

# OUR LADY OF FATIMA, KINGSGROVE

Opening to the challenge of renewal

Living out the Eucharist & Gospel of Jesus Christ

Fostering communal compassion and service

*Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe 21 November 2021*

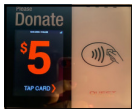


NSW Government and Health Regulations' easing of restrictions started 11 October. Sydney Archdiocese churches opened from Monday, 18 October. Our church reopened from Saturday, 23 October with 5:00pm vigil mass, then usual mass times thereafter.



**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 AND IN CHURCH FOYER. PLEASE WRITE NAMES CLEARLY. PLEASE DROP YOUR ENVELOPE AND OFFERINGS INTO THE MASS OFFERING BOX IN THE PRESBYTERY OR IN PARISH OFFICE DURING OFFICE HOURS. THANK YOU.**



Like most churches, we now have a device where you can give your donation using your credit card by a tap on the **Quest Donation Point Tap**. There will be 2 at church entrance. It has a set amount of \$5.00. Should you wish to give \$10, tap twice and so on if you want to donate more. **Please note that donations made through these are not tax deductible.** It will not show your name or envelope numbers on our bank statement. The donation will automatically go into our Parish account. Your tap donation will show as "OLF Parish Kingsgrove" in your credit card statement. This is a secure, cashless donation point used by most Parishes as recommended by the Archdiocese. For tax deductible donations, please continue using your envelopes, direct deposits and online credit cards where you can indicate your name and Planned Giving number. Thank you for your ongoing support.



## REFLECTION

The last Sunday of the Church's Year celebrates the universal kingship of Christ, with encouraging and hope-filled readings! Daniel reminds us that Christ's sovereignty and empire are eternal and everlasting. The psalm affirms our king's trustworthiness is forever. The second reading assures us that Jesus Christ loves us and calls us to service. Before reading the Gospel, pause a moment to imagine Jesus in the harrowing hours before he faced Pilate: being arrested, knowing he'd been betrayed by his companions; being struck, bound and dragged before the ruling authority because the Jewish leaders feared how he stood with and for the people. Coming to today's Gospel, Pilate asks Jesus a question which seems out of 'left field': "Are you the king of the Jews?" When Jesus affirms this, we learn that kingship means to him. We are blessed to be 'subjects' of the king who does not choose power for the sake of 'power over' and does not seek possessions or fame. Jesus desires only to empower the hearts of those he loves with truth ("I am the truth" John 14:6) while asking that we bear witness to the truth and listen to his voice. In doing this, we live enabled by our king who is Love.

*God's Word Daily Reflections 2021*

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*Dear Parishioners and friends,*

Welcome back! It had been fantastic weeks seeing you all once again face to face. We thank God and the intercession of Our Lady of Fatima that we are together once more to celebrate our faith and pray together as a community.

For those unaware, we started to open our church last Saturday, 23 October with the 5:00pm vigil mass and from then on, resume our usual mass schedule. **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 recommended 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 reopened for **personal prayer from 8:30am to 4:00 pm Tuesday to Saturday from 23 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-sq-metre rule or 230 guests inside our church.
9. Office OPENED 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.

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

Please remember that you may offer Mass for anniversaries, special intentions, thanksgiving or any reason simply by placing your request in an envelope and bringing that to the office or in the mass offering box at the presbytery.

Though our churches are already open, let us not be complacent as the Delta virus is still around. 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 to end this pandemic. We are all one on this journey.

**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*

### **Confirmation 2021**

Congratulation to our 61 young people who today, Saturday 20th of September, celebrates a very special occasion!

At 11 am and 2 pm, two special Masses were celebrated by Very Rev. Fr. Maurice Thompson for these young people, who became fully initiated as Catholic Christians through the sacrament of Confirmation.

They now go out into the world as Witnesses of Christ!

A very sincere thank you to everyone who had been involved in preparing the candidates, especially to the parent leaders, sacramental team, and teachers who have all contributed to guiding our young members to a greater understanding and appreciation of their faith. We pray that they continue to acknowledge the role of the Holy Spirit in their lives.

If you have any enquiries about Sacramental Programmes please get in touch with the Sacramental Coordinator on the contacts below.

