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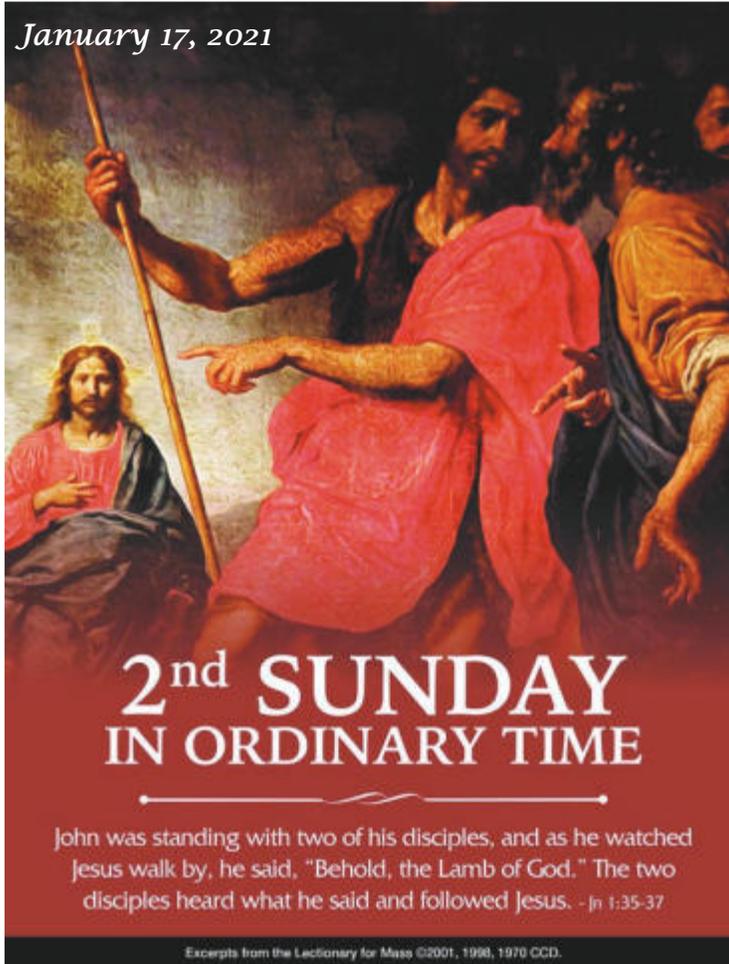
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At Our Lady of Fatima Parish we are committed to know, love and serve God through Word and Sacrament, through our shared experience as the Mystical Body of Christ, and through the call to full, conscious and active participation in parish life.

January 17, 2021



Having concluded the Christmas Season last Sunday with the Baptism of the Lord, we now begin the Mass readings for Ordinary Time.

The Sunday Mass readings are on a three-year cycle with Year A containing the Gospel of Matthew, Year B containing the Gospel of Mark, Year C containing the Gospel of Luke, and readings from the Gospel of John appearing in all three years. The Gospel readings for 2021 will come primarily from Year B – Mark, although the Gospel for today comes from John. The normal pattern for readings throughout Ordinary Time is to take a reading from the main Gospel of the liturgical year and combine it with a First Reading that relates to the theme of the Gospel passage. The Responsorial Psalm typically will also reflect the theme of the Gospel. The Second Reading, on the other hand, is a passage taken from one of the New Testament Epistles and is not necessarily related to the other readings of the day.

The theme developed in today's Gospel and First Reading is God's call to vocation, and our response. We have all received a vocation – a call from God. At its most basic level, we have all received a call to salvation. Several times in the New Testament we hear that our names have been written in the Book of Life before the foundation of the world. We have also received a more specific call on how we are to live out this more general call. Some of us are called to be married, others single, still others to religious life. This is not a matter of personal preference – it is a response to God's call. Finally, our work is also part of our response to our vocation. We are not simply earning a living; we are also responding to God's call in whatever work we do. If we keep this fact in mind, then we can see how whatever work we might do, even forms of work that might seem quite humble, can be for us an expression of our dedication to spreading the Kingdom of God. It all begins with a positive response to the invitation of Jesus, "Come, follow me." Are we prepared to follow Jesus, or will we offer excuses?

