

Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church

Sunday, January 30, 2022– Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Parish Staff

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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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Sacraments

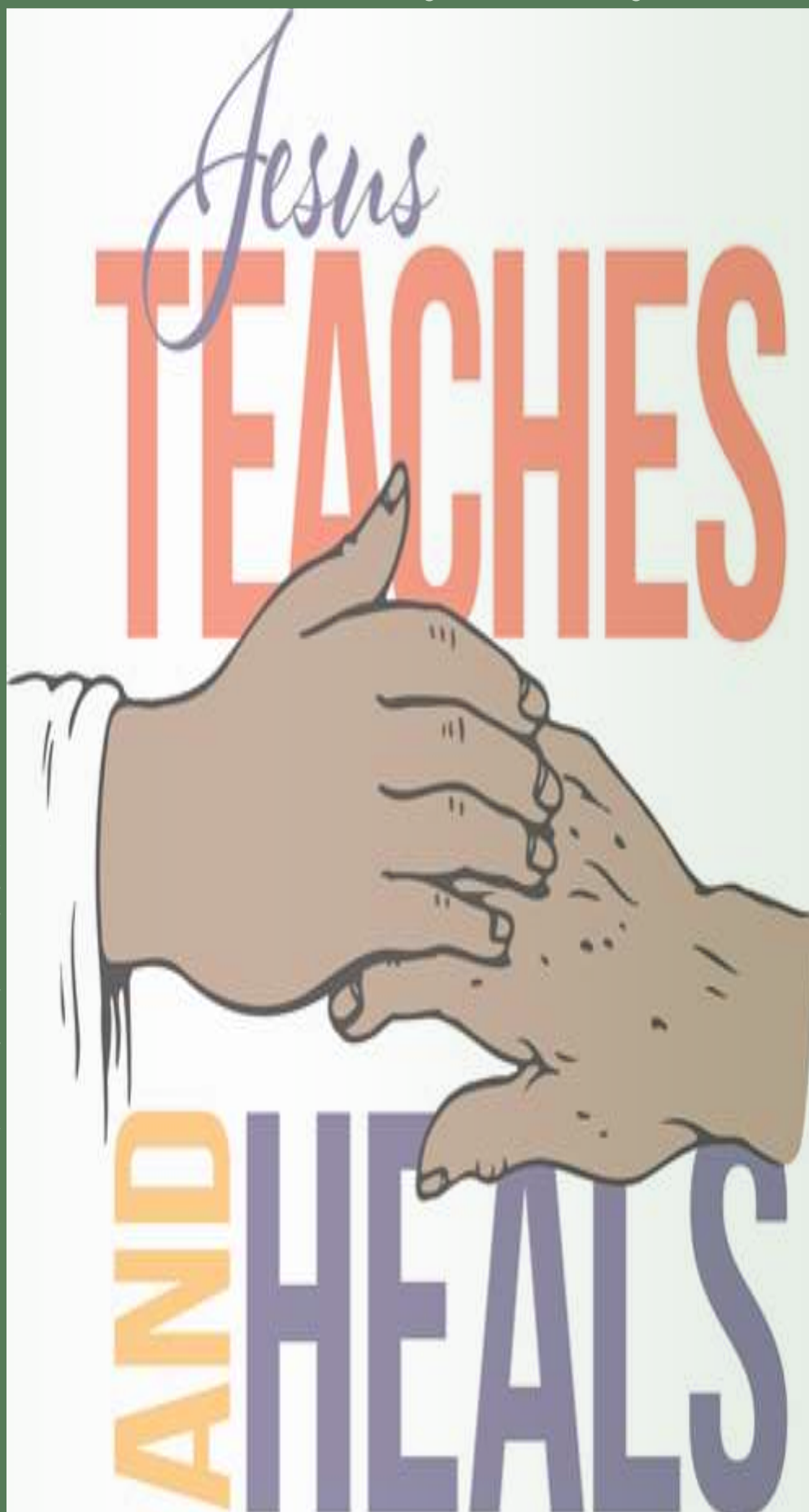
Baptism: Parents desiring Baptism for their children are encouraged to contact the Rectory to arrange for the required preparation class for parents and Godparents

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: 30 minutes before weekend Masses or by appointment.



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Jesus' Power to Heal and Cleanse

Luke 4:21-30

Do you believe that God wants to act with power in your life today? Power to set you free from sin and hurtful desires, fear and oppression. Throughout the Scriptures we see God performing mighty acts to save his people from death and destruction.

Confronting the sin of indifference and unbelief

When Jesus first proclaimed the good news of God's kingdom to his own townspeople at Nazareth, he did not hesitate to confront them with their sin of indifference and unbelief. He startled his listeners in the synagogue at Nazareth with a seeming rebuke that no prophet or servant of God could receive honor among his own people. He then angered them when he complimented Gentiles (non-Jews) who had shown more faith in God than the "chosen ones" of Israel. Some who despised the Gentiles even spoke of them as "fuel for the fires of hell." Jesus' praise for "outsiders" offended the ears of his own people because they were blind-sighted to God's merciful plan of redemption for all the nations. The word of rebuke spoken by Jesus was met with indignation and hostility. The Nazarenes forcibly threw him out of their town and would have done him physical harm had he not stopped them.

We all stand in need of God's grace and merciful help every day and every moment of our lives. Scripture tells us that "the steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning." God gives grace to the humble who seek him with expectant faith and with a repentant heart that wants to be made whole and clean again.

The Lord Jesus will set us free from every sinful habit and every harmful way of relating to our neighbor, if we allow him to cleanse and heal us. If we want to walk in freedom and grow in love and holiness, then we must humbly renounce our sinful ways and submit to Christ's instruction and healing discipline in our lives. Scripture tells us that the Lord disciplines us for our good that we may share his holiness (Hebrews 12:10). Do you want the Lord Jesus to set you free and make you whole again? Ask him to show you the way to walk in his healing love and truth.

