

OUR LADY OF FATIMA, KINGSGROVE

Opening to the challenge of renewal

Living out the Eucharist & Gospel of Jesus Christ

bostering communal compassion and service

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B, 14 January 2024

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)



RELECTION

Yesterday's reflection was all about seeing, is also the centrepiece of today's scripture. In our first reading, Eli recognises the presence of God in Samuel's encounters and guides him on what to say. Paul's letter to the Corinthians takes up 'seeing' in a more subtle way, encouraging readers to honour their bodies to truly live as God sees them-as temples of the Spirit, And in our Gospel, we have a number of deep experiences of seeing. John, 'stared hard' as Jesus, recognizing him as the Messiah and prompting his own disciples to follow him. Jesus saw these disciples and invited them to "come and see" the place where he was staying. And when one of these disciples, Andrew brought his brother Simon to meet Jesus, Jesus ' looked hard at him' and bestowed on him a new name, based on what he had seen. These readings speak of the importance of God's presence in our lives, around us and within us. Today, let's reflect: how has God revealed Godself to me? God's Word 2024

HAPPY NEW YEAR! WELCOME TO VISITORS AND NEW MEMBERS

(If you would like to register in the parish, please fill out this form and put it in the collection basket and we will mail you a registration form or you may fill one out at the parish office.)

Name:

Address:

Phone Email address:

Our Parish Calendars for the Year 2024 are now available in the church foyer or at the Parish Office. Please take a copy home. Thank you.

Parish Priest: Fr Hamilton (Casey) Ureta Assistant Priest: Fr Emmanuel Lubega

Pastoral Care Coordinator: Monique Choueifati: pastoralcareolf@gmail.com Sacramental Coordinator: Bernadette Bassil, email: olfsacramentalcoordinator@gmail.com Secretaries: TBA – Tuesday, Wednesday; Imelda Dela Cruz - Secretary/Accounts Monday, Thursday, Friday; Youth Coordinator: TBA 89 Shaw Street, Kingsgrove NSW 2208 Postal Address: PO Box 377 Kinasarove NSW 1480 Ph: 9150 9665; 9150 9663; Email: kingsgroveolf@gmail.com

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GROWING IN FAITH

Scriptural readings and Saints for this week

YEAR B JANUARY 2024 Second week in ordinary time

15 Mon

1 Sm 15:16-23/Mk 2:18-22 (311) 16 Tue

1 Sm 16:1-13/Mk 2:23-28 (312)

17 Wed Saint Anthony, Abbot Memorial 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Mk 3:1-6 (313)

18 Thu 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Mk 3:7-12 (314)

19 Fri 1 Sm 24:3-21/Mk 3:13-19 (315)

20 Sat Weekday Saint Fabian, Pope and Martyr; Saint Sebastian, Martyr; BVM 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Mk 3:20-21 (316)

21 SUN THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Jon 3:1-5, 10/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20 (68) Pss III

ATTENTION READERS

The next roster is due to be issued at the end of the month. Please email the Hobans with any dates to be avoided. ALSO, it has been brought to our attention that a couple of recent Masses have not been covered. Please check your roster and arrange cover if you are unable to attend. Thank you.



<u>Christ our Light Sunday</u> <u>School</u>

Hi Parents and Children, Please note that there is a Sunday School flyer at the entrances of our Church. <u>On the front page</u>, there is a short survey to gather your view on the

continuation of Sunday School in 2024 year. <u>On the back page</u>, there are QR codes for accessing the learning materials for the last 6 lessons.

Christmas Season has ended, Jesus is always with us. It is still exciting for the children to read the Bible stories and complete the worksheets in those lessons during the long school holiday. If you need us to print the worksheets for you, please send us an email and we will print them out and place them at the foyer of OLF Church for you to pick up when you next go to church.

Best wishes for blessed and joyous New Year!



EXPECTANT PARENT BLESSING

The next Expectant Parent Blessing will be on Sunday 11 February at 10am mass, There will be Morning Tea provided after mass.

