

# 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: \_\_\_\_\_

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - April 29, 2018



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
Monday	April	30,	8:00 AM	Joanne Drouin by Pauline Silveira
Tuesday	May	1,	8:00 AM	Reinaldo & Joaquim DaSilva by Family
Wednesday	May	2,	8:00 AM	Vick Rouira by Family
Friday	May	4,	8:00 AM	For the intentions of the Blessed Mother
Saturday	May	5,	4:00 PM	Lynda Vargas by Paul & Dot Richard
Sunday	May	6,	8:00 AM	Elaine Motta by Family
			10:00 AM	Flavio Duarte by Family



Sanctuary Lamp: In memory of Sean Gannon  
Our Lady of Fatima: Special intention for the Gannon Family

### WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT:

Last weekend collection: \$ 2,298.00 Thank you!  
Expenses last week: \$4,314.22 (\$400.00 parish assessment, \$930.00 salaries, \$300.00 Catholic School subsidy, \$550.00 snow removal & sanding, \$2,134.22 gas & electric)



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

MASS INTENTIONS FOR JULY WILL OPEN ON MAY 2ND. 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.

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



### LADIES' GUILD MEETING!

The meeting will be on  
Tuesday, May 1st at 1:15 PM  
in the parish center after Benediction.

FIRST COMMUNION will be administered on Sunday, May 6, 2018 at 1:00PM. Please pray for the children of our First Communion Class as they approach the Lord's altar for the first time to receive the precious gift of Holy Communion. There are eighteen children in the class and we pray that each one will begin a lifelong practice of receiving Holy Communion each and every week.

### CATHOLIC CHARITIES:

The Catholic Charities Appeal begins May 1<sup>st</sup>. We encourage you to mail in your pledge or place it in the collection basket at any Mass and to support the Appeal as generously as you can. If at all possible, we'd like you to consider pledging throughout the year. If you haven't received a contribution card in the mail, you can pick one up at the back of the Church.

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 of the Catholic Charities Appeal helps us to meet these responsibilities.

### THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

When we accept our faults we gain compassion for the faults of others.

## 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. *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 Murphy, granddaughter of our parishioners, Jim and Lisa House are in need of help with little Sophia's surgery. Sophia was born with a condition called Biliary 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](http://www.gofundme.com/Sophiasliversurgery)

Thank you and God bless you!

-Sophia's Family

## MAY 1ST



### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT THIS TUESDAY,

Our parish will have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament this Tuesday beginning at 8:30 a.m. concluding with Benediction at 1:00 p.m. Please consider signing up for an hour in prayer and reflection before the Lord. To schedule an hour, please sign your name on the sign-up sheet on the rear north wall of the church.

**EUCCHARISTIC 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.

**LECTORS:** 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.

**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](http://fb.com/livingfatima) - click events - or email [livingfatima@gmail.com](mailto:livingfatima@gmail.com) or call 781-521-3677