

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.



March 1, 2020

1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

Then the devil took Jesus up to a very high mountain, and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in their magnificence, and he said to him, "All these I shall give to you, if you will prostrate yourself and worship me." - Mt 4:8-9

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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, Wednesday and Friday -- 6:30 AM and 8:15 AM
Tuesday and Thursday -----6:30 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 Fridays after the
6:30 AM & 8:15 AM Masses

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

NOTES FROM THE PASTOR

Although fasting is only required on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, many people use fasting as a spiritual exercise during the Lenten season. The Scriptures are filled with examples of fasting where the rewards sought and attained were spiritual. Jesus fasted forty days in the desert before beginning his public ministry; Moses fasted before receiving the Ten Commandments on Mt. Sinai; Elijah fasted before meeting the Lord on Mt. Horeb (also known as Mt. Sinai); St. Paul's ministry began after a period of prayer and fasting that followed his being blinded on the road to Damascus; and the disciples were encouraged by the Lord to fast when he was no longer with them.



Fasting is said to be the greatest spiritual discipline for those seeking God's intervention. Combined with prayer, it provides spiritual strength and deliverance in our lives. Fasting can be a means of intense spiritual training that helps us to hear God's call and walk in his path. Christian tradition also teaches that fasting is a great help to avoid sin. Fasting runs counter to the excessive consumerism and materialism that pervades our society today, for it encourages us to "do without" and find our ultimate fulfillment in God alone.

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 prepares Christians to better celebrate the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of the Lord.

In his Lenten message of 2009, Pope Benedict XVI reminded us that fasting helps to open our eyes to the conditions in which many of our brothers and sisters live throughout the world. By experiencing some pangs of hunger ourselves through voluntary fasting, we are better able to stand in solidarity with those who are hungry every day, or are suffering from the consequences of poverty in other ways. Pope Benedict XVI concluded by saying that: "Fasting is a spiritual practice that needs to be rediscovered and encouraged again in our day, especially during the liturgical season of Lent."

Today's Gospel tells of the temptations that Jesus endured during his forty days of fasting in the desert (Matthew 4:1-11). How does He do it? How does Jesus remain so resolute in the face of temptation? Why is He so strong while we are so weak? In our Second Reading, from his Letter to the Romans (Romans 5:12-19), St. Paul compares and contrasts the great strength of Jesus with the

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Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

Psalm 52

Monday, March 2, Lenten Weekday

- 6:30 AM ♦Intentions of All Parishioners
 8:15 AM ♦Intentions of Andrea Garcia & Family
 (Gongora Family)
 †Ramy Croll & Elijah Magno (Family)

Tuesday, March 3, Lenten Weekday

- 6:30 AM ♦In Thanksgiving for our Ministry Volunteers

Wednesday, March 4, Lenten Weekday

- 6:30 AM †Rudolfo Lujan Baca (Edward M. Kelly)
 8:15 AM ♦Intentions of Kaleb Wesley Nation and Family
 (OLF School)
 †Intentions of Ryn De Castro (Nunez Family)

Thursday, March 5, Lenten Weekday

- 6:30 AM ♦Intentions of All Parishioners

First Friday, March 6, Lenten Weekday

- 6:30 AM ♦Intentions of the Nation Family
 8:15 AM †For all those on the Memorial Plaques and for all
 intentions for which votive lights are lit
 ♦Intentions of Gere Garcia (Gongora Family)
 †Felipe Romero (Therese Padilla)

First Saturday, March 7, Lenten Weekday

- 7:30 AM ♦Living and Deceased Members of the
 Legion of Mary
 5:30 PM ♦Intentions of All Parishioners
 ♦Intentions of Roselyn Calderon and Family
 †Liz Gonzalez (Friend)

Sunday, March 8, Second Sunday of Lent

- 7:30 AM †Jack and Jackie Callaway (Collin & Jacqueline
 Martinez)
 †Jimmy and Nestora Baca (Baca Family)
 †Fusako “Chiko” Jaramillo (Family)
 10:00 AM ♦Living and deceased members of the
 Barbara LeBow Family
 †Gilbert and Margaret Storey (Family)
 †Rose Pohl (Bonnie and Laurie Sanchez)
 12:00 PM †Esequiel Gonzales (wife, Tina)
 †Josette Chavez (Parents)
 †David Montoya (Mom and Dad)

**Please Note: Meeting and event dates and times
 are subject to change.**

3/2 Monday's Schedule:

- No Scheduled Activities

3/3 Tuesday's Schedule:

