

Our Lady of Fatima Church



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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: _____

EASTER SUNDAY APRIL 21, 2019



Saturday	April	20,	4:00 PM	Missa Pro Populo
Sunday	April	21,	8:00 AM	For the intention of the Easter Flower Memorial
			10:00 AM	Hildeberto Oliveira, Manuel, Maria, Emanuel & Luduina Furtado by Family
Monday	April	22,	8:00 AM	Diane, Maria & Tony Pereira by Mark Pereira
Tuesday	April	23,	8:00 AM	Anibal Tavares by Family
Wednesday	April	24,	8:00 AM	Mary Machado
Friday	April	26,	8:00 AM	For the victims of abortion and for all who vote to make it legal
Saturday	April	27,	9:00 AM	Lillian Hathaway by Family
Sunday	April	28,	8:00 AM	Antonio & Joseph DaPonte, Artur Freitas, Maria Melo, & Cecilia Pereira by Family
			10:00 AM	Tom Clark by Family



Sanctuary Lamp: In memory of Anibal Tavares
Our Lady of Fatima: In memory of Louise Caldwell

WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT:

Collection last weekend: \$2,355.50 Thank you!!!
Extra Effort: \$1,085.05 Thank you!
Expenses last week: \$4,170.41 (\$1,060.00 salaries, \$450.00 snow removal & sanding, \$400.00 parish assessment, \$671.30 FICA & state tax withholding, \$1,589.11 clergy medical)

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 ol-ofnb@comcast.net.

CANDLES INTENTIONS FOR JUNE 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.



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.



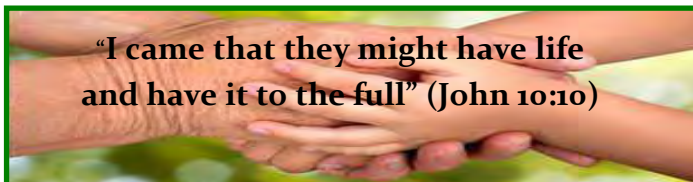
Only God knows what another truly needs. We cannot read another's soul unless this special grace were given to us by God. But each of us is called to pray fervently for others. At times, if we are open, God will place on our hearts the need to pray fervently for another. If we feel called to enter into special prayers for another, we may also be surprised to find that God will suddenly open the door for a holy and heartfelt conversation that this person desperately needs (See *Diary* #396).

Has God placed a certain person on your heart? Is there a particular person that often comes to mind? If so, pray for that person and tell God you are ready and willing to be there for that person if it be His Will. Then wait and pray some more. If God so desires, you will find that, at the right time and the right place, your openness to this person could make an eternal difference.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Lord, give me a fervent heart of prayer. Help me to be open to those whom You place in my path. And as I pray for those in need, I make myself available to You to be used as You will. Jesus, I trust in You.

"I came that they might have life and have it to the full" (John 10:10)





Please join your parish in prayer on the
Feast of Divine Mercy
Sunday, April 28th at
3:00 PM.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Adoration, Recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy based on the Sorrowful Mysteries and Benediction.

Mankind will have no peace until it turns with trust to My Mercy.

There is a close link between this devotion and the pro-life movement. Fr. Seraphim Michalenko, MIC, who was a principal translator of St. Faustina's diary, and the postulator of her cause of canonization, writes the following: "On at least three occasions, from 8:00-11:00 in the evening, she felt like her insides were being torn apart. She suffered so much that she thought she was going to die. The doctors couldn't figure out what was ailing her, and no medication was able to alleviate her sufferings. Later, she was given to understand that she was undergoing those pains for mothers who were aborting their children (Diary, 1276). "On another occasion, she had a vision of an angel coming with thunderbolts to destroy one of the most beautiful cities of her country. And she felt powerless to do anything about it (Diary, 474). What antidote did the Lord give her? The Chaplet of Divine Mercy. [She explained] that the city was to be chastised for its sins, primarily the sin of abortion." ("Wombs of Mercy," Marian Helpers Bulletin, Summer 1995, p.13). In 2003, Pope John Paul II issued an Apostolic Blessing to all who pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet "for mothers, that they not abort their offspring; for infants in danger of being put to death in the womb; for a change of heart of providers of abortions and of their collaborators; for human victims of stem cell research, genetic manipulation, cloning and euthanasia; and for all entrusted with the government of peoples, that they may promote the Culture of Life, so as to put an end to the culture of death."



WELCOME TO THE CHRISTIAN FAMILY!

Olivia Ilene Souza, daughter of Paul and Kristie Souza was baptized last Sunday, April 14th. The parish family welcomes her warmly to our family of faith.

NEW BEDFORD TRI-PARISH PLANNING

St. Mary ~ Our Lady of Fatima ~ St. Joseph - St. Therese

**April 25, 2019 -
 6pm - 9pm
 St. Mary's Church**

ALL ARE WELCOME!

At this meeting you will have the opportunity to volunteer to be a member of one of the following committees:

- 1. Worship and Sacraments**
- 2. Adult Formation**
- 3. Youth Ministry and Formation**
- 4. Evangelization and Vocations**
- 5. Community Outreach and Partnership**
- 6. Administration**

May the Risen Lord fill you and your loved ones with His abundant blessings in this Easter Season. You will be remembered in my prayers at Mass this Easter.

Fr. John Raposo



HAPPY EASTER!

**Rejoice for He is
 Risen!!!**

**Alleluia! Alleluia!
 Alleluia!**