

Our Lady of Fatima Church



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SUNDAY & WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday at 8:00 AM

The Rosary is prayed in common after each daily Mass.

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 AM

PENANCE

Saturday: 3:15 to 3:45 PM

Marriage: Arrangements should be made with the Church at least eight months prior to the anticipated wedding date.

Initiation of Adults: Non-Catholic Adults who wish to join the Catholic Church may inquire about the formation and education process which lead to Baptism or Full Communion. Please call the Parish Office for details.

Home-Bound: Individuals confined to their home may receive the Holy Eucharist on a regular basis at home. Contact the Parish Office to arrange an initial visit by a priest and pastoral care.

Infant Baptism: Parents should call the Parish Office to arrange an interview and schedule the Baptism.

St. Vincent De Paul Society: For assistance contact us at OLOFSVdPS@aol.com or call Ron Cabral at (508) 717-2688.

Welcome to New Parishioners

It is a joy for us to welcome new members to our parish! If you worship with us regularly here, but are not registered, please use this form to request registration information. Drop it in the basket or mail it to us. We look forward to your participation in our faith community. Name _____ Phone _____

Address: _____

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT-APRIL 2, 2017



Saturday	April	1,	4:00 PM	Maria Coelho by Family
Sunday	April	2,	8:00 AM	John Giza (4th Ann.) & Lillian Studley by Family
			9:30 AM	Maria Elvira & Zilda Correia by Maria Oliveira
			11:00 AM	<u>Community Mass: Missa Pro Populo</u>
Monday	April	3,	8:00 AM	Domingos & Gloria Moura & Family by Family
Tuesday	April	4,	8:00 AM	Manuel Martinez & Son by Dorothy Martinez
Wednesday	April	5,	8:00 AM	For the Souls in Purgatory
Friday	April	7,	8:00 AM	Agnes & Antonio Ferreira & Vi Martins
Saturday	April	8,	4:00 PM	Jeanne Labelle by Gloria & Armand
Sunday	April	9,	8:00 AM	Antonio daPonte, Maria Melo, Artur Freitas, Cecelia Pereira by Family
			9:30 AM	Hildeberto Oliveira, Manuel, Maria, Emanuel & Luduina Furtado by Family
			11:00 AM	<u>Community Mass: Missa Pro Populo</u>

Sanctuary Lamp: In memory of Joe Goncalves
Our Lady of Fatima: For the people of the parish

WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT:

Collection last weekend: \$2,415.08 Thank you!
 Catholic Relief Services: \$1,055.00 Thank you!
 Expenses for week: \$5,356.98 (\$1,110.00 salaries, \$400.00 parish assessment, \$968.45 clergy medical, \$300.00 property insurance, \$650.00 snow plowing and sanding, \$1,638.53 gas & electric, \$290.00 utilities)



ROSARY AND CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY

Please join us for Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. There is so much to pray for. Please email any prayer requests to olofnb@comcast.net.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR JUNE & JULY WILL OPEN ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5TH. Mass intentions can be scheduled during office hours on Wednesdays 9-3 and Fridays 9-12. The Sanctuary Lamp for Our Lady of Fatima Lamp, is also available.



OUR MILITARY that God may watch over our loved ones, protect them and bring them home safely. **THE SICK**

who have asked for our prayers. May they be strengthened by God in health, mind, body and spirit and be comforted by our prayer.

BLOOD PRESSURE CHECK Our parish healthcare professionals will be on-duty the second weekend of the month to check your blood pressure after all Masses.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

Be slow to anger and quick to forgive.



Give what you want!

Jesus' entire ministry was grounded in love and forgiveness, yet often enough those who call themselves followers of Jesus fail to offer love and forgiveness to others. Instead, they nurture their grudges, hurts, and resentments, keeping them alive and in the present by retelling themselves the same old stories

where it's everybody else's fault. Lent is a good time to practice abstaining from this habit. When you find yourself wanting to judge and blame others, turn your gaze inward. How often have you refused to give what you so dearly wish to receive?



LADIES GUILD will meet Tuesday, **April 4th** at 1:15PM for their regular monthly meeting. Please make an effort to gather together at 1:00 PM in church for Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Thank you!



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT TUESDAY, APRIL 4TH.

Our parish will have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament beginning at 8:30 a.m. concluding with Benediction at 1:00 p.m. Please consider signing up for an hour in prayer and reflection before the Lord. To schedule an hour, please sign your name on the sign-up sheet on the rear north wall of the church.



