

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.

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: _____

15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - JULY 15, 2018



Saturday	July	14,	4:00 PM	Richard & Shirley Mello by Family
Sunday	July	15,	8:00 AM	John Florio by Lucille Pepin
			10:00 AM	Antonio & Steven DaPonte, Artur Freitas, Maria Melo, Cecilia Pereira by Family
Monday	July	16,	8:00 AM	Angela Oliveira by Eduarda Oliveira
Tuesday	July	17,	8:00 AM	Angela Oliveira by Maria Policarpo
Wednesday	July	18,	8:00 AM	Diane (1st Ann.), Maria & Anthony Pereira by Mark
Friday	July	20,	8:00 AM	Eric Johnson by Parents
Saturday	July	21,	4:00 PM	Joe & Matilda Carvalho by Ron & Rose Cabral
Sunday	July	22,	8:00 AM	John, Maria & Agnes Santos & Family, Frank & Irene Cardoso
			10:00 AM	Sean Gannon by the Cenacle of Divine Mercy



Sanctuary Lamp: Special intention
Our Lady of Fatima: Special intention for Sophia Murphy

WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT:

Last weekend collection: \$2,261.00 Thank you!
Extra Effort: \$1,002.90 Thank you!
Expenses last week: \$2,302.29 (\$855.00 salaries, \$400.00 parish assessment, \$400.00 landscaping, \$647.29 FICA & state tax withholding)

SECOND COLLECTIONS SCHEDULED FOR JULY:

July 22nd: Summer Air conditioning



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 AUGUST & SEPTEMBER

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:

Whether you are sixteen or 16 years old, it doesn't matter. Make yourself 100 percent available to God and he will find a way to work powerfully through you. ~ Matthew Kelly

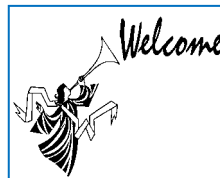
No excuses!



If only I had more money, more time, more assistance, more talent. We all have a pretty impressive laundry list of why we can't be of more service to God and to others. Even Saint Paul had his "thorn in the flesh," some private difficulty that seemed to hold him back from being the apostle he sought to be. Paul kept praying for its removal so he could be free of this impediment. Finally he reinterpreted the thorn: not an impediment, but an opportunity to let God be God. Maybe it's time to stop protesting and start serving!

"My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness."

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH!



With joy, we welcome Mr. Dennis Robert and Mr. & Mrs. Carlos Pereira and family as newly registered members of Our Lady of Fatima Parish! We hope that our parish family will be another channel of God's grace in their lives and we look forward to their participation in parish life among us. Welcome!

PARISH PLANNING TEAM:

In cooperation with the Bishop's effort to revitalize Parishes in the Diocese (*Rebuilding in Faith and Hope*), I am establishing a Parish Planning Team that will evaluate the current state of our Parish and determine a course of action for the future. To be a member of this team, you must be a registered parishioner of Our Lady of Fatima, a regular attendee at Mass and at least 16 years of age and have received the Sacrament of Confirmation. If you are interested in becoming a member of this team, please contact Fr. Raposo before July 31st. All members will receive a packet with information regarding the process the team will undertake as well as an agenda for the next meeting. You will be expected to be prepared to discuss the questions included in your information packet at a meeting on Monday, September 17, 2018 at 7:00pm at the Rectory.



CONGRATULATIONS to Danielle Villar Gaudette and Justin Alen Rodriques who were joined in Holy Matrimony here last Saturday, July 7th. May God bless them as they begin to live this Sacrament.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Jesus is asking us to go out two by two and proclaim His good news. Strengthen your relationship, rekindle your romance and renew your sacrament by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are Sep 15-16, 2018 in Medway, MA and Dec 7-9, 2018 in Duxbury, MA. For more information, call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963.

VENDORS/CRAFTERS WANTED: for Our Lady of Fatima Ladies Guild Harvest Fair, Sunday, October 14th. Please call Carol Santos at (508) 998-1290 for more information

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

From the
Pastor's Desk



Thanks to the generosity of several parishioners, we have collected enough money to cover the cost of our new vestments.

No further donations are needed at this time. The order for the new vestments has been made and I will inform you of their arrival.

The set of vestments includes the Chasuble and Stole and comes in the four liturgical colors needed throughout the liturgical year: Green (ordinary time); Purple (Advent and Lent);

White (major feasts and solemnities) and Red (various feasts and saints).

Thank you to all who contributed, especially those who contributed the entire cost for one set. May God bless you abundantly for your generosity.

Fr. John A. Raposo

Help Still Needed!

July 1st, we began a new fiscal year for our parish. It is a good time to ask you to please consider increasing your weekly donation by \$5.00. It is also a good time to remind ALL parishioners that we need their support. If more parishioners are willing to donate to the parish the burden is shared by **our entire parish community**. And that's the way it should be! Our Parish needs at least \$2,700.00 weekly to meet all our financial responsibilities to remain debt free. *As we all enjoy our vacations, our bills don't take one and still have to be paid.* Our Parish Annual Report will be mailed in August. Thank you for your generosity to Our Lady of Fatima Parish and God bless you abundantly.

Sit still

"After a morning worship service, a mother with a fidgety seven-year-old boy told her Pastor how she finally got her son to sit still and be quiet. About halfway through the sermon, she leaned over and whispered, 'If you don't be quiet, the Pastor is going to lose his place and will have to start his sermon **all** over again!' It worked."

