Our Lady of Fatima Church



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PARISH STAFF

Rev. John A. Raposo, Pastor

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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.

<u>Initiation of Adults</u>: 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 wo this form to request registration information. Drop it in the basket o		
faith community. Name	Phone	
Address:		

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - April 22, 2018



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
Monday	April	23, 8:00 AM	For the intentions of The Blessed Mother
Tuesday	April	24, 8:00 AM	Dorothy Hunt by Mr. & Mrs. Patrick Gannon
Wednesday	April	25, 8:00 AM	Aurora and Carl Paiva by Mark
Friday	April	27, 8:00 AM	Ana Openshaw, Jose Flores & Gloria Barinan by Family
Saturday	April	28, 4:00 PM	Artur Freitas, Maria Mello, Antonio Daponte, Cecelia Pereira by Family
Sunday	April	29, 8:00 AM	Aurelio Tavares & Family by Pregana Family
•	•	10:00 AM	Jamie, Etaldina, Eduardo & Gilberto Arruda & Family by Family



Sanctuary Lamp: In memory of Sean Gannon

Our Lady of Fatima: Special intention for the Gannon Family

WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT:

Easter Sunday, 4/2: \$2,774.06 Thank you! Holy Thursday: \$413.00 Thank you! Good Friday: \$356.00 Thank you! Retired Priests: \$1,701.20 Thank you! Easter Flowers: \$610.00 Thank you! Weekend of 4/8: \$2,555.00 Thank you! Extra Effort: \$1,021.00 Thank you! Weekend of 4/15: \$2,208.67 Thank you!

Expenses for weeks 4/2-4/16: \$7,949.14 (\$1,200.00 parish assessment, \$500.00 clergy pension, \$2,003.86 clergy medical, \$2,580.00 salaries, \$593.64 Easter flowers, \$450.00 snow removal & sanding, \$621.64 FICA & state tax)



TUESDAY EVENING PRAYER GROUP ROSARY AND CHAPLET OF

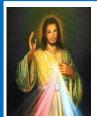
DIVINE MERCY

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.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

Patience is the companion of wisdom.



In order to bring something new into the world something about the old has to change. Prospective parents give up a lot of freedom when they invite a child into their family. To move to a new place you have to surrender the old one. When Jesus inaugurated "the way, the

truth, and the life" in his ministry, it threatened businessas-usual for the contented synagogue-goers around him. They feared the destruction of the old practices and didn't cheerfully anticipate the arrival of the new. Change is always intimidating. Pray for the grace to make room for the new.

Come and share your hopes and dreams for our Church! Bishop Edgar M. da Cunha, S.D.V., is hosting a series of Listening Sessions at different parish locations as part of the strategic planning process here in the Fall River Diocese. Members of diocesan parishes are invited to attend one of them to offer their thoughts into that process. Listening Sessions are scheduled as follows: April 23, Our Lady of Victory, Centerville from 7:00 P.M. to 8:30 P.M.



MAY HE REST IN PEACE

Your prayers are requested for the soul of Emile Camire whose Funeral Mass was celebrated on Monday, March 26th. May his soul and the souls of all the

faithful departed, through the Mercy of God, rest in peace.

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*.

HELP FOR SOPHIA'S LIVER SURGERY

Sophia, granddaughter of Jim and Lisa House, our parishioners, are in need of help with little Sophia's surgery. Sophia was born with a condition called Billiary Atresia, a rare disease of the liver and bile ducts, where a liver transplant is needed. She has been in and out of the hospital numerous times in her short 16 months of life with fevers, infections and having a feeding tube inserted. Finally after months of doctors appointments, a donor has been found, Sophia's great aunt! The surgery is scheduled for May 8th 2018. Sophia's surgery is covered but my brother, Scott and sister in law, Kristen will need help with other expenses. Scott will be out of work for at least two weeks while Sophia is in recovery (she could be in the hospital longer) and Kristen will be taking a leave of absence from work until Sophia is well enough for her to go back. The amount being asked for will cover a months rent, utilities, the two weeks Scott will miss from work, travel to and from the hospital, and food expenses (since they're only allotted \$7 a day for two people). Please help how ever you can, weather it be monetarily or by sharing this through social media accounts to make sure Scott and Kristen only have to worry about Sophia!

Please go to www.gofundme.com/Sophiasliversurgery

Thank you and God bless you!

-Sophia's Family

LIVING THE FATIMA MESSAGE invites you to: Joseph's Yes: the strength and joy of encountering Joseph with Jesus and Mary at Fatima--our Holy Family, Saturday, May 12, 8am - 3pm, sponsored by Bishop Connolly High School, 373 Elsbree St., Fall River, MA. Live Our Lady's "peace plan" through Mass, Living Rosary, Eucharistic Adoration, and Confession. Listen to reflections by religious and laity from around the diocese, have fun with your family in the children's activity room, and learn from keynote speaker, Mother Olga of the Sacred Heart, founder and mother servant of Daughters of Mary of Nazareth, Quincy. Please bring your own brown bag lunch and join us May 12 for any part, or for the entire program. Accessible facility. No charge. Free will donations graciously accepted. Free parking. Full schedule at fb.com/livingfatima - click events - or email livingfatima@gmail.com or call 781-521-3677

CHRISTIAN CATHOLIC FAMILIES OF BETH-

LEHEM will be here next 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.

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Are you interested in serving the Parish as an Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist? Training sessions will begin soon on the following dates:

Tuesday, May 8 at 7:00pm -St. Mary's Church, Dartmouth

Tuesday, May 15 at 7:00pm – St. Pius X Church, South Yarmouth

Monday, May 21 at 7:00pm - St. Teresa of the Child Jesus Church, South Attleboro

Any Parishioner 16 years or older may apply to become an Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist. If you are interested in this ministry, please contact Fr. Raposo as soon as possible.

<u>LECTORS:</u> We need additional men and women to serve our Parish as Lectors. All that is needed is a basic reading skill and your willingness to proclaim the Scripture at Mass. You must have received the Sacrament of Confirmation to be considered for this ministry. If you are interested in serving your Parish in this vital ministry, please contact Fr. Raposo as soon as possible.

Saint Vincent de Paul Society of Our Lady of Fatima Parish would like to thank our Parishioners who donated non-perishable food. We do appreciate all donated non-perishable foods which are used to help those in need. We also would appreciate any newer clothing and shoes which can be deposited in our Gray Bins in the front entrance of the Church. These are taken to Pope Francis Place, 233 Bonney Street, NB given free to individuals and families in need. Other clothing please donate/deposit in our White Bin rear of the Church. Should a Parishioner having a winning scratch ticket would like to donate it, you can deposit the ticket in the S.V.d.P. Poor Box near the Confessional Room, we accept any winning amount.

