

OUR LADY OF FATIMA, KINGSGROVE

Opening to the challenge of renewal

Living out the Eucharist & Gospel of Jesus Christ

Fostering communal compassion and service

Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A) 1 October 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 readings today speak about conscious change. Is it possible for a person to consciously change their life, consciously change their habits and way of living? The unchanging conviction of the Bible is 'yes', conscious change is possible.

Today's Gospel offers us an interesting example of conscious and unconscious change. One son said 'yes' to his father but did not do what his father asked. I suspect that what happened here was unconscious change. He said he would go to the vineyard and probably intended to, but he just didn't get around to it. The other son, said 'no' but then he consciously thought about it, and changed his decision and went.

What massive changes the tax collectors and prostitutes must have made in their lives to follow Jesus. For many reasons, including financial, this could not have been easy, nothing short of a radical change in their way of life. But they did it. They made the change.

When we talk about conscious change the supreme example is Jesus Christ, as St Paul notes in today's second reading: "his state was divine, yet he did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave and became as men are, and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross; but God raised him on high."

In our efforts to change, we can take great heart from the Eucharist. In this act of worship remarkable changes happen. Not only are the bread and wine changed into the body and blood of Christ, but by our participation in the Eucharist, we too are changed-together we become more fully the Body of Christ in our world.

God's Word 2023



Thank you for your faithful service and love to our Parish community.

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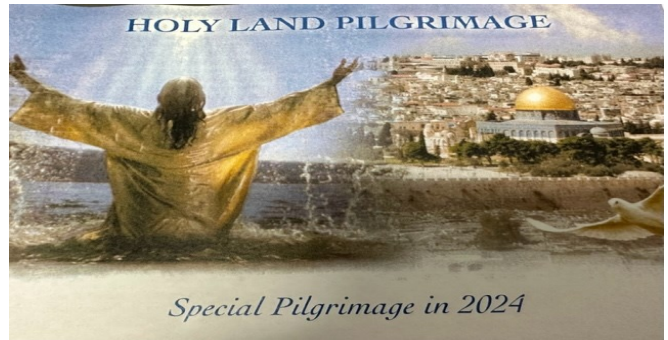
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NOVEMBER IS A SPECIAL MONTH TO PRAY and REMEMBER ALL OUR DECEASED LOVE ONES, PARISHIONERS & FRIENDS.

During all of November there will be a sanctuary to place all the names of our deceased

RELATIVES & FRIENDS. The November mass offering envelopes are available beside the mass offering box of the presbytery AND IN CHURCH FOYER. PLEASE WRITE NAMES CLEARLY. PLEASE DROP YOUR ENVELOPE AND OFFERINGS INTO THE MASS OFFERING BOX IN THE PRESBYTERY OR IN PARISH OFFICE DURING OFFICE HOURS. Thank you.



Join Fr Casey (Pilgrimage Chaplain), Parishioners and friends on this specially arranged Spiritual Journey by OLF Parish to enrich and enliven our faith. Walk in the footsteps of our dear Lord Jesus Christ visiting Nazareth, Bethlehem, Gethsemane, Bethany, Emmaus, plus much more. It's a 14 days pilgrimage departing 3rd April, 2024. The group will fly on Emirates airlines to and from Tel Aviv. It is intended to be a small group to a maximum of 27 pilgrims so come and get a copy of flyer with details, itinerary and booking form at the church foyer. O'Connor World Travel, the pilgrimage operator had been doing spiritual journeys, not tours for 31 years. For more information, please call Imelda on 0414 979 241, email: idlcimelda14@gmail.com; office email: kingsgroveolf@gmail.com

GROWING IN FAITH

Scriptural readings and Saints for this week
YEAR A

OCTOBER 2023

Twenty-sixth week of ordinary time

2 Mon

The Holy Guardian Angels

Memorial

Zec 8:1-8 (455)/Mt 18:1-5, 10 (650) Pss Prop

3 Tue

Zec 8:20-23/Lk 9:51-56 (456)

4 Wed

Saint Francis of Assisi

Memorial

Neh 2:1-8/Lk 9:57-62 (457)

5 Thu

Saint Faustina Kowalska, Virgin

Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12/Lk 10:1-12 (458)

6 Fri

Saint Bruno, Priest

Bar 1:15-22/Lk 10:13-16 (459)

7 Sat

Our Lady of the Rosary

Memorial

Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/Lk 10:17-24 (460) Pss Prop

8 SUN TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Is 5:1-7/Phil 4:6-9/Mt 21:33-43 (139) Pss III

Prayer for Priests

Lord, they carry the troubles of others, yet like all people, they know loneliness and temptation. Keep them close to the friendship of your love. They baptise us, absolve us, teach us, pray for us, care for us. Do we ever pray for them? Bless all our priests especially Father Casey and all clergy, Archbishops, Bishops and Religious to whom we owe so much. **Amen.**



Angels Choir is calling!

Sunday 5pm Angels Choir is currently recruiting 2024 Year 5-9. If you want to know us more or have a feel

of participating mass from a different perspective, pop in and join us at 4pm on Sunday. Consistent choir members will be singing at the upcoming Christmas Family mass. Contact: Antonia 0404 807 595 or parish office.

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).



"As a caring faith community, we reach out in love and prayers to our brothers and sisters in Colvin Avenue & Colwell Street praying for their needs and intentions. "

Holy vision: Companion of the Cross, with Fr Francis Ching, a legally blind priest from Ottawa, Canada

2-day Retreat with Fr Ching on finding our hearts in the Lord and our calling to evangelise.

