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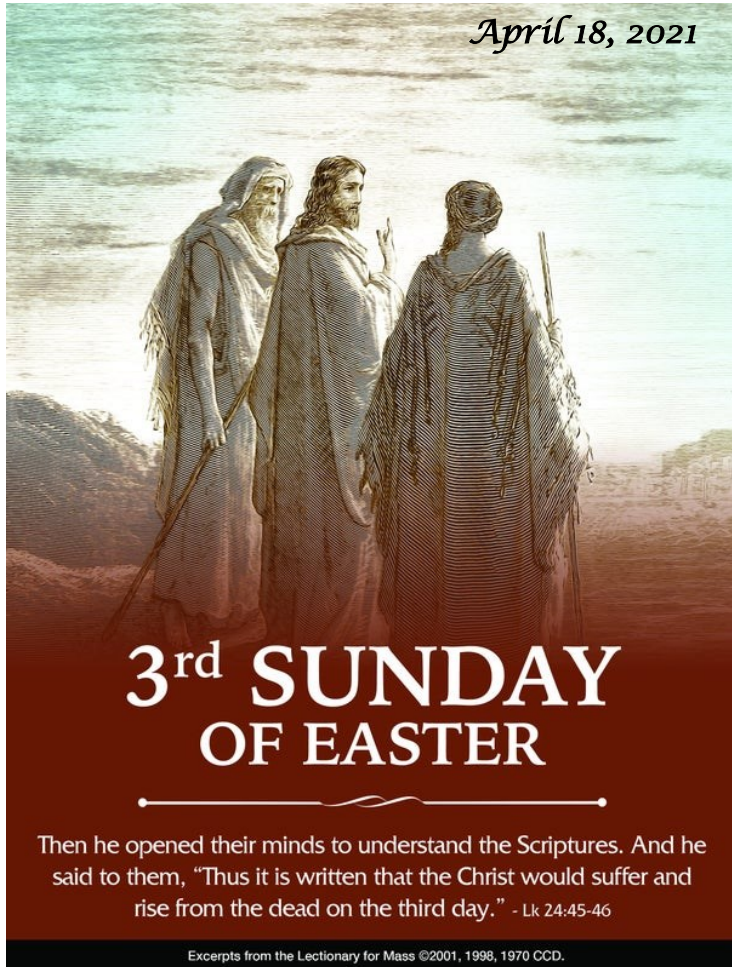
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At Our Lady of Fatima Parish we are committed to know, love and serve God through Word and Sacrament, through our shared experience as the Mystical Body of Christ, and through the call to full, conscious and active participation in parish life.

April 18, 2021



Today's Gospel (Luke 24:35-48) follows the encounter the two disciples had with the risen Jesus on

the road to Emmaus, where they had recognized Jesus in the breaking of the bread. Now, these same two disciples have returned to Jerusalem to share news of this encounter with the Apostles who had gathered in the Upper Room where the Last Supper had taken place. The Apostles are hidden there, staying out of sight for fear that those who killed Jesus would soon be coming for them.

The risen Jesus appears to them in that room and offers the peace that he alone can give. He reassures them that they are seeing victory, not defeat – that he is truly risen! He is not a ghost and they are not hallucinating. He eats with them, and then gives them a detailed recounting of how prophecies from the Hebrew Scriptures (Old Testament) have been fulfilled by his passion. The disciples' mission will be to go and tells others the very same truth – God's plan of salvation was not defeated at Calvary; instead it was the defining moment of victory that was then fulfilled in the Resurrection.

Jesus calls his disciples "witnesses of these things," a point echoed by St. Peter in the Acts of the Apostles (Acts 3:13-15, 17-19). Peter has indeed become a witness. Before the Holy Spirit came upon him in wind and fire at the Pentecost, he hid himself away in fear along with the other Apostles. Now his fears have been replaced by faith in the Resurrection. The simple, uneducated fisherman, now stands publicly as the rock of Christ's Church, eloquently challenging his listeners to repent, and inviting them to be baptized and share in Christ's victory.

