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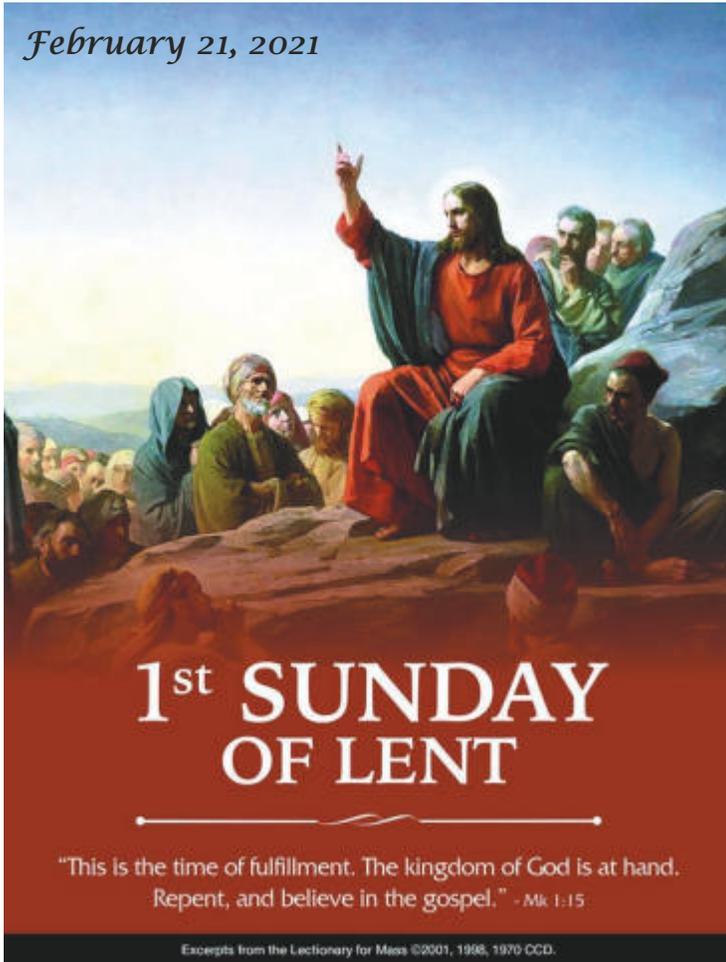
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At Our Lady of Fatima Parish we are committed to know, love and serve God through Word and Sacrament, through our shared experience as the Mystical Body of Christ, and through the call to full, conscious and active participation in parish life.

February 21, 2021



In our First Reading today (Genesis 9:8-15), God speaks to Noah and his children. It is God who takes the initiative,

who acts first. By speaking to Noah, God intervenes in human history in order to establish a special relationship – a covenant - with Noah and his descendants. Today's Reading describes the essence of God's promise. Never again would God destroy his creation as he had with the great flood. Instead, God will honor his creation even when his people fail to live up to their part of the covenant. God set a rainbow in the sky as a sign of the covenant that existed between God and man.

In the Second Reading (1 Peter 3:18-22) we can hear the words of Saint Peter that speak of the suffering of Christ that leads us back to God. Although Christ died in the flesh, he was resurrected to life in the Spirit. It is through his suffering and death that we have become heirs to new life in him. Our Lenten journey presents us with an opportunity to walk with Jesus through our sacrifices – prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, and by the power of the Holy Spirit to come to a fuller life in him.

Today's Gospel passage (Mark 1:12-15) is about Jesus' 40 days in the desert, and is much shorter than the versions found in the Gospels of Matthew and Luke. Mark focuses less on the temptations themselves and ends with the heart of the New Testament message as Jesus proclaims: "This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the Gospel." Jesus' time in the desert was one of preparation for his public ministry. We can prepare during Lent for the upcoming Paschal Mystery by asking ourselves some questions.

First: How have we been saved by God already in our lives? Are their times of trial from which we have been delivered? It's so easy to see only what is in front of us, and the sufferings of the present moment. Reflect back on years gone by and actively look for ways that God has delivered. This should serve to deepen our trust in God.

