

# 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 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A) 17 September 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

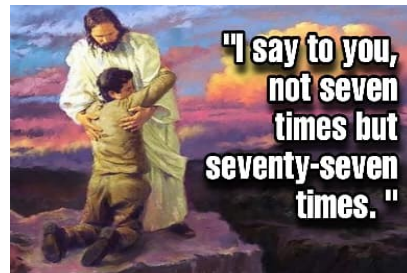
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

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 Sunday's readings focus on divine forgiveness which flows from the merciful heart of God. Matthew describes the experience of receiving and giving mercy in the parable of the unforgiving debtor. We hear that the one who has been released from a huge insurmountable debt through the mercy of one he is indebted to, cannot repeat such graciousness to another who owes him such a small amount. On the first reading, this event may seem incomprehensible to us. We may have a sense that if we were released from such a huge debt and offered a second chance at a less burdensome life we would, in gratitude, do likewise to others. However, the fact is that even though we experience being loved and forgiven beyond measure we can still engage in petty, small and unforgiving behaviour towards others. The writer of the Book of Sirach urges us always to forgive our neighbour and any hurt done to us. Then when we pray our sins will be forgiven. Paul reminds us of our human interconnectedness and that in everything we do, we have an effect on the other.

God's Word 2023

## PRIESTS' RETIREMENT FOUNDATION Father Day Appeal – this weekend

Each year our Archdiocese hosts the annual Father's Day Appeal to support retired priests and thank our Fathers for their wonderful service to our community. Our gift is a 'thank you' to our priests who've contributed in many ways in your life. They are friends who've counselled, comforted and provided spiritual nourishment through their wisdom and willingness to teach. Give generously. Your tax-deductible gift will make a big difference to our retired Fathers who need our care. The Archdiocese will match every donation two-for-one. For example, if you give \$50, the Archdiocese will add another \$100, making your contribution worth \$150. Envelopes are provided at the pews or at the church foyer. You may also donate at [www.ourfaithourworks/prf](http://www.ourfaithourworks/prf).

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**Pastoral Care Coordinator:** Monique Chouefati: [pastoralcareolf@gmail.com](mailto:pastoralcareolf@gmail.com)

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**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  
**YEAR A**

**September 2023**

Twenty-fourth week of ordinary time

**18 Mon**

1 Tm 2:1-8/Lk 7:1-10 (443)

**19 Tue**

**Saint Januarius, Bishop and Martyr**

1 Tm 3:1-13/Lk 7:11-17 (444)

**20 Wed**

**Saints Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn, Priest, and Paul  
Chŏng Ha-sang, and Companions, Martyrs**

Memorial

1 Tm 3:14-16/Lk 7:31-35 (445)

**21 Thu**

**Saint Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist**

Feast

Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Mt 9:9-13 (643) Pss Prop

**22 Fri**

1 Tm 6:2c-12/Lk 8:1-3 (447)

**23 Sat**

**Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest**

Memorial

1 Tm 6:13-16/Lk 8:4-15 (448)

**24 SUN TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY  
TIME**

Is 55:6-9/Phil 1:20c-24, 27a/Mt 20:1-16a (133) Pss I

Recently some parishioners undertook formation for the ministry of Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. These new ministers will be commissioned at the Masses on the weekend of 23/24 September. Current Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion will be invited to be recommissioned for another year to this important ministry, at those Masses.

*The Parish Liturgy Committee*

### 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, 16 Sept 2023: **Mary & Hugh Seeto**

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 weekend. 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 FAMILY MASS

Family Mass Sunday 17th September,  
10am.

Please join us as we gather as a community and celebrate Mass together. We especially extend an invitation to the children who have been recently Confirmed and their families.



### St Padre Pio of Pietrelcina Feast Day (and Blessing of his relic)

At St Padre Pio Parish, 34-38 William  
Howell Dr, Glenmore Park

Triduum:

Thursday, 21 Sept 7:00pm Novena and mass  
Friday, 22 September 7:00pm Novena and mass  
Saturday, 23 September 5:30pm Novena and  
Vigil mass Sunday, 24 September 10:00am  
Procession followed by Feast day Mass,  
veneration and blessing of relic  
Phone: (02) 4789 2232



"As a caring faith community, we reach out in love and prayers to our brothers and sisters in Bonalbo & Burrell Streets praying for their needs and intentions. "

**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.**

### 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.**

## Christ our Light Sunday School

Sunday School is to bring us closer to Jesus and to bring Jesus to our family. We welcome **children** and **adults** to participate. Learning materials are uploaded onto Google Drive. The QR Code/ Google link are display on the posters at the entrances of our church and in the parish bulletin. Anyone can access the learning material at a time that suits them at home.



