

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: _____

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER—MAY 7, 2017



Saturday	May	6,	4:00 PM	JoAnn Santos by Family
Sunday	May	7,	8:00 AM	Hirth Family by Family
			9:30 AM	For the people of the parish
			11:00 AM	<u>Community Mass:</u> Yvonne Dupuis (1st Ann.), Joseph Amarello (6th Ann.)
Monday	May	8,	8:00 AM	Walter Louis Moquin by Patrick Gannon
Tuesday	May	9,	8:00 AM	Charles Rebello by Family
Wednesday	May	10,	8:00 AM	John Pregana by Mr. & Mrs. Manuel Fernandes
Friday	May	12,	8:00 AM	For the souls in purgatory
Saturday	May	13,	4:00 PM	Antone Santos by Family
Sunday	May	14,	8:00 AM	Elaine Motta
			9:30 AM	Joao & Maria DaCruz & Family by Family
			11:00 AM	<u>Community Mass:</u> Hildeberto Oliveira, Manuel, Maria, Emanuel & Luduina Furtado

Sanctuary Lamp: Special intention for Tony Miguel
 Our Lady of Fatima: For the intentions of the prayer line

WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT:

Collection last weekend: \$2,489.00 Thank you!
 Expenses for week: \$4,133.41 (\$1,080.00 salaries, \$400.00 parish assessment, \$500.00 clergy pension, \$300.00 property insurance, \$1,285.29 gas & electric, \$266.15 church supplies, \$301.97 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 ARE AVAILABLE.

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:

O Lord, strengthen my hope, for he who hopes in You will never be confounded.



Take it to the next level

The gospel can be pretty tough on our tendency to dwell on earthly distractions and frivolous pursuits. Does that mean that indulging in celebrity gossip, office chatter, and daily political intrigues is not as harmless as we might hope? What about video games, shopping networks, and endless texting? They're all fascinating and fun, but they can distract us from the more important work of care and compassion: A problem goes unsolved, a loved one is neglected, a friend gets snubbed. Allot a block of time each day to go above and beyond earthly things.



Baptism

WELCOME TO THE CHRISTIAN FAMILY!

Jayce Carter Salgado, son of Paul Salgado and Tanya Barbosa was baptized last Sunday, April 30th. The parish family welcomes him warmly to our family of faith.

MONDAY HOLY HOUR FOR

EVANGELIZATION:

One hour of prayer and reflection in the Church in the presence of Christ, seeking his guidance and the power of the Holy Spirit to respond to the call for a New Evangelization **Where: St. John Neumann Church, every Monday Evening, 7-8 pm.**

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

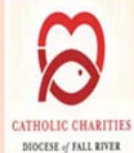
I have decided to reduce the number of weekend Masses from 4 to 3. The change will affect the Sunday morning schedule only. The Saturday 4:00PM Mass will not be affected. On the weekend of May 13 – 14 you will have an opportunity to choose between two possible Sunday morning options. The two options that will be presented are:

Option A: 8:00AM & 9:30AM

Option B: 8:00AM & 10:00AM

All parishioners who attend any Mass on that weekend will have the opportunity to vote on the option of their choice. I thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Fr. John Raposo



CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL 2017: All registered parishioners should have received the Catholic Charities Appeal mailing this past week. We encourage you to mail in your pledge and to support the Appeal as generously as you can. If at all possible, we'd like you to consider pledging throughout the year. Programs supported by the Appeal help people in all phases of life—from children, to youth, to parents, to the elderly. Numerous agencies, programs and ministries provide food and shelter, educate children and adults and meet the physical, emotional and spiritual needs of thousands. Your support of the Catholic Charities Appeal helps us to meet these responsibilities.

SAINT VINCENT DEPAUL CLOTHING BIN: We will have our clothing/shoe bin returned in the next week or two. There was a problem concerning the bin, it will be returned. If any Parishioners have any **clothing or shoes**, (only items to be deposited) please hold on until our bin is returned. The monies that we derive from the bin helps Saint Vincent de Paul Society of Our Lady Of Fatima Parish. The money is used to help those in need, and to send our children, (those in need) to summer camp, more of summer camp coming up in a few weeks.

HAVE YOU EXPERIENCED AN EMMAUS RETREAT? Emmaus is a retreat for men and women (ages 20+) who seek to grow in their relationship with Jesus Christ, regardless of their present level of faith or practice. We want to invite you to join us on our next Emmaus weekend. You will be welcomed by a loving community, spend time in personal and communal prayer, and celebrate the sacraments. The next Emmaus is June 9-11, 2017 at Cathedral Camp in East Freetown, MA. For more information or to apply online, email us at emmausretreats@gmail.com or visit our website: www.emmausretreats.com.



CELEBRATING 100 YEAR

ANNIVERSARY OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA APPARITIONS

Please join us here at Our Lady of Fatima Parish on **Saturday, May 13th at 1:00 PM.** For a Holy Hour of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Rosary.

Fatima: Hope for the World



Our First Communion Class will receive their Eucharistic Lord for the very first time this Sunday afternoon, May 7TH. May their minds and hearts always have the openness and eagerness of their First Communion Day when

they approach the table of the Lord each Sunday to receive Communion. Congratulations to them, their parents, grandparents and especially their teachers and helpers who prepared them. Our First Communicants are: Emily Amaral ~ Jack Anderson ~ Gianna Botelho ~ Ethan Bramwell ~ Holden Cabral ~ Troy Cobb ~ Gabriella Coelho ~ Marley Dauphin ~ Sofia DaSilva ~ Brielle Douglas ~ Emma Fogue ~ Danyka Fonseca ~ Daniella Garcia ~ Baileigh Kobza ~ Aubrie Lindo ~ Skyla Macaroco ~ Caitlyn Macaroco ~ Sarah Parent ~ Addison Resendes.

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

THE FOUNDATION TO ADVANCE CATHOLIC EDUCATION (FACE) and Diocese of Fall River Catholic Schools are excited to announce *The Catholic School's Hope and Opportunity Initiative*. This Initiative, sponsored by the Carney Family Fund, will provide 100 scholarships for up to \$2000 per student for the 2017-18 school year to new low-income K-8 students in the Fall River and New Bedford Deaneries. If you, or someone you know, wants to send their child(ren) to a Catholic School please contact Sarah Heaton at (508)678-2828 or seaton@dfrcs.org.

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