Having a variety of excuses tucked away in our consciences seems to be a part of our lives. Parents have them; children have them; employees have them; bosses have them; the government has them – and yes, even priests have them! When we do not live up to someone's expectations, we do not want to be caught unprepared, so we often rehearse what our excuse will be, how we will say it, and what reaction we are likely to get in response. Excuses may have a place within our human relationships, but they have no place in our relationship with God. Indeed, excuses are usually our justification for thoughts or behavior that is contrary to God's will. We have to face that fact that, sooner or later, there is not one single excuse that will work when we stand before God and give an account of our lives. What excuse would be good enough to explain why we did not heed God's voice stirring in our hearts, but chose, instead, to follow some other path? Let there be no excuses today. Let God do the talking, and let us respond in faith.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Mass ----- 7:30 AM
Saturday Anticipatory Mass for Sunday----- 5:30 PM
Sunday Mass-----7:30 AM, 10:00 AM and 12:00 PM
Weekday Mass-
Tuesday, Thursday and Friday ----- 6:30 AM
Monday, Wednesday and Friday -----8:15 AM

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

6:30 AM, 8:15 AM and 5:30 PM *UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED*

CONFESSION Saturday----- 3:30 to 5:00 PM or by appointment

ANOINTING OF THE SICK-----First Saturday after the
7:30 AM Mass or by request

OFFICE HOURS— Monday through Thursday- 8:00AM to 4:30 PM
Friday —8:00 AM to 1:00 PM



*For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.
(Psalm 89)*



Monday, January 18, Weekday

6:30 AM ♦Intentions of Our Lady of Fatima Parishioners

8:15 AM †Leo D'Amour (Louise Turner)
♦Intentions of Floyd and Maxine Maes (Vicenti Family)

Tuesday, January 19, Weekday

6:30 AM †Gerald C. Schultz
†Helen Adamiak (Carol Yarnall)

Wednesday, January 20, Saint Fabian, Pope and Martyr and Saint Sebastian, Martyr

6:30 AM ♦Intentions of Our Lady of Fatima Parishioners

8:15 AM ♦Special Intention
♦Intentions of Floyd Maes– Happy Birthday (Vicenti Family)
♦Intentions of the Baldoni Family (Anne Desautels)

Thursday, January 21, Saint Agnes, Virgin and Martyr

6:30 AM ♦Intentions of Pearl Madrid (Nunez Family)
†Irene Gourlay (Michael Basile)

Friday, January 22, Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

6:30 AM ♦Intentions of Eugene and Aggie Moraga (Mylo Moraga)

8:15 AM ♦Joe Anaya– Happy Birthday (Vicenti Family)

Saturday, January 23, Blessed Virgin Mary; Saint Marianne Cope, Virgin; Saint Vincent, Deacon and Martyr

7:30 AM †All Souls in Purgatory (August & Reina Chavez)

5:30 PM †Peter DiGangi (Gloria DiGangi Garcia Family)
♦Intentions of the Mose Family (Vicenti Family)
†Louellen Baldoni (Anne Desautels)

Sunday, January 24, Third Sunday of Ordinary Time

7:30 AM †Fusako “Chiko” Jaramillo
†Jimmy and Nestora Baca (Baca Family)
†Rudolfo Lujan Baca (Edward M. Kelly)

10:00 AM ♦Intentions of Theresa Irvin– Happy Birthday (Nunez Family)
†Corky Morris & Intentions of Sally Morris (Sally, Jim, Joe & Janna Marie)
♦Living and †Deceased Members of the Barbara LeBow Family

12:00 PM ♦Intentions of All Parishioners
†Margaret Mary Olona (Cathy Chavez)
♦Intentions of Brandon Jones & Andrea Staid (Family)

Readings for the week of January 17, 2021

Sunday: 1 Samuel 3:3b-10, 19/Psalms 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10 [8a, 9a]/1 Corinthians 6:13c-15a, 17-20/John 1:35-42

Monday: Hebrews 5:1-10/Psalms 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/Mark 2:18-22

