

Our Lady of Fatima Church



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Rev. John A. Raposo, *Pastor*

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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 & 10:00 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: _____

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME— JULY 2, 2017



Saturday	July	1,	4:00 PM	For the people of the parish
Sunday	July	2,	8:00 AM	Alice Pereira, Manuel Magalhaes Sr, & Manuel Magalhaes Jr. by Family
			10:00 AM	Eileen Racine by Patrick & Denise Gannon
Monday	July	3,	8:00 AM	Sr. Edna Lynch, RSM.
Tuesday	July	4,	8:00 AM	For the Souls in Purgatory
Wednesday	July	5,	8:00 AM	John Medeiros by Wife
Friday	July	7,	8:00 AM	Loretta & Claude LeBlanc by Mr. & Mrs. Louis LeBlanc
Saturday	July	8,	4:00 PM	Fr. Marc Bergeron
Sunday	July	9,	8:00 AM	Alice Pereira, Manuel Magalhaes Sr., Manuel Magalhaes Jr.
			10:00 AM	Hildeberto Oliveira, Manuel, Maria, Emanuel & Luduina Furtado by Family

Sanctuary Lamp: Special intention for Pearl Enos
 Our Lady of Fatima: Special intention for Alexa and Brian

WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT:

Collection last weekend: \$2,414.00 Thank you!
 Latin America: \$612.60 Thank you!
 Expenses for week: \$1,866.46 (\$1,030.00 salaries, \$235.72 utilities, \$600.74 gas & electric)

RECTORY OFFICE the office will be closed from July 3rd to July 12th.



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. There will be no evening prayer service on Tuesday, July 4th.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR AUGUST & SEPTEMBER 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.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

We can't give love unless we've first learned to receive it. And we can't teach love until we've first learned to show it.



Love one another, forgive our brother or sister from our heart, share with those who are less fortunate, some are specific for particular individuals. The challenge for each of us is to be realistic and honest about what Jesus is asking of us if we are to follow him.

Today's Gospel also highlights for us the importance of hospitality in the Christian life. To welcome another in Jesus' name is to extend hospitality to Jesus himself. We have many opportunities in our daily life to reach out to others, to be a welcoming presence and a sign of God's love.

What specific thing is Jesus asking of you in order for you to follow him?
What do you find most difficult?



Our Saint Vincent de Paul Society, here at Our Lady of Fatima is asking for non-perishable foods as well as toiletry items to be dropped off in our Red Container in the front entrance of the Church.

This past week we dropped off non-perishable food and toiletry items to the Sister Rose House in New Bedford and they were very grateful for the assistance. What Sister Rose House is unable to use in the kitchen is put on a table to help those in need to freely take.



WELCOME TO THE CHRISTIAN FAMILY!

Connor Luis Cruz and Noah Ryan Cruz, sons of Ryan and Kelly Cruz were baptized last Sunday, June 25th. The parish family welcomes them warmly to our family of faith.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL 2017:



To date, we have collected \$27,428.00. 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 us to meet these responsibilities.



Religious Liberty Is More Than Freedom to Worship

Religious liberty is not only about our ability to go to Mass on Sunday or pray the Rosary at home. It is about whether we can make our contribution to the common good of all Americans. Can we do the good works our faith calls us to do, without having to compromise that very same faith? Without religious liberty properly understood, all Americans suffer, deprived of the essential contribution in education, health care, feeding the hungry, civil rights, and social services that religious Americans make every day, both here at home and overseas. What is at stake is whether Americans will continue to have a free, creative, and robust civil society or whether the state alone will determine who gets to contribute to the common good. As Catholic bishops and American citizens, we address an urgent summons to our fellow Catholics and fellow Americans to be on guard, for religious liberty is under attack, both at home and abroad. For more information, please visit United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

Please pray for the protection of our Religious Freedom. Prayer cards are at each entrance of the church.

May all the citizens of our country work unceasingly to promote the common good so that all may share in the pursuit of happiness sought by the founders of our land.

WEEKEND OF JULY 8/9TH: Christian Catholic Families of Bethlehem will be selling Crucifixes, religious art work, and rosaries—all made of olive wood which is native to Israel and Bethlehem. Since tourism has greatly depleted, Christian families in the Holy Land, who depend on tourist, have been greatly affected. Sale of these goods will help them very much and also give you the opportunity to have something authentic from the Holy land. Please browse and buy some articles. It is for a good cause and also a help to your personal devotion.

From the Pastor's Desk



July 1st, we began a new fiscal year for our parish. Once again, it is a good time to ask you to please increase your weekly donation. It is also a good time to remind ALL parishioners that we need their support. If more parishioners are willing to donate to the parish the burden is shared by our entire parish community. And that's the way it should be! Our Parish needs at least \$3,000.00 weekly to meet our weekly expenses and remain debt free. Our Parish Annual Report will be mailed in August. Thank you for your generosity to Our Lady of Fatima Parish and God bless you abundantly.

Also, I want to personally thank everyone who contributed so generously to the 2017 Catholic Charities Appeal. This year's total amounts to \$27,428.00. Our support of the many agencies and services provided by our Diocese will go a long way to help the many people who look to us to assist them in their need. It actually changes their lives for the better. What a wonderful way for us to participate in the lives of these people by helping to provide the care and compassion they so often need. May God bestow His abundant blessings upon all of us.