



# OUR LADY OF FATIMA, KINGSGROVE

Opening to the challenge of renewal

Living out the Eucharist & Gospel of Jesus Christ

Fostering communal compassion and service

*Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B 10 October 2021*



**NSW Government and Health Regulations' easing of restrictions starts 11 October. Sydney Archdiocese churches will open from Monday, 25 October. Our church will re-open from Tuesday, 26 October with weekday 9:15 am mass.**

**10am Mass  
Sunday, 10th October  
2021  
will be live streamed.(only during lockdown)**

To access: Go to our OLF Parish Facebook [https://www.facebook.com/olfkingsgrove/live\\_videos/](https://www.facebook.com/olfkingsgrove/live_videos/) to connect to YouTube or use YouTube link: <https://youtu.be/JZHyy7ht7ns>

## REFLECTION

Do we view an episode in the Gospels as the whole story of Jesus' relationship with a person or just a chapter, albeit very significant, in that story? At the end of today's Gospel the rich man went away sad. It was a step too far for him at that moment to sell everything he owned and follow Jesus. But was that the end of the story of this man's relationship with Jesus? Did he die a rich and unhappy man?

There is much in this story to give us hope that at a certain moment he did manage to let go of his attachment to wealth and give himself totally to following Jesus. Firstly, he was clearly a very good man who faithfully kept all the commandments. He was also a seeker. Somehow or the other he knew that keeping the commandments, while important, was not the whole picture. Something was lacking. And thirdly, he didn't say "no" to Jesus' request. He simply went away sad, perhaps to ponder Jesus' words, and Jesus' loving gaze which surely touched him deeply. His initial conviction that Jesus was a 'Good Master' remained.

A "yes" given on the spot is often a superficial "yes" that doesn't survive the test of time. We have all had the experience of having something huge asked of us and finding it difficult, if not impossible, to say "yes". We needed time to process the request to understand its implications and whether we can do it, before giving a heartfelt assent. This was quite possibly also the case with the rich man in today's Gospel.

*God's Word Daily Reflections 2021*



## SAVE THE DATE! COMMUNITY BUILDING WORKING BEE

A Working Bee will be held on Saturday, 23 October from 9:00am. Please keep that day and time free, for a chance to help clean our church before reopening on 26 October. Please bring cleaning materials. Covid 19 protocol will apply for everyone's safety.



**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 SO ALL NAMES WILL BE READY FOR THE FIRST OF NOVEMBER. PLEASE WRITE NAMES CLEARLY. PLEASE DROP YOUR ENVELOPE AND OFFERINGS INTO THE MASS OFFERING BOX IN THE PRESBYTERY. THANK YOU.**

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*Dear Parishioners and friends,*

You might be aware of recent NSW government announcement of easing of restrictions starting on 11 October. However, the Archdiocese of Sydney had decided the opening of churches will be on 25 October, when 80% of our population are fully vaccinated.

We thank God as we eagerly look forward to be together once more to celebrate our faith. We will start to open our church on Tuesday, 26 October with the 9:15am mass and from then on, resume our mass schedule as usual. We are open with mixed congregations, that is everyone whether fully vaccinated, partially vaccinated or as yet unvaccinated. People who are especially vulnerable, who are vaccinated but anxious about mixing with the unvaccinated, or who are unvaccinated and do not want to risk contact with others, are free to remain at home and join live streamed masses from the cathedral and some parishes. We have to continue to be careful and take all reasonable precautions to protect the health of everyone involved and to observe the directives we have received. We will do all that is reasonably possible to keep everyone safe. **We are again back with 230 people in the church including upstairs with 4 square metre rule.** Indicators are in each pew for the limit of number of people to sit unless from same household. Dot markers are placed where people should sit. **No booking required on all masses but on a first come, first serve basis.**

**It is always a requirement that attendees should register before entering the church. It is compulsory that registration now is through scanning the Service NSW QR code using smartphones with Service NSW App. For those with no smart mobile phones please write your name, telephone or email address in the sheet provided upon church entry at main door on weekends, side doors on Weekdays.**

**The wearing of face masks is mandatory in closed-in places, including places of worship. Congregation singing is not allowed until further notice. We are trying as much as possible to keep our church a safe place in which all are welcome to come and worship the Lord. Fr Casey and Fr Stephen will be wearing mask during and after mass as required. They know you will understand that they do so for everyone's common protection and compliance.**