Tuesday: Hebrews 6:10-20/Psalms 111:1-2, 4-5, 9 and 10c [5]/Mark 2:23-28

Wednesday: Hebrews 7:1-3, 15-17/Psalms 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/Mark 3:1-6

Thursday: Hebrews 7:25—8:6/Psalms 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17 [8a and 9a]/Mark 3:7-12

Friday: Hebrews 8:6-13/Psalms 85:8 and 10, 11-12, 13-14 [11a]/Mark 3:13-19

Saturday: Hebrews 9:2-3, 11-14/Psalms 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Mark 3:20-21

Next Sunday: Jonah 3:1-5, 10/Psalms 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [4a]/1 Corinthians 7:29-31/Mark 1:14-2

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER

My Jesus,
I believe that you are present
in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love you above all things
and I desire to receive you
in my soul. Since I cannot at
this moment receive you sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace you as if you were already there
and unite myself wholly to you.
Never permit me to be separated from you.
Amen.

Quotable Saints

“There is no saint without a past, no sinner without a future.”
– St. Augustine of Hippo

Please pray for the repose of the soul of
John Richard Koller
 Our sympathy is extended to his family and friends.
Requiescat in Pace



PLEASE Do Not Block Driveways on Morningside Drive!

Some of our neighbors along Morningside Drive have informed us that their driveways are sometimes being blocked by the cars of people attending Mass at Our Lady of Fatima. To park this way is not only discourteous to the homeowners, it is illegal.

Remember that the City of Albuquerque prohibits parking on a street within three feet of a public or private driveway, within 15 feet of a fire hydrant, and within 30 feet of the approach to a stop sign or traffic signal. Violators may be ticketed by law enforcement and/or towed.

If you are parking along Morningside, Roma, or Montclair, please respect our neighbors and do not block their driveways with your parked car. Thanks!

Thoughts on Stewardship
 As we begin a new year, let us take some time to plan and make stewardship of time and talent a part of our lifestyle, and stewardship of treasure a part of our budget.



CHOOSING TO BELONG - ARE YOU A REGISTERED PARISHIONER?



Attending Mass and giving of your time, talent and treasure is an integral part of being Catholic. If you attend Mass here regularly we encourage you to register as a member of our faith community.

Registering in the parish is a declaration of your desire to be a part of the Catholic community and to make a commitment to the life of our parish. Stating your commitment brings many advantages, recognition and responsibility.

Registration is about belonging. It is about choosing a community with which to practice everything you believe about God, about the church and about faith. Registering in the Parish also makes the process much easier when it is time for infant baptism, school registration, religious education registration, weddings and when asked to be a sponsor for baptism or confirmation.

We welcome anyone who wants to share in the life of our Parish regardless of where they live. While the Archdiocese is divided into parish geographical areas, you have the option of choosing another parish according to your personal preferences.

If you would like to register as a member of our parish, please stop by the parish office or call #265-5868 and we will send you a registration form.



Please keep our sick parishioners and their caregivers in your prayers.

Prayer for Healing:
Loving and compassionate God, when your Son walked this earth he extended his healing hand toward the sick and cured those afflicted with every disease.
We turn to you now in our need and ask you to care for those who are ill.
Protect those who face surgery, and watch over those held bound by infirmity.
Through the power of your healing love, free from every disease and suffering those who are beset by poor health.
Guide with your wisdom all who provide care, and assist doctors, nurses, and medical workers so that they may effectively relieve suffering and bring health to all whom they treat.
Amen.

A warm
Welcome
to all our guests.

We are so happy you are here to celebrate with us!!

New to Our Lady of Fatima Parish?

Drop a Visitor envelope in the basket with your information or call us at 265-5868 to register.

Question: Why is the Vatican sometimes called the “Holy See?”

Answer: A little background in ecclesiology will help explain why we call the Vatican the Holy See. The Church is very structured and organized in its hierarchy. A diocese is a geographic area governed by a bishop appointed by the Pope. Each diocese is further broken down into parishes, which have pastors who represent the bishop in his teaching authority. The diocese of Rome has a particular role in the Church because of its importance and antiquity. The Pope is head of the Church because he is the Bishop of Rome. Every bishop has a seat or throne, which is the symbol of his teaching authority and is located in the cathedral of each diocese. The Latin word for seat is “sedes.” So each diocese can be referred to as a “see.” Most people think that St. Peter’s is the cathedral of Rome, but St. John Lateran Basilica is actually the cathedral of the Archdiocese of Rome. This is where the Pope’s seat or throne as Bishop of Rome is found. So, the Holy See is a reference to the chair of Peter, the Pope’s Chair ©LPi



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The 2021 Parish Calendars are available at all Masses.

