

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 & 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.

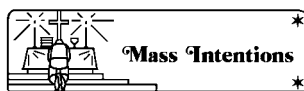
St. Vincent De Paul Society: For assistance contact us at OLOFSVdPS@aol.com or call Ron Cabral at (508) 717-2688.

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: _____

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER - April 15, 2018



Saturday	April	14,	4:00 PM	Leo Lapre (7th Ann.) by Wife
Sunday	April	15,	8:00 AM	Mr. & Mrs. Manuel Resendes & Mrs. & Mrs. Jose Cordeiro by Family
			10:00 AM	Lubelia Oliveira by Family
Monday	April	16,	8:00 AM	For the intentions of The Blessed Mother
Tuesday	April	17,	8:00 AM	Dorothy Hunt by Mr. & Mrs. Patrick Gannon
Wednesday	April	18,	8:00 AM	Diane, Maria & Tony Pereira by Mark
Friday	April	20,	8:00 AM	Ida Cleveland by Marlene & Charlie Johnson
Saturday	April	21,	4:00 PM	Louise Caldwell by Ron & Rose Cabral
Sunday	April	22,	8:00 AM	Agnes & Antonio Ferreira by Family
			10:00 AM	Tom Clark (4th Ann.) by Family



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

WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT will be reported next weekend.

TUESDAY EVENING PRAYER GROUP

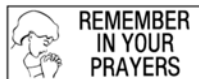
ROSARY AND CHAPLET OF

DIVINE MERCY



All are welcomed to 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 Lucy at olofnb@comcast.net.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR MAY AND JUNE 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.



**REMEMBER
IN YOUR
PRAYERS**

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.

MOVING? PLEASE HELP US KEEP OUR RECORDS UP TO DATE AND NOTIFY THE OFFICE OF YOUR NEW ADDRESS. THANK YOU!



Love fully

One thing Jesus never could stomach is a hypocrite. In the stories, he always prefers sincere sinners to religious fakers. It's easy to slip into the role of a synthetic disciple without even noticing. Our religious routines—prayer, Mass attendance, lip-synched proper responses to moral issues—can go on autopilot. Meanwhile, self-congratulation, nasty judgments, self-involvement, and the unwillingness to forgive can turn our hearts to stone under the surface. How we love is far more important than how we look.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

Do not bother with the bookkeeping of love; love without keeping accounts.

SPRING RAFFLE!

All items in a Garden Wheelbarrow

TO BENEFIT OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH sponsored by the Ladies Guild. Raffle tickets and return envelopes will be at all church entrances the weekend of April 1st. *There will be something for everyone.* Drawing will be held on Thursday, May 17th at our closing Ladies Guild dinner. *Thank you for supporting our parish fundraiser.*

Amaka Water Borehole Project "God is good" Water Well Project 40 Days to make a difference!



Fr. JT from Saints Martha and Mary Parish in Lakeville (Cranberry Catholic Collaborative) is in need of help! His hometown village, Durunjawu in Nigeria has roughly 5,000 people and the vast majority are getting their drinking water from the Nwanuhic

Stream. Children leave the house at 4:00 a.m. to walk the 6 miles each way to the stream to then return home by 7:00 a.m. and get ready for school. Typically each family needs to go to the stream twice a day. When the children return home from school they need to make the journey again for their evening water, always carrying the water on their heads in large jugs. This stream runs through many villages and serves many needs, including, bathing, washing clothes, drinking and playing! The water may "look" clean, but it is usually the source of many water borne illnesses. The "Borehole" (aka, well) drilled to the depth of 600 feet, through granite, and installation of a water pump will allow the above ground water tanks to hold 3,000 gallons of water that will then be accessed by several dispersing units (faucets) around the perimeter of the borehole. Through the generosity of Father JT's family they are donating a parcel of land to the village for the Amaka Water Borehole Project. This parcel is less than 1/2 mile away! The estimated cost for the project is 3,750,000.00 Naira = \$10,416.00 We have placed envelopes for those who would like to mail in a check to the office. Make checks payable to Sacred Heart Church with well project in the memo line and mail to 340 Centre Street, Middleboro, MA 02346 Attn: Well Project. Fr. JT will be traveling home after Christmas of 2018 and will at that time make the funds available to the local contractor who will be building the well. If you have any questions please call Amy Dow at 508 947 0444 or email at amydow@cranberrycatholic.org

100% of all money collected goes to support this project.

CHRISTIAN CATHOLIC FAMILIES OF BETHLEHEM will be here the weekend of April 28th 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 tourists, 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.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Like in the gospel today, sometimes our minds need to be opened to know what God has done for us, and what he wants for us in our marriage. Deepen your communication, strengthen your relationship, rekindle your romance and renew your sacrament by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are Apr 21-22, 2018 in Brewster, MA and May 19-20, 2018 in Warner, NH. For more information, call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit them at <https://www.mema.org/>.

"Praying with the Christian Mystics" a program being offered at Sacred Hearts Retreat Center by Sr. Cynthia Bauer, OP beginning April 18, 2018 on St. Catherine of Siena. **Time:** Coffee 9:30 **Circle** 10:00 am to 12:30 pm **Cost:** \$25

Fundraising concert for Sacred Hearts Retreat Center. Professional singer-songwriters, Stowe Dailley and Karen Taylor Good aka "Stowe Good" present the Dream Big...Fly High... concert on Sunday April 15. 2108 from 4PM to 5:30PM at St. Patrick's Church Hall, 82 High St., Wareham, MA 02571 Tickets \$30 Proceeds to benefit the Sacred Hearts Retreat Center.

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