



# OUR LADY OF FATIMA, KINGSGROVE

Opening to the challenge of renewal

Living out the Eucharist & Gospel of Jesus Christ

Fostering communal compassion and service

**Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A) 12 November 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

Are you one of those people who over-prepare for a camping trip and take much more than you need, or do you under-prepare and find yourself lacking a can opener when you need it or a pump for the mattress? I am an over preparer. I take everything we need and much more. I don't ever want to be caught short. But is it the same when it comes to my faith in life? Today's parable of the ten bridesmaids highlights the importance of being ready when God moves in our life. The foolish bridesmaids thought, they knew exactly when the groom would show up. They weren't prepared for his late arrival and didn't have enough oil in their lamps. As a consequence, they missed the bridegroom when he did show up. *Lord, help me to build up stores of spiritual oil, through prayer, sacraments, and service. Help me to wait patiently on God's timing in my life and be prepared to receive God's movement and grace at exactly the time it appears. Amen.*

*God's Word 2023*



## OLF PARISH ADVENT RETREAT (A DAY OF PRAYER AND REFLECTION)

**SATURDAY 18, November 2023**

**Facilitator:** Fr Brian Steele  
 9:15am Mass  
 9:45am Tea/Coffee  
 10:00am start session till 2:30pm with lunch break and reconciliation.

**All Welcome Please register at Parish Office for catering purposes. Thank you.**



**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.

**Parish Priest: Fr Hamilton (Casey) Ureta**

**Assistant Priest: Fr Emmanuel Lubega** (starting 18 November)

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

**Sacramental Coordinator:** Bernadette Bassil, email: [olfsacramentalcoordinator@gmail.com](mailto:olfsacramentalcoordinator@gmail.com)

**Secretaries:** TBA – Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday; Imelda Dela Cruz - Secretary/Accounts Thursday, Friday

**Youth Coordinator:** TBA

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## GROWING IN FAITH

### Scriptural readings and Saints for this week

YEAR A

NOVEMBER 2023

Thirty-second week of ordinary time

**13 Mon**

Wis 1:1-7/Lk 17:1-6 (491)

**14 Tue**

Wis 2:23—3:9/Lk 17:7-10 (492)

**15 Wed**

**Saint Albert the Great, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**

Wis 6:1-11/Lk 17:11-19 (493)

**16 Thu**

**Saint Margaret of Scotland; Saint Gertrude, Virgin**

Wis 7:22b—8:1/Lk 17:20-25 (494)

**17 Fri**

**Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious**

Memorial

Wis 13:1-9/Lk 17:26-37 (495)

**18 Sat**

**The Dedication of the Basilicas of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles;**

**BVM**

Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9/Lk 18:1-8 (496)

or, for the Optional Memorial of the Dedication, Acts 28:11-16, 30-31/Mt 14:22-33 (679)



CHARITABLE WORKS FUND

Next weekend, 18 and 19 November, we will have our Charitable Works Fund November 2023 Appeal. Please help keep alive vital ministries of the Church in service to those most in need. In hospital, churches, schools, communities and families, your donation is making our world a loving, caring and compassionate place. Envelopes will be in the pews and at the church foyer.

Your tax deductible gift changes lives. Thank you,

Dear Community,

The St. Vincent's Collection bin is no longer be located where it used to be. Please do not leave any donatable goods as they will not be picked up. Thank you for your understanding.

## Youth Christmas Outing

**A\$15 for Group**

**Full Fare A\$25/A\$15; Under 18/Free U5**

**Contact: please text**

**0410 074 989 (light dinner sponsored)**

JOIN US

7:00PM  
FRIDAY 1ST DECEMBER

EASTFEST  
PRESENTS  
JOURNEY

WITH FR.  
ROB GALEA

AT OUR LADY OF THE SACRED  
HEART CHURCH RANDWICK

FOR MORE INFO & TO  
BOOK YOUR TICKETS:  
[TRYBOOKING.COM/CLNRB](http://TRYBOOKING.COM/CLNRB)

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### ATTENTION READERS CHRISTMAS 2023

The next roster commences on 18/19 November and will cover the Christmas/January period. Please advise of any dates you are unavailable during that time, as it can be difficult for you to organise a swap at that time of year. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated. The Hobans.

### 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, 11 November: Aida & Vino Lie**



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





Next Saturday, 18 November, we welcome **Fr Emmanuel Lubega** to our Parish as Assistant Priest. He is an Assistant Priest at St Mary's Cathedral until his appointment to his new ministry in our Parish.



