

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: _____

21st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - August 26, 2018



Saturday	August	25,	4:00 PM	John Rybka (3rd Ann.) by Wife
Sunday	August	26,	8:00 AM	Manuel & Liduina Resendes by Family
			10:00 AM	Lubelia Oliveira by Family
Monday	August	27,	8:00 AM	Artur Freitas, Maria Melo, Antonio & Steven DaPonte, Cecilia Pereira by Family
Tuesday	August	28,	8:00 AM	Anibal Tavares by Family
Wednesday	August	29,	8:00 AM	Anibal Tavares by Family
Friday	August	31,	8:00 AM	Anibal Tavares by Family
Saturday	September	1,	4:00 PM	Lillian Hathaway by Family
Sunday	September	2,	8:00 AM	Arthur & Pearl Pacheco & Family
			10:00 AM	Paul Coderre by Family



Sanctuary Lamp: In memory of Manuel Arruda
 Our Lady of Fatima: In memory of Eileen Ferreira

WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT:

Collection for last weekend: \$2,457.26 Thank you!
 Holy Day: \$517.72 Thank you!
 Expenses last week: \$1,645.00 (\$1,150.00 salaries, \$400.00 parish assessment, \$500.00 landscaping, \$95.00 liturgical supplies)



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 OCTOBER ARE OPEN:

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:

It is never God's grace that is lacking, but rather our willingness to cooperate with His grace.



"Be merciful to all who are suffering. . . . Be patient with everyone. . . . Be strong lest prosperity lift you up too much or adversity cast you down. . . . Be gentle so that you may never oppose justice. Be honorable so that you may never voluntarily

bring disgrace upon anyone. All these virtues . . . make up the royal crown, and without them no one is fit to rule here on earth or attain the heavenly kingdom." In your leadership roles at home and work, commit to helping others feel the presence of Christ by living the virtues

A CALL TO PRAYER AND FASTING

August 3rd to September 28th

The U. S. Bishops urge our participation each Friday in a nationwide Novena for the Legal Protection of Human Life. That change in the United States Supreme Court will move our nation closer to the day when every human being is protected in law and welcomed in life. Join at usccb.org/pray!

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.

FAITH FORMATION CLASS REGISTRATION

Our registration for class will be held on Sunday, September 16th & 23rd after the 10:00 a.m. Mass in the Parish Center.

Registration fee is \$40.00 for one child, \$65.00 for two children and \$75.00 for three or more children. All registration fees are due at the time of registration. Be sure to register your children on one of these 2 days.

Classes will begin on September 30th.

Grades 1-4, class time is 11:00 AM to noon.

Grades 5-9, class time is 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM.

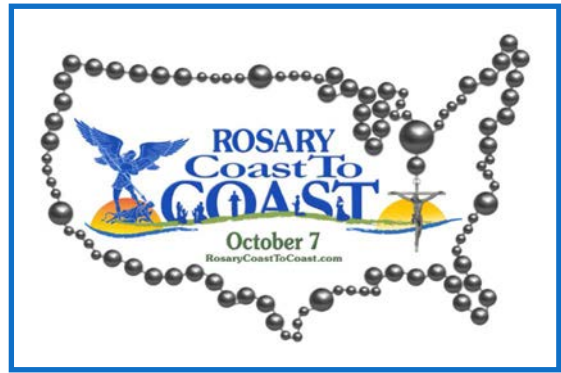
1st and 2nd graders must bring their Baptism Certificate on registration day. You must be registered at this parish.



MAY SHE REST IN PEACE

Your prayers are requested for the soul of Lillian Corrado whose Funeral Mass was celebrated on Wednesday, August 22nd. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed,

through the Mercy of God, rest in peace.



THE PLEA IS OUT FOR AREA FAITHFUL TO JOIN THE

54 DAY ROSARY NOVENA

FOR OUR NATION BEGINS

AUGUST 15 THROUGH OCTOBER 7TH.

PLEASE PRAY AND JOIN A NATION-WIDE NOVENA TO PRAY FOR OUR COUNTRY AND TO TURN TO GOD FOR HELP IN TURNING THE TIDE AGAINST EVIL AND ITS CULTURE OF DEATH.

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.

THE 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 an envelope attention to the Ladies Guild. Thank you for your continued help.

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.