Second: How have we been led to God? How have we been blessed, and saved? What methods of prayer have brought us closest to him? Take those lessons and make us of them during this Lenten season.

And the third question: How might we best follow the Lord into the desert? Perhaps focusing on all the penitential practices of the season might be a way to open our hearts to the Kingdom.

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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-
Monday through 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

View our Lent, Holy Week and Easter Schedule on Page 5.



“Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant.” (Psalm 25)



Monday, February 22, The Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle

6:30 AM ♦Intentions of Greg & Virginia Baca (Andrea Lujan)
♦ Living and †Deceased Members of the Bonfield Family (Jourdan Families)
†Joe Diaz (Friends)

8:15 AM †Mary Nelson and ♦Intentions of Gordon Nelson (Jim & Michelle Seubert)

Tuesday, February 23, Lenten Weekday

6:30 AM ♦Intentions of Luis Fabian & Eduardo Pinedo
♦Intentions of Andrea Scholastico (Patty Heiman)

Wednesday, February 24, Lenten Weekday

6:30 AM †Benjamin Handumon (Sheila De Castro & Family)
†Joe Diaz (Friends)

8:15 AM †Fr. Mark A. Schultz
†Danielle Armijo (Our Lady of Fatima Church and School, Faculty, Staff & Students)
†Ralph I. Chavez

Thursday, February 25, Lenten Weekday

6:30 AM ♦Special Intention
†Rudolfo Lujan Baca (Edward M. Kelly)
†Louellen M. Baldoni (Joye & Mearl Kubala)

First Friday, February 26, Lenten Weekday

6:30 AM †Charlie Algermissen
(Algermissen & Jourdan Families)
†Joe Diaz (Friends)

8:15 AM †Mary Nelson and ♦Intentions of Gordon Nelson (Jim & Michelle Seubert)

Saturday, February 27, Lenten Weekday

7:30 AM †Joe Diaz (Friends)

5:30 PM ♦Intentions of Philip Leyva– Happy Birthday (Family)
†Dennis L. Mangan and ♦Intentions of Diana Mangan (Desautels Family)
♦Intentions of Richard & Sharon Royman

Sunday, February 28, Second Sunday of Lent

7:30 AM †Fusako “Chiko” Jaramillo
†Jimmy and Nestora Baca (Baca Family)
♦Intentions of Lisa Hill (Nunez Family)

10:00 AM †Louellen M. Baldoni (Annette Barker & Family)
†David Montoya (Mom & Dad)
†Louellen M. Baldoni and ♦Intentions of Robert Baldoni (daughter, Gina)

12:00 PM ♦Intentions of Our Lady of Fatima Parishioners
†Margaret Mary Olona (Cathy Chavez)
†Horace & Juanita Martinez (Bridget Martinez)

Readings for the week of February 21, 2021

Sunday: Genesis 9:8-15/Psalms 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [cf. 10]/1 Peter 3:18-22/Mark 1:12-15

Monday: 1 Peter 5:1-4/Psalms 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6 [1]/Matthew 16:13-19

Tuesday: Isaiah 55:10-11/Psalms 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19 [18b]/Matthew 6:7-15

Wednesday: Jonah 3:1-10/Psalms 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19 [19b]/Luke 11:29-32

Thursday: Ester C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Psalms 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8 [3a]/Matthew 7:7-12

Friday: Ezekiel 18:21-28/Psalms 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8 [3]/Matthew 5:20-26

Saturday: Deuteronomy 26:16-19/Psalms 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8 [1b]/Matthew 5:43-48

Next Sunday: Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Psalms 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19 [9]/Romans 8:31b-34/Mark 9:2-10



**Welcome! Welcome!
Welcome!**

- **Matthew Lasiloo**
and
- **Ashley Chavez**

We are blessed that you have joined our parish family.

Quotable Saints

“Christ urges you, when you ask forgiveness for yourself, to be especially generous to others, so that your actions may commend your prayer.”