From Sacramental Coordinator: Sacrament of Confirmation—Information Afternoon

Dear families, I wanted to make a clarification for the Induction afternoon for information on the Sacrament of Confirmation. The present meeting will be on SUNDAY, 28th JULY at 4pm in the Clune Centre. After, there will be the Commitment Mass at 5pm in the church. Sorry about the confusion. I wish you a peaceful Christmas and I look forward to seeing the enrolments.

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, 13 January Josephine & Angelo** Iannotti

Dear Parishioners,

OLF Catholic Primary School gives high priority to Catholic families seeking enrolment for their children. The enrolment process for Kindergarten 2025 officially begins early next year, however, parents can choose to lodge an enrolment form online beforehand at https:// olfkingsgrove.syd.catholic.edu.au/enrolment/enrolnow

Catholic families who are active members of the OLP Parish need to include a Parish Priest Reference form which is added to your enrolment application. The Parish Priest Enrolment Form is available as part of the online enrolment form. Please make an appointment to meet with Fr Casey to have this form completed. We look forward to welcoming you to our wonderful school!

Anthony Weir-School Principal



We still have a few copies left of God's Word 2024 for sale. 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'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.



Theatre Parties Organised by The Women's Social Support Group

The cast consists of Anthony Warlow (Billy Flynn) Zoe Ventura (Velma Kelly) Lucy Mauder (Roxie Hart) Peter Rowsthorn (Amos Hart) Asabi Goodman as Matron 'Mama' Morton.

Date: Wednesday 12th June, 2024

1pm.

Session:

Tickets\$71.00 per person.
(seats are all in the stalls).

RSVP by: Monday 25th March, 2024

Payment by: Monday 8th April, 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





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:

Kenny Leung, Jenny Fulton, Shiela Kovacs, Frank Brown, Geoff Buckley, 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, Am Gonzales, Justin Bautista, Laura Smith, John Aleixo, 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 Ravaillion, Steven Holman, Dhiren Boidya, Leonardo Pagano, Nelly Vanzyl, Paolo & Rhea Primavera, Tom De Michele, Rosemary Theodoris, James Crilto, Alida Banks, Peter Nair, Grazia Passeretti, Stephen Doyle, Renae Corban, Raigan Kerr, James Genco.

Please pray for our Recently Deceased:

Grace Veronica Atmadi. Concettina Micalizzi. Laurie

Alguist, Maria Alicandro, Alegria Nelmida, Lina Feliciano, Noel Gacusan, Michael Spinks, Gloria Tuazon Songco, Cecilia Hadipraja, Therese Cardinali, Michelle Lewis, April Scibarras, Eileen Monaghan, Paolo Meduro (Maria La Spada's father), Kelvin Dark. Colin Chandler, Eddie Gallagher, Peg Denny.

Anniversaries: Paul Deacon, Noel Freeman, Arcadia Soriano, Maria Aleixo, Crisanta Maia.

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 of Gener-Jasmin family; deceased Juan & Estela Agbuya, Betty & Laurie Maguire, Joan and John Buckley 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.



NO BAPTISM PREPARATION IN JANUARY 2024

The first one for 2024 is on Thursday, 1st February 2024, 7:00pm. RSVP 28 Jan 2024

Coordinators: Imelda Dela Cruz, ph 0414 979 241; Myrna De La Pena, ph 0490 410 896

ROSTERS 20/21 January 2024

Reader: Commentator: Acolyte: Reader: Commentator: Acolyte

Christopher 10:00am T Abela-King N Kevic

5:00pm

Hobans

Hobans

Wilson

Albert

8.30am

Ormerods

Ormerods

Jeremy

5:00pm

Youth

Altar Servers: Sat Vigil Sun 8.30am :

Sun 10.00am :

Sun 5:00pm :

G Floro, A Speranza C & N Badr Z & J Yammine

J Brown, 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 Servers 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 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 Kings Place and Kingsgrove Avenue praying for their needs and intentions. "

Living Water Catholic Charismatic Prayer Group is now in Summer recess and we will recommence 6:30pm on Monday, 29 January 2024. Mark the date in your calendar and join us in the McGinley Room, upstairs in the Clune Centre.

(entry via the stairs near the new toilets). Enquiries - John Deacon 0418 77 88 56.