

# Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church

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## Office Hours

**Tuesday-Friday**  
**9:00 A.M.– 3:30 P.M.**

## Sacraments

**Masses: Saturday..... 4:00 P.M.**  
**Sunday..... 7:00 A.M.**  
**11:00 A.M.**

### **Adoration of the Holy Eucharist**

**Every 1st Friday of the month**  
**8:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon**

**Baptism:** Parents desiring Baptism for their children are encouraged to contact the Rectory to arrange for the required preparation class for parents and Godparents

**Funeral:** Please contact the Rectory for Funeral Arrangements. Funerals are not permitted on Sundays or Holy Days of Obligation.

**Anointing of the Sick:** If you or a family member is Sick or Shut-in, please inform the Rectory so that we may arrange to bring the Sacraments to your home, hospital or nursing home.

**Marriage:** For Marriage Arrangements, please contact the Rectory at least 6 months before intended marriage date.

**Confessions:**  
Saturdays 3:00 P.M. to 3:45 P.M.  
Sundays 6:00 A.M. to 6:45 A.M.  
10:00 A.M. to 10:45 A.M.



## Sunday, March 24, 2024 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

### **Parish Mission Statement**

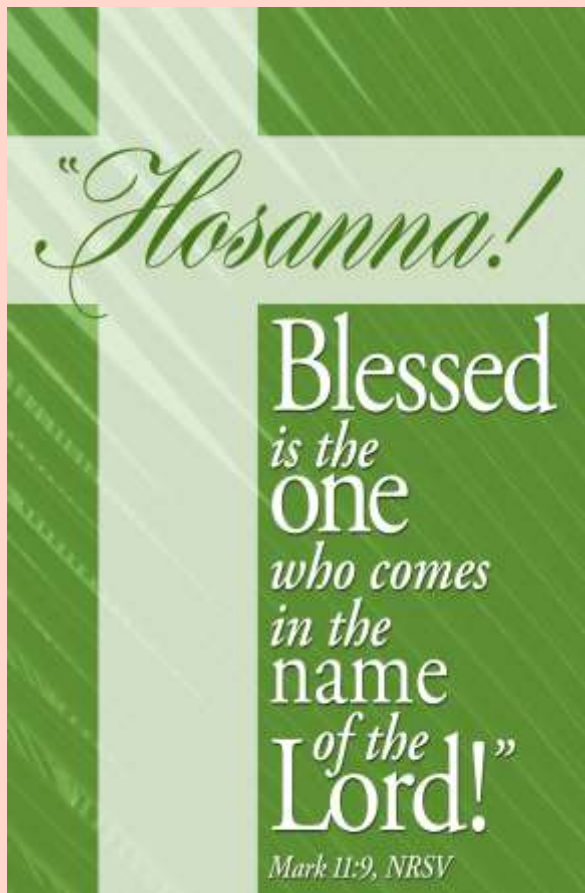
*Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church is committed to proclaiming our belief in the Message and Mission of Jesus Christ. Also, the members are committed to sharing our time, talent, and treasure through Sacramental, Educational and Pastoral ministry, Service to those in need and working for Social Justice.*

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### **Church Membership**

There are levels of Church membership. Anyone living within the boundaries of our parish for at least 6 months is automatically a member. Those who live inside or outside our boundaries and choose to "register" are members. "Contributing members" are those who choose to use the envelopes on a regular basis and are entitled to regular financial reports from the rectory.

## TODAY'S GOSPEL READING & Reflection



Scripture: Mark 11:1-10

The colt was a sign of peace. Jesus enters Jerusalem in meekness and humility, as the Messianic King who offers victory and peace to his people. That victory and peace would be secured in the cross and resurrection which would soon take place at the time of Passover.

Jesus Christ came to bring us the kingdom of God. He is the true King who offers peace, joy, and everlasting life for those who accept his kingship. Does the King of glory find a welcome entry in your heart and home? Do your walls echo with the praise of his glory?

### A Prayer of Devotion

*Lord Jesus, be the King and Ruler of my heart, mind, life, and home. May my life reflect your meekness and humility that you may be honored as the King of glory! – Amen*



## Today's Psalm

### *Psalm 24:3-10*

3 Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD? And who shall stand in his holy place?

4 He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to what is false, and does not swear deceitfully.

5 He will receive blessing from the LORD, and vindication from the God of his salvation.

6 Such is the generation of those who seek him, who seek the face of the God of Jacob. [Selah]

7 Lift up your heads, O gates! and be lifted up, O ancient doors! that the King of glory may come in.

8 Who is the King of glory? The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle!

9 Lift up your heads, O gates! and be lifted up, O ancient doors! that the King of glory may come in.

10 Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory!

