

OUR LADY OF FATIMA, KINGSGROVE

Opening to the challenge of renewal

Living out the Eucharist & Gospel of Jesus Christ

Fostering communal compassion and service

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B - 23 June 2024

MASS TIMES

Monday: Closed
Tuesday: 9:15am
Wednesday: 9:15am
Thursday: 9.15am
Friday: 12noon
Saturday: 9.15am & Vigil 5pm
Sunday: 8:30am, 10am & 5pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Friday: 11am - 12noon

Rosary : 8:45am, Tuesday to Thursday and Saturday

Reconciliation : Saturday after 9.15am mass.

Baptisms: Every 1st and 3rd

Sunday of each month. (Please call Parish Office)

Weddings: By Appointment (Please call Parish Office)

Planned Giving Envelopes Financial Year 2024/2025

The new sets of Planned Giving envelopes are now available for collection in the foyer.

Please ensure that you check your name with corresponding address and you pick the correct one.

If you are not a member of the Planned Giving, please call Parish Office to join. The tax deduction is 30%.

Alternatively, instead of envelopes, you could option for periodic deduction using your credit card or do direct deposit to our **Commonwealth Bank :**

Account name: Catholic Parish of Our lady of Fatima Kingsgrove - BSB: 062 784 - Account no :100000143.

Receipts for your contributions for this financial year will be available on the 3rd week of July.

We would like to thank you for your ongoing generous support to our Parish.



REFLECTION

Have you ever been caught in a storm or saturated by rain? Have you ever been engulfed in a morning fog that restricted your visibility? Big wave surfers who attempt to surf monster waves always prepare themselves for the possibility of being held down by these waves in a “wipe out”. A common feature in today’s Gospel reading is water and the weather conditions. We read that Jesus instructs the disciples to cross the lake and then falls asleep to be woken with panic and cries for help. The disciples - understandably - become frightened and frozen in fear by the gales and the waves. You would imagine that most people would enter panic mode when such a catastrophe presents itself. However, Jesus encourages an increase in patience and trust His presence – later rebuking the conditions and creating a peace. This calmness is only realized once listening is undertaken, and trust is practiced. When have you experienced storms that seemed to overwhelm? How do you rediscover calm? Jesus teaches us to day that to weather such storms, a deep trust in His presence is vital and life-saving.

God’s Word 2024

**“ They that go down to the sea in ships
that do business in great waters;
These see the works of the LORD,
and His wonders in the deep”**

Psalm 107 : 23-24

Parish Priest: Fr Hamilton (Casey) Ureta

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Youth Coordinator: TBA

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GROWING IN FAITH

*Scriptural readings and Saints
for this week*

JUNE 2024 - YEAR B - Twelfth week in Ordinary Time
Scriptural readings and Saints for this week

24 Mon

THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

Solemnity

Is 49:1-6/Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66, 80 (587) Pss Prop

25 Tue

2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36/Mt 7:6, 12-14 (372)

26 Wed

2 Kgs 22:8-13; 23:1-3/Mt 7:15-20 (373)

27 Thu

Saint Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

2 Kgs 24:8-17/Mt 7:21-29 (374)

28 Fri

Saint Irenaeus, Bishop, Martyr, and Doctor of the Church

Memorial

2 Kgs 25:1-12/Mt 8:1-4 (375)

29 Sat

SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES

Solemnity

Vigil: Acts 3:1-10/Gal 1:11-20/Jn 21:15-19 (590)

Day: Acts 12:1-11/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19 (591) Pss Prop

30 THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24/2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15/Mk 5:21-43 or 5:21-24, 35b-43 (98) Pss I



MEN'S CIRCLE MEETING

The Men's Circle will be meeting on **Tuesday, 25th June 2024 at 7pm** at the Parish Meeting Room.

All men aged 18yo and above are welcome to come along.

SACRAMENTAL NEWS

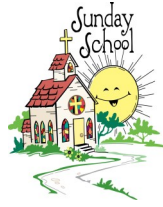
On Sunday 30th June at the 10am Mass, our parish will celebrate the **Sacrament of First Holy Communion with our 36 new candidates**. We would like to advise the community that the Holy Mass will go longer than usual. Please pray for the candidates and their families for this joyous occasion.

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, 22 June 2024 : Carina & Alex Garcia.**



Sunday School & Parent Fellowship

June's lesson will be an in-person gathering

Jun Lesson Theme:

God's Wonderful Gift

If you missed the in-person lesson on 2 June 2024, you may use this QR code to access the Sunday school Google Drive to view the learning materials.