**Phone: 9554 5752**

**Email: [olfsacramentalcoordinator@gmail.com](mailto:olfsacramentalcoordinator@gmail.com)**

**ADVENT & CHRISTMAS ACTIVITIES  
2021 MASS SCHEDULE**

**Saturday 27 November : Parish Advent**

**Recollection 9:15am Mass**

**10:00am-2:30pm Talk**

**Light lunch will be provided.**

**Please RSVP to the parish for catering purposes.**

**Everyone is invited.**

**Facilitator: Fr Percy Savare, OSA**

**Saturday 27 November First Sunday of Advent**

**Vigil Mass**

**Sunday 28 November: First Sunday of Advent**

**8:30am, 10:00am & 5:00pm**

**Sunday 28 November: RCIA First Acceptance of Candidates**

**Tuesday 30 November : 2nd Rite of Reconciliation**

**7:00pm**

**Saturday/Sunday 11/12 December:**

**Mass of Thanksgiving for Parish Volunteers**

**ADVENT NOVENA EVENING MASSES**

**15 to 23 December**

**7:30 pm Weekdays**

(Please note that on the above dates, weekday morning and all weekend Masses will be as per usual schedule.)

**CHRISTMAS EVE**

**Friday 24 December**

**NO 9:15am MORNING MASS**

**6:15 pm Christmas Carols**

**6:30pm Christmas Vigil Family Mass**

**9:00 pm Christmas Mass**

**12:00 Midnight Christmas Mass**

**CHRISTMAS DAY**

**Saturday 25 December**

**9:00am Christmas Mass**

**10:30am Christmas Mass**

**NO EVENING MASS**

**BOXING DAY**

**Sunday 26 December**

**Masses as usual**

**8:30am**

**10:00am**

**5:00pm**

**NEW Year's Eve**

**FRIDAY 31 December**

**11:00am Adoration –in thanksgiving to the year ending**

**12 Noon Mass**

**NEW YEAR'S DAY**

**Saturday 1 January**

**10:00am New Year's Day Mass**

**5:00pm Vigil Mass**

**Sunday 2 January**

**Masses as usual, 8:30am, 10:00am, 5:00pm**

**ADVENT NOVENA EVENING MASS**

As part of our yearly parish tradition we celebrate Christmas evening masses as a community to welcome the Birth of Christ. We invite different priests every evening to celebrate the Holy Eucharist and often, we have a short gathering outside with food and drinks. The Most Rev. Archbishop Anthony Fisher had confirmed, that he will celebrate with us the last evening, Thursday, 23/11. With Covid, we still have to discern what is best to do on the gathering after each mass. You will be informed later.

**Our Lady of Fatima Parish Kingsgrove  
89 Shaw Street Kingsgrove NSW 2208**

**Invites you to Advent Evening Masses  
7:30 pm on the following dates:**

**15 December – Wednesday**

**16 December – Thursday**

**17 December – Friday**

**20 December – Monday**

**21 December-Tuesday**

**22 December-Wednesday**

**23-Thursday-Thursday**

**Weekend and weekday masses will be as  
per usual schedule.**

**GROWING IN FAITH**

**Scriptural readings and Saints for this week**

**22 Mon**

**Saint Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr**

Memorial

Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Lk 21:1-4 (503) Pss II

**23 Tue**

**Saint Clement I, Pope and Martyr; Saint Columban, Abbot**

Dn 2:31-45/Lk 21:5-11 (504)

**24 Wed**

**Saint Andrew Dũng-Lạc, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs**

Memorial

Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/Lk 21:12-19 (505)

**25 Thu**

**Saint Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin and Martyr**

Dn 6:12-28/Lk 21:20-28 (506)

**26 Fri**

Dn 7:2-14/Lk 21:29-33 (507)

**27 Sat**

Dn 7:15-27/Lk 21:34-36 (508)

**YEAR C**

**28 SUN FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

Jer 33:14-16/1 Thes 3:12—4:2/Lk 21:25-28, 34-36 (3) Pss I



**Women's Social Support Group  
Getting Together Once More**

I have booked a table at The Lantern Club for lunch, as a chance for us to catch up at last, after a challenging year. Next year we will have our normal Christmas Dinner.

I really hope you can make this lunch, it would be great to see your smiling faces once more. Look forward to hearing from you soon.

**Time: 12 noon**

**Date: Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> December, 2021**

**RSVP: By Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> November, 2021.**

Details for rsvp are below.

