



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 First Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) - 3 November 2019

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

1st & 3rd Thursday of each month
7:00-8:00pm (in the oratory)

Friday: 11.00am -12noon

Baptisms: Every 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month.

(Please contact the Parish Office)

Weddings: By appointment

REFLECTION

As ruler of the province of Judea, the Roman governor Pontius Pilate probably sold 'rights' to collect taxes to 'brokers' (Telonai, commonly translated as 'tax collectors'). These guaranteed to collect a fixed amount of taxes from the people, and they would hire workers to help with the collections. The brokers always charged more than the amount they had to pay to the authorities, to cover their costs and make a profit. Zacchaeus had bought the 'right' to collect taxes in Jericho and was successful in his 'business', thus becoming a wealthy man.

The heavy taxes were a great burden to the people, and the brokers were often looked upon as robbers and thieves, as the people felt they overcharged too much.

In the Gospel, people are shown to avoid Zacchaeus; they also condemn Jesus for staying at the house of a sinner. Jesus answers that he has come to seek and to save what was lost. Affirming that Zacchaeus is also a descendant of Abraham and worthy of being sought, Jesus neither condemns nor ostracises him, but loves him and sits down to a meal with him. Jesus' ministry is a healing one, and it is directed at those who are honest enough to accept that they need help.

Jesus' treatment of him cuts Zacchaeus to the heart. At first, he is probably just curious about this 'teacher' from Nazareth whose fame has spread far and wide. Then Jesus 'invites' himself to Zacchaeus' house and table, making something like a covenant of friendship with him. Jesus even defends him from those who condemn him. Greatly moved and thankful, Zacchaeus has a change of heart and decides to make restitution.

The God's Word 2019 Daily Reflections



The St Vincent de Paul Society is now selling 2020 Columban Calendars for \$8 and St Vincent de Paul and Magellan Christmas cards for \$5 for a pack of 10 cards.

**HEALING MASS
8 NOVEMBER
12 NOON
ALL WELCOME**



NOVEMBER IS A SPECIAL MONTH TO PRAY & 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 BROTHERS & SISTERS. THE NOVEMBER MASS OFFERING ENVELOPES ARE AVAILABLE IN THE FOYER OF THE CHURCH FROM THIS WEEKEND OR FROM THE PARISH OFFICE.(SO ALL NAMES WILL BE READY FOR THE FIRST OF NOVEMBER) PLEASE WRITE NAMES CLEARLY. PLEASE DROP YOUR ENVELOPE AND OFFERINGS INTO THE PARISH OFFICE OR THE MASS OFFERING BOX IN THE PRESBYTERY. Thank you

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OLF PARISH ADVENT RETREAT 2019

A day of Prayer & Reflection

With

Fr Tony Alex

(Missionaries of God's Love)

23 November 2019

Saturday, 10:00am-2:00pm

OLF Church

Everyone is welcome.

Lunch will be provided

RSVP the Parish Office for catering purposes



Women's Social Support Group Coming Events

Our Charity Zonta Celebration and Afternoon Tea

There will be a gathering to help celebrate Zonta International's 100th Anniversary as we support Zonta Sydney West. This will be a wonderful gathering of friendship, information and afternoon tea. Come and learn how we are making a difference empowering the lives of women locally and internationally. We will have a donation box for funds to make another 1,000 Birthing Kits next year (we need \$5,000 per workshop, so this is a work in progress!) and boxes for donations of sanitary items, toiletries and handbags in readiness for Share the Dignity "It's in the Bag Campaign" will be there on the day. More information will be given on the day.

Location: Clune Centre

Date: Saturday 9th November – Time: 2-5pm All welcome-please-bring your daughters, sisters and girlfriends who'd like to learn how we can make a positive change in the world. Could you please bring along a plate of afternoon tea to share.

Please RSVP to Therese Abela-King on 0409554878 or tjabela_king@optusnet.com.au



Women's Social Support Group- Christmas Party Dinner

Date: Friday 6th December 2019

Location: EBP RSL – Creek Room

Time: 6.30pm for 7pm - Cost: \$40.00 per head – 2 course dinner **There will be a raffle & lucky door prizes.** Hoping you can come along to this special gathering - it is a good chance to catch up with everybody.

Please RSVP by Wednesday 27th November 2019 to Veronica on 0412 216 166 or vtierney37@optusnet.com.au

Appeal for Children's Liturgy of the Word - Leaders and helpers

If you have been thinking about getting more involved in parish life but cannot commit too much of your time, the Children's Liturgy Team Ministry might be just the thing for you this year.

We require leaders for Yr kinder to Yr 6, as well as helpers. The only requirement is that you are 18 years or older and willing to provide a Working With Children's Check.