Feel free to spend some time to go through the lesson with your children to learn more about our faith and be closer to Jesus.

Here is the list of documents for the June lesson in the Google Drive:

1. Lesson Plan for June.pdf
2. Corpus Christi Feast.pdf
3. Wonderful gift of God.mp4
4. God's Spirit Lives in Me.Mp4
5. My God is so big.mp4
- 6a. Pentecost Gospel Activity.pdf
- 6b. Pentecost Crossword.pdf
- 6c. Pentecost Find a word.png
- 6d. Pentecost_quiz_ppt_show.pps.pptx
- 6e. Pentecost Drawing Activity.pdf
7. (For Adult) Finding God in All Things Day 9 to day 12.



For enquiry, please send email to sundayschool.olfkingsgrove@gmail.com or send text message to 0413 096 960

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

The First Holy Communion Mass will be held at the **10 am mass on Sunday 30th June 2024.**

The mass will need 5 Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion for this occasion.

It would be appreciated if Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, who can assist with Communion at this Mass, could register their availability on the form provided in the foyer of the Church.

Thank you for your assistance.

Parish Liturgy Committee

PLEASE HELP STOP THE SPREAD OF COVID AND FLU



1. Be aware of ourselves and those around us.
2. Sanitize your hands.
3. Stay up to date with vaccinations.
4. Stay home if you have colds, flu or Covid symptoms.

BAPTISM PREPARATION NIGHT



Wednesday, 3rd July @8:00 pm

RSVP by 28th June 2024

Coordinators: Paul & Clothilde Elsibai.

Mp. 0410 583 808



WE INVITE YOU TO Our Lady of Fatima Youth Group

When: Last Sunday of each month. Directly after 5pm Youth Mass

Where: Our Lady of Fatima Parish Hall

Who: Year 6 to High School

Duration: 6:10- 8pm

There will be food provided, games, fellowship, talks, outings and many more exciting plans installed for this year!



THE DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET & HOLY ROSARY ZOOM

Zoom Host - Katherina – Please join me in Prayer

Wednesday Weekly - 7 pm (AEDT)

The Holy Rosary, Litany to St Joseph and the Divine Mercy Chaplet.

Meeting ID: 872 9929 7896

Passcode: 908680



Jesus, I Trust in You

The Holy Rosary with Prayers

Our Lady of Fatima

13th Monthly - 7pm (AEDT)

Meeting ID: 861 8463 9187

Passcode: 459184

(For more Information - www.fatima.org.au)

Jesus I trust in You

Our Lady of Fatima,
Pray for us



MASS INTENTIONS

For mass Intentions please put the mass intentions in the envelope provided in the petition box located in front of Presbytery by Wednesday .

Alternatively you can also drop it during office hours.

Please note, things that need to be included:

1. The date and time of mass.
2. Please write the name in capital letter for clarity.



God bless and thank you.

Theatre Parties Organised by The Women's Social Support Group

Show : **Sister Act**
 Theatre : Capitol Theatre, Sydney
 Date : Wednesday 16th October, 2024
 Session : 1 pm.
 Tickets : \$71.00 per person
 (tickets in the stalls)
 RSVP by : Friday 1st August 2024
 Payment by : Payment 7th August 2024

If you wish to attend this Theatre Party please contact Veronica on mobile 0412216166 or email vtierney37@optusnet.com.au



Women's Social Support Group GUEST SPEAKER & LUNCH



Topic : **Identity Misuse** – Kate Bates from Customer Service NSW will be our presenter.
 Location : The Lone Pine Room - Upstairs - Kingsgrove RSL.
 Date : Tuesday 23rd July, 2024
 Time : 10.30 am
 Lunch : 12 noon at Fireside Brasserie
 Kingsgrove RSL following the presentation.
 RSVP : **Monday 15th July, 2024**
 Transport : If you should need a lift, please let me know.

I think this is a very important topic, as there are so many scams happening out there, either on computers or phones. We will be taking a \$2.00 collection to give the presenter a gift of either flowers or monetary donation.

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



PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Parishioners living in retirement:

John & Jenny Fulton, Maureen Dowd, Mavis Armour, Bambina Canosa, Noelene Bennett, Frances English, Patricia North, Enid Taylor; Nancy Dawson; Anne Sheerin, Caterina Ancona, Justina De Bellis, Patricia Gray, Antonietta Roberto, Netta Donnelly, Mary Melville, Elizabeth Perusich.

