



# Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church

## Parish Staff

### Pastor

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## Sacraments

### Mass:

**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.

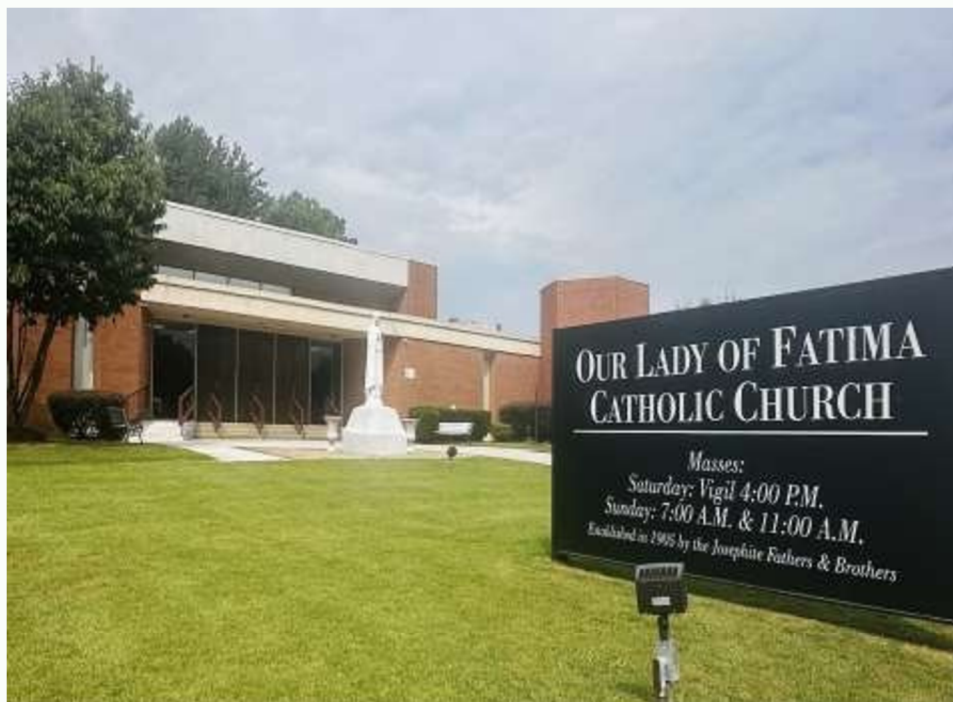
**Funeral:** Please contact the Rectory for Funeral Arrangements. Funerals are not permitted on Sundays or Holy Days of Obligation.

**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.

### Confession:

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.



## August 9, 2026

## 19th 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.*

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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: 1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a  
Romans 9:1-5  
Matthew 14:22-33

### It Is I - Have No Fear

Does the Lord Jesus seem distant when trials or adversity come your way? A great deal of failure in the Christian life is due to acting on impulse and emotional fervor without counting the cost. Peter, fortunately in the moment of his failure clutched at Jesus and held him firmly. Every time Peter fell, he rose again. His failures only made him love the Lord more deeply and trust him more intently.

The Lord keeps watch over us at all times, and especially in our moments of temptation and difficulty. Do you rely on the Lord for his strength and help? Jesus assures us that we have no need of fear if we trust in Him and in his great love for us. When calamities or trials threaten to overwhelm you, how do you respond? With faith and hope in God's love, care and presence with you?

### A Prayer of Devotion

*Lord Jesus, help me to trust you always and to never doubt your presence and your power to help me. In my moments of doubt and weakness, may I cling to you as Peter did. Strengthen my faith that I may walk straight in the path you set before me, neither veering to the left nor to the right.*



## Today's Psalm

### Psalm 85:8-13

8 Let me hear what God the LORD will speak, for he will speak peace to his people, to his saints, to those who turn to him in their hearts.

9 Surely his salvation is at hand for those who fear him, that glory may dwell in our land.

10 Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet; righteousness and peace will kiss each other.

11 Faithfulness will spring up from the ground, and righteousness will look down from the sky.

12 Yes, the LORD will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase.

13 Righteousness will go before him, and make his footsteps a way.

### Daily Readings

Sunday: 1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a  
Romans 9:1-5  
Matthew 14:22-33

Monday: 2 Corinthians 9:6-10  
John 12:24-26

Tuesday: Ezekiel 2:8-3:4  
Matthew 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday: Ezekiel 9:1-7; 10:18-22  
Matthew 18:15-20

Thursday: Ezekiel 12:1-12  
Matthew 18:21-19:1

Friday: Ezekiel 16:1-15, 60, 63  
Matthew 19:3-12

Saturday: 1 Chronicles 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2  
1 Corinthians 15:54b-57  
Luke 11:27-28

### Sick & Shut-In

Yolanda Collins  
Hazel Jackson  
Ronald Greene

Douglas Robinson  
Vascus Saunders  
Allen Small

## Stewardship Update

August 1st and 2nd

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|---------------------|------------|
| Saturday 4:00 P.M.  | \$ 995.00  |
| Sunday 7:00 A.M.    | \$1,575.00 |
| Sunday 11:00 A.M.   | \$1,963.00 |
| Church Improvements | \$ 664.00  |
| Mailed In           | \$ 391.00  |
| Second Collection   | \$ 337.00  |
| Other - AA          | 30.00      |