**Congratulations and thank you to Fr Casey on his 11th year Anniversary ministry here at OLF Parish on Saturday, 11th November, 2023.**

# Christmas Party

OLF Parish Women's Social Support Group  
Christmas Party Dinner

Date: Wednesday 6th December 2023  
Location: EBP RSL - The Creek Room  
Time: 6.30pm for 7pm

Cost: \$44.00 per person for two courses.  
(Cost of the drinks are separate to buy)  
There will be a raffle and lucky door prizes.

Our Christmas Party is an open invitation for any woman in the Parish who would like to attend. It would be really great to have you there.

Please RSVP by Friday 29th November 2023 to Veronica on 0412 216 166 or [vtierney37@optusnet.com.au](mailto:vtierney37@optusnet.com.au)

## Theatre Parties Organised by the Women's Social Support Group



**What if Romeo's ending, was Juliet's beginning. After premiering on the West End and earning a staggering 8 x Oliver Awards nominations, & JULIET has also been one of the most unexpected and spectacular theatrical triumphs on Broadway".**

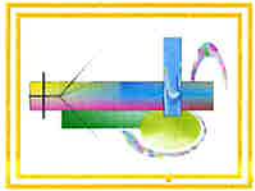
**Theatre:** Sydney Lyric Theatre  
**Date:** Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March, 2023  
**Session:** 1pm.  
**Tickets** \$71.00 per person.  
(seats are all in the stalls).

**RSVP by:** 12<sup>th</sup> January, 2024

**Payment by:** 19<sup>th</sup> January, 2024

*These Theatre Parties are open to all in the Parish.*

**If you wish to attend this Theatre Party please contact Veronica on mob 0412216166 or email [vtierney37@optusnet.com.au](mailto:vtierney37@optusnet.com.au)**



OUR LADY OF FATIMA  
PARISH KINGSGROVE PRESENTS

# Christmas Carols Night 2023

JOIN US AFTER THE 5PM VIGIL MASS IN THE PARKING LOT.  
BRING YOUR CHRISTMAS HATS AND PICNIC MATS.

SATURDAY 16TH DECEMBER 2023  
6PM - 8:30PM

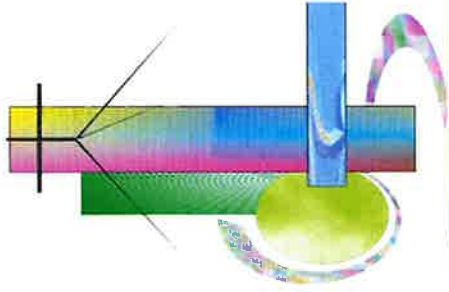
After the 5pm Vigil Mass

Food trucks, raffles and entertainment for all ages.  
Prizes for the best Christmas costume. We can't  
wait to see you there.

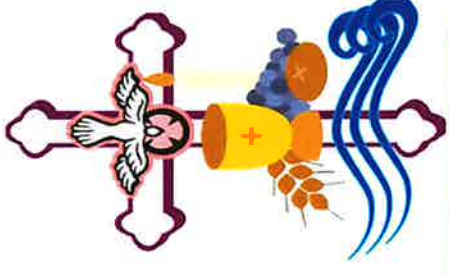
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# Enrolments are open for the 2024 Sacramental Programs.



We are enrolling Candidates for:

- The Sacrament of First Reconciliation
- The Sacrament of First Holy Communion
- The Sacrament of Confirmation will open shortly

**Please RSVP: before 22nd January, 2024**

Enrolment packages are available from the foyer of the Church or from the Parish Office.

Sacramental enquiries directed to the Sacramental Coordinator:

- Ph: 9554 5752 or

- Email:

[olfsacramentalcoordinator@gmail.com](mailto:olfsacramentalcoordinator@gmail.com)

Our Lady of Fatima Parish Kingsgrove

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## PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Parishioners living in retirement:

Mavis Armour, Bambina Canosa, 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:

Janice Quan, Beatriz Nucum, Violet Bozic, Antoninette McGahan, Guy Cassar, Ben McNeill, Merci Valix, Antoinette Taza, Marie Toutounji, Nicholas Reed, Agnes (Sonju) Lee Wong, Swastika Hawach, Fiapai To'oto'o, Michael Talbot, Frank Crimi, Chris Banks, Arn 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 Crillo, Alida Banks, Peter Nair, Grazia Passeretti, Stephen Doyle, Renae Corban, Amanda Teer, Raigan Kerr, James Genco.