- 6:30 PM—Parish Council Meeting in the Parish Dining Room

3/4 Wednesday's Schedule:

- 6:30 PM —Adult Faith Formation in FGH Room 1
- 6:30 PM—RCIA in FGH Library
- 7:00 PM—Pre-Baptism Class in FGH Room 2

3/5 Thursday's Schedule:

- 10:00 AM—Adult Faith Formation in FGH Room 1
- 3:00 PM—Legion of Mary in Parish Conference Room
- 6:30 PM—Choir Practice in the Church

3/6 Friday's Schedule:

- After 8:15 AM Mass- Active Adults Monthly Birthday
 Breakfast
- 5:30 PM—Lenten Soup Supper in FGH
- 6:00 PM to 6:45 PM—Confession in the Church
- 7:00 PM—Station of the Cross in the Church

3/7 Saturday's Schedule:

- 4 to 5:00 PM—Children's Choir Rehearsal in Music Room

3/8 Sunday's Schedule:

- Coffee, donuts and burritos after the 7:30 AM and
 10AM Masses in Fatima-Gallagher Hall.
- 11:00 AM—Confirmation Classes in School

Readings for the week of March 1, 2020

Sunday: Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17 [cf.
 3a]/Romans 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19/Matthew 4:1-11

Monday: Leviticus 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15 [John
 6:63b]/Matthew 25:31-46

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

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

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

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

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

Next Sunday: Genesis 12:1-4a/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22
 [22]/2 Timothy 1:8b-10/Matthew 17:1-9

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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

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Around the Archdiocese

RETREAT AT SANTA MARIA DE LA VID ABBEY, 5825 COORS BLVD. SW. SPEAKING HEART TO HEART: JESUS, THE SAMARITAN WOMAN, AND US SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 2020, 9:30 A.M.-3:00 P.M.

Jesus's encounter with the Samaritan Woman at the well is a powerful story of receptivity, freedom, deep affirmation, and transformation. It points to the invitation extended to all of us—to move into deeper relationship with Jesus—and how we discover our deepest identity in dialogue with the Holy One. This retreat is open to everyone interested in exploring the depths of Jesus' encounter with the Samaritan Woman, as well as their own experiences with the risen Christ. The retreat will include time for individual reflection, small and large group sharing, and prayer. Lunch is included in the \$45.00 cost. Please register by Tuesday, March 17, by calling Meg Ashcroft at 505-873-4399, ext. 204, or email her at MAshcroft@norbertinecommunity.org.

The Goodness of Every Friday - Come to Santa Maria de la Vid Abbey (5825 Coors Blvd. SW, Albuquerque, NM 87121) on Friday, March 20th for an evening of prayer during Lent through which we may observe the goodness of every Friday (as outlined by the 1983 Code of Canon Law, specifically Canon 1250). Take a reflective walk through the Abbey's Way of the Cross path, following St. Pope John Paul II's Scriptural Stations of the Cross. Then, join us for Taizé in the Desert, an ecumenical prayer service. We will meet near the Bethany Retreat House (on the northeast side of the Abbey's campus) a little before 6:00pm. Taizé in the Desert will begin at 7:00pm in the Abbey Church. All are welcome!

Come to Christ - Join us for Come to Christ: A Night of Praise, Worship, and Adoration on Thursday, March 5th at Our Lady of the Annunciation Parish (2621 Vermont St. NE, Albuquerque, NM 87110) at 7:00pm! A young adult will also share their faith story. College students and young adults (18-35) are especially encouraged to attend. All are welcome! As this will be during the Lenten season, the opportunity for Reconciliation will also be available for all who wish.

A Day of Reflection: Church of the Incarnation in Rio Rancho. Saturday, March 14, 2020 from 9AM to 3PM beginning with Mass at 8:30 AM. Presentations by Dr. Marcellino D'Ambrosio, a nationally known Catholic speaker and best selling author and Fr. John Carney. Topics include: Getting more out of the Mass; Spiritual Wellness; Striving not Surviving; Shower of Mercy. Priests will be available for confession from 9:30AM to 12PM. THIS EVENT IS AT NOT COST. LUNCH INCLUDED. Sponsored by Church of the Incarnation and Knights of Columbus Council #15188.



Blessing of Age Spring Retreat

The Annual Blessings of Age Retreat will take place on **March 11, 2020** at Our Lady of Fatima Church.

