

Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church

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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 12, 2025

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD



After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. - Lk 3:21-22a

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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—9:00AM to 4:00PM
Friday—9:00 AM to 1:00 PM



Today we celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, and the official end to the Church's observance of the Christmas season. Upon coming up from the waters of the Jordan River at his baptism, Jesus experienced the Holy Spirit descending upon him in the form of a dove, and a voice came from the heavens declaring, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." (Luke 3:15-16, 21-22). God favored his Son, Jesus. Rightfully so, since Jesus is the only-begotten Son of God. He is God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, as our Nicene Creed boldly proclaims. If we have any doubt regarding how God felt about his Son or the importance of his mission, the Gospels make it clear for us. The descending of the Holy Spirit upon Jesus in the form of a dove after his baptism was significant for two reasons: (1) it was a clear sign that Jesus was the promised Messiah anointed with the Holy Spirit, and (2) the Holy Spirit gave Jesus strength to fulfill his saving mission.

The baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River marked a pivotal point in salvation history. It marked an end to the ministry of John the Baptist and his role of the one preparing the way for the Messiah, and it marked the beginning of the public ministry of Jesus. John himself stated that he must decrease so that Jesus may increase. This new ministry would consist of Jesus preaching, teaching, and healing, and then climax with his passion, death, and Resurrection. Upon being baptized, Jesus dedicated himself completely to fulfilling the mission his Father sent him to accomplish.

The baptism of Jesus must have been a tremendous blessing to John the Baptist. With great longing, he had awaited the Servant of God, proclaimed by the prophet Isaiah. He knew the promised Messiah was coming and spent his life preparing the people to be attentive to the coming of the Christ. He looked forward to that coming with a profound sense of humility as some people began to wonder if he, John, was the Messiah, and he clearly denied it. Finally, he was able to see and hear for himself that Jesus was the Promised One. The baptism of Jesus was a profound moment for John the Baptist and for the world, since it clearly revealed that Jesus was the promised Messiah and Savior.

New Parish Office Hours –see Page 4



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Monday, January 13, 2025: Saint Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

†Rosary Before Mass

6:30 AM †Rosa Emma Trujillo (Family)
†Elizabeth Anne Josey
†Dolores Mable Bartlein

8:15 AM †Priscilla Hughes (Kathryn Guimaraes)
♦Living and †Deceased Members of the Anthony Lagasca Family
♦Intentions of JoAnn Lucero (Cecilia Horner)

Tuesday, January 14, 2025: Weekday

†Rosary Before Mass

6:30 AM ♦Intentions of Peter and Kathryn Louise Conlin-
Happy 58th Anniversary (Nunez Family)
†Rev. John Flaska (Carol Yarnall)
†Joe Louis Miniero

Wednesday, January 15, 2025: Weekday

†Rosary Before Mass

6:30 AM †Brad Earlewine
†John Patrick Bryant
†Stephen Gerald Armijo

8:15 AM †Antonio Michael Guimaraes (Family)
†Rita L. Lanier
†Marie Ascension Nicasio

Thursday, January 16, 2025: Weekday

†Rosary Before Mass

6:30 AM ♦Intentions of Harley and Lauren Kimber
(Family)
†James Patrick and Elizabeth Anne Josey
†Joe Louis Sanchez

Friday, January 17, 2025: Saint Anthony, Abbot

†Rosary Before Mass

6:30 AM †Mary Martha and Roscoe Faussone
†Louellen and Bob Baldoni
†Donald Edward Duran

8:15 AM †Antonio Michael Guimaraes (Family)
†Ricky Johnson (Gurule Family)
†John Richard Koller

Saturday, January 18, 2025: Weekday

†Rosary Before Mass

7:30 AM †Reyes, Deena and Felicia Gurule
(Gurule Family)
†Sandra Varela (Gurule Family)
♦Intentions of Petra Winfrey (Horner Family)

Anticipatory Mass for the Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:30 PM †Joaquin Gurule
†Alexander Giomi Hughes (Family)
♦Intentions of Rev. Jacob Romero
(Our Lady's Rosary Makers)

Sunday, January 19, 2025: The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM ♦Intentions of All Parishioners
†Jimmy & Nestora Baca (Baca Family)
†Fusako "Chiko" Jaramillo (Family)

10:00 AM ♦Living and †Deceased Members of the
Holy Name Society
†Gerald C. Schultz
†Helen Adamiak (Carol Yarnall)

12:00 PM ♦Intentions of Finley R. Foster
(Richard Perovich)
†Paul and Virginia Jameson
(Jeffrey and Feliza Jameson)
♦Living and †Deceased Members of the
Anthony Lagasca Family

Readings for the week of January 12, 2025

Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 (1)/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

Monday: Heb 1:1-6/Ps 97:1 and 2b, 6 and 7c, 9/Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday: Heb 2:5-12/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9/Mk 1:21-28