1. Our Lady of Fatima Kingsgrove church will re-open for personal prayer from 8:30am to 12:00 noon Tuesday to Saturday from 26 October. Social distancing and hygiene directions apply. No booking required. Entry by side door.
2. **Daily Mass:**  
Tuesday- Thursday and Saturday 9:15am  
Friday 11:00am-12:00pm Exposition of the Holy Eucharist followed by Mass at 12:00pm.  
**Maximum of 230 people.** Social distancing and hygiene directions apply. **No booking required.**
3. **Saturday 9:15 am** morning Mass is followed by **Confession until 10.30am. No booking required.**
4. **Weekend Mass, regular schedule resumed, maximum of 230 people. All weekend mass - no Booking required**  
**Saturday Vigil - 5:00pm**  
**Sunday - 8:30am**  
**10:00am**  
**5:00pm**

Please come early when attending mass for registration

**and to secure your seats. Until further notice, we are allowed 230 people (4 sq-metre rule inside the church including upstairs, on a first come, first serve basis.**

**Clune Centre will be open with speakers for attendees over 230 inside the church. Those unable to attend mass are encouraged to do Prayers at home, read scriptures or watch live streamed mass on TV and asking God for graces normally received at Holy Communion.**

5. **Anointing of the sick** will continue to be administered as a Viaticum for the gravely ill and the dying.
6. For **funerals** uncapped with 4-square metre rule or 230 people inside our church.
7. **Baptisms** can be celebrated uncapped subject to 4-square-metre rule 230 guests inside the church.
8. **Weddings** - can be celebrated uncapped with 4-square metre rule or 230 guests inside our church.
9. Office will be open starting Tuesday, 12 October with the usual opening time 8:30am, closing time 4:00pm with one hour break 12:30 to 1:30pm

**All of these notices might change depending on the Covid 19 situation.**

•Parish bulletins will be available online or hard copies may be collected from outside the church on Fridays after 1pm.

•Father Casey and Father Stephen will continue to celebrate daily and weekend Mass privately until church re-opens and offer Masses for the sick of the parish and for the whole community and the world. If you wish to offer a Mass for a loved one, you may bring the Mass request envelope and place it in the presbytery Mass Offering Box and either Father Casey or Father Stephen will offer the Mass privately.

•Let us connect with one another spiritually by pausing for a minute of silence and praying one Hail Mary at 12:00 noon every day.

These are challenging times, please do not be disheartened. Let us shake Heaven with our prayers and care and support one another in faith. Our Lady of Fatima, our celestial Mother, walks with us so let us turn to her in prayer. We are all one on this journey. It won't be long till our churches are open.

**Please continue to 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**

May God bless us all.

*Father Casey and Father Stephen*



**October: The Month of the Rosary**

**You are warmly invited to join in saying the Rosary as a community. Every Wednesday Evening at 7:00 PM via Zoom**

There is no greater time to start saying the Rosary together than now. Together, OLF Kingsgrove Primary School, OLF Parishioners along with the community of St Ursula's will pray the Rosary for the intentions of our whole community.

**1st zoom Rosary was October 6th and every Wednesday thereafter. Zoom link <https://tinyurl.com/OLFROSARY>**

## Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time 10 October 2021

**First Reading** Wis 7:7-11

**A reading from the book of Wisdom**

In comparison to wisdom, I held riches as nothing. I prayed, and understanding was given me; I entreated, and the spirit of Wisdom came to me. I esteemed her more than sceptres and thrones; compared with her, I held riches as nothing. I reckoned no priceless stone to be her peer, for compared with her, all gold is a pinch of sand, and beside her silver ranks as mud. I loved her more than health or beauty, preferred her to the light, since her radiance never sleeps. In her company all good things came to me, at her hands riches not to be numbered.

