

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: _____

24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - SEPTEMBER 16, 2018



Saturday	September	15, 4:00 PM	Lillian Hathaway by Family
Sunday	September	16, 8:00 AM	Donna Andrade, Charlie & Lucy Fernandes & Family by Helen Sylvia
		10:00 AM	Hildeberto Oliveira, Manuel, Maria, Emanuel & Luduina Furtado by Family
Monday	September	17, 8:00 AM	Special intention for Jackie & Fran Hynes
Tuesday	September	18, 8:00 AM	Souls in Purgatory
Wednesday	September	19, 8:00 AM	Diane, Maria & Tony Pereira by Family
Friday	September	21, 8:00 AM	Ana & Paulino Vieira by Family
Saturday	September	22, 4:00 PM	Steven Gray by Ron & Rose Cabral
Sunday	September	23, 8:00 AM	Mr. & Mrs. Manuel Resendes & Mr. & Mrs. Jose Cordeiro by Family
		10:00 AM	Tom Clark by Family



Sanctuary Lamp: Special intention
Our Lady of Fatima: Special intention for Jackie & Fran Hynes

WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT:

Collection for last weekend: \$2,581.31 Thank you!
Extra Effort: \$987.00 Thank you!
Expenses last week: \$2,700.00 (\$1,150.00 salaries, \$400.00 parish assessment, \$750.00 clergy medical, \$400.00 landscaping)

Second Collections scheduled for September:

Sept. 16th—Religious Education for OLOF

Sept. 29th—Cardinal Medeiros Residence

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 NOVEMBER WILL OPEN ON SEPTEMBER 5TH:

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.



Are you living at one speed all the time: busy, busy, busy? Some of us are overextended, many of us have never learned to say no, and more than a few of us hang our self-worth on the precarious hooks of what we can accomplish. Even Jesus took time out for retreat and recollection.

When was the last time you went on retreat? Do you take the occasional night off, observe a real Sabbath rest, sit for five minutes in a quiet, empty church? Block out time on your calendar not to *do*, but to *be* with God. If you're too busy to make time for God, you are too busy!

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

Faith drew people to Jesus for healing, not the other way around. Believing opens your life to God and allows for transformation that's nothing short of miraculous.

A CALL TO PRAYER AND FASTING

August 3rd to September 28th

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!

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.

ADULT CONFIRMATION

Adults who have not been confirmed Classes for Confirmation preparation will be held at Bishop Stang High School in North Dartmouth Time: Wednesday; 7-9pm Dates: September 19th, 26th, October 3rd, 9th, 17th & 24th with a Retreat day on November 3rd. Please contact the parish office at 508-995-7351 for a registration form.

ANNUAL COLLECTION: has been sent out to all registered parishioners. If you did not receive the mailing, please check with Lucy to make sure we have your correct address on file and that you are registered. There are extra Annual Collection reports at the entrances of the church. Thank you for your continued support for the benefit of Mary's House here in Sassaquin.

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.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION Wedding Anniversary Celebration will be celebrated with a special Mass of Thanksgiving for couples observing significant wedding anniversaries (including first year) during 2018. This celebration will take place on Sunday, October 14, 2018 at 3:00pm at St. Mary Cathedral in Fall River. If you would like an invitation, please call the rectory office at 508-995-7351.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

It is my sad duty to inform you that the Children's choir has been suspended for now. The recent events in the life of Mrs. Denise Gannon and her present schedule prohibits her from resuming her duties as director of the Children's Choir. I ask you all to join me in prayer that the choir will begin again as soon as circumstances allow it. To the children who participated in the choir and to their parents please accept my heartfelt gratitude for all your efforts and dedication to the Church.

Fr. John Raposo

Why I am Catholic!

I am not Catholic because of the Priests.

I am not Catholic because of the Bishops.

I am not Catholic because of the Pope.

I am Catholic because of God's love.

I am Catholic because of Jesus.

I am Catholic because of the Eucharist.

I am Catholic because I believe in God's Word.

OUR LADY OF FATIMA

LADIES' GUILD

The Harvest Fair is on Sunday, October 14th. It's our parish's fundraiser.



The Ladies Guild are in need of "Scratch Tickets" for the Harvest Fair. If you are able to donate scratch tickets, please mail it to the church attention Lucy or it can be placed in an envelope in the collection basket. Please don't forget to return your cash raffle tickets! Thank you for your continued support!



St. Bernard Parish Harvest Festival: in Assonet will be hosting their annual Harvest Festival starting Sept. 21st—23rd. Please stop by there is so much to do and lots of food.



Moving, transferring to another parish or temporarily away for the winter? Please notify us with the changes so that we can cut the cost down for return mail. Thank you!