak of the challenges and rewards of true discipleship. The woman in our first reading recognises holiness in the prophet Elisha, and her kindness to him is repaid with the blessing of a child. The second reading reminds us that baptism in Christ means entering into death with him-death to sin. Jesus expands further on this point in the Gospel. He reminds his followers that discipleship means putting God above any other attachments, even the bonds of family. It means carrying challenges and sacrifices, with the knowledge that we are accompanied and led by Jesus. It means losing our life-the things that make us comfortable and secure-in order to find God. These are not easy words to read and not easy things to do, yet we know we are not alone in them. In the Gospel, Jesus encourages the Twelve to follow in his footsteps. He is always leading. How will I follow him today?

God's Word Daily Reflections 2023



HEALING MASS

Friday, 7th July,
12:00 noon



Judy Fleming's funeral mass will be on Tuesday, 4th July at 10:30am here at Our Lady of Fatima Church with Father Casey, celebrant. May she rest in Peace.

Attention Catechists: The Confraternity of Christian Doctrine is holding a special Area Mass for catechists. The Mass will be held on Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish MIRANDA on Tuesday 11 th July commencing at 10.30am. Address: 50 Kiara Road, MIRANDA. Please contact Peter Coleman, parish catechist coordinator on tel no 97872554 or Pl.coleman@hotmail.com if you are able to attend. As there will be a shared lunch after the Mass you are invited to bring some food to share.

Planned Giving Envelopes Financial Year 2023/2024

The new sets of Planned Giving envelopes are now available for collection in the foyer. **Please ensure that you check your name with corresponding address and you pick the correct one.** If you are not a member of the Planned Giving, please call Parish Office to join. The tax deduction is 30%.

Alternatively, instead of envelopes, you could opt for periodic deduction using your credit card or do direct deposit to our CBA bank account 100000143; BSB 062 784.

Parish Priest: Fr Hamilton (Casey) Ureta

Pastoral Care Coordinator: Monique Choueifati: pastoralcareolf@gmail.com

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

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

Youth Coordinator: TBA

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Sacramental News: The Sacrament of First Holy Communion

On the crisp Sunday 25th June, 52 Candidates received their First Holy Communion in Our Parish. The day was split in two Masses celebrating the milestone for these young candidates. Their journey started earlier in the year where they received the Sacrament of First Reconciliation and continued their spiritual journey for more family group sessions to completing their course for First Holy Communion.

Each child presented themselves to the Lord in reverence and honour. It was a proud moment for our community and for their families. We pray that their continued journey in receiving the Eucharist, each week, may always be met with grace and wonder.

Our parish is blessed with the strong and faithful community and there were many teams of people who made this day possible. Firstly, to the Very Reverend Casey, whom we were so blessed to preside the celebration of the Holy Mass. I also wanted to express my greatest gratitude to the Sacramental Team for their hours of dedication and assistance to the candidates, their families, and our parish. The Masses were complete with the wonderful Acolytes, Eucharistic Ministers, wardens, our photographer and the choir for joining us in this solemnity.

We wish the Candidates of 2023 all the best and can not wait to see them in a few years to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation in 2026.

The enrolments for the 2024 Candidates of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion will open in November this year. We look forward to seeing you all.

May God bless you,

Bernadette Bassil

Sacramental Coordinator.



GROWING IN FAITH

Scriptural readings and Saints for this week

YEAR A

Thirteenth Week in Ordinary Time

3 Mon

Saint Thomas Apostle

Feast

Eph 2:19/Jn 20:24-29 (593) Pss Prop

4 Tue

Saint Elizabeth of Portugal

Gn 19:15-29/Mt 8:23-27 (378)

5 Wed

Saint Anthony Zaccaria, Priest:

Gn 21:5, 8-20a/Mt 8:28-34 (379)

6 Thu

Saint Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr

Gn 22:1b-19/Mt 9:1-8 (380)

7 Fri

Blessed Peter to Rot

Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8. 62-67/Mt 9:9-13 (381)

8 Sat

BVM

Saint Augustine Zhao Rong

Gn 27:1-5, 15-29/Mt 9:14-17 (382)

9 Sun Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Zac 9:9-10/Rom 8:9. 11-13/Mt 11:25-30 (100) Pss II

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

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.



