

Our Lady of Fatima Church



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PARISH STAFF

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.

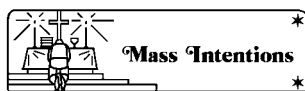
St. Vincent De Paul Society: For assistance contact us at OLOFSVdPS@aol.com or call Ron Cabral at (508) 717-2688.

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: _____

16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - JULY 22, 2018



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
Monday	July	23,	8:00 AM	Angela Oliveira by Mr. & Mrs. Jose Silveira
Tuesday	July	24,	8:00 AM	Angela Oliveira by Olivia Pregana
Wednesday	July	25,	8:00 AM	Arnold & Jackie Ponte by Lorraine
Friday	July	27,	8:00 AM	Angela Oliveira by Olivia Pregana
Saturday	July	28,	4:00 PM	Lillian Hathaway by Family
Sunday	July	29,	8:00 AM	Jose Leonardo by Family
			10:00 AM	Maria Cunha by Mr. & Mrs. Brian Daffinee



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

WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT:

Last weekend collection: \$2,289.15 Thank you!
Mission Coop: \$1,415.10 Thank you!
Expenses last week: \$2,455.00 (\$1,055.00 salaries, \$400.00 parish assessment, \$1,000.00 clergy medical)



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.

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.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

REST!

Allow God to restore, replenish and refocus your heart and mind.



WE'RE NOT ALONE !

Through him, with him, in him." This phrase from the Eucharistic Prayer we hear at every Mass says a lot with a few well-chosen prepositions. Whatever it is we're out there doing, we're never doing it alone. It's *through* Christ that we serve the needs of our families, friends, and strangers too with our charity. It's *with* Christ that we suffer burdens of loss, betrayal, sickness, loneliness. It's *in* Christ that we're strengthened to speak the truth, seek justice, and promote peace with our words and actions. Take a moment to ground yourself in Christ.



WELCOME TO THE CHRISTIAN FAMILY!

Zoe Anna Frey Asserholt, daughter of Lucas Frey and Jeni Asserholt and Joshua Goncalves Arruda Jr., son of Joshua and Doris Arruda was baptized last Sunday, July 15th. The parish family welcomes them warmly to our family of faith.

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. Our Bishop has stated that **no** parish will be closed or merged without deliberations by the parish planning team and in consultation with the Diocesan team. A few "vulnerable" parishes are in the process of determining the best course of action – closure or merger. We are **not** part of that group! The Bishop further wishes that every parish become a vital and living entity. It will be the team's responsibility to find ways to revitalize and energize our parish as we continue forward. To that end the Diocese will offer various programs to suit the needs of individual parishes. 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.

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



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.

OUR LAYD OF FATIMA

LADIES' GUILD

is in need of **SCRATCH TICKETS** for the Harvest Fair's Raffle Basket. If you can please donate any denomination amount of scratch tickets it would be greatly appreciated. Please place it in the Collection basket with the envelope attention to the Ladies Guild. Thank you for your continued help.



The turkey

A man stopped by the local church to talk to the Pastor. He told the Pastor "I stole a turkey this morning on my way home from work". The Pastor told him "That was a terrible thing to do". The man replied "Yes, I know that now, do you want it?" The Pastor replied "No, take it back and give it to the man that you stole it from." The man replied "I tried to give it back but he refused it". The Pastor told him "In that case you keep the turkey". The man thanked the Pastor and went on his way. When the Pastor arrived home later that day he discovered that his turkey had been stolen!

