



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.

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.



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.



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.

June 9, 2024

Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

TODAY'S GOSPEL READING & Reflection

Scripture: Mark 3:20-35

Who do you love and cherish the most? God did not intend for us to be alone, but to be with others. He gives us many opportunities for developing relationships with family, friends, neighbors, and co-workers. Why did Jesus, on this occasion, seem to ignore his own relatives when they pressed to see him? His love and respect for his mother and his relatives was unquestionable. Jesus never lost an opportunity to teach his disciples a spiritual lesson and truth about the kingdom of God. On this occasion when many gathered to hear Jesus he pointed to another higher reality of relationships, namely our relationship with God and with those who belong to God.

What is the essence of being a Christian? It is certainly more than doctrine, precepts, and commandments. It is first and foremost a relationship - a relationship of trust, affection, commitment, loyalty, faithfulness, kindness, thoughtfulness, compassion, mercy, helpfulness, encouragement, support, strength, protection, and so many other qualities that bind people together in mutual love and unity. God offers us the greatest of relationships - union of heart, mind, and spirit with himself, the very author and source of love. God's love never fails, never forgets, never compromises, never lies, never lets us down nor disappoints us. God is a trinity of three divine persons - Father, Son, and Holy Spirit - and a community of love. That is why Jesus challenged his followers and even his own earthly relatives to recognize that God is the true source of all relationships. God wants all of our relationships to be rooted in his love.

A Prayer of Devotion

Lord Jesus, fill me with your Holy Spirit that I may serve you joyfully and serve my neighbor willingly with a generous heart, not looking for how much I can get, but rather looking for how much I can give.. – Amen

Today's Psalm

Psalm 130:1-7

- 1 Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD!
- 2 Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!
- 3 If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand?
- 4 But there is forgiveness with you, that you may be feared.
- 5 I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in his word I hope;
- 6 my soul waits for the LORD more than watchmen for the morning, more than watchmen for the morning.
- 7 O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with him is plenteous redemption.

Daily Readings

- Sunday: Genesis 3:9-15
II Corinthians 4:13—5:1
Mark 3:20-25
- Monday: I Kings 17:1-6
Matthew 5:1-12
- Tuesday: Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3
Matthew 5:13-16
- Wednesday: I Kings 18:20-39
Matthew 5:17-19
- Thursday: I Kings 18:41-46
Matthew 5:20-26
- Friday: I Kings 19:9a, 11-16
Matthew 5:27-32
- Saturday: I Kings 19:19-21
Matthew 5:33-37

Sick & Shut-In

Liz Arrington,	Joycelyn Bayles
Yolanda Collins	Rosa Lell Craig
Belva Harris	Elizabeth Harris
Ronald Greene	Hazel Jackson
Vascaus Saunders	Allen Small
	Robert Tankersley

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On the 1st Friday of every month, those that are sick will be anointed after the morning Mass.

Stewardship Update

June 1st & 2nd

Saturday 4:00 P.M.	\$1,645.00
Sunday 7:00 A.M.	\$2,704.00
Sunday 11:00 A.M.	\$2,747.00
Mailed In	\$ 315.00
Church Improvements	\$ 825.00
Security Fund	\$ 315.00
Extra Items	\$ 299.00

Total: \$8,850.00

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



Gwendolyn Bell 6/27
Kathleen Davis 6/30
Michael Davis 6/30
Doris DeLemus 6/28
Betty Edosomwan 6/4
Jasmine Fells 6/5
Allen Flood 6/29
Jennifer Harris 6/19
Rodrick Hilson 6/5
Sarah Katona 6/17
Lauren Juzang 6/22
Alice Jackson 6/25
Roy Johnson 6/1
Shanitra Johnson 6/14
Ivory Kangah 6/6
Emily Mardis 6/20
Sidney Nolan 6/12
Deborah Poe 6/27
Lynn Twymon 6/10
Minnie White 6/30
Lori Watkins 6/5



Keith & Veronica Boykin married on June 1st
Allen & Lela Flood married on June 29th
C.J. & Fannie Hasberry married in June of 1962
Jillian Johnson married on June 20th
Nathaniel & Debra Mays married on June 25th
Darcy & Carol Prince married on June 5th
Jerald & Wilma Norris married on June 17th
Anthony & Terrie Outlin married on June 17th
Roderick & Phyllis Palmer married on June 28th
Adam & Rosie Thrash married on June 26th

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.

Special Dates

- Flag Day, June 14, 2024
- Father's Day, June 16, 2024
- Juneteenth, June 19, 2024
- First day of summer, June 20, 2024

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:
July 5, 2024

OLF News & Updates

- If you did not take a picture for the Parish Directory but would like to be included in the unavailable section, please provide an appropriate head shot to Peggy Polk or Theresa Mauldin. Unlike the previous vendors of our directory; Color Craft is charging us \$15.00 per directory for members who did not purchase a package or pay the \$15.00 for your directory photo. If you fall in this category and wish to purchase a directory, please let us know.
- We are asking all parishioners to please attend 11:00 A.M. Mass on Sunday, June 16th to help us celebrate all the fathers of our parish.



Please be aware that **I DO NOT** send out texts or video requests soliciting funds for the parish. If you receive either, please disregard. The finance council handles all money matters.

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Congratulations

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

JEREMIAH 29:11

Family Ties

"Whoever does God's will is my brother and sister and mother."
Mark 3:35 (NIV)

The puzzle is based on Mark 3:20-35



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FAMILY
LAW
HOUSE

CROWD
EAT
BROTHER

CIRCLE
MOTHER
SEATED

JESUS
DISCIPLES
TEACHERS

DIVIDED
KINGDOM
GOD