Christ our Light Sunday School

Sunday School is delivering home learning materials via emails to families in the Parish. As our dedicated teachers have put time and effort to prepare the lessons, we would like more children to have the chance to learn more about Jesus. We also wish families will spend quality time with their children on their faith formation.

You may copy the below links to your computer to access the Sunday School home learning materials on the Google Drive:

Lesson 5: Our Lady of Fatima
https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1Bn48QdfbyGht0PgZmT5qha06E-oX28u9?usp=share_link

Lesson 6: Ascension and Pentecost
<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1AilQCf41bEu5uMKIUr4UjOvtbaJcGOJv?usp=sharing>

Lesson 7: Solemnity of the Sacred Heart
https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1IWZYyjuNKg4BKm2wNuLt0v_33if4KUzK?usp=sharing

Lesson 7 is the last lesson for Semester 1 of 2023.

We will start Semester 2 on 16 July (3rd Sunday) with a face to face gathering but it depends on how many families will join in. We will send out invite in July. Please watch out in the parish bulletin or your email box.

For enquiry: please send email to sundayschool.olfkingsgrove@gmail.com

Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP is urging our support for a petition asking the ACT government to reverse its decision to take over Calvary Public Hospital. Please sign the petition at: www.savecalvary.com.au.



Women's Social Support Group

Lunch at The Lantern Club

Location: *The Lantern Club,
21 Roselands Avenue,
Roselands*

Change of Date: *Friday 28th July 2023*

Time: *12noon*

RSVP: *Friday 21st July, 2023*

Transport: *If you need a lift please let me know.*

Parking: *Is available at the club parking area.*

If you wish to attend please contact Veronica
On mob 0412216166 or
email vtierney37@optusnet.com.au

PLEASE HELP STOP the spread of Covid and flu

When winter is now approaching, we are reminded to be aware of ourselves and those around us. To help reduce the spread of viruses among our community, we request that you stay up to date with vaccinations and stay home if you have colds, flu or Covid symptoms. Thank you.

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.



Like most churches, we now have 3 donation tap devices where you can give your donation using your credit card by a tap on the **Quest Donation Point Tap** or the **Commbank Donation Tap**. These will be at church foyer. **Quest Donation Tap** has a set amount of **\$5.00** whereas, you can choose the amount on the **Commbank Donation Tap**. Please note that donations made through these devices are not tax

deductible. Both will not show your name or envelope numbers on our bank statement. The donation will automatically go into our Parish account for various parish projects and expenses. 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.

Jesus Light of the World Communities – Day Retreat

29 July 2023 (Saturday) 9:30 am – 4:30 pm

“You are VICTORIOUS” Marina George - Speaker

A devoted Catholic lady who loves sharing her deep relationship with God the Father, the love of Jesus and the Holy Spirit.

St Joseph's Parish Hall Walz St, Rockdale, NSW (Parking Entry at Parker St.)
Booking Essential, FREE Lunch & Afternoon Tea. Enquiries: Helen – 0433 455 114; Ida – 0424 267 500



BAPTISM PREPARATION NIGHT Monday, 10th July 2023, 6:00pm. RSVP 7th July 2023.

Coordinators: Imelda Dela Cruz
Ph: 0414 979 241
Myrna De La Pena Ph: 0490 410 896



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:

1 July: Hiam & Danny Succar



PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

*Parishioners living in retirement:
Mavis Armour, Bambina Canosa, Peg
Denny, Millie Cerny, Colin Chandler, Merle
Kenna, Patricia North, Noelene Bennett,*

*Enid Taylor; Nancy Dawson; Frances English,
Shirley Farrell, Anthony, 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:

*Sarah Zaganelli, Agnes (Sorju) Lee Wong, Josefina
Dela Pilar, Swastika Hawach, Jane Gallo, Tony
Redford, Fiapai To'oto'o, Michael Talbot, Frank
Crimi, Chris Banks, Am Gonzales, Justin Bautista,
George Coorey, Dorie Encarnacion, Patricia Grey,
Laura Smith, John Aleixo, James Genco, Isaias
Alaso, Lydia Arrogante, Annalisa Castagnone, Anna
Glinatsis, Jeanette Affara, Colin Elliott, Samar
Munoz, Luisa Maria Karin, 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,
Grazia Passeretti, Antonietta Roberto, Stephen
Doyle, Renae Corban, Amanda Teer, Raigan Kerr.
John Aleixo, James Genco*