This year the theme is:
“Sweetness and Serenity of Spirit Grows with Age”

KEYNOTE SPEAKER :

REV. JEROME PLOTKOWSKI

- 7:30 AM—Registration
- 8:15 AM— Mass
- 9:00 AM—Continental Breakfast and Fellowship
- 9:30 AM—Welcome
- 9:45 AM—Key note Presentation
- 11:45 AM—Q&A
- 12:00 PM—Lunch and Evaluation

Costs is \$15.00 per person.

For more info or to RSVP please contact Josephine in the Office of Pastoral Outreach—505-831-8174.

PLEASE RSVP—This will help us with food count.

Sponsored by the Archdiocese of Santa Fe Office of Pastoral Outreach, Senior Ministry.



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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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.

MINISTRIES **How is God Calling you To Serve?**

Active Adults—Coordinators: Currently Vacant

The first Friday of every month, everyone is invited to gather for breakfast after the 8:15 AM liturgy to celebrate the birthdays of the month. The Active Adults group also sponsors field trips.

Altar Servers—Coordinator: Theresa Irvin

A great opportunity for 4th graders and above to serve at the Celebration of the Eucharist. High school and college age parishioners are especially encouraged to serve.

Blessed Mother Rosary Guild—Coordinator: Jahna Wilmott

The Guild handcrafts rosaries for free distribution to various ministries world-wide in order to promote Our Lady's cause for devotion to her son, Jesus Christ, and world peace.

Choir—Coordinator: Consuelo Chavez OFS

Opportunities are for adults and children to lead the people in joyful worship by singing and playing musical instruments.

Coffee and Donuts—Coordinator: Susan Koller

Facilitate fellowship by helping to serve coffee, donuts and burritos after the 7:30 AM and 10 AM Masses on Sundays.

Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors and Commentators—

Coordinator: Teresa Bennett

As extraordinary ministers of the Holy Eucharist you can distribute Holy Communion during Mass or Proclaim the Word of God and introduce the Mass intentions and announcements.

Greeters—Coordinator Pat Abbott

Cheerfully welcome people to the Celebration of the Eucharist and make visitors feel at home in our parish.

Holy Name Society—President: Louis Puccini

The Society purpose is to give public devotion and honor to the Holy Name of Jesus, and provide for the spiritual growth and enrichment of the men of the parish 18 years of age and older. A Corporate Mass is held at 10 AM the third Sunday of each month and a meeting follows.

Legion of Mary—Coordinator: Frances Holmes

This is an international organization ministering to the spiritual needs of the parish community.

Birthright—Coordinator: Odelia Beach—Office-262-2235

Helps any girl or woman regardless of age, race, creed, marital or economic status, who feels distressed by a pregnancy, allowing her to ask questions and explore her options without pressure and without being judged.

Ministry of Care/Outreach- Coordinator: Mary Ann Lopez

The home-bound Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion bring the Body of Christ to the parishioners who cannot attend the Celebration of the Eucharist.

St. Vincent de Paul—President: Margaret M. M. Trace

Members grow spiritually through service to people in need and are dedicated to helping with food, utilities and rent.

Ushers—Coordinator: James Willis

Offer support to people by assisting in seating, taking up offerings, distributing the bulletins and newspapers.

Women's Guild - President: Gina Joyner

Women's parish organization open to all women of the parish. Our purpose is to coordinate and offer service to the parish community and to encourage spirituality, friendship and support to its members. Our corporate Mass is held every third Sunday of the month followed by a short meeting. No meetings May—August.

Parish Council -

Chairman: Christopher Joyner; Vice-Chairman: Steven Montiel; Secretary: Christine Martinez

Members:

Laura-Martinez Sanchez, Roger Martinez, Veronica Nunez (School Rep.), Barbara Posler, James Willis, LaVonne Yazzie . (Two Vacancies)

Meets the first Tuesday of the month at 6:30 PM in the Parish Dining Room.

CALL 265-5868 TO GET MORE INFORMATION ON ANY OF OUR MINISTRIES

SACRAMENT PREPARATION AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

 **CATHOLIC CHRISTIAN DOCTRINE INSTRUCTION (CCD) for Kindergarten through 7th Grades**—This is a home-based program with parish support. Attendance at a monthly formation meeting will be required.

 **CONFIRMATION— CRE: Mrs. Josephine Roe**
A two-year program of catechesis and preparation to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation that is open to students in grades 8 through 12 who have been Baptized and have received First Communion. The first year "Pre-Confirmation" class is for 8th graders as well as any older students who have not completed it. The second year "Confirmation Prep" class is for students in grades 9 thru 12.

 **RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (RCIA)**- This is a program for individuals interested in becoming Catholic and receiving the sacraments of initiation: Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation. Wednesdays from 6:30 to 8 PM.