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

Parishioners/friends who are Sick:

Baby Isaac Charles Lembryk Taylor, Marie Mary Brennan, Maria (Thi-Quyen), Agnes (Sonju) Lee Wong, Mary Ravaillion, Henry Fernandez, Teresita Rublico, Carol Thomson, Jill Preston, Marlene Fistar, Lana Hraiki, Helen Donnelly, Anne Taranto, Maureen Narayan, Anna Kevic, Michael Buckley, Ashok Naidu, Ronald Singh, Aboud Sarkis, Kenny Leung, Shiela Kovacs, Frank Brown, Geoff Buckley, Fernando Nucum Jr, Violet Bozic, Antoninette McGahan, Guy Cassar, Merci Valix, Antoinette Taza, Marie Toutounji, Nicholas Reed, Swastika Hawach, Michael Talbot, Frank Crimi, Chris Banks, Am Gonzales, Justin Bautista, Laura Smith, John Aleixo, Annalisa Castagnone, Anna Glinatsis, Jeanette Affara, Luisa Maria Karin, Peter & Patricia Matt, Alvin Ureta, Jasmin Ghasan, George Chayeb, Pat McGuirk, Thelma Gribocck, Jun Letran, Diane Salem, Philip Maguire, Kamala Reddy, Maximino Ilaya, 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 Critto, Alida Banks, Peter Nair, Grazia Passeretti, Stephen Doyle, Renae Corban, James Genco.

Please pray for our Recently Deceased:

Francesca Azara, Marie Lovisollo, Selwyn Ward, Denise Braggett, Samar Munoz, Bishop Peter Ingham, Yvonne Toatoo, Anna Maria, Fiapai To'oto'o, Athos Calzolari, May Seto, Catherine Yim, Michael Addicoat, Aaron Feliciano, Bryan Posgate, Silvio Talotta, Colin Elliott, Denis Young, Ian Neale, Robert (Bob) Ascoli, Emily Grantham, John Martlew, Beverley Byers, Frank Lazzaro, Bill Taylor, William (Bill) Dunkley, Damien Wong, Maria Briscas, Dominic Lam, Cesare Tasselli.

Anniversaries:

Georgia & Philip Spiteri, Elias Leo Samaras, Pietro Stendardo, Martin, Betty & Frances Nugent, Ross Scanlan, Leon Ung, Willie Joe Ryan, Frances Bottaro, Jesus Cadiz, Felicidad Cadiz, John Henderson, Antonio De Fina, Judy Weekes, Giancarlo Bottene, Nazzareno Vozzoler, Lucia Zandona, Laurence Enright, Winnifred & Ralph Mc Creanor, Catania & John Vella, John Mc Creanor, Anthony Pun, Joan & Kevin Mc Creanor, Robert Vella, Juanito & Apolonia Gener, Luigi Giannoccolo, Robin Weeks, Giuseppe Di Lucchio, Peter Fang, Domenico La Spada, Ada Leung, Luisa Veran, Ivan Bozic, Chiara Azara, Maria Rosa Livolsi, Raymond & Naomi Chakty, Caterina Giannoccolo, Samuel Donato, Kevin McGreal.

Also For:

Thanksgiving and intentions of Pinkie Jasmin and family, deceased Maria Corazon Diego, and intentions requested through the OLF Kingsgrove Intercessory. Prayer Group, and all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

ROSTERS 29/30 June 2024

	5:00pm	8.30am
Readers	: G. Reskakis	P. Frederick
Commentator	: L. Corbett	N. Linning
Acolyte	: Christopher	Leslie
	10:00am	5:00pm
Readers	: 1st Holy Communion	Youth
Commentator	: 1st Holy Communion	
Acolyte	: Jeremy	Tom

Altar Servers:

Sat Vigil	: H. Choi
Sun 8.30am	: J & A. Shori
Sun 10.00am	: D. Yazbeck, O. Repice, K. Maroun
Sun 5:00pm	: E. Loho, A. Chan, S. Finneran



“As a caring faith community, we reach out in love and prayers to our brothers and sisters in **St. Elmo Parade and St. Kilda Street.**

We pray for their needs and Intentions”.

Living Water - Catholic Charismatic Prayer Group

Join us to pray and praise Him, 6.30pm Monday, in the Cronin Room, upstairs in the Clune Centre. (Entry via the stairs near to the right of the toilets).

For details, contact John Deacon 0418 778 856.



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 2021. 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.