Please pray for our Recently Deceased:

*Judy Fleming, Jane Gallo, Rachel Hanna, Willie Joe
Ryan, Leticia Pacheco Dela Pilar, Nunziata Biviano,
Millie Cerny, Raymond Joseph O'Mara, John Dwyer,
John Henderson, Ross Tompson, Laurie Enright, Sr
Denise Daly, OSU, Anthony (Tony) Pun, Kevin
McCreanor, Ante Kevic, Giuseppe Di Lucchio, Anna
Mae Bullock, Gopamma Naidu, Angela Ablong.*

Anniversaries: *Peter Chee Hong Lo, Moussi
Nakhle, Joe Aidone, Patricia Smith, Vito Genco,
Tom Ventura, Domingo Fiamingo, Peter Fang,
Frances Bottaro, John & Mary Fick, Casimero &
Diosdado De Vera, John Vella, Salwa Jabbour,
Nazzareno Vazzoler.*

*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 from Paul & Dani Farrell,
Gener-Jasmin family, Intentions of Juliana Pun and
Family, deceased Linna Mitchell, Michele & Sarina
Raffaele, Filippo & Annunziata Di Paola, Pietro &
Amedeo Modellino, Lina Raffaele, Winifred
McCreanor, Jesus Cadiz, Felicidad Cadiz and
prayers and intentions requested through the OLF
Kingsgrove Intercersory 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.*

ROSTERS 8 & 9 July

	5:00pm	8.30am
Reader:	K Doherty	T Spata
Commentator:	P Simon	Rana MN
Acolyte:	Christopher	Leslie
	10:00am	5:00pm
Reader:	R Lansdown	Youth
Commentator:	M Nigem	
Acolyte	Michael	Albert

Altar Servers:

Sat Vigil	:	H Choi, A Speranza, A Tsoi
Sun 8.30am	:	J Lacorcia, I Policarpio
Sun 10.00am	:	Z & K Yammine, O Repice
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 [safeguardingtrain-
ing@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](https://forms.gle/XuQFsrsvq3BYtXqT9) or via Zoom by sending an email
to safeguardingtraining@sydneycatholic.org Just a r
eminder 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 [safeguard-
ing_equiies@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:safeguard-
ing_equiies@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 **Way Street
& Waycott Avenue** praying for
their needs and intentions."

2 July 2023 Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

First Reading 2 Kgs 4:8-11. 14-16

A reading from the second book of the Kings

That is the holy man of God, let him remain there.

One day as Elisha was on his way to Shunem, a woman of rank who lived there pressed him to stay and eat there. After this he always broke his journey for a meal when he passed that way. She said to her husband, 'Look, I am sure the man who is constantly passing our way must be a holy man of God. Let us build him a small room on the roof, and put him a bed in it, and a table and chair and lamp; whenever he comes to us he can rest there.'

One day when he came, he retired to the upper room and lay down. 'What can be done for her?' he asked. Gehazi (his servant) answered, 'Well, she has no son and her husband is old.' Elisha said, 'Call her.' The servant called her and she stood at the door. 'This time next year,' Elisha said 'you will hold a son in your arms.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 88:2-3. 16-19. R. v.2

(R.) Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

1. I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord;
through all ages my mouth will proclaim your truth.
Of this I am sure, that your love lasts for ever,
that your truth is firmly established as the heavens. **(R.)**
2. Happy the people who acclaim such a king,
who walk, O Lord, in the light of your face,
who find their joy every day in your name,
who make your justice the source of their bliss. **(R.)**
3. For it is you, O Lord, who are the glory of their strength;
it is by your favour that our might is exalted:
for our ruler is in the keeping of the Lord;
our king in the keeping of the Holy One of Israel. **(R.)**

Second Reading Rom 6:3-4. 8-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

Having been buried with him through baptism, we shall walk in a new life.

When we were baptised in Christ Jesus we were baptised in his death; in other words, when we were baptised we went into the tomb with him and joined him in death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the Father's glory, we too might live a new life.

But we believe that having died with Christ we shall return to life with him: Christ, as we know, having been raised from the dead will never die again. Death has no power over him any more. When he died, he died, once for all, to sin, so his life now is life with God; and in that way, you too must consider yourselves to be dead to sin but alive for God in Christ Jesus.