*If you would you like to come, please rsvp to Veronica Tierney on 0412 216 166 or email vtierney37@optusnet.com.au*



“Well, Christmas is approaching and as you can see the Christmas tree has gone up a little early this year. This is because the St Vincent de Paul Society will NEED THE GIFTS

RETURNED BY 5 DECEMBER AT THE LATEST so they can be distributed to the families.”



## PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

### Parishioners living in retirement:

Peg Denny, Coleen Davoran, Noreen McAvinue, Millie Czerny, Colin Chandler, Merle Kenna, Jane Gallo, Patricia North, Noelene Bennett, Enid Taylor; Carmela Lazzaro; Nancy Dawson; Frances English, Shirley Farrell, Yuk Hwo Sin; Anthony (Tony) Redford, Anne Sheerin, Caterina Ancona, and Justina De Bellis. *(Should you want to know the place of their retirement homes, please call Parish Office).*

### Parishioners/friends who are Sick:

Patricia Gray, Maximino Ilaya, John De Bellis, Mary Brown, Maria (Thi Quyen) Lee, Samar & Carlos Munoz, Aileen Munoz, 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 Crito, Alida Banks, Peter Nair, Angela Braga, Grazia Passeretti, Antonietta Roberto, Stephen Doyle, Josie Wenko, Renae Corban, Joe Khoury, Amanda Teer, Anne Marie Michels, Raigan Kerr.

*(Please update us of their status)*

### Please pray for our Recently Deceased:

Michael Maloney, Amneris Yassa, Magda Braskich, Benjamin Xuereb, Erlinda Swords, Pamela Peters, Melita Medina-Lauro, Giovanna De Fina, John Vella, Peter Wastie, Hilton Smith, Giuppina D'Agostino, Don Khoury, Jeffrey Lovisolo, Salvatore Rizzo, Sal Abela, Ljuba Ancic, Betty Maguire, Margaret Darcy, Mark Fitzgerald, Maria Iacono.

**Anniversaries:** Vince and Maria Camuglia, Philip Zammit, Kathleen & Joseph Dingli, Lydia Zidaric, John Vella, Ida Taranto, Mary Deacon, Maria Irace, Laureana Encabo, Mr T. L. Tan, Rustico & Florita Maglupay, Isidoro John Defina, Wing Lau Leung, Geoffrey Loe, Mia Murray.

*Other names anniversaries of deceased are in the red book located in the church foyer.*

**Also For:** Deceased Kevin Quintal, Laurie Maguire and prayers and intentions requested through the OLF Kingsgrove Intercessory Prayer Group, all the Holy Souls in Purgatory and all in our shrine of remembrance book.

*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.*

## PARISH CALENDAR 2022

To assist in preparing the calendar, leaders of various ministries are requested to submit their dates for the calendar to the parish secretary, Katrina or Imelda by 30/11. Thank you in anticipation for your cooperation.

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 27 & 28 November

	<b>5:00pm</b>	<b>8.30am</b>
Reader:	V Hoban	T Ormerod
Commentator:	J Hoban	N Ormerod
Acolyte:	Alyssa	Leslie
	<b>10:00am</b>	<b>5:00pm</b>
Reader:	T Coorey	Youth
Commentator:	N Kevic	
Acolyte:	Michael	Anthony



### BAPTISM PREPARATION NIGHT:

Wednesday, 1 December, 8pm RSVP:  
16 November 2021

Coordinators: Tom & Tina Coorey  
ph 9150 6016; mobile: 0423 854 633



### PRAYERS for our Parish:

As a caring community, we reach out in love and prayers to our brothers and sisters in **New Illawarra Road & Northcott Avenue** praying for their needs and intentions.

You are welcome to join **The Living Water Catholic Charismatic Prayer Group** every Monday, 6:30pm in the McGinley Room, upstairs in the Clune Centre.



### YOU ARE INVITED TO OUR LADY OF FATIMA KINGSROVE'S ADVENT PROGRAM 2021

Every Tuesday mornings at Clune Centre, 23rd, 30th Nov.; 7th & 14th Dec., from 10:00am to 11:00am, you are invited to make a true preparation for CHRISTMAS.

Enjoy a cup of tea and truly prepare for the birth of Christ.

“PREPARE THE WAY OF THE LORD”



### "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.equities@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:safeguarding.equities@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.