– St. Ambrose of Milan



**Our Lady of Fatima School
Registration**

Our Lady of Fatima School has begun accepting registrations for the 2021-2022 school year. If you have considered the benefits of giving your child or grandchild a Catholic education in a safe, nurturing environment, that

encourages academic excellence, please contact our principal, Ms. Melinda Mader, for more information about Our Lady of Fatima School and to arrange for a personalized visit. The school office may be reached at 255-6391. We are pleased to announce that there will be no tuition increase for the 2021-2022 school year. In addition, there is a \$100 discount off of the registration fee for students who register between February 1, 2021 and April 1, 2021. This reduces the registration fee from \$300 to \$200 per student.

You will fall in love with our little school
with a big heart! 



Stations of the Cross

The Stations of the Cross will be prayed in the church at 6:30 pm on Fridays during Lent. Parishioners are invited to participate. Because of the

continuing COVID precautions, we will not be having Lenten Soup Suppers this year. The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) will be offered during the Stations of the Cross.

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Lent recalls the forty days of our Lord's fasting in the desert in preparation for his public ministry. Through prayer and fasting, the Son of God prepared himself for the mission that lay before him. During the Lenten season, prayer, fasting and almsgiving prepare Christians to better celebrate the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of the Lord.



Annual Catholic Appeal

We have begun the 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA) Campaign. The ACA provides approximately 35% of the funding for ministries of the Archdiocese of Santa Fe, and every parish is assigned a mandatory goal. Our assigned goal is \$42,500 in pledges this year. Remember that all paid pledges that are in excess of our goal will be rebated back to our parish. I encourage all parishioners to participate and make a pledge to the ACA. Even though our average pledge last year was \$353, smaller pledges are also needed and appreciated. Every pledge – regardless of size - helps us move closer to achieving the goal.

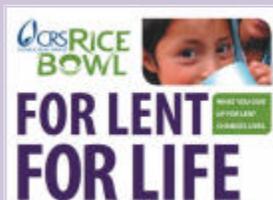
Remember that you can pay your pledge all at once, or monthly, or quarterly. If you have not already made a pledge to ACA for 2021, please prayerfully consider doing so. Informational brochures and pledge cards are located at the entrances of the church.

Please note that no funds from ACA go to pay Archdiocesan legal expenses or settlements. It all goes to support ministry.



Operation Rice Bowl

Students at Our Lady of Fatima School and public school students in the Catechism program will be receiving cardboard "Rice Bowls" to use during Lent as we participate in Operation Rice Bowl. Students are encouraged to deposit money in their Rice Bowl throughout the Lenten season as almsgiving, a penitential sacrifice and also a means to help the less fortunate. The money they deposit could be a portion of their allowance, or money they have earned from special projects and activities such as recycling aluminum cans. Rice bowls will also be available in the church and parish office for other parishioners who would like to participate. The Rice Bowls will be collected during Holy Week. 75% of our Rice Bowl donations go to support the programs of Catholic Relief Services throughout the world, and 25% of our Rice Bowl donations support local projects to alleviate hunger and poverty here in our own Archdiocese.



PRAYER TO BEGIN CRS RICE BOWL

God of mercy, You call us to recognize you in our sisters and brothers and to care for those most in need—for whatever you do for the least of these, you do for me.

This Lent, ignite your love in us so that through our prayer, fasting and almsgiving we may support all who experience hunger in body, heart and spirit. May these CRS Rice Bowls be instruments of encounter, bringing us closer to you—our God—and to our neighbors both near and far.

May our Lenten journey help us to see our role in caring for the most vulnerable— particularly those experiencing hunger, poverty and obstacles to thrive. Through these 40 days, may we deepen our faith in you and our love for one another, as we await with joyful anticipation the great celebration of Easter.