Lord Jesus, teach me to love your ways that I may be quick to renounce sin and wilfulness in my life. Make me whole and clean again that I may delight to do your will. – Amen

Birthday & Anniversary Wishes



Valencia Andrews 1/3
 Marcus Bell 1/11
 John Benjamin 1/31
 Angela Bolling 1/30
 Carol Bradley 1/3
 Andrea Colston 1/4
 Iris Davis 1/9
 Elizabeth Harris 1/27
 Mildred Hunter 1/1
 Robyn Houston 1/8
 Brantley Jones 1/7
 Brevyn Jones 1/6
 Jacob Kangah 1/29 Nathan Kelly 1/30
 Harry Lee 1/14 Adrian Mason 1/11
 Adrian Polk 1/4 Cameron Nixon 1/10
 Brent Patterson 1/25 Darcy J. Prince 1/19
 Shane Sims 1/12 Shuanya Shepherd 1/26
 Arthur Williams 1/1 Karen Williams 1/21



Arthur & Allean Delemus married on January 16th

**Birthday, and anniversary greetings are extended to all parishioners who are celebrating this month. (Dates are generated from the parish registration forms)*

Daily Readings for the Week



Sunday: Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19
 I Corinthians 12:31—13:131
 Luke 4:21-30

Monday: II Samuel 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13
 Mark 5:1-20

Tuesday: II Samuel 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a
 Mark 5:21-43

Wednesday: Malachi 3:1-4
 Hebrews 2:14-18
 Luke 2:22-40

Thursday: I Kings 2:1-4, 10-12
 Mark 6:7-13

Friday: Sirach 47:2-11
 Mark 6:14-29

Saturday: I Kings 3:4-13
 Mark 6:30-34

Prayers for Sick & Shut-In

Lenora Bolling, Albert Carson, Rosa Lell Craig,
 Arthur Delemus, Belva Harris, Ronald Greene,
 Yolanda Collins, Billy Shepherd, Robert Tankersley
***If you know of anyone who is very ill and confined (at home, in a nursing home or in the hospital), please contact Father Ani at the Rectory or one of these members who serve with the Pastoral Care to the Sick Ministry:
 Bettye Kelly, 205-942-2576, Lela Flood. 205-798-6355, or
 Elizabeth Harris, 205-8338412*

TODAY'S PSALM

~71:1-6,15,17~

- 1 In you, O LORD, do I take refuge; let me never be put to shame!
- 2 In your righteousness deliver me and rescue me; incline your ear to me, and save me!
- 3 Be to me a rock of refuge, a strong fortress, to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress.
- 4 Rescue me, O my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the grasp of the unjust and cruel man.
- 5 For you, O Lord, are my hope, my trust, O LORD, from my youth.
- 6 Upon you I have leaned from my birth; you are he who took me from my mother's womb. My praise is continually of you.
- 15 My mouth will tell of your righteous acts, of your deeds of salvation all the day, for their number is past my knowledge.
- 17 O God, from my youth you have taught me, and I still proclaim your wondrous deeds.

Stewardship Update

Last Week: January 22nd & 23rd



Please Remember To Give

Please consider donating flowers in honor or memory of a loved one. Donation Request Forms are located in the vestibule.

Weekly Announcements



*Annual
Giving
Statements*

Its that time of year!

Preparations are being made to begin distribution of end of the year

statements. Please send an email or call the Church Rectory to request your statement and your preferred mode of delivery. To reduce mailing costs, email is highly recommended. Thank you for your support throughout the year!

There will be a Confirmation Celebration at The Cathedral of St. Paul, Saturday February 12, 2022 at 10:00 A.M.

The following youths will be confirmed:

- Jada Benjamin
- Ethan Boykin
- Mykayla Bolling
- Anaiyah Caldwell
- Gabriel Earl
- Anthony Hicks
- Cameron Hill
- Cameron Nixon
- Dylan Twymon

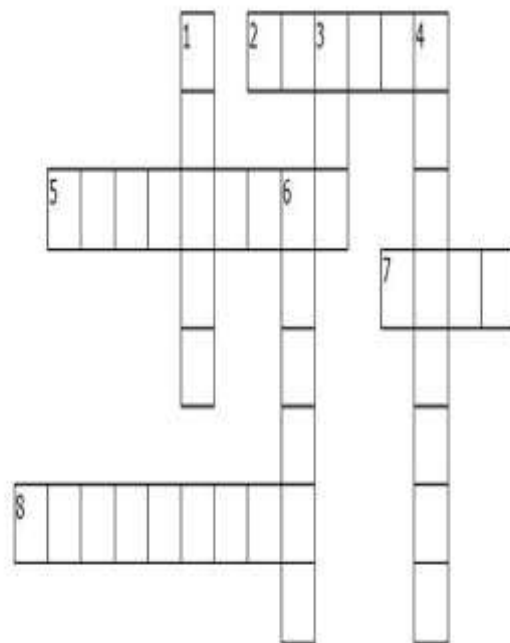


Celebrating Their Confirmation

Jesus Rejected in Nazareth

"Truly I tell you," he continued, "no prophet is accepted in his hometown." Luke 4:24

Puzzle is based on Luke 4:21-30



ACROSS

- 2. The earthly father of Jesus
- 5. Another word for a doctor
- 7. To make or become healthy again
- 8. The sacred writings of the Bible

DOWN

- 1. An area of high, steep rocks beside the sea
- 3. A person's male child
- 4. The town where you grew up
- 6. To be very surprised

AMAZED	PHYSICIAN	SON	HOMETOWN
HEAL	JOSEPH	CLIFF	SCRIPTURE