

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.

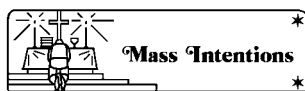
St. Vincent De Paul Society: For assistance contact us at OLOFSVdPS@aol.com or call Ron Cabral at (508) 717-2688.

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: _____

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD—January 6, 2019



Saturday	January	5,	4:00 PM	Antonio Vasconcelos & Family by Family
Sunday	January	6,	8:00 AM	Jose R. Torres by Family
			10:00 AM	Hildeberto Oliveira, Manuel, Maria, Emanuel & Luduina Furtado by Family
Monday	January	7,	8:00 AM	Marion Teixeira by Lucille Pepin
Tuesday	January	8,	8:00 AM	Lubelia Oliveira by Family
Wednesday	January	9,	8:00 AM	Virginio & Etelvina Arruda & sons & son-in-law by family
Friday	January	11,	8:00 AM	Jennifer & Carolyn Lawrence by Family
Saturday	January	12,	4:00 PM	Lillian Hathaway by Family
Sunday	January	13,	8:00 AM	George & Yvonne Dupuis by Family
			10:00 AM	Robert Rapoza by Janice & Lucy



Sanctuary Lamp: In memory of Anibal Tavares
 Our Lady of Fatima: In memory of Jose R. Torres

WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT:

Collection weekend of 12/23: \$2,762.00 Thank you!
 Collection weekend of 12/30: \$2,298.00 Thank you!
 Christmas Collection: \$2,239.00 Thank you!
 Expenses week of 12/24 & 12/31: \$4,941.00
 (\$2,935.00 salaries, \$400.00 parish assessment, \$1,151.00 gas & electric, \$305.00 utilities, \$150.00 parking lot sanding)

Second Collections scheduled for January:

Initial offering for Budget Envelope— Anytime in January
Extra Effort— January 12th
Catholic Communications- January 20th
Winter Fuel - January 27th



TUESDAY EVENING PRAYER GROUP

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. **Evening prayer will resume on January 8th.**

MASS INTENTIONS AND CANDLES FOR MARCH are available. Mass intentions can be scheduled by email, phone, or by stopping by the rectory office on Wednesdays from 9-3 and Fridays 9-12.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

In a world filled with change, the stability of God is comforting. When faced with unexpected challenges, we can always take refuge in Him. He is faithful and trustworthy.



True Love of God

God made known to me what true love consists in and gave light to me about how, in practice, to give proof of it to Him. True love of God consists in carrying out God's will. To show God our love in what we do, all our actions, even the least, must spring from our love of God.

(Diary of St. Maria Faustina 279)

Bulletin Ads~ Please consider Advertising your business in our colored Bulletins. If you are interested, please contact Al Shea at Pilot Bulletins at (781) 690-0057 or email him at ashea@pilotbulletins.net. Thank you!

BUDGET ENVELOPES:

If you haven't received your envelope box and you have consistently used them last year, please contact Lucy at (508) 995-7351. If you registered after September, you will receive your envelope box the first week of January. Thank you.

PASSING THROUGH BETHLEHEM



Please Join St. John Neumann Church for Music, Readings, and Scripture featuring their Choir and Cantors

January, 6, 2019 3:30 pm in the church.

A perfect way to close out the season of Christmas. Join them for an hour of music, readings, and scripture on the Feast of the Epiphany

INCLEMENT WEATHER: The Obligation to Attend Sunday (Saturday afternoon) Mass Cardinal Dolan of New York has good advice for us all: “Catholics take Sunday mass very seriously, but the Church never asks us to risk our health or safety to get to church on the Lord’s Day. Please be careful! Do not take any chance with your safety and health if things get dangerous.” I add that prudence and “common sense” should guide your decision to get to church. You are asked to “do your best” but no more.

Pray for no Sunday snowstorms!

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The Diocese of Fall River Vocation Office is hosting a discernment weekend for Men ages 18-45 at the Betania II Spiritual Life and Marian Center, 154 Summer St. Medway, MA from Friday February 22 to Sunday February 24. If interested, please contact Fr. Jack Schrader at frschrader@fallrivervocations.org or 508-695-6161.

MASS ETIQUETTE: It is great that so many people are friends and want to say hello, however, the church is primarily a place of prayer and if people are talking with one another, it is a distraction to those who are trying to speak to our Lord in prayer. I would kindly ask that we maintain a prayerful silence before Holy Mass and greet one another after Mass.

JANUARY 8TH

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.

THE DIOCESAN MARRIAGE PREPARATION PROGRAM

needs more team couples--both newly married and veterans (age is not a consideration). We constantly hear from those working in the program, how much they get out of their involvement. The Diocesan Marriage Preparation program meets in three locations: Mansfield, Dartmouth and Dennisport on Cape Cod. In each location there is a team of volunteers that facilitate three to five sessions per year. If you are interested in serving in this ministry, please email or call the Office of Faith Formation at bbonneau@dfrcs.org or 508-678-2828 Ext. 13.

FACE: The Foundation to Advance Catholic Education invites you and your family to the 14th Annual Winter Brunch: When: Sunday, February 3, 2019 Where: Coonamessett Inn 311 Gifford Street Falmouth, MA Time: 11:15AM – 2:00PM Cost: \$30 adult, \$15 youth (under 13) Enjoy: A visit from Wally, the official mascot of the Boston Red Sox, raffles with fantastic prizes, including five Walt Disney World® Tickets Contact: Jane Robin at (508) 759-3566, via email at JaneR@dioc-fr.org for tickets and sponsorship opportunities, or to purchase tickets or sponsorships online, please go to www.face-dfr.org. Seating is

May this Epiphany be a reminder that Christ is incarnate in the love and care we manifest to each other in our ordinary daily lives together.