Amen

2021 Lent, Holy Week and Easter Schedule



+Lenten Journey: *The Search*, once a week during Lent (7 week Program/Discussion Group) beginning February 16 through April 1, 2021, call the parish office to register:

Week of February 21:	Episode 2-Who Are You?
Week of February 28:	Episode 3-Why a God?
Week of March 7:	Episode 4-What's Our Story?
Week of March 14:	Episode 5-Who Is Jesus?
Week of March 21:	Episode 6-Am I Saved?
Week of March 28:	Episode 7-Why a Church?

TUESDAYS:

1. In-Person Meeting in Parish Office Conference Room: Group Leader: Pat Abbott from 1:00-2:30 PM

WEDNESDAYS:

1. In-Person Meeting in Parish Office Conference Room: Group Leader: Fr. Anthony Ezeputa from 10:00 AM -11:30 AM
2. In-Person Meeting in Parish Office Conference Room: Group Leader: Fr. Stephen C. Schultz from 2:00 PM -3:30 PM

THURSDAYS:

1. In Person Meeting in Parish Office Conference Room: Group Leader: Sharon Mussmann from 10:00 AM-11:30 AM
2. Zoom Meeting: Group Leader: Pat Abbott from 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM

+Every Friday, February 19, 2021 through March 26, 2021

No Soup Suppers this year because of the pandemic. All parishioners are invited for Stations of the Cross in the Church at 6:30 PM on the following dates: 02/19/21, 02/26/21, 03/05/21, 03/12/21, 03/19/21, 03/26/21. Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) will be available during the Stations of the Cross.

+Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturdays from 3:30 PM to 5:00 PM (except April 3, 2021)

Fridays during Lent from 6:30 PM to 7:00 PM during Stations of the Cross (except April 2, 2021)

+Palm Sunday, March 28, 2021

Mass and distribution of Palms on Saturday at 5:30 PM Mass and Sunday at 7:30 AM, 10:00 AM, & 12:00 PM

+Holy Thursday, April 1, 2021

6:00 PM - Mass of the Lord's Supper
Eucharistic Adoration until 10:00 PM

+Good Friday, April 2, 2021

-Parish Office and School Closed
3:00 PM - Stations of the Cross in Church
- Begin Divine Mercy Novena in Church
6:00 PM - Celebration of the Lord's Passion and Veneration of the Cross
- Good Friday Collection to support the Holy Land

+Holy Saturday, April 3, 2021

10:00 AM - Rehearsal for Candidates and Catechumens of RCIA
3:00 PM - Divine Mercy Novena in Church
8:00 PM - Easter Vigil Mass
No Confessions on Holy Saturday

+Easter Sunday, April 4, 2021

Mass of the Resurrection 7:30 AM, 10:00 AM, & 12:00 PM
The Holy Name Society will be distributing candy gift bags to children after the 10:00 AM Mass.
3:00 PM - Divine Mercy Novena in Church

+April 2 through April 10, 2021

3:00 PM - Divine Mercy Novena in Church

+Sunday, April 11, 2021, Divine Mercy Sunday

Mass at 5:30 PM on Saturday and on Sunday at 7:30 AM, 10:00 AM and 12:00 Noon
11:00 AM-Pre-Confirmation Class in Room 1
11:00 AM-High School Confirmation Class in Library
1:00 PM-First Communion Retreat for students, parents and godparents. Starts with 12:00 PM Mass until 4:00 PM (Lunch provided).



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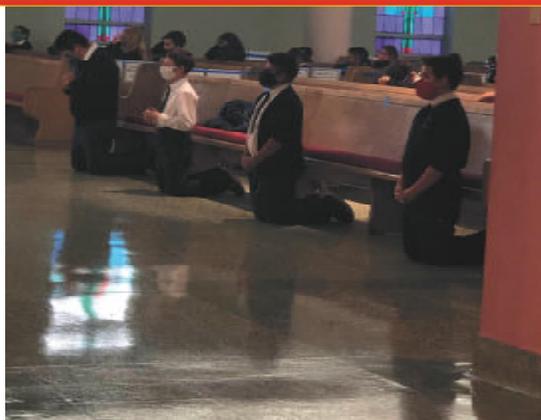
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