### Daily Readings

Sunday: Mark 11:1-10  
Isaiah 50:4-7  
Mark 14:1—15:47

Monday: Isaiah 42:1-7  
John 12:1-11

Tuesday: Isaiah 49:1-6  
John 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday: Isaiah 50:4-9a  
Matthew 26:14-25

Thursday: Isaiah 61: 1-3a, 6a, 8b-9  
Revelation 1:5-8  
Luke 4:16-21  
Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14  
I Corinthians 11:23-26  
John 13:1-15

Friday: Isaiah 52:13—53:12  
Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9  
John 18:1—19:42

Saturday: Genesis 1:1—2:2  
Genesis 22:1-18  
Exodus 14:15—15:1  
Isaiah 54:5-14  
Isaiah 55:1-11  
Baruch 3:9-15, 32—4:4  
Ezekiel 36:16-17a, 18-28  
Romans 6:3-11  
Mark 16:1-7

## Stewardship Update

March 16th & 17th

Saturday 4:00 P.M.	\$ 370.00
Sunday 7:00 A.M.	\$1,255.00
Sunday 11:00 A.M.	\$2,491.00
Mailed In	\$ 755.00
Church Improvements	\$ 890.00
Security Fund	\$ 115.00
Extra Items	\$ 240.00

**Total: \$6,116.00**

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Please continue to make effort to return security envelopes weekly. If you have not received the "Security Fund" envelope, please pick some up from the vestibule.

## Birthdays & Anniversaries



Lillie Bickerstaff 3/28

Frederic Bolling 3/30

Emily Bell 3/19

Tony Bell 3/2

David Brown 3/7

Nefertari Brown 3/10

Brooke Brown 3/26

Laurelia Caldwell 3/9

Lisa Cooper 3/4

Kimberly Danks 3/15 Eric Garrick 3/28

Jarrell Hall 3/21 Jasmine Hilson 3/3

Darren Hunter 3/8 Bettye Kelly 3/15

Caitlin Leonard 3/20 David Montgomery 3/1

Dorothy Murphy 3/14 Dawn Patterson 3/7

Bertha Randall 3/30 Terrell Randall 3/17

Donna Robinson 3/16 Jeffery Robinson 3/5



Nathan & Bettye Kelly *married on 03/28*  
Earnest & Katie Riggins *married on 03/22*

*May many blessings be upon you as you celebrate another year. Happy Birthday & Anniversary to this month's honorees. May God continue to watch over you.*

## First Friday Devotion

On the 1st Friday of every month, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed from 8:00 A.M. until 12:00 Noon. Everyone is invited to participate in the Adoration of the Holy Eucharist.

Upcoming Devotion Date:

**April 5, 2024**

## OLF News & Updates

- The Adult Choir has elected new Officers. They will be inaugurated on Sunday, April 7th.

Choir Master: Shaun Pezant

President: Carol Prince

Vice President: Kathleen Davis

Secretary: Teresa Mauldin

Treasurer: Andrea Colston

**Please, the copies of the Missalette are NOT meant to be taken home. Leave them in the Church!**

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- Bible Study will resume on April 3rd.



## Sick & Shut-In

Liz Arrington,

Yolanda Collins

Belva Harris

Ronald Greene

Shanitra Johnson

Vascaus Saunders

Joycelyn Bayles

Rosa Lell Craig

Elizabeth Harris

Hazel Jackson

Douglass Mooror

Allen Small

Robert Tankersley

## ?? ? Bible Quiz ? ??

As Jesus entered Jerusalem on a donkey, crowds praised him loudly. When Pharisees told him to silence the people, what did Jesus say would shout if his followers didn't?

- A. Stones
- B. Palm branches
- C. Trees
- D. Hillsides





# Announcements

## Stations of the Cross

Every Friday during the Lenten Season  
6:00 P.M.

## Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday Mass— March 24th  
Vigil-4:00 P.M.

Sunday- 7:00 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.  
Holy Thursday Mass— March 28th  
6:00 P.M.

*Followed by One Hour Adoration of the  
Holy Eucharist*

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Good Friday-March 29th

Stations of the Cross 2:00 P.M.

Celebration of the Lord's Passion 6:00 P.M.

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Holy Saturday-March 30th  
Activities begin at 8:00 P.M.

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Easter Sunday Mass— March 31st  
7:00 A.M. & 11:00 A.M

*The Adult Choir of Our Lady of Fatima will  
be selling fish dinners and sandwiches on  
Good Friday, March 29, 11:00AM - 5:00PM.  
Tickets may be purchased from:*

**Garry Cauthen 4:00PM Mass,**

**Darcy Prince 7:00AM Mass**

**any adult choir member 11:00AM Mass.**



A sign-up sheet for the New Church Directory is on the table in the Vestibule. It has time slots for 50 families. Please sign-up your family as soon as possible so we can determine if another photo date will be necessary. Dates are going fast; therefore, the sooner we fill these slots; the sooner additional dates can be requested.  
contact **Peggy W. Polk (205) 810-4027** or **Theresa Mauldin (205) 601-9545.**



## KUJENGA

An African American Leadership Conference

**“Rejuvenated Belief & Understanding of  
the Eucharist”**

**Calling All Teens!!!!**

**April 19-21, 2024**

**Springville Camp**

**3886 Mountain View Road**

**Odenville, AL 35120**

*Please sign up on the signup sheet in the  
church vestibule.*

*For more information contact:*

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