The calendars are offered to our parishioners free of charge while they last.



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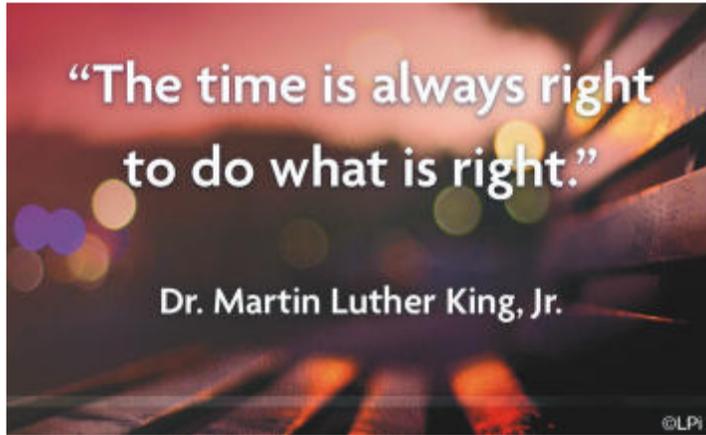
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*If you have become a recurring donor and do not wish to receive paper envelopes through the mail please call the parish office at #505-265-5868.



Why Light Votive Candles?

In the Christian tradition, light is a symbol of faith, truth, wisdom, virtue, grace, the divine life, charity, the ardor of prayer and the sacred presence which flow from Christ Himself. With this background, we can appreciate the usage of votive candles. Here, as in early Christian times, we light a candle before a statue or sacred image of our Lord or of a saint. Of course, we do not honor the statue or the image itself, but the one whom that statue or image represents. The light signifies our prayer offered in faith coming into the light of God. With the light of faith, we petition our Lord in prayer, or petition the saint to pray with us and for us to the Lord. The light also shows a special reverence and our desire to remain present to the Lord in prayer even after we depart from the church and go about our daily business. Also, the burning candle symbolized a sacrifice, which is made in both the offering of the prayer and the acceptance of the Lord's Will.

In all, the usage of votive candles is a pious practice which continues today in many churches. The symbolism does remind us that prayer is a "coming into" the light of Christ, allowing our souls to be filled with His light, and letting that light burn on in our souls even though we may return to our other activities.

At Our Lady of Fatima Church, we have votive candles located on the two side altars, one which honors the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and the other which honors the Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary. For safety reasons, our candles are electric rather than open flame. Persons wishing to have a candle lit to represent their prayer intentions are asked to use the available offering envelopes to make an offering for the candle and placing the envelope in the "poor boxes" located by the doors of the church. After your intention is received, a member of the parish staff will light a candle on your behalf.

Parish Office Closed for the Holiday

The Parish Office will be closed on **Monday, January 18th, 2021** for the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday.



Year –End Contribution Statements

Year-end contribution statements will soon be mailed to all parishioners who contributed a total of \$50 or more to Our Lady of Fatima Parish in 2020. This would include donations made to St. Vincent de Paul, Fatima School Support (not including tuition), and other second collections.

Please contact the Parish Office if you have not received your statement by the end of January. If your total donations for 2020 were less than \$50 and you would like a copy of your contribution statement, it may be requested from the Parish Office. Thank you for your financial support of our parish.

January Happenings

Monday 1/18 Martin Luther King Jr. Day

- *Parish Office and School Closed*

Tuesday 1/19

- *Parish Finance Council Meeting (on-line)*

Wednesday 1/20

- *RCIA meeting (on-line)*

Sunday 1/24

- *11:00 AM- High School Pre-Confirmation & Confirmation Classes in FGH*

Wednesday 1/27

- *RCIA meeting (on-line)*

Sunday 1/31

- *Catholic Schools Week Begins*



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