

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 Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A) 8 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 People of God are portrayed as a vineyard in both the Old and New Testaments. In every case, God is the one who plants the vineyard, after choosing the best and most fertile land and preparing it carefully. God then looks for a good harvest, only to be disappointed time and again.

In the first reading, God is disappointed because the vineyard produces sour grapes (some translations say 'rotten'). There is nothing to do but tear the vineyard down. Isaiah is warning the people that God plans to do the same with Israel. God looked for justice from Israel and instead, it produced a harvest of bloodshed.

The Gospel parable tells the history of Israel as God's vineyard. The owner of the vineyard leased it out to tenants. Later, the owner sent servants to collect the portion of the harvest that was due to him. These servants represent the prophets whom God regularly sent to Israel, only to see them rejected, abused and sometimes killed. (Jesus' opponents know that he is referring to himself.) The owner is left with no alternative but to lease the vineyard to other tenants who will deliver the share of the produce to him when harvest time comes.

What is the good fruit that God wants from his vineyard? Saint Paul tells us: "everything that is true, everything that is noble, everything that is good and pure, everything that we love and honour, everything that can be thought virtuous and worthy of praise". Keep doing these things that you 'have heard or seen that I do. Then the God of peace will be with you.'

God's Word 2023



It is with great sadness that **Peg Denny**, our dear long time active parishioner & volunteer has passed away. A funeral mass will be held on Wednesday 11th October at 10:30am here at our Church. May she rest in peace.

PARISH CALENDAR 2024

To assist in preparing the calendar, leaders of various ministries are requested to submit their dates for the calendar to the parish secretary, Katrina or Imelda by 30/11. Thank you in anticipation for your cooperation.



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.

Do u like to sing, dance, act or entertain a large crowd?

This year the Parish Christmas Carols Night is on 16/12/23 Saturday after vigil mass. We would love to invite the many talented people, young or young in heart, who would be interested in showcasing God's gifts and performing at this Event.

**IT'S NEVER
too early for
Christmas
MUSIC**

GROWING IN FAITH

Scriptural readings and Saints for this week

YEAR A

OCTOBER 2023

Twenty-seventh week of ordinary time

9 Mon

Saint Denis, Bishop, and Companions, Martyrs; Saint John Leonardi, Priest

Jon 1:1—2:2, 11/Lk 10:25-37 (461)

10 Tue

Jon 3:1-10/Lk 10:38-42 (462)

11 Wed

Saint John XXIII, Pope

Jon 4:1-11/Lk 11:1-4 (463)

12 Thu

Mal 3:13-20b/Lk 11:5-13 (464)

13 Fri

Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2/Lk 11:15-26 (465)

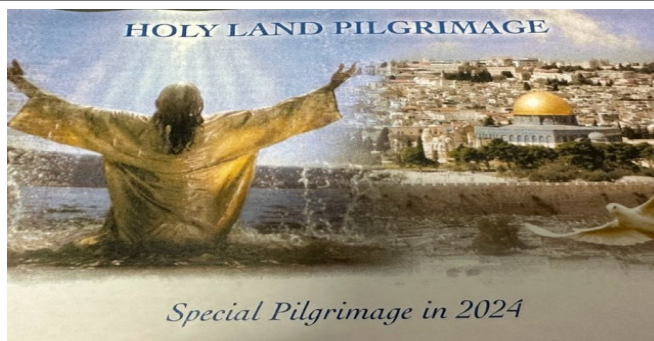
14 Sat

Saint Callistus I, Pope and Martyr; BVM

Jl 4:12-21/Lk 11:27-28 (466)

15 SUN TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Is 25:6-10a/Phil 4:12-14, 19-20/Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10 (142)
Pss IV



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



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 Coveney Street & Demaine Avenue 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(Friday)-7/10(Saturday)

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

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

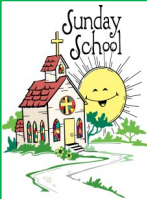
Age: 18-40

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 0412 216 166
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, 7 October: **Teresita & Honorato Letran**



PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Parishioners living in retirement:
Mavis Armour, Bambina Canosa, 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, Guy Cassar, 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:

Peg Denny, 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 Giannoccolo, Frances Merenda Estela Agbuya, 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, 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 8th November 2023
7:00pm. RSVP 4th November 2023
Coordinators: Imelda Dela Cruz Ph: 0414 979 241; Myrna De La Pena Ph: 0490 410 896

ROSTERS 14/15 October

	5:00pm	8.30am
Reader:	Hobans	Rana MN
Commentator:	Hobans	E Russo
Acolyte:	Christopher	Leslie
	10:00am	5:00pm
Reader:	N Kevic	Youth
Commentator:	T Coorey	
Acolyte	Wilson	Tom

Altar Servers:

Sat Vigil	: P Brunet, A Shen
Sun 8.30am	: T & S-R Bassil
Sun 10.00am	: D Yazbeck, M Serraglio, A Liontos
Sun 5.00pm	: J Brown, 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

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 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