

Our Lady of Fatima Church



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PARISH STAFF

Rev. John A. Raposo, *Pastor*

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Mrs. Lucy Pinto, *Parish Secretary*

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 BAPTISM OF THE LORD—January 13, 2019



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
Monday	January	14, 8:00 AM	Virginio & Etelvina Arruda & sons & son-in-law by family
Tuesday	January	15, 8:00 AM	Etelinda Chaves by Family
Wednesday	January	16, 8:00 AM	Anibal Tavares by Family
Friday	January	18, 8:00 AM	For the Intentions of the Immaculate Heart of Mary
Saturday	January	19, 4:00 PM	Lydia Verissimo by Gayle Freitas
Sunday	January	20, 8:00 AM	Marcelino, Emilia, Maggie & Joseph Pacheco
		10:00 AM	Lionel Racine by George & Maureen Pedro



Sanctuary Lamp: Special intention for Tony
Our Lady of Fatima: In memory of George & Yvonne Dupuis

WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT:

Collection last weekend: \$2,615.00 Thank you!
Holy Day transferred to SVDP: \$756.00 Thank you!
Expenses last week: \$1,922.36 (\$1,010.00 salaries, \$400.00 parish assessment, \$512.36 FICA & state tax withholding)

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.

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:

Trust in prayer!
Be patient in God's timing.



"You don't always feel Me in the same way, but don't let the darkness hinder you from going forward. Humble yourself and go on your way faithfully. Keep going. You don't see Me or feel Me, but I'm there – Love itself, holding out My arms to you. Nothing ever makes Me lose sight of My children on earth. Their ideas are short-lived, and so they imagine I am like them in this.

But I am perfect poise, the same yesterday, today and forever. I am the Presence, the loving Look. I am this second of time and I am Eternity. The One who calls so that you may come without fear and throw yourself upon My heart. I call. You, at least you, My child, be the response."

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.

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.

The Greater New Bedford Catholic Schools “Celebrates the Beauty of Every Child” by providing an educational culture that helps students from across the academic spectrum reach their God-given potential. With an emphasis on service and respect for the dignity of every person, we prepare students to meet the challenges of today's diverse world and become meaningful contributors to society.

We invite you to visit our schools and experience our intimate environment where students feel safe, welcomed and loved — and form friendships that last a lifetime.

Please join us for our Catholic Schools Week Open House.

All Saints Catholic School Sunday, January 27th 11:30 am - 2 pm and Friday, February 1, 5:30 - 6:30 pm www.ascsnb.org

Holy Family-Holy Name School Sunday, Jan. 27th 12:30 - 2:30. www.hfhn.org

St Francis Xavier School Sunday, January 27th from 12-2pm. www.sfxacushnet.com

St James-St John School Tuesday Jan 29th from 6:00-8:00pm www.sjsjschool.com

St Joseph School Sunday, January 27th 11:30 - 2:00. www.saintjosephschool.org

We look forward to meeting you and learning about the beauty you will bring to our school community!

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.

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 Saint Vincent de Paul Society members of Our Lady of Fatima Parish would like to thank our Parishioners for the generous amount of non-perishable foods as well as donations of monies that were donated this past Christmas and New Years season. We would appreciate the continued donation of non-perishable foods to be left in the front foyer of the church.. Again thank you for your continued generosity.

SISTER ROSE SHELTER SISTER ROSE EMERGENCY OVERFLOW SHELTER is located at 71 Division St in New Bedford and is managed by Catholic Social Services. The shelter is open to the homeless on nights that the weather turns colder than 28 degrees or a blizzard is expected. They are also looking for volunteers to help at the shelter with preparing meals and serving and are also looking for donations of food. If you are interested in donating food or time, please call Robin Muise at 774-553-5490.



If you would like a letter stating your **parish contributions for 2018**, please fill out the clip-off below and place in the collection basket. Your statement will be mailed to you. **Note:** If you want your statement from Our Lady of Fatima to reflect your donations, please be sure to use budget envelopes. Unfortunately loose checks and cash will **not** be reflected on your statement.

2018 Tax Statement

I would like a statement of my contributions for 2018.

2018 Budget Envelope # _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Zip Code _____