



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.



November 10, 2024

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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.

TODAY'S GOSPEL READING & Reflection

Scripture: Mark 12:38-44

This Poor Widow Has Put in More Than the Rest

Jesus taught his disciples a dramatic lesson in generous giving with love and devotion. Jesus praised a poor widow who gave the smallest of coins in contrast with the rich who gave greater sums. How can someone in poverty give more than someone who has ample means? Jesus' answer is very simple - love is more precious than gold!

Jesus taught that real giving must come from the heart. A gift that is given with a grudge or for display loses most of its value. But a gift given out of love, with a spirit of generosity and sacrifice, is invaluable. The amount or size of the gift doesn't matter as much as the cost to the giver. The poor widow could have kept one of her coins, but instead she recklessly gave away all she had! Jesus praised someone who gave barely a penny - how insignificant a sum - because it was everything she had, her whole living. What we have to offer may look very small and not worth much, but if we put all we have at the Lord's disposal, no matter how insignificant it may seem, then God can do with it and with us what is beyond our reckoning. Do you know the joy and freedom of giving liberally to God and to neighbor with gratitude and love?

A Prayer of Devotion

Lord Jesus, all that I have is yours. Take my life, my possessions, my time and all that I have and use them as you desire for your glory. – Amen

Weekly Quote

*“The fear of the Lord is glory and exultation, gladness and a festive crown”
-Ecclesiastes 1:11*

Today's Psalm

Psalm 146:7-10

7 He upholds the cause of the oppressed and gives food to the hungry. The Lord sets prisoners free,
8 the Lord gives sight to the blind, the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down, the Lord loves the righteous.

9 The Lord watches over the foreigner and sustains the fatherless and the widow, but he frustrates the ways of the wicked.

10 The Lord reigns forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations..

Daily Readings

Sunday: I Kings 17:10-16
Hebrews 9:24-28
Mark 12:38-44

Monday: Titus 1:1-9
Luke 17:1-6

Tuesday: Titus 2:1-8, 11-14
Luke 17:7-10

Wednesday: Titus 3:1-7
Luke 17:11-19

Thursday: Philemon 7-20
Luke 17:20-25

Friday: II John 4-9
Luke 17:26-37

Saturday: III John 5-8
Luke 18:1-8

Sick & Shut-In

Yolanda Collins	Elizabeth Harris
Ronald Greene	Douglas Robinson
Hazel Jackson	Vascus Saunders
Allen Small	Robert Tankersley
Juanita Webb	

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

Stewardship Update

November 1st, 2nd, 3rd

Saturday 4:00 P.M.	\$1,947.00
Sunday 7:00 A.M.	\$2,685.00
Sunday 11:00 A.M.	\$2,942.00
Mailed In	\$ 630.00
All Saints	\$1,172.00
All Souls	\$ 131.00
Church Improvements	\$ 755.00
Extra Items	\$1,030.00

Total: \$11,292.00

Birthdays & Anniversaries



Lizzie Arrington 11/1
 Jada Benjamin 11/5
 Rosalyn Burrell 11/20
 Daniel Bailey 11/27
 Kimberly Bell 11/19
 Veronica Boykin 11/1
 Regina DeLemus 11/2
 Mary Jackson 11/19
 Hernandez Johnson, Sr. 11/2
 Valerie Johnson 11/19 Gwendolyn Lucius 11/29
 DeAnna Minard 11/18 Lisa Mason 11/16
 Blair McNary 11/13 Defanie Mardis 11/9
 Keturah Nolan 11/10 Anthony Outlin, Sr. 11/1
 Kierra Outlin 11/16 Phyllis Palmer 11/6
 Peggy Polk 11/2 Katie Riggins 11/14
 Daniel Robinson 11/7
 Kassander Robinson 11/11



Tony & Emily Bell married on 11/26
 Elijah & Brenda Browder married on 11/21
 Jared & Kimberly Danks married on 11/24
 Arthur & Olivia Hill married on 11/14
 Ocie & Valerie White married on 11/22

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.

Special Dates

- Veterans Day, November 11th
- Christ the King Sunday, November 24th
- Thanksgiving Day, November 28th

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:
December 6, 2024



~Chip Henry Bell-Wood~

Son of Stephen & Jillian Bell-Wood and grandson of William & Sharon Bell who passed away in November of 2019 at birth

OLF News & Updates

- 7:00 A.M. Mass will be having Coffee Shop in the place of 1st Sunday Breakfast on every first Sunday of the month. If anyone wishes to contribute, please do so.
- Any group that makes use of the Parish Hall **MUST** clean it immediately following activity.
- November is Black Catholic History Month! Research facts about Black Catholics! The more you know, the more you GROW!
- The Parish Calendar is expected to be published by December 20th. Any group or ministry that wants its annual activities listed must submit them to the secretary by the end of this month.

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**Save The Date!!!!!!
Advent Reflection Night:
"Thy Will be Done"**

Thursday, December 5, 2024

Our Lady of Fatima invites everyone to join us as we welcome Fr. Gray Bean of St. Teresa Catholic Church. Snacks will be served 5:00p.m.-6:00 p.m.

Outdoor security will be provided!



Looking for an envelope to make a Saint Vincent de Paul (SVdP) donation? Envelopes for SVdP donations are now located on the side of the drop box in the Vestibule, near the Peach Room. Cash or checks payable to "SVdP OLF Conference" may be placed in the Box anytime. We rely on your tax-deductible donations, large and small, to continue our ministry of service. Please include your name & address on the envelope so we can acknowledge your contribution.

**Next SVdP Meeting:
Thursday, November 14th at 5:30 P.M. in
the Family Life Center**



The Widow's Mite

But a poor widow came and put in two very small copper coins, worth only a fraction of a penny. Mark 12:42

Each number represents a letter of the alphabet. Substitute the correct letter for the numbers to reveal the coded words.



1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
X	I	U	F	Y	R	N	J	K	S	M	C	L	Q	T	G	E	Z	H	B	P	D	W	O	V	A

- 11-24-7-17-5 _____
- 24-4-4-17-6-2-7-16-10 _____
- 12-24-2-7-10 _____
- 21-17-7-7-5 _____
- 15-17-11-21-13-17 _____
- 23-17-26-13-15-19 _____
- 6-2-12-19 _____
- 21-24-24-6 _____
- 21-24-25-17-6-15-5 _____
- 12-24-21-21-17-6 _____

PENNY	OFFERINGS	RICH	POOR	POVERTY
COPPER	WEALTH	MONEY	COINS	TEMPLE