CONFIRMATION: We congratulate the following parishioners who have completed their initiation as Catholic Christians, by their reception of Confirmation. Bishop Edgar da Cunha confirmed the class of 2017 on Wednesday, March 22nd. *Alyssa Adams, Ryan Arruda, Stephanie Barton, Preston Belliveau, Amanda Braga, Andrew & Benjamin Carusi, Christopher Costa, Tristan Costa, Chloe DeTerra, Alexys Fonseca, Hailey Fernandes, Victoria Kalisz, Megan Lajoie, Madison Medeiros, Tyler Pereira, Kelsey Pimentel, Grace Richmond, Kenneth Roark III, Boston Rodrigues, Genavieve Tetreault, Julia Quintin.*

I would like to thank Mrs. Pearl Enos, Director of Religious Education for her many years of dedicated service to our parish and to Sharon Raposo for her assistance.

MASS OF CHRISM

On Tuesday, April 11, 2017 at 4:00p.m. Bishop DaCunha will celebrate the Mass of Chrism at St. Mary's Cathedral in Fall River. I, along with other priests of the Ordination Class of 1977, will concelebrate the Mass and be recognized for our Forty Years of Service as Priests of the Diocese of Fall River. The Mass of Chrism is open to anyone who wishes to attend. I invite you to join me in that celebration on that day, if you are able. Please pray for me and for my brother Priests in giving thanks to God for such a special grace.

Fr. John Raposo

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross will begin at 6:30 PM on **April 7th**



SERVICE OF SHADOWS, Wednesday, April 12th at 7:30 PM. A special prayer service called Tenebrae which has its roots in monastic tradition is held each year on the Wednesday evening of Holy Week at the Cathedral of St. Mary's in Fall River. This service of readings, psalms and hymns at which the Bishop presides in the light which eventually fades into darkness as the candles in the sanctuary are gradually extinguished. Christians of all denominations and their ministers are also invited to participate as a means of sharing worship during these days when we are encouraged to forget our differences and focus together on the passion, death and resurrection of Christ.

Seaglass Theater Company will present classic opera highlights in *Amore!* at historic Grace Episcopal Church (133 School Street at the corner of County St., New Bedford) on Sunday, April 2 at 3 PM. Seaglass Theater has ties to the OLOF music staff with OLOF cantor, Patrice Tiedemann serving as the company's artistic director, Denise Morency Gannon, board. This semi-staged performance will feature some of New England's finest professional opera singers along with cellist Johann Soult and Dr. Matthew Larson as music director. General Admission Tickets are \$25.00, with senior citizen tickets at \$20.00. Tickets at the door on the day of the performance.

YOU ARE INVITED TO THE SACRED TRIDUUM

OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH

HOLY WEEK (TRIDUUM) LITURGIES -



HOLY THURSDAY:

APRIL 13TH:

9:00 AM: Morning Prayer

7:00 PM: Mass - celebration of the gift of the Eucharist followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament -- "Music by cantor and assembly with organ"

KEEPING VIGIL AT THE REPOSITORY IN THE PARISH CENTER UNTIL 9:30 PM.

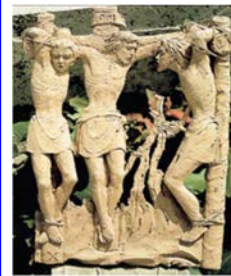
GOOD FRIDAY:

APRIL 14TH:

9:00 AM: Morning Prayer and Divine Mercy Novena and Chaplet

3:00 PM: Stations of The Cross

7:00 PM: Official liturgy with Holy Communion.

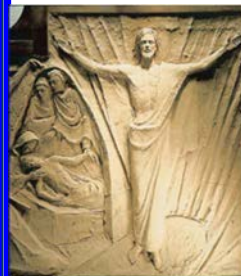


HOLY SATURDAY:

APRIL 15TH:

9:00AM: Morning Prayer and Divine Mercy Novena and Chaplet

****NOTE, NO 4 P.M. MASS****



EASTER VIGIL: 7:00 PM This is the major celebration of Easter. Please make an effort to attend this **EASTER MASS PAR EXCELLENCE!** Music by cantor, assembly, organ and keyboard"

EASTER SUNDAY: APRIL 16TH :

8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA begins on Good Friday. Novena pamphlets are at all entrances of the church. Please join your parish in prayer on Mercy Sunday.