

# OUR LADY OF FATIMA, KINGSGROVE

Opening to the challenge of renewal

Living out the Eucharist & Gospel of Jesus Christ

Fostering communal compassion and service

*Easter Sunday (Year A) - 12 April 2020*



**Complying with the NSW Government and Health Regulations, all Masses have been cancelled until further notice.**



## REFLECTION

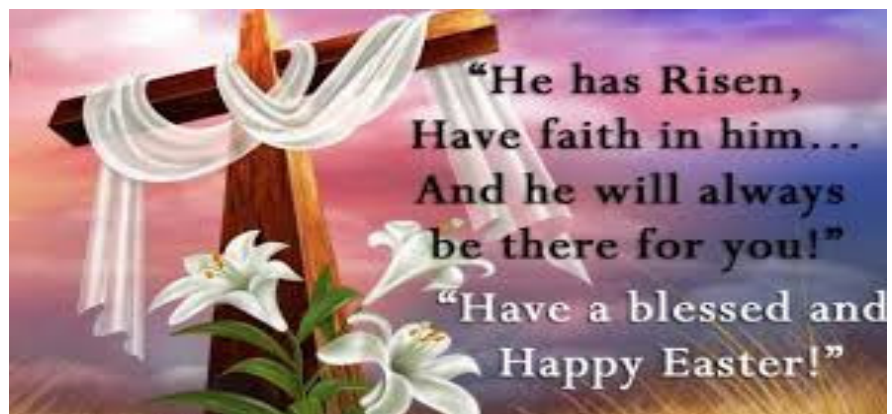
### The Sun Rose

One day the sun rose in the West. Nobody blinked. Well, one or two marveled at the phenomenon. A couple, just like you or I, checked their memory-banks for where the sun should rise and, having confirmed the East, permitted themselves to be startled, at least. But the rest, perhaps unable to pinpoint the strange sensation of the rising sun in the West, went about their daily business: checking the camels, baking the bread, mending the nets, tending the pets, spinning the wool, spinning tales of the sun rising on every horizon, but never in the West. And we, too, go about our daily business: checking the cheques, buying the bread, spending the bets, fending off debts, telling the tills, telling the tales two thousand years later. One day the Son rose in the West. Well, West of here, but perhaps for you North or South or East at least as one or two professed. That Son who'd died came up where least expected: His Light has resurrected. *God's Word 2020 Daily Reflections*



## THE MEMORARE

*REMEMBER, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that any one who fled to Thy protection, implored Thy help, or sought Thy intercession, was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence, I fly unto Thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother. To Thee I come; before Thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions; but In Thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen*



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Dear parishioners,

As difficult as this is, Churches must remain closed at present, but thanks to technology we are able to connect with you via live-streams and televised services.

### EASTER TRIDUUM (Liturgies)

**Holy Thursday:** 7pm online Mass of the Lord's Supper and Exposition of the Blessed Eucharist <https://www.olfkingsgrove.org.au> and click on YouTube or Facebook link

**Good Friday:** 10am online Stations of the Cross <https://www.olfkingsgrove.org.au> and click on YouTube or Facebook link

**Good Friday:** 3pm Passion of the Lord live-streamed from St Mary's cathedral on channel 7

**Saturday:** 7pm Easter vigil online Mass <https://www.olfkingsgrove.org.au> and click on YouTube or Facebook link

**Sunday:** 10.30am live-streamed from St Mary's Cathedral on channel 7

### PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.

**Amen.**

### REGARDING SACRAMENTS

If you or someone you love is ill and you wish to offer a prayer for them, Father Casey and Father George are available to pray for you over the telephone. Please call to organise.

- At the moment, **Anointing of the sick and Holy Communion** will be administered only as a Viaticum for the gravely ill and the dying.
- **Funerals** will still be conducted but with a limit of 10 mourners and need to comply with social distancing rules. A memorial Mass can be celebrated at a later date.
- **Weddings** will be conducted but with a limit of five people and need to comply with social distancing rules.
- **Reconciliation** is by appointment. Please contact the parish.