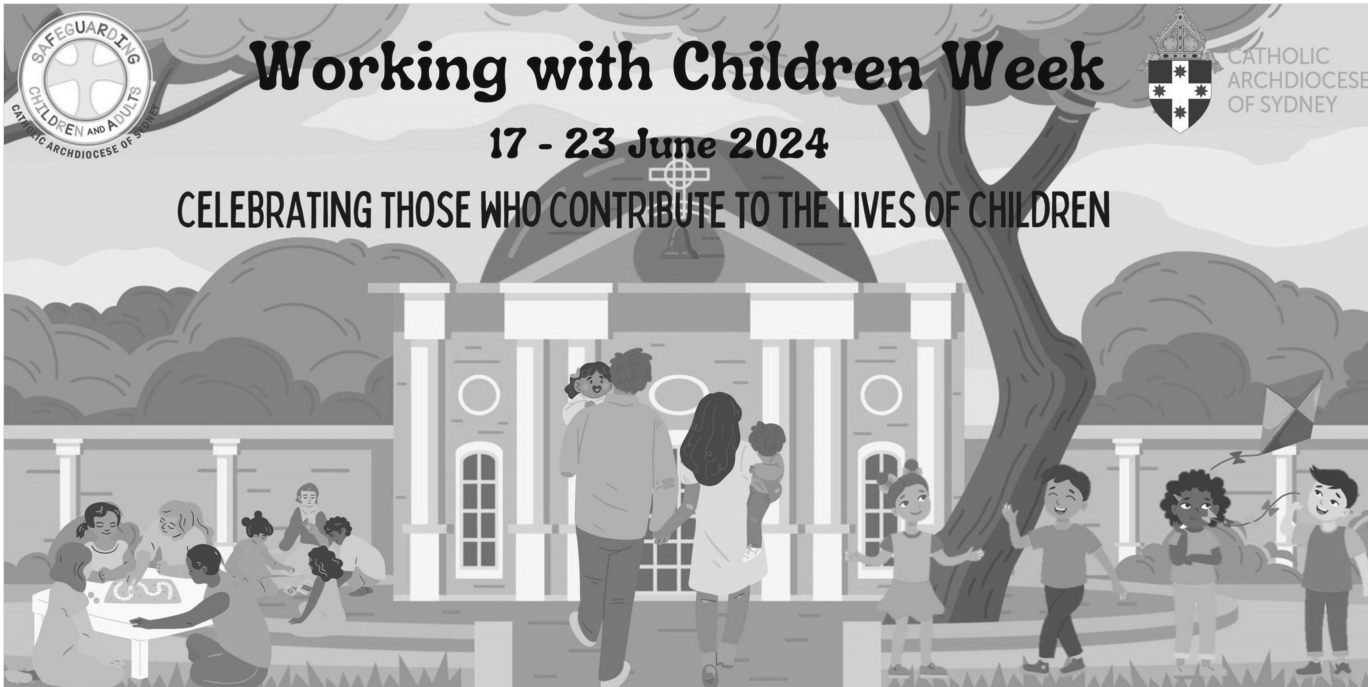
The Safeguarding Office of our Archdiocese has decided that a 3 yearly **Refresher Training** is required for members of these ministries, i.e. those trained in 2021 or earlier. Volunteers can register for the new Refresher Training **on line** via this link <https://forms.gle/XuQFsrsvq3BYtXqT9> or via 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 5813** or safeguardingenquiries@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.



Working With Children Week : 17 June - 23 June

This year, NSW will celebrate its fourth Working with Children Week in recognition of over 1.9 million people who contribute to the lives of the state's children.

The theme for this is ***"Families and communities are informed and involved"***.

The Safeguarding Office would like to thank everyone for all that they do every day to ensure the safety and wellbeing of children within the Archdiocese of Sydney.

Working with Children Week is a chance to celebrate all those who put children first.

The Safeguarding Office is committed to providing safe environments for our children by maintaining an open and inclusive culture.

To celebrate this week, the Office of Children's Guardian will be hosting a **"Check the Check WWCC" webinar** for organisations on Tuesday, 18 June 2024 from 10am to 11am.

To register pls go to <https://ocg.nsw.gov.au/events/check-check-wwcc-webinar-organisations-10am-11am>

PSSO & CSSO Safeguarding Annual Development Training

The Safeguarding Office is pleased to announce the launch of our 2024 Annual Development Training for PSSO's and CSSO's. We warmly invite you to register for the Development Day Training package.