**Total:** \$ 5,955.00

Online Giving \$ 1,069.89

Income for the Week \$ 7,024.89

(Budget needed for the week) \$(7,125.75)

Over/Under the Week's Budget \$( 100.86)

## Birthdays & Anniversaries



Patricia Anderson 8/9

Jocelyn Bayles 8/20

Keith Boykin 8/26

Aletha Brathwaite 8/20

Carolyn Brown 8/8

Melvin Brown 8/10

Lewis Burks 8/30

Brandon Thurston Rollins-Cole 8/21

Brandon Cleveland 8/8 Jared Danks 8/30

Katherine Danks 8/6 Charles Dorsey 8/19

Travaris Ephraim 8/23 Susan Ford 8/9

Shelia Glover 8/2 Shakir Hasan 8/26

Liam Hilson 8/22 Cassandra Hunter 8/24

Lanettia Johnson 8/25 Joseph Juzang 8/4

Amarielle Mason 8/13 Melanie McNary 8/10

DeAndrea Minard 8/13 Theta Rollins 8/23

Craig Samuel, Jr. 8/28 John Simpson 8/3

Deborah Stennett 8/25

Debra Collins-Woods 8/31 Aubree Wright 8/17



Bennie & Valencia Andrews **married August 13th**

Michael and Gwendolyn Bell **married August 20th**

Michael & Denise Bell **married on August 24th**

Norm & Cernetta Davis **married on August 19th**

Wilbur & Dolores Johnson **married on August 31st**

Willie & Carmen McCall **married on August 25th**

Le Moyne & Briana Wright **married on August 31st**

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**May many blessings be upon you as you  
 celebrate another year. Happy Birthday and  
 Happy Anniversary to this month's  
 honorees.**

Looking for a convenient way to  
 donate to

Our Lady of Fatima Parish?

Text "Give" to

205-793-5505

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## First Friday Devotion

On the 1st Friday of every month, the Blessed  
 Sacrament will be exposed from 8:00 A.M.  
 until 10A.M. Everyone is invited to  
 participate in the Adoration of the Holy  
 Eucharist.

Upcoming Devotion Date:

**September 4, 2026**

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## The Poor of Jesus Christ

For the month of August the Friars are  
 requesting donations of powdered lemonade  
 and 12oz or 16oz plastic cups. The donation  
 box is located in the vestibule.

If you would like to make a monetary  
 donation to the Friars, please take it to their  
 house or mail to:

Friars Poor of Jesus Christ

44 16th Ave South

Birmingham, AL 35205

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**To my friends and church families:**

So grateful for your thoughtfulness, your  
 kindness and...your generous heart  
 during my surgery and recovery.

Thank you!

**--Louise Purdue**

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**All announcements must be turned in to the  
 church office by Wednesdays at Noon.  
 Announcements will be printed upon  
 approval by Fr. Keke**

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## News & Updates

**Parish School of Religion** is back in session Sundays 9:30am - 10:45am.

**OLF Bible Study** is on summer break and will resume Wednesday, September 16, 2026 11am to 12noon.

Everyone is invited to join THE **LADIES SODALITY** in praying the Rosary each second Sunday of the month at 10:15 a.m. before Mass.

We look forward to praying with you on Sunday, September 13th.

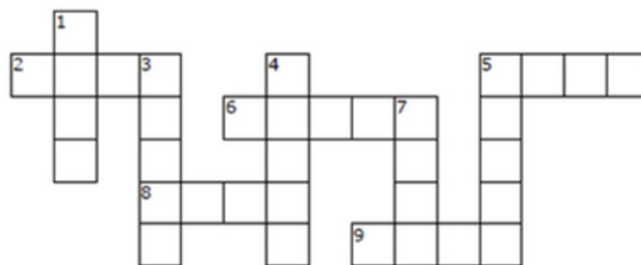
Please do not park in the driveway in front of the Parish Hall Family Life Center. The intended use is for emergencies and deliveries. Parking in the driveway prevents vehicles from exiting the parking lot.

**The Magnificat Breakfast** will be held on Saturday, August 29 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at St. Elias Maronite Church in the Parish Hall. The deadline to purchase tickets is August 23, 2026. Please see the flyer posted in the vestibule for more information.

## Jesus Walks on the Water

During the fourth watch of the night Jesus went out to them, walking on the lake. Matthew 14:25 (NIV)

Based on Matthew 14:22-33 (NIV)



### ACROSS

2. The natural movement of air
5. To travel along on your feet
6. Moving swells on the surface of the sea
8. A small vessel for travel on water
9. An unpleasant feeling caused by danger

### DOWN

1. To go downward in water
3. A lack of confidence or belief in God
4. A firm belief in God
5. A liquid that comes down from the clouds as rain
7. To rescue someone

FEAR  
SAVE

FAITH  
WIND

DOUBT  
BOAT

WAVES  
WALK

WATER  
SINK