**Responsorial Psalm Ps 89:12-17. R. v.14**

**(R.) Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!**

1. Make us know the shortness of our life that we may gain wisdom of heart. Lord, relent! Is your anger forever? Show pity to your servants. **(R.)**
2. In the morning, fill us with your love; we shall exult and rejoice all our days. Give us joy to balance our affliction for the years when we knew misfortune. **(R.)**
3. Show forth your work to your servants; let your glory shine on their children. Let the favour of the Lord be upon us: give success to the work of our hands. **(R.)**

**Second Reading** Heb 4:12-13

**A reading from the letter to the Hebrews**

*The word of God discerns the thoughts and intentions of the heart.*

The word of God is something alive and active; it cuts like any double-edged sword but more finely: it can slip through the place where the soul is divided from the spirit, or joints from the marrow; it can judge the secret emotions and thoughts. No created thing can hide from him; everything is uncovered and open to the eyes of the one to whom we must give account of ourselves.

**Gospel Acclamation** Mt 5:3

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

Happy the poor in spirit;  
the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

**Alleluia!**

**Gospel** Mk 10:17-27

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

*Go and sell whatever you have and come follow me.*

Jesus was setting out on a journey when a man ran up, knelt before him and put this question to him, 'Good master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?'

Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments:

You must not kill; You must not commit adultery; You must not steal; You must not bring false witness; You must not defraud;

'Honour your father and mother.' And he said to him, 'Master, I have kept all these from my earliest days.' Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him, and he said, 'There is one thing you lack. Go and sell everything you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' But his face fell at these words and he went away sad, for he was a man of great wealth.

Jesus looked round and said to his disciples, 'How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!' The disciples were astounded by these words, but Jesus insisted, 'My children,' he said to them, 'how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.' They were more astonished than ever. 'In that case' they said to one another, 'who can be saved?' Jesus gazed at them. 'For men' he said, 'it is impossible, but not for God: because everything is possible for God.'

### GROWING IN FAITH

#### Scriptural readings and Saints for this week

11 Mon

Saint John XXIII, Pope

Rom 1:1-7/Lk 11:29-32 (467)

12 Tue

Rom 1:16-25/Lk 11:37-41 (468)

13 Wed

Rom 2:1-11/Lk 11:42-46 (469)

14 Thu

Saint Callistus I, Pope and Martyr

Rom 3:21-30/Lk 11:47-54 (470)

15 Fri

Saint Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church  
Memorial

Rom 4:1-8/Lk 12:1-7 (471)

16 Sat

Saint Hedwig, Religious; Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque,  
Virgin

Rom 4:13, 16-18/Lk 12:8-12 (472)

17 SUN TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Is 53:10-11/Heb 4:14-16/Mk 10:35-45 or 10:42-45 (146) Pss 1

Sydney Catholic Archbishop, Anthony Fisher OP, has launched the Archbishop's Afghan Refugee Appeal. The appeal will raise desperately needed funds and commit the Archdiocese resources of education, health and welfare to Afghan families and individuals fleeing their homeland in the wake of the Taliban takeover of Afghanistan. The UN and aid agencies are preparing for a Syria scale refugee crisis. The appeal means that those who find their way to Australia will have support and resources waiting for them. These dark times remind all of us that we really are our brother and our sisters' keeper. We urge you to donate, go to: Archbishop's Afghan Refugee Appeal. **For further information go to: <http://justiceandpeace.org.au/>** Thank you on behalf of the archbishop and those most vulnerable people for your support.



## PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

### Parishioners living in retirement:

Peg Denny, Coleen Davoran, Noreen McAvinue, Millie Czerny, Colin Chandler (Huntingdon Gardens), Merle Kenna (Warrigal, Shell Cove), Jane Gallo (Blakehurst Aged Care Centre), Patricia North (Southaven Aged Care, Padstow Heights), Noelene Bennett and Enid Taylor (John Paul Village); Carmela Lazzaro (Menaville Nursing Home); Nancy Dawson (Stella Maris Retirement Home); Frances English (Strathfield Gardens), Shirley Farrell, (Homewood Aged Care), Yuk Hwo Sin (Fairlea Aged Care); Anthony (Tony) Redford (Pathways Cronulla Pines), Anne Sheerin (Holy Spirit Croydon) Caterina Ancona, Justina De Bellis (St George Aged Care).

