

# Our Lady of Fatima Church



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## PARISH STAFF

Rev. John A. Raposo, *Pastor*

Mrs. Pearl Enos, *Director of Religious Education*

Mrs. Lucy Pinto, *Parish Secretary*

Patrick & Denise Morency Gannon, *Music Ministry*

## 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](mailto: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: \_\_\_\_\_

## TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME– AUGUST 20, 2017



Saturday	August	19,	4:00 PM	Edna Cabral (12th Ann.) by Ron & Rose Cabral
Sunday	August	20,	8:00 AM	Paul Snigier, Albert & Eleanor Long by Barbara
			10:00 AM	Hildeberto Oliveira, Manuel, Maria, Emanuel & Luduina Furtado by Family
Monday	August	21,	8:00 AM	Gerard Richard (19th Ann.) by Wife
Tuesday	August	22,	8:00 AM	Special intention for Pearl Enos
Wednesday	August	23,	8:00 AM	Rene Davignon by Armand & Gloria
Friday	August	25,	8:00 AM	Diane Pereira by Pearl Enos
Saturday	August	26,	4:00 PM	John Rybka by Wife, Russell, Gail & Jeffrey
Sunday	August	27,	8:00 AM	Leona LeMaire by Ann & Norm LeMaire
			10:00 AM	Artur Freitas, Maria Mello, Antonio daPonte, Cecelia Pereira by Family

Sanctuary Lamp: For the intentions of the parish prayer line  
 Our Lady of Fatima: Special intention for Pearl Enos

### WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT

Collection last weekend: \$2,691.94 Thank you!  
 Extra Effort: \$1,033.79 Thank you!  
 Expenses for both weeks: \$4,540.54 (\$400.00 parish assessment, \$1,055.00 salaries, \$1,001.63 clergy medical, \$300.00 property insurance)

### 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](mailto:olofnb@comcast.net).

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR August, September and

October 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:

*Freedom is not the ability to do whatever you want.  
 Freedom is the strength of character and the self-possession to do what is good, true, noble, and right.*



*Every day it is getting more and more necessary to ask God to give us a merciful heart towards all, because as society becomes more dehumanized men's hearts are becoming harder and more insensitive. Justice is a fundamental virtue, it is true, but justice of itself is not enough: charity is needed too. No matter how much social legislation and working conditions improve, men will always need the warmth of a human heart, fraternal and friendly, which is able to identify with those situations that justice alone cannot remedy, because Christian charity cannot be limited to giving things or money to the needy. It seeks, above all, to respect and understand each person for what he is, his intrinsic dignity as a man and a child of God. Mercy should cause us to forgive promptly and from the heart, even though the other party isn't sorry for what has happened or rebuffs our attempts to make up. The Christian cannot harbor any resentment in his heart; he is not at loggerheads with anybody. We have to love also those who are unhappy through their own fault, or even through their own evil actions. God asks us to be compassionate in all situations in life. We frequently have to remember that if we are merciful, we will obtain from God that mercy which we need so much our selves, particularly for those weaknesses, errors and failings that He understands so well.*



## WELCOME TO THE CHRISTIAN FAMILY!

Luke Michael Rapuano, son of Michael Rapuano and Katelyn Goncalves was baptized last Sunday, August 13th. The parish family welcomes him warmly to our family of faith.

**VENDORS/CRAFTERS WANTED:** for Our Lady of Fatima Ladies Guild Harvest Fair, Sunday, October 15th. Please call Carol Santos at (508) 998-1290 for more information

**PROJECT RACHEL:** A Catholic outreach to Women and men hurting from a past abortion. Please call: (508) 997-3300. Trust in the tender embrace of God's love and mercy.

**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.

### **CATHOLIC SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**ALL SAINTS CATHOLIC SCHOOL** now accepting registrations for full day Preschool and Kindergarten programs for the 2017 – 2018 school year! Separate programs for 3 and 4 year olds, extended day care available, 6:30 AM – 5:30 PM. Small classes providing engaging Catholic education in a safe environment. Also enrolling Grades 1 – 8. Contact the Principal, Susan Massoud, at 508-995-3696 or email [smassoud@ascs.dfrcs.org](mailto:smassoud@ascs.dfrcs.org) for more information or to arrange a tour!

**SAINT JOSEPH SCHOOL PRESCHOOL PROGRAM** has openings available to children who are 3 & 4 years old. Children can attend part time day, or full day. Breakfast and lunch are served daily School starts at 8:00 a.m. and ends at 2:00 p.m. for preschoolers. We have an extended school day program were children may arrive at the school beginning at 7:00 a.m. with the availability of our breakfast program at 7:30 a.m. as well as participate in the after school extended day care program until 5:30 p.m. The extended day program is \$2.50 per half hour. It is important that children discover a love for learning through hands-on developmentally appropriate experiences. Call the school for a tour! 508-996-1983.

### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

#### **CLASS REGISTRATION**

Registration will be held on Sunday, **September 10th & 17th** after the 10:00 a.m. Mass in the Parish Hall.

Registration fee is \$40.00 for one child, \$65.00 for two children and \$75.00 for three or more children. All registration fees are due at the time of registration. Be sure to register your children on one of these 2 days.

#### **Classes will begin on September 24th.**

Grades 1-4, new class time will now be 11:00 AM to noon.

Grades 5-9, new class time will now be 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM.

1st and 2nd graders must bring their Baptism Certificate on registration day. You must be registered at this parish.



### **OUR LADY OF FATIMA**

#### **LADIES' GUILD**

*The Harvest Fair is on Sunday, October 15th. It's our parish's big fundraiser.*

*The Ladies Guild is in need of "Scratch Tickets" for the Harvest Fair. If you are able to donate scratch tickets, please mail it to the church attention Lucy or it can be placed in an envelope in the collection basket. Thank you for your help.*

**EWTN Free Family Celebration Event!** DCU Center, Worcester, September 9-10. Doors open at 8:00 AM both days. Attendees will be renewed in their faith as we celebrate the 100th Anniversary of Fatima with inspirational talks by your favorite hosts.. Speakers will include Fr. Mitch Pacwa, Marcus Grodi, Susan Conroy, Fr. Maurice Emelu, Donna Marie Cooper O'Boyle as well as the Global Catholic Network's own Chairman & CEO Michael P. Warsaw. The entire event will be hosted by President Doug Keck, who is well know to viewers sa Host of "EWTN Bookmark" and many of the Global Catholic Network's live events. Bishop Robert J. McManus of the Diocese of Worcester serve as the celebrant and homilist at Sunday's Holy Mass, which will begin at 10:00 AM on Sunday, September 10th.

It's free-no tickets required! For more information, please