Parents are encouraged to go through the lessons with young children and older children can go through the lesson themselves. For adults, after viewing the material, they can go back to the Bible to read the chapter on that topic.

The link for **Lesson 8 on "Hannah & Samuel"**:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1CoC9uPJN6SFo0DnVvSmMnQZ6A6rGPZiK?usp=sharing>

The link for **Lesson 9 on "David & Goliath"**:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1hmiQghaSMg4yek9Z99GLtkCH0kwvt9m4?usp=sharing>

Lesson 8 QR Code



Lesson 9 QR Code



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

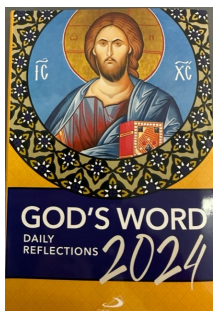
[sundayschool.olfkingsgrove@gmail.com](mailto:sundayschool.olfkingsgrove@gmail.com)

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 Google link to you in the email when new lesson is uploaded, you may register to Sunday School using this QR Code.



SCAN ME



We have early delivery of God's Word 2024 for sale starting this weekend. The book is a daily companion to pray, to share and to grow in God's love and be nourished by the word of God. It has Bible readings for each day with reflection. It would be a nice gift to your family and friends for occasions especially Christmas. It's on sale at Parish Office

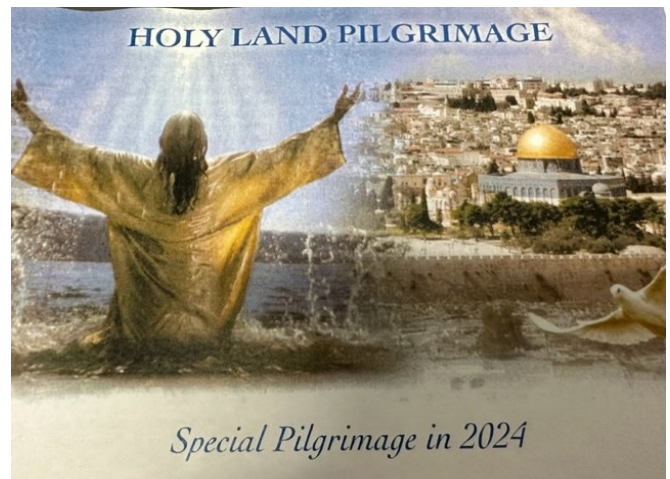
during office hours at a discounted price of \$17.00 per copy. You can buy it also from Piety Store. It's \$21.95 at Catholic bookstores. Please call or send email if you can't come during office hours.

## OUR YOUTH.....



For our last youth group gathering, Father Casey joined us. We started with a pizza feast to kick things off, followed by an inspiring video presentation created by Tuione and Joe. As they were chosen from our parish to represent us at World Youth Day in Lisbon. Their video

showcased their two weeks journey during World Youth Day, where they candidly shared their challenges and experiences while encouraging our youth to participate in the next World Youth Day in 2027, set to take place in Seoul, South Korea.



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: [idlcmelda14@gmail.com](mailto:idlcmelda14@gmail.com); office email: [kingsgroveolf@gmail.com](mailto:kingsgroveolf@gmail.com)



**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, 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 Crito, Alida Banks, Peter Nair, Grazia Passeretti, Stephen Doyle, Renae Corban, Amanda Teer, Raigan Kerr, James Genco.

**Please pray for our Recently Deceased:**

Merle Kenna, Tony Redford, Maurice Sahlani, Abdullah Khoury, Giuseppe Roppolo, Angelo Rossetti, Leon Ung, George Coorey, Clare McBriarty, Jim O'Connor, Francesco Talotta, Hilda Daaboul, Ping (Esther's brother in law), Mercedita Macawili, Manuel Fernandez, Elias Samaras, Joey Doueihy, Sarah Zaganelli, Maria O'Connor,

**Anniversaries:** 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, Mary Ann Gotsopoulos, Tony Bottaro, Joanne Dick, Ram Reddy Giorgio Casciola, Ah May Chung, Salvatore Sollazzo, Laurie Maguire.

*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 23/24 September**

	<b>5:00pm</b>	<b>8.30am</b>
Reader:	K Doherty	Ormerods
Commentator:	P Simon	Ormerods
Acolyte:	Emily	Pak
	<b>10:00am</b>	<b>5:00pm</b>
Reader:	J Deacon	Youth
Commentator:	F David	
Acolyte	Wilson	Kelvin

**Altar Servers:**

Sat Vigil	:	P Brunet, A Shen
Sun 8.30am	:	J & A Shori
Sun 10.00am	:	D Yazbeck, M Serraglio, A Liontos
Sun 5.00pm	:	E Loho, A Nehme, A Chan



**\*-“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.

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