### Parishioners/friends who are Sick:

Netta Donnelly, Herminia De Vega, John De Bellis, Mary Brown, Maria (Thi Quyen) Lee, Samar & Carlos Munoz, Alice Lee, Tyler Byrne, Maricar Estantino, Peter Morgan, Jeanette Assaeloff, Anna Burnett, Mercedes Nardella, Michael Neville, Peter Carter, Priscilla Watson, Aidan Ravallion, Steven Holman, Timothy Sackett, Dhiren Boidya, Leonardo Pagano, Kevin Ryan, Nelly Vanzyl, Paolo & Rhea Primavera, Loretta Visser, Frank Crimi, Tom De Michele, Rosemary Theodoris, Angelo Taranto, James Crillo, Alida Banks, Peter Nair, Angela Braga, Grazia Passeretti, Antonietta Roberto, Stephen Doyle, Josie Wenko, Renae Corban, Helen Donnelly, Joe Khoury, Don Khoury, Amanda Teer, Anne Marie Michels, Raigan Kerr.

### Please pray for our Recently Deceased:

Ljuba Ancic, Betty Maguire, Margaret Darcy, Mark Fitzgerald, Maria Iacono, Remedios Alfoforo, Judith Leishman, Joan Hutchins, Joan Coorey, Asuncion Gucco, Bernie Williams, Eileen Neville, Shaun Moloney.

**Anniversaries:** Francisco De La Cruz, Isidoro John Defina, Wing Lau Leung, Geoffrey Loe, Mia Murray, Estela Agbuya, Limo Maini, Emma Tasselli, Italo & Adriano Giannoccolo, Frances Merenda, Alfia & Antonino D'Agata, .

**Also For:** prayers and intentions requested through the OLF Kingsgrove Intercessory Prayer Group, and all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

Please note: For requests for mass offerings to be put in Bulletin, please drop your offerings in the Petitions Box, call or send email on or before 6:00 pm Wednesdays. Bulletins are printed or sent electronically on Thursdays.

## BAPTISMS WILL RESUME: 7 AND 21 NOVEMBER; PREPARATION NIGHT:

Thursday, 4 Nov, 6pm RSVP: 1 Nov  
Coordinators: Imelda Dela Cruz, ph 0414 979 241; Myrna De La Pena 0490 410 896 or call Parish Office 9150 9665



Sign the No Euthanasia Petition to prevent state-sanctioned killing in NSW Go to: [https://www.noethanasia.org.au/protect\\_life\\_nsw](https://www.noethanasia.org.au/protect_life_nsw)

Write to your local MP to stop proposed laws.

Tool is available on: [https://www.noethanasia.org.au/petition\\_2108\\_ocp\\_nsw](https://www.noethanasia.org.au/petition_2108_ocp_nsw)

For your donation via direct deposit or electronic funds transfer (EFT), below is our new bank details:

Commonwealth Bank: BSB 062-784  
Account Number: 100000143  
Account Name: Our Lady of Fatima Parish, Kingsgrove  
Reference: Name & envelope number (if applicable)

## ROSTERS

### CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE



### Prayers against the Spread of Coronavirus

God our Father, we come to you in our need. We ask for your protection against the COVID-19 Delta strain 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 pandemic. 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.**



### PRAYERS from Our Parish to the World

In this time of isolation, when we are deprived of the Mass and Sacraments, we pray for each other and trust in Our God. As a caring community of Our Lady of Fatima Parish, 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; guide and protect our doctors, nurses and medical providers; and inspire scientists in developing ethical and safe vaccines.



### "Safeguarding in our Parish

It is my responsibility and your responsibility!

Are you a part of the Children's Liturgy, Children's choir, Youth Ministry, a Acolyte or Minister of Holy Communion, Senior Altar Server, Reader, Warden or counter?

To protect our children and youth, if you have not attended a parish Safeguarding Induction Training session, please register for an on-line training course at <https://goo.gl/forms/wSkRi3ZO6PzkRfbo1>

**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.

### An Invitation to Join Our Intercessory Prayer Group (IPG)

IPG was established in our Parish about 40 years ago. We pray for those who are in need of our prayers, including those listed in the Parish Bulletin. We pray for a variety of intentions, not just the sick & dying, eg; buying or selling a house; pregnancy or trying to become pregnant; those seeking employment, or having difficulties with their employment. Anything at all.

Requests can be made to me via email or phone or personally. I email our group, usually monthly, sometimes more often.

For members who don't have computers, I hand deliver or post them. If you would like to join us or if you have a prayer request my details are:

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Please join us. This is a very worthwhile but easy ministry.

Thank You.