Gospel Acclamation 1 Pt 2:9

Alleluia, alleluia!

You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy people.

Praise God who called you out of darkness and into his marvellous light.

Alleluia!

Gospel Mt 10:37-42

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

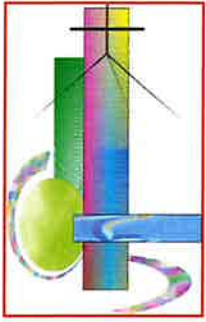
Anyone who does not accept his cross is not worthy of me. Anyone who welcomes you, welcomes me.

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows: ‘Anyone who prefers father or mother to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who prefers son or daughter to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who does not take his cross and follow in my footsteps is not worthy of me. Anyone who finds his life will lose it; anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it.

‘Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me; and those who welcome me welcome the one who sent me.

‘Anyone who welcomes a prophet because he is a prophet will have a prophet’s reward; and anyone who welcomes a holy man because he is a holy man will have a holy man’s reward.

‘If anyone gives so much as a cup of cold water to one of these little ones because he is a disciple, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward.’



**OLF PARISHIONERS'
DEATH ANNIVERSARIES
MONTH OF JULY**

1st July

*Janice Collins
Filippo Di Paola
Mary Leckie
Wai Seeto*

2nd July

*Brendon Dillon
Rumiz Erminio
Irma Lee
Patricia Hudson
Marie Smithson
Allan Collins*

3rd July

*Anthony Camenzuli
Madeline McClennan
Maria Ferraro*

4th July

*Caterina Nogare
John O'Sullivan
John Douglas
Severino Guiducci*

5th July

*Eileen Trayhurn
Elaine Nevin*

6th July

*Aida Hough
William Hall
Antonio Cavanna
John Falzon
John Lake*

*Rosario Calicetto
Margaret Vella
Terese El-Gawly*

7th July

*Edward Barrett
Frank Stillitano
Miro Sirotych*

John Stanley

8th July

Roderick Thompson

9th July

Veronica Pfoefffer

Vladimir Sadila

Mary McAviney

Faith Grant

Moya Idle

Ignace Buhagiar

Margaret McCafferty

10th July

Anthony Collins

Alfred Pike

Kathleen Whitbread

Martin Nugent

Frank Hudson

Sarah Walker

Mario Milani

11th July

Kathleen Smith

Kathleen Wilkins

Enrico Colagiuri

Patricia Melville

Sherlie Barr

Mary Gavin

12th July

Chahid Nigem

Norman Young

Scott Hatton

Keira Mach

Elaine McDonald

Iolande Calcagno

Eugene Thier

13th July

Catherine O'Mara

George Brown

Teresa Ridolfi

Felicidad Cadiz

14th July

Mary Taylor

Whilomena Tandburg

James Sheehan

15th July

Maxwell Pemberton

Adam Berger

May Ongley

16th July

Alexander David

Hester Hoban

Margaret Law

Sheila Gilliagan

Patrick Byrne

Paul Morone

17th July

George Homsy

Maria Provera

18th July

Alexander King

Harry Arens

Jean Pemberton

Olga De Campo

19th July

Frank Dimarco

20th July

Joseph Sealey

Leslie Ireland

Aubrey Maxwell

Hazel Doyle

Rachel Donley

Joseph Caruana

Eileen Kenyon

21st July

Damien Lynn

Lillian Davis

22nd July

Kenneth Hyde

Esther McCarthy

Connie Cheng

Mary Watts

23rd July

Ernest Munro

Thomas Rodgers

Nicola Lisi

Raffaele Triani

Kathleen O'Grady

24th July

Harold Shaw

Doris Warham

Clement McDermott

Moira Beavis

Michael Skennar

25th July

Eileen Ahern

Vittoria Rumigz

Anna Goff

26th July

Catalina Mitchell

Joseph Darman

Patrick Lehane

27th July

Harry Scott

28th July

Leonard Dalton

Eileen Tolhurst

Thomas Harte

Antonino Camuglia

Norma Hyde

29th July

Robert Lee

Keith Carolan

30th July

Bridget Fitzpatrick

Doreen Foley

Maria Buda

31st July

Adolfo Cardenzana

Harold Montano

Bessie Baker

Nicholas Touma

Veronica Lay

John Burton

Vittorio Certoma