### Please pray for our Recently Deceased:

Therese Cardinali, April Scibarras, Lucy Chong, Eileen Monaghan, Paolo Meduro (Maria La Spada's father), Kelvin Dark, Colin Chandler, Eddie Gallagher, Peg Denny, Norman Arena, Merle Kenna, Tony Redford, Agripino Estrellas. Maurice Sahlani, Abdullah Khoury.

**Anniversaries:** Ida Taranto, Mary Deacon, Maria Ierace, Ida Pagnaco, Laureana Encabo, Celestina Sanna, Lino Maini, Luba Ancic, Joe Ancic, Betty Maguire, Maria Camuglia, Maria Iacono, Italo Giannoccolo, Frances Merenda.

*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 Anthony Chong, 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 6th December 2023

8:00pm. RSVP 4th December 2023

Coordinators: Paul & Clothilde Elsibai, phone 0410 583 808

## ROSTERS 18/19 November 2023

	<b>5:00pm</b>	<b>8.30am</b>
Reader:	G Reskakias	Ormerods
Commentator:	J Hoban	Ormerods
Acolyte:	Christopher	Leslie
	<b>10:00am</b>	<b>5:00pm</b>
Reader:	M Nigem	Youth
Commentator:	R Lansdown	
Acolyte	Michael	Albert

### Altar Servers:

Sat Vigil	: G Floro, B Setiadji
Sun 8.30am	: J & A Shori
Sun 10.00am	: A & J Fadoul, 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](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 [safeguarding@sydneycatholic.org](mailto: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.

### 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.

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

# Sunday 12 Nov 2023 Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

## First Reading *Wisdom 6:12-16*

A reading from the book of Wisdom

*Wisdom is found by those who look for it.*

Wisdom is bright, and does not grow dim.  
By those who love her she is readily seen,  
and found by those who look for her.  
Quick to anticipate those who desire her, she makes herself known to them.  
Watch for her early and you will have no trouble;  
you will find her sitting at your gates.  
Even to think about her is understanding fully grown;  
be on the alert for her and anxiety will quickly leave you.  
She herself walks about looking for those who are worthy of her  
and graciously shows herself to them as they go,  
in every thought of theirs coming to meet them.

## Responsorial Psalm *Ps 62:2-8. R. v.2*

**(R.) My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.**

1. O God, you are my God, for you I long;  
for you my soul is thirsting.  
My body pines for you  
like a dry, weary land without water. **(R.)**
2. So I gaze on you in the sanctuary.  
to see your strength and your glory.  
For your love is better than life,  
my lips will speak your praise. **(R.)**
3. So I will bless you all my life,  
in your name I will lift up my hands.  
My soul shall be filled as with a banquet,  
my mouth shall praise you with joy. **(R.)**
4. On my bed I remember you.  
On you I muse through the night  
for you have been my help;  
in the shadow of your wings I rejoice. **(R.)**

## Second Reading *1 Thessalonians 4:13-18*

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians

*Those who died as Christians, God will bring to life with Jesus.*

We want you to be quite certain, brothers, about those who have died, to make sure that you do not grieve about them, like the other people who have no hope. We believe that Jesus died and rose again, and that it will be the same for those who have died in Jesus: God will bring them with him. We can tell you this from the Lord's own teaching, that any of us who are left alive until the Lord's coming will not have any advantage over those who have died. At the trumpet of God, the voice of the archangel will call out the command and the Lord

himself will come down from heaven; those who have died in Christ will be the first to rise, and then those of us who are still alive will be taken up in the clouds, together with them, to meet the Lord in the air. So we shall stay with the Lord for ever. With such thoughts as these you should comfort one another.

## **Gospel Acclamation** Matthew 24:42. 44

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

Be watchful and ready:

you know not when the Son of Man is coming.

**Alleluia!**

## **Gospel** Matthew 25:1-13

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

*Look, the bridegroom comes. Go out to meet him.*

Jesus told this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven will be like this: Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five of them were sensible: the foolish ones did take their lamps, but they brought no oil, whereas the sensible ones took flasks of oil as well as their lamps. The bridegroom was late, and they all grew drowsy and fell asleep. But at midnight there was a cry, "The bridegroom is here! Go out and meet him." At this, all those bridesmaids woke up and trimmed their lamps, and the foolish ones said to the sensible ones, "Give us some of your oil: our lamps are going out." But they replied, "There may not be enough for us and for you; you had better go to those who sell it and buy some for yourselves." They had gone off to buy it when the bridegroom arrived. Those who were ready went in with him to the wedding hall and the door was closed. The other bridesmaids arrived later. "Lord, Lord," they said, "open the door for us." But he replied, "I tell you solemnly, I do not know you." So stay awake, because you do not know either the day or the hour.'