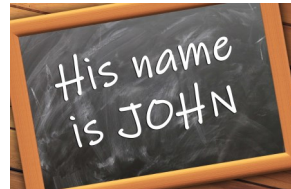
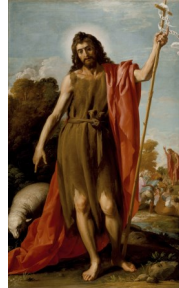
Dates and times as follow:

Date	Time	Location
Thursday, 11 July 2024	5 pm - 7.30pm	zoom
Thursday, 6 August 2024	5 pm - 7.30 pm	zoom
Thursday, 22 August 2024	10 am - 1.15pm	St. Martha's Leichhardt
Wednesday, 11 December 2024	10am - 1.15pm	St. Martha's Leichhardt

To register please email safeguardingtraining@sydneycatholic.org

JOHN THE BAPTIST

(24 JUNE)



Dear Parishioners,

On 24th June every year, the Church celebrates the solemnity of the nativity of John the Baptist. The circumstances surrounding the birth of John the Baptist are candidly narrated by the evangelist Luke in chapter 1:57- 66, 80.

In this narrative the birth of John comes as a result of God's intervention because for Zechariah and Elizabeth senescence had descended on them and the hopes of having a child had waned. In fact, because of Zechariah's doubt in the message of the angel of Gabriel during the time when the former was offering incense in the temple, Zechariah became dumb. Though Zechariah and Elizabeth lived a good life as a couple, but as a person they missed out in their family; a child.

A child in a family is always a cause of joy. And in many cultures, rituals are performed after a number of days according to different cultural traditions. Also for the child born to Zechariah and Elizabeth we read about two rituals of circumcision and naming of the child on the eighth day.

Besides serving other functions, circumcision and naming are signs of identification with one's own. Particularly, naming serves as an identification but also extrapolates a person's progeny in the future. For that matter ancestral names are given to the descendants.

But when it comes to the naming of child of Zechariah and Elizabeth, the father asks for the writing tablet and writes, "His name is John." This causes astonishment to relatives and neighbours. But at that instant something unexpected happens to Zechariah; his power of speech returns, he speaks again and praises God.

The neighbours are filled with awe, while the news spreads throughout the hill country of Judaea. But also this happening sets in motion a reflection and wonder in the relatives and neighbours hearts, 'What will this child turn out to be?'

Names are critical and reveal the identity and many times a story about the life of the person. For John the Baptist, Zechariah and Elizabeth — the parents of John — went through the process of naming him 'John' though no one in their family had that name.

Naming their child 'John' was a life affirmation in him. We observe that the moment the name 'John' was confirmed on a writing tablet by Zechariah his speech returned, he was reinvigorated.

In the return of speech to father is a hidden prophecy. John was to be a prophet of speech, a herald of truth and life, a witness to the light. He would herald a message worth pondering just as his name caused wonder and pondering to the people around his family.

Today, like in John's time of birth, just as sentiments of wonder and pondering engulfed the relatives of John at his circumcision and naming, the same sentiments engulf those who nurture life in its infancy.

Parents, teachers, catechists and guardians have the same questions and sentiments for their children as they grow into healthy young and energetic people. This unveiled life's mystery calls on us to ponder and let flourish the potentials in the young. It means support with hope and trust the developing abilities of the young as they grow and their abilities unfold every day.

What is the meaning of the name of your child or grandchild?

What potential is hidden in that name you gave him or her?

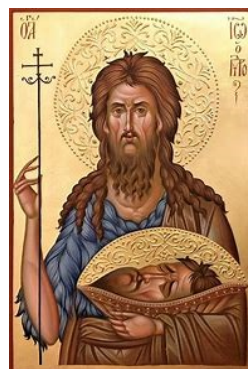
St John the Baptist — Pray for us!

Your brother in Christ,

Fr Emmanuel

**“HE MUST
INCREASE,
BUT I *MUST*
DECREASE”.**

JOHN 3: 30



WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION MASS



Inviting all couples who are celebrating a special Wedding Anniversary this year, to come along and join the Parish Community at the
10am Mass on Sunday 25th August, 2024
to celebrate this special anniversary.

If you are celebrating a special Wedding Anniversary for the following years
10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60 or more,
you are invited to be part of this celebration.

If you want to be included in this celebration please **RSVP** to
Veronica on 0412216166 or email vtierney37@optusnet.com.au
no later than Sunday 11th August, 2024.

If you are taking part in this special celebration Mass could we please have
a current photo, plus a wedding photo for our PowerPoint presentation.

Could you please forward these photos by email to
vtierney37@optusnet.com.au or
leave the photos at the Parish Office marked for
Wedding Anniversary Committee - Attention Veronica