Date: 6/10(Fri)-7/10(Sat)

Venue: St Paul Publication Strathfield, 35 Meredith Street, Strathfield

Fee: 2-day \$85; 1-day \$60

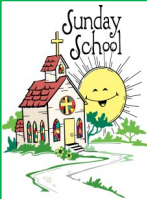
Age: 18-40

Enquiry:

Agnes Man 0413 096 960 /Antonia Chan
0404 807 595

Registration form

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1j9MhsSHwruXfIBI45opLyPj9dJcP9RqKIZyiexJo8fE/viewform?edit_requested=true



**Christ our Light
Sunday School**

Dear parents and students, school holiday is here. You may have more spare time. Do spend some time with

Jesus. Sunday School has uploaded **Lesson 10: "Elijah Prays"** on the Google Drive.

Here is the link/QR code:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/fold->



If you like to go back to **Lesson 8 Hannah & Samuel** or **Lesson 9 on David & Goliath**, you may scan the QR code under the Sunday School poster at the entrances of OLF Church.

We encourage children to send us one of their completed worksheets to this email address:

sundayschool.olfkingsgrove@gmail.com

This will be counted towards the end of year award at around Christmas time. Adults are welcome to send us suggestions and feedback.

Tips: if you like us to send the Google link to you in the email when new lesson is uploaded, you may register to Sunday School using this QR Code.



**Women's Social
Support Group**

**Lunch at Mike's
Grill at Club on
East Sutherland**

**Location: Mike's Grill Sutherland at Club on East.
7 East Parade, Sutherland**

Date: Wednesday 18th October, 2023

Time: 12 noon

RSVP: Monday 9th October, 2023

**Transport: 490 Bus leaves Kingsgrove at 10.40am
arrives Hurstville 10.49am**

**Train leaves Hurstville 11.22am
arrives Sutherland 11.38am.**

Parking: There is parking behind the club.

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

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

The Planned Giving envelopes for the financial year 2023/2024 were in the church foyer since end of June 2023. We had removed them from last month. These can be collected from the Parish Office. Tax Receipts for the year ending 30 June 2023 will still be at the church foyer until further notice. Thank you.

OLF PARISH PILGRIM STATUE

The home visits of Our Lady of Fatima Pilgrim Statue have resumed. Please contact the Parish Office on 9150 9665 if you wish to be included in the weekly roster. Name of host family will be published in the Bulletin. Host family from Saturday, 30 September: Lily & Robby Then



PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Parishioners living in retirement:
Mavis Armour, Bambina Canosa, Peg Denny, Colin Chandler, , Patricia North, Noelene Bennett, Enid Taylor; Nancy Dawson; Frances English, Anne Sheerin, Caterina Ancona, Justina De Bellis, Patricia Gray, .Antonietta Roberto, Netta Donnelly, Mary Melville.

(Should you want to know the place of their retirement homes, please call Parish Office 9150 9665).

Parishioners/friends who are Sick:

Beatriz Nucum, Violet Bozic, Antoninette McGahan, Ben McNeill, Antoinette Taza, Marie Toutounji, Therese Cardinali, Nicholas Reed, Agnes (Sonju) Lee Wong, Swastika Hawach, Fiapai To'oto'o, Michael Talbot, Frank Crimi, Chris Banks, Am Gonzales, Justin Bautista, , Laura Smith, John Aleixo, Isaias Alaso, Lydia Arrogante, Annalisa Castagnone, Anna Glinatsis, Jeanette Affara, Colin Elliott, Samar Munoz, Luisa Maria Karin, Peter & Patricia Matt, Christine Ureta, Alvin Ureta, 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, Nelly Vanzyl, Paolo & Rhea Primavera, Tom De Michele, Rosemary Theodoris, James Criito, Alida Banks, Peter Nair, Grazia Passeretti, Stephen Doyle, Renae Corban, Amanda Teer, Raigan Kerr, James Genco.

Please pray for our Recently Deceased:

Norman Arena, Merle Kenna, Tony Redford, Maurice Sahlani, Abdullah Khoury, Giuseppe Roppolo, Angelo Rossetti, Leon Ung, George Coorey, Clare McBriarty, Jim O'Connor, Francesco Talotta.

Anniversaries: Betty Maguire, Maria Camuglia, Maria Iacono, Italo Giannocolo, Frances Merenda Jesus Cadiz, Pedro Inso, Chain Inso, Maria Rosa Mandile, Yvonne Lynch, Isidoro (John) De Fina, Enrique D. Burgos, Filippo Sollazzo, Simon Ghosen.

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: Deceased Fr Terence Mahedy, Zosimo Osmena, 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. Thank you.



BAPTISM PREPARATION NIGHT

Wednesday 4th October 2023
8:00pm. RSVP_1st October 2023
Coordinators: Tom & Tina Coorey
Ph: 9150 6016; 0423 854 633

ROSTERS 7/8 October

	5:00pm	8.30am
Reader:	J Henderson	T Spata
Commentator:	K Doherty	N Ormerod
Acolyte:	Michelle	Jeremy
	10:00am	5:00pm
Reader:	Kalifa Family	Youth
Commentator:	Kalifa Family	
Acolyte	Kelvin	Albert

Altar Servers:

Sat Vigil	: G Floro, B Setiadji
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 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.

PLEASE NOTE: THE NEW PARISH OFFICE HOURS: OPEN FROM 8:30AM TO 2:30PM (TUESDAY TO FRIDAY).
Our New email address: kingsgroveolf@gmail.com