Please check our parish website [www.olfkingsgrove.org.au](http://www.olfkingsgrove.org.au) as it is being updated. You may also contact us via Email: [info@olfkingsgrove.org.au](mailto:info@olfkingsgrove.org.au) or Ph: 9150 9665

**Following Easter Sunday, all Sunday masses will be live streamed at 10am from our parish <https://www.olfkingsgrove.org.au> and click on YouTube or Facebook link**

### PARISH DONATIONS

Thank you in advance for your continued financial support of the parish either by the planned giving envelopes or by credit card. Your contributions will enable us to keep the parish running. We don't want to pressure you and understand current circumstances but if you are able to help, it would be very much appreciated.

For your donation via direct deposit or electronic funds transfer (EFT) below are our bank details:4

Commonwealth Bank: BSB 062-784

Account Number: 5025001

Account Name: Our Lady of Fatima Parish, Kingsgrove

**Reference: Name & envelope number** (if Planned Giver and wish to claim 30% tax deduction)

### OLF CHURCH ROOF REPAIR UPDATE

Work to repair the roof will begin on the 16th of April.

**Father George, myself and the parish staff wish you all a truly joyous, blessed Easter.**

*Fr Hamilton (Casey) Ureta*

Parish Priest

Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church



Every year, we give our Project Compassion Boxes donation during the Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper but due to church closure, please give your donation boxes at the office, or if envelopes, at the Mass Intentions Box of the Presbytery. Alternatively, please call the office 9150 9665 or Caritas— 1800 024 413 if giving by credit card or visiting [www.caritas.or.au/project-compassion](http://www.caritas.or.au/project-compassion). Donation can also be given by cheque, direct deposit or Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT), bank details above, reference: your name & Caritas. If claiming 100% tax deduction, please call office or send email for your name, address and phone number. We will accept donations up to 15 May. Your generosity will assist many of the world's most vulnerable communities. When we **Go Further Together** in love and compassion, the whole world thrives. Thank you.



### Prayers from Our Parish to the World

In this time of isolation, when we are deprived of the Mass and Sacraments, we do not fear because we trust in Our God. We are still the Our Lady of Fatima Kingsgrove Community. As a caring community, we reach out to each other in love and prayers, to our brothers and sisters living in our Parish, the City of Sydney, Australia, and the whole world, Bless and protect us all, guide our leaders, and guide our doctors and scientists in developing a vaccine.



**CHOCOLATE EASTER LAMBS FOR SALE \$8 EACH FROM THE PARISH OFFICE**

# EASTER SUNDAY THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

## 12 APRIL 2020

**First Reading** [Acts 10:34. 37-43](#)

**A reading from the Acts of the Apostles**

*We have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead.*

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses – we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead – and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

**Responsorial Psalm** [Ps 117:1-2. 16-17. 22-23. R. v.24](#)

**(R.) This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.**

or

(R.) Alleluia.

1. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end. Let the sons of Israel say: 'His love has no end.' **(R.)**
2. The Lord's right hand has triumphed; his right hand raised me up. I shall not die, I shall live and recount his deeds. **(R.)**
3. The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone. This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes. **(R.)**

**Second Reading**

[Col 3:1-4](#)

**A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians**

*Look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is.*

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

**Gospel**

[Jn 20:1-9](#)

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to John**

*The teaching of scripture is that he must rise from the dead.*

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb' she said 'and we don't know where they have put him.'

So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.



**Prayers against the Spread of Corona Virus**

God our Father, we come to you in our need. We ask for your protection against the COVID-19 Corona Virus, that has claimed many lives and has affected many. We pray for your grace for the people tasked with studying the nature and cause of this virus and its disease and of stemming the tide of its transmission. Guide the hands and minds of medical experts that they may minister to the sick with competence and compassion and of those governments and private agencies that must find a cure and a solution to this epidemic. We pray for those afflicted, may they be restored to health soon. Grant us the grace to work for good of all and to help those in need. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your son, who lives and reign with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever. **AMEN.**

**Collection for Holy Land postponed**

The tradition collection on Good Friday to assist Catholic communities in the Holy Land has been postponed until later this year. The Development and Fundraising Office will send out information to parishes once a new date is determined for this appeal

**Prayer Resources during time of Pandemic**

The Archdiocese of Sydney has a dedicated web page with prayers and scriptural reflections to help nurture your faith during these difficult times. You'll find the webpage here- <https://www.sydneycatholic.org/coronavirus-updates/prayer-resources-for-the-coronavirus->





## PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

### Parishioners living in retirement:

Coleen Davoren, (Huntington Gardens), 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 (Southaven Aged Care, Padstow Heights), Monica Cherry (Leigh Place, Roselands), Noelene Bennett and Enid Taylor (John Paul Village); Carmela Lazzaro (Menaville Nursing Home); Nancy Dawson (Stella Maris Retirement Home); Pat Parkinson (Bexley Park Aged Care); Frances English (Strathfield Gardens), Patrick Lehane (Homewood Aged Care), Yuk Hwo Sin (Fairlea Aged Care), Millie Czerny (Huntingdon Gardens).

**Parishioners who are Sick:** Robert Powell, Bambina Canosa, Alida Banks, Govind Reddy, Peter Nair, Maureen Tinker, Angela Braga, Colin Chandler, Grazia Passeretti, Maria Ryan, Margolit Phillips, Raiyne Saunders, Linda Swords, Angelo Taranto, Emilia Scali, Tak Ying Lau, Antonietta Roberto, Lou and Jean Rovali, Stephen Doyle, Josie Wenko, Yolly Ventoza, Tanya Eid, Ofa Halafih, Renae Corban, Betty Maguire, Helen Donnelly, Joe Khoury, Don Khoury, Agnes Mak, Amanda Teer, Anne Marie Michels, Raigan Kerr, Larissa Anne Salt, Jim & Margaret Sackett, Ben Xuereb, Christine Gale, Judy & Colin Elliott, Frank Brown, Rosalina Mirabueno, Maria Braga, John Fick, Ivan Bozic, Valerie McInnis, Samar Munoz.

### Please pray for our Recently Deceased:

Ray Mason, Anna Proietto, Arcadia Soriano, Deidre Cilia, Fiona Lee, Esme Elefante, Honorato Dulalia, Lucia Natoli, Giacomo Brancatto, Desmond Baker, Rosina Certoma, Eliza Ferreira, Lordito Arrogante, Maria Di Benedetto, Brian Gammel, Noel Spinks.

**Anniversaries:** Jessie Hicks, John Tangye, Olga Favero, Joan Chandler, Marie Laker, Jean Brightman, Edward Schofield, Patricia Silcock, John Quinn, Anne Peak, Mary Caulfield, Kathleen Carroll, Shirley Gleeson, Cecil Smith, Beryl Brooker, Filippo Mazzuco, Anna Da Luz, Lillian Hillard, Sr Madeleine Carroll osu, Ariel Fiorini.

**Also For:** Thanksgiving from Gener-Jasmin family, for the deceased Filippo Sollazzo, Augusto & Cleofe Hizon, Mylah Hizon-Libre, Rofina Certoma, Bartolomeo & Joe Natoli, Simon Ghosen, Giuseppe Stillone, Isabel Cadaoas, Zosimo Osmena, Tony Chan, Therese, Jamie, Joe, Gina Ottallah family, Mary Ann Grace Tesoriero, Muriel Lillian Knighton, Portia Mariano, Filomena Palisoc, Victoria, Domenico Beth Conlon, Juan, Estela & Zenaida Agbuya and all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

## ROSTERS

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**CANCELLED**  
UNTIL  
**FURTHER**  
**NOTICE**



### "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](mailto:safeguardingPSSO@olfkingsgrove.org.au) John Deacon and Gina Guiffrida, PSSO (Parish Safeguarding Support Officer)

**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@equies@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:safeguarding@equies@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.



### Catholic Care Volunteer Program

The Archdiocese of Sydney is working alongside our social welfare agency Catholic Care to roll out a volunteer program to help the needy access groceries, cooked meals, medicines and other necessities at this difficult time. You are asked to nominate a volunteer coordinator (not your Parish Priest or parish secretary) and 5-10 people in your parish who are young and healthy enough to carry out these visits to the needy. Please provide their contact details to Laura Rahill at [laura.rahill@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:laura.rahill@sydneycatholic.org)

**Next Sunday's Readings: Acts 2:42-47;  
1 Pet 1:3-9; Jn 20:19-31**