 **SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE** —Couples must contact the parish office at least six months in advance of the desired wedding date. They must participate in a Weekend for Engaged Couples and attend an introductory class in Natural Family Planning.

 **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**-The Sacrament of Baptism for infants is offered the third Sunday of the month after the 12:00 PM Mass. Arrangements are to be made in person at the parish office. A birth certificate is required. Parents and godparents must attend a Baptism class that is offered the first Wednesday of the month at 7:00 PM in Room 1 of Fatima-Gallagher Hall. *Pre-registration for the class is required.* Godparents must be at least 16 years old, confirmed and actively practicing their Catholic faith. If Godparents are married, they must be married according to the norms of the Catholic Church.

Our Lady of Fatima Website: www.fatimachurchabq.org
Vatican Website: www.vatican.va
Archdiocese of Santa Fe Website: www.archdiosf.org

OUR LADY OF FATIMA SCHOOL
Pre-K through 8th grade
Ms. Melinda Mader, Principal
School Office: (505) 255-6391 School Fax: (505) 268-3279
Website: www.fatimaschoolabq.com

2020Lenten Schedule

**+Every Friday,
February 28, 2020 through April 3, 2020 -
5:30 PM Simple Soup Supper**
consisting of soup, bread and butter,
and beverage **in gym of FGH**

Soup Supper Hosts:

2/28/20—Parish Council
03/6/20—Eucharistic Ministers & Lectors
3/13/20—Women’s Guild
3/20/20—Holy Name Society,
3/27/20—Coffee and Donuts
04/3/20—Choir



+Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturdays from 3:30 PM to 5:00 PM
(except Holy Saturday, April 11, 2020)
Fridays in Lent from 6:00 PM to 6:45 PM
(except Good Friday, April 10, 2020)



Our Lady of Fatima Adult Faith Formation Journey with us as we grow in our Catholic Faith

Wednesday Evening Faith-Sharing Group

The evening Adult Faith-Sharing Group meets weekly from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm on Wednesdays in Room 1 of Fatima-Gallagher Hall. We began the new year with an 8-part series entitled “Seven Deadly Sins, Seven Lively Virtues,” by Bishop Robert Barron’s Word on Fire Ministries. **The remaining sessions are:**

- **Wednesday, March 4, 2020**
Lesson 6: Gluttony and Asceticism
- **Wednesday, March 11, 2020**
Lesson 7: Lust and Chastity

Thursday Morning Faith-Sharing Group

The morning Adult Faith-Sharing Group meets on Thursday morning from 10:00 am to 11:30 am in Fatima-Gallagher Hall Room 1 and is continuing to study the Book of Revelation as it related to the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. **The remaining sessions are:**

- **March 5– Review and study of Chapter 15 & 16**
- **March 12– Review and study of Chapter 17 & 18**
- **March 19– Review and study of Chapter 19& 20**
- **March 26– Review and study of Chapter 21 & 22**
- **Please remember to bring your Bibles and Catechisms.**
- **April 2—DVD MEDITATION ON THE PASSION OF CHRIST**
- **April 9– HOLY THURSDAY—NO CLASS**



Welcome! Welcome! Welcome!

- **Marcelo Manriquez**
**We are blessed that you have
joined our parish family.**

Notes from the Pastor continued from page 1
weakness of Adam. Paul perceives Jesus as the “New Adam,” born of the “New Eve”, the Blessed Virgin Mary. Adam’s sin of disobedience (Original Sin) brought death. Jesus’ conquering of sin and death with perfect obedience and total trust in the Father brings forth new and eternal life. Sin began with the tree at Eden, and sin would be destroyed with the tree (Cross) at Calvary.

What kind of Lent will you have this year? Will you surrender to temptations as Adam did, or will you fast and pray with Jesus, keeping your Lenten promises for the forty days until the beginning of the Sacred Triduum on Holy Thursday? Are we trying to live on bread alone, without God in our lives? Are we putting God to the test, demanding things of Him that we do not expect from ourselves? Are we worshipping false gods, just as Satan hoped Jesus would? Lent is our forty days in the desert. We come here with and for the Lord. As we begin this Lent, let us honestly seek to find out who we are, who we are not, and what God calls us to become. And let s be mindful of the words we heard as the ashes were placed on our foreheads on Ash Wednesday: “Repent, and believe in the Gospel!”

Our Lady of Fatima School is accepting registrations for the 2020-2021 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 a personalized visit.

The school office may be reached
at 255-6391.



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



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 the 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.