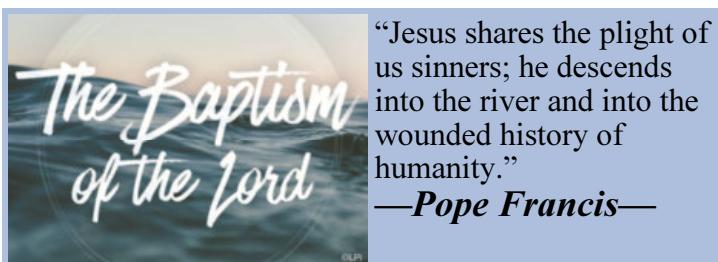
Wednesday: Heb 2:14-18/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: Heb 3:7-14/Ps 95:6-7c, 8-9, 10-11/Mk 1:40-45

Friday: Heb 4:1-5, 11/Ps 78:3 and 4bc, 6c-7, 8/Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: Heb 4:12-16/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/Mk 2:13-17

Next Sunday: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 (3)/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11



"Jesus shares the plight of us sinners; he descends into the river and into the wounded history of humanity."

—Pope Francis—

Evangelization:

Spreading the Good News of Jesus' Love for us!



Our Lady of Fatima Parishioners, Jose Armijo and Sedonah Sunn, with the help of Pat Abbott were able to procure a vendor's table at the recent Humble Coffee Christmas Market where they were able to give out Religious Pamphlets, Books and Sacramentals, inviting everyone to Mass! Thanks for your participation!

NEW PARISH OFFICE HOURS:
Effective Tuesday, January 21, 2025:
Monday through Thursday:
9:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Friday:
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM
Closed Saturday and Sunday

END OF YEAR GIVING STATEMENTS

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 2024. This would include donations made to St. Vincent de Paul, and other special collections. Please contact the Parish Office if you have not received your statement by the end of January. If your total donations for 2024 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.

Quotable Saints

“A person must always be ready, for death comes when and where God wills it.”

—St. John Neumann—



Thoughts on Stewardship

Stewardship involves a change of heart, embodied not just in a single action, nor even a series of actions, but in one's entire life.

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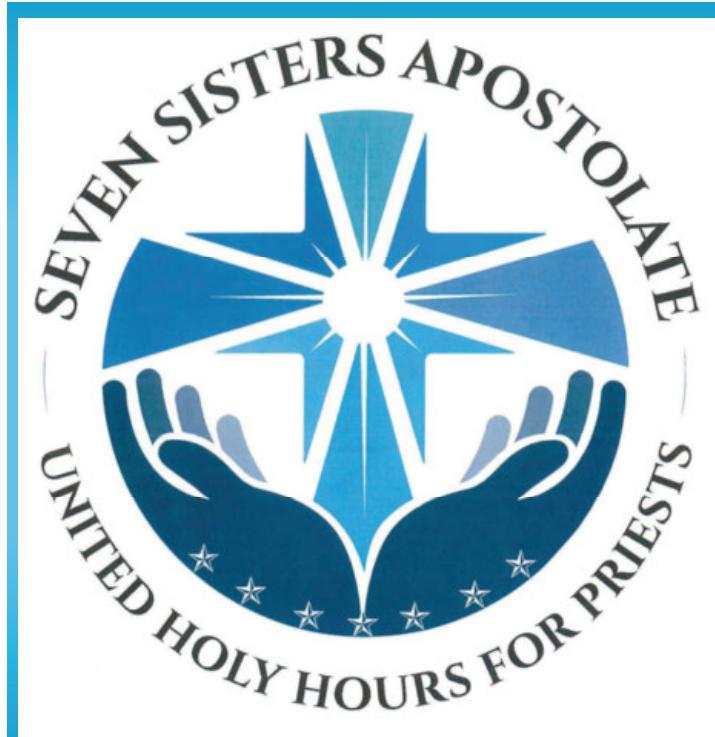
Lawson and Alisha Chacon and daughter ElliAnna

Rita Giannini

Eric and Lisa Finch and daughter Ember

Clara Jee and Children, Aiden and Adele

Welcome to your Parish Family!



Introducing a new ministry: Seven Sisters Apostolate

It is a privilege and joy to pray for a priest! A "Seven Sisters Apostolate" ministry is forming at Our Lady of Fatima Church. We are looking for women who would like to join by dedicating one Holy Hour per week for the intentions of Fr. Stephen Schultz. It is a blessing for our pastor and a blessing for the intercessors.

We are seeking WOMEN for prayer and MEN who would like to participate by way of fasting one day a week. Once our pastor is covered in weekly prayer we will be looking to form a group for Fr. Afuecheta and Fr. Trambley. Please take some time to discern if God is calling you to this ministry. We joyfully await your response.

For more information, please contact the Parish Office at 505-265-5868 or visit <https://sevensistersapostolate.org/>



Thanks to all who participated in the Children's Play on Christmas Eve!

A special thanks to the Director of the Play, Donna Mickey and the Director of Music, Mark Adrian and the amazing talents of Our Lady of Fatima Choir!

Participation in Parish Activities leads to Excellence in our Parish Community. Continue to pray for more people to be called to service in our community.

Thank you for your participation!



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