Mentoring will be provided to you if you are new to the ministry, by an experienced leader.

The commitment required is a maximum of two Sunday mornings, once a term; the reward for all those involved is immeasurable.

If you are interested in joining this wonderful ministry or have any questions regarding Children's Liturgy of the Word please contact Ana on the email or telephone number below.

Ana Naduva, Sacramental Coordinator Phone: 9554 5752

Email: olfsacramentalcoordinator@gmail.com

NOW ENROLLING FOR 2020 SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS -

First Reconciliation First Holy Communion Confirmation

**ENROLMENT PACKAGES are
available in the foyer of the
Church and from the Parish
Office.**

Completed enrolment forms may be returned to the Parish office or emailed to the Sacramental Coordinator, Ana Naduva

On email:

olfsacramentalcoordinator@gmail.com

Closing Date: 18th December 2019

Charitable Works Fund 2019

Pastoral Appeal

Will take place this weekend 2 & 3 November.

The Charitable Works Fund (CWF)

Pastoral Appeal, our premier charity. Appeal envelopes will be provided for your use so please keep an eye out for them. Let us show our Christian solidarity for one another by sharing what we can with our neighbours. Thank you.

Christ our Light Sunday School

Sunday School welcomes:

- Kindy & Primary to attend lessons,
- High school students to be helpers
- Parents & parishioners to join the Bible Study Group that shares the Sunday Mass Readings.

All are to gather in the Clune Centre at 8:50am for 9:00am start. Parents are to pick up their children at 9:50am for 10:00am Mass.

Dates and topics for Term 4 are:

- 03 Nov – *The Parable of the Talents*
- 17 Nov – *The Fruit of the Holy Spirit*
- 01 Dec – *Presentation Day and*

Christmas Party

We are looking for additional teachers for 2020. Resources and materials are provided for use in the lessons. Anyone likes to join the Sunday School team, please contact Anita or send an email to Agnes.

Enquiry: Anita Sicari - 0403 183 151 Or agnes.man@optusnet.com.au

"TOWARDS THE PROMISED LAND"

(by Enza Di Franco Russo)

Sat. 23 November in the Clune Centre, at 2 pm. Bishop Terry Brady will launch the book. All welcome!

Come and support Enza as she tells the story of her journey *Towards the Promised Land*. Light refreshments will follow, so please indicate to Enza or St. Paul's Publications (02 9394 3400) if you will be attending.

BLESSING OF EXPECTANT PARENTS

Congratulations to all those parents expecting a baby! Please come along to the Expectant Parents Blessing on Sunday 10 November at the 10am mass.

Morning Tea will be provided after mass.

Prayer Meeting

Come and give Him thanks for all He has given you. Worship and Praise Him with the **Living Water Catholic Charismatic Prayer Group** this Monday 6:30pm in the McGinley Room, upstairs in the Clune Centre (entry via the courtyard adjacent to the church). **Inquiries - John Deacon Ph 0418 77 88 56**

BAPTISM PREPARATION EVENING

Tuesday, 12 November 2019,
8:00 pm RSVP: 7 November 2019
Coordinators: Paul and Chloe Elsibai
Ph 0410 583 808



"Safeguarding in our Parish

It is my responsibility and your responsibility!

To make our Parish a safer place, all volunteers in any Ministry in our Parish are requested to use their PC to register for an online training course at: <https://goo.gl/forms/wSkRi3ZO6PzkRfbo1> If you have Safeguarding concerns you wish to raise, you can contact us via the e-mail address:

safeguardingPSSO@olfkingsgrove.org.au
John Deacon and Gina Guiffrida, PSSO (Parish Safeguarding Support Officer)

A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney

Abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with a crime 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

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.



OLF Primary School warmly invites you to attend
A Christmas Morning Tea for Parishioners

The OLF School Choir will be providing entertainment.
Date: Wednesday 20 November
Time: 10:00 a.m. till 11:15 a.m.
Venue: Multipurpose Room at Our Lady of Fatima Primary School Kingsgrove
RSVP: Parish Office by Monday 18 November

ANNUAL REMEMBRANCE MASS

This year our Annual Remembrance Mass will take place on Wednesday 6 November at 7.30pm. At this Mass we remember all our deceased parishioners, relatives and friends from the past year. All parishioners are most welcome to attend and join us after Mass for refreshments hosted by the Parish Caring and Support Group.



PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Parishioners living in retirement:

Merle Kenna (Warrigal, Shell Cove),
Esme Roberts (St Mary's Hostel,

Berkeley) Maria Ryan (Bupa, Clemton Park), Mike Skennar (Maronite Sisters Village, Dulwich Hill), Jane Gallo (Blakehurst Aged Care Centre), Ellen Quirk & Noreen McAvinue, Sid Dixon, Ted Cooper (Huntingdon Gardens), Patricia North (Southhaven Aged Care, Padstow Heights), Moncia Cherry (Leigh Place, Roselands), Noelene Bennett and Enid Taylor (John Paul Village); Carmela Lazzaro (Menaville Nursing Home); Nancy Dawson (Stella Maris Retirement Home); Noel Spinks, sick (Bupa Bexley Nursing Home); Pat Parkinson (Bexley Park Aged Care); Frances English (Strathfield Gardens), Patrick Lehane (Homewood Aged Care), Yuk Hwo Sin (Fairlea Aged Care).

Parishioners who are Sick: Emilia Scali, Tak Ying Lau, Antonietta Roberto, Lou and Jean Rovali, Ray Mason, Stephen Doyle, Josie Wenko, Esme Elefante, Yolly Ventoza, Tanya Eid, Ofa Halafahi, Alida Banks, Lynne Langley, Renae Corban, Betty Maguire, Helen Donnelly, Joe Khoury, Don Khoury, Agnes Mak, Amanda Teer, Anne Marie Michels, Raigan Kerr, John Gouveia, Larissa Anne Salt, Jim & Margaret Sackett, Ben Xuereb, Christine Gale, Colin Elliott, Frank Brown, Rosalina Mirabueno, Maria Braga, John Fick, Ivan Bozic, Valerie McInnis, Samar Munoz.

Please pray for our Recently Deceased:

Patricia Byrne, John Vella, Sr Joan Brennan, Keith Bryan Briones, Eileen Gehrig, Leila Pearson, Gary Burrows, Fr Patrick Baker, Gebron Gebron, Fr Silio Naduva, Ada Sclosa, James Fox, Rodney Jayatilaka, Ivanka Andrijic, Eris Paul Clark, Reg Cooper, Ryan Wang, Nadim Nehme, Immacolata Ruggiero, Liliانا Teremi, Gerry Rebeiro, Marjorie Boyd, Peter Finneran, Maria Buda.

Anniversaries: Maria Aleixo, Manuela Martins Loule, Kyle Archer, Florence Talbot, Ashley Ward, Ryan Ward, Joyce Giller, Doreen Noble, Louis Barbato Alice Clarke, Joseph Donnelly, Marjorie Etherington, Joyce Carr, Pat Taylor, Peter Najm, Hugh Byrne, Allen Savage, Gaetano Parisi, John Scott, Terence Clark,

Also For: For special intention of Attallah Family, Yvette, Paul, Reymond Coorie, Carmelo DiFrancesco, Annunziata Di Paola, Amado Moncay, Nina Angeles Moncay, Antonio, Maria, Rosina, Michele, Sebastiano Ferlito, Beth Conlon, Kevin Quintal and all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

ROSTERS

9/10 November

	5:00pm	8.30am
Readers:	P Simon K Doherty	J Touma J Touma
Commentator:	J Hoban	J Dick
Acolyte	Win	Leslie
Music:	Mary/Agnes	Indonesian
Holy Good Store:		M McCafferty
Warden:		N Ormerod
	10:00am	5:00pm
Readers	T & C Pighin	Youth
Commentator:	R Lansdown	
Acolyte	Teresa	Tom
Music:	Indonesian	Youth
Holy goods Stall:	G Macri/J Valix	
Warden:	A Macpherson	
Cleaning Roster:	C Ho & The Chinese Outreach Group	
Counters:	S Mai, A Lui, L Zhong	
Lawn mowing::	G Borg, G Stewart, B Kauter	

Altar Servers:

Sat Vigil	:	A & E Hawkins, C & D Farag
Sun 8.30am	:	R & C Doan, I Nehme, A Greensmith
Sun 10.00am	:	D Pighin, J Kim, S & H Tандаovong, E Wu
Sun 5.00pm	:	A & S Nacarella, J Yazbeck

The Pilgrim Statue: will be at the home of Freda & Guy Cassar, 4/15-17 Ellerslie Road, Bexley. Rosary is recited each evening from Monday until Friday at 7.30pm. All friends and neighbours are most welcome.



OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTIONAL PRAYER AT OLF CHURCH KINGSGROVE

Please join us every first Wednesday of the month, immediately after the weekday morning Mass, around 9:45 AM for special prayer session of devotional prayers to Our Lady of Perpetual Help. The next session will be on Wednesday, 6th November.
(Please note of change of time, previously 8:45 AM before mass)

PRAYERS for our Parish:

As a caring community, we reach out in love and prayers to our brothers and sisters in **Jones Avenue & Karingal Street** praying for their needs and intentions.



Next Sunday's Readings:

2 Macc 7:1-2, 9-14; 2 Thess 2:16-3:5;
Lk 20:27-38

