

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: _____

TWENTY –FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME– SEPTEMBER 17, 2017



Saturday	September	16,	4:00 PM	Missa Pro Populo
Sunday	September	17,	8:00 AM	Thomas Clark by Wife & Family
			10:00 AM	Hildeberto Oliveira, Manuel, Maria, Emanuel & Luduina Furtado by Family
Monday	September	18,	8:00 AM	Joseph Pacheco by Mr. & Mrs. Anibal Tavares
Tuesday	September	19,	8:00 AM	Reinaldo Medeiros & Parents by Family
Wednesday	September	20,	8:00 AM	Special intention
Friday	September	22,	8:00 AM	Diane Pereira
Saturday	September	23,	4:00 PM	Mary Florida Blouin by Armand & Irene Sylvia & George & Carol Blouin
Sunday	September	24,	8:00 AM	Manuel Magalhaes by Family
			10:00 AM	John Telo By Wife

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

WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT

Collection & Extra Effort last weekend: \$3,389.50 Thank you!

Hurricane Aide: \$4,507.00 Thank you!

Expenses last week: \$2,756.83 (\$400.00 parish assessment, \$1,001.83 clergy medical, \$300.00 property insurance \$1,055.00 salaries)



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 NOVEMBER 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:

“When we do not cling to the Word of the Lord,
but consult horoscopes and fortune tellers, we
begin to sink,” Pope Francis



Pope Francis repeated a message he often has, warning against putting one's trust in horoscopes and fortune telling rather than Christ, who is the only true security that gets us through times of trial and darkness.

Faith in the Lord and in his word does not open a path where everything is calm and easy; it does not take us away from the storms of life. Rather, faith gives us the security of a presence that pushes us to overcome the existential storms, the certainty of a hand that grabs us in order to help us in difficulties, showing the way even when it's dark. Faith, then, is not an escape from life's problems, but it supports on the journey and gives it meaning.

NEW MISSALETES AS MEMORIALS

Our Missalettes and Hymnals are based on the liturgical year and Advent starts our new year. Once again, we are offering the possibility of memorializing these books for one year, as a way of assisting with the cost of the purchase of 150 books. We request an offering of \$60.00 for 10 books, \$150.00 for 25 books. Your label will bear the name of a deceased loved one or the honor of a saint. If you feel you can help us in this way, please speak with Fr. John or Lucy by October 30th or you can email us at olofnb@comcast.net. Thank You!

ANNUAL COLLECTION: To date we have received \$3,960.00 with 50 families donating to our building fund. If you did not receive the mailing, please check with Lucy to make sure we have your correct address on file and that you are registered. There are extra Annual Collection reports at the entrances of the church. Thank you for your continued support.



**ADORATION NOW ON
THURSDAYS AS WELL AS
MONDAYS**

The chapel at **St. John Neumann Parish** is open from 8:00am—8:00pm on Mondays & Thursdays (excluding holidays) for Eucharistic

Adoration.

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

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.

We drop off non-perishable food and toiletry items to the Sister Rose House in New Bedford. What Sister Rose House is unable to use in the kitchen is put on a table to help those in need to freely take.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Wedding Anniversary Celebration will be celebrated with a special Mass of Thanksgiving for couples observing significant wedding anniversaries (including first year) during 2017. This celebration will take place on Sunday, September 24, 2017 at 3:00pm at St. Mary Cathedral in Fall River. If you would like an invitation, please call the rectory office at 508-763-2240

Adults who have not been confirmed Classes for Confirmation preparation will be held at Bishop Stang High School in North Dartmouth Time: Wednesday; 7-9pm Dates: September 20th, 27th, October 4th, 11th, 18th & 25th with a Retreat day on October 28th. Please contact the parish office at 508-995-7351 for a registration form.

TAIZE' Join St. John Neumann Parish for this service of Prayer, Song and Contemplation. The following are the scheduled dates for the upcoming Taize' services: September 24, 2017—Seek the Lord while he may be found November 12, 2017 - Evening of Thanks February 25, 2018 - Lenten Reflections March 25, 2018 - Palm Sunday May 20, 2018 - Pentecost All Taize' services begin at 7:00pm in the Church.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

CLASS REGISTRATION

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

Correction on registration fee is \$45.00 for one child, \$75.00 for two children and \$80.00 for three or more children. All registration fees are due at the time of registration. Be sure to register your children by **THIS** Sunday.

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.



Will meet on Tuesday, September 26th at 1:00 P.M. in the parish center. New members are always welcomed.



BABY BOTTLES FOR A WOMAN'S CONCERN:

Don't forget to pick up a Baby Bottle on the weekend of September 30th! We are asking individuals and families to fill this bottle with a financial donation during the month, and return it on Sunday, October 30th. These funds will help Learn Your Options/AWC continue their life-saving work helping women and couples facing unplanned pregnancies.



St. Bernard Parish Harvest Festival: in Assonet will be hosting their 19th annual Harvest Festival this weekend Sept. 22nd-24th. Please stop by there is so much to do and lots of food.

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