Then and now, the Resurrection of Jesus is disbelieved by some, and ignored by others. However, for those who have faith in the Lord and find strength in the Cross of Jesus, the Resurrection becomes an anchor that preserves our hope, even, and especially, during the darkest days of our lives. In the Sacraments, Jesus takes our fears away – the same way he did on the road to Emmaus and in the Upper Room. Like his original disciples, we are called to go and free others from their fears, by sharing with them the Good News that Jesus Christ has conquered sin and death, and offers us eternal life in the Kingdom of Heaven.

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

Second collection next week, see page 4.

"Lord, let your face shine on us. (Psalm 4)"

Monday, April 19, Easter Weekday

6:30 AM ♦Intentions of Mr. and Mrs. Eric Hokanson
(Vienti Family)

8:15 AM ♦In Thanksgiving to St. Raphael
(August & Reina Chavez)
♦In Thanksgiving to St. Luke
(August & Reina Chavez)

Tuesday, April 20, Easter Weekday

6:30 AM †Joe Anaya (Vicenti Family)
♦Intentions of Mr. & Mrs. Andrea Staid and
Brandon Jones (Marianne Staid)

Wednesday, April 21, Saint Anselm, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

6:30 AM ♦Intentions of Mr. & Mrs. Andrea Staid and
Brandon Jones (Marianne Staid)

8:15 AM ♦Special Intention
†Cristobal & Ann Baca (Baca Family)

Thursday, April 22, Easter Weekday

6:30 AM †Kathryn & Joseph Long (Posler-Long Family)
♦Intentions of Mr. & Mrs. Andrea Staid and
Brandon Jones (Marianne Staid)

Friday, April 23, Saint George, Martyr; Saint Adalbert, Bishop and Martyr

6:30 AM ♦Intentions of All Parishioners

8:15 AM ♦Intentions of All Parishioners

Saturday, April 24, Saint Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest and Martyr

7:30 AM †Rudolfo Lujan Baca (Edward M. Kelly)
†Jason & mom, Lala Chavez (August & Reina Chavez)
†Jeanette Devoti (husband, Frank & Family)

5:30 PM †Christopher Jeffers (Gloris DiGangi Garcia)
†Idania Bachechi (Gloria Garcia)
†Joseph Saavedra (Adel Brito & Family)

Sunday, April 25, Fourth Sunday of Easter, World Day of Prayer for Vocations

7:30 AM †Fusako "Chiko" Jaramillo (Family)
†Jimmy and Nestora Baca (Baca Family)
†Louellen M. Baldoni (Joye & Mearl Kubala)

10:00 AM †Kathy Vigil (Joe Vigil & Family)
†John Richard Koller (Sally Morris)
†Juan and Mary Jimenez (John & Angie Costello)

12:00 PM ♦Intentions of All Parishioners
†Margaret Mary Olona (Cathy Chavez)
♦Intentions of Ray & Sharon Wright (Martinez Family)

Readings for the week of April 18, 2021

Sunday: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Psalms 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 [7a]/1 John 2:1-5a/Luke 24:35-48

Monday: Acts 6:8-15/Psalms 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30 [1ab]/John 6:22-29

Tuesday: Acts 7:51—8:1a/Psalms 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 and 21ab [6a]/John 6:30-35

Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8/Psalms 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a [1]/John 6:35-40

Thursday: Acts 8:26-40/Psalms 66:8-9, 16-17, 20 [1]/John 6:44-51

Friday: Acts 9:1-20/Psalms 117:1bc, 2 [Mark 16:15]/John 6:52-59

Saturday: Acts 9:31-42/Psalms 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 [12]/John 6:60-69

Next Sunday: Acts 4:8-12/Psalms 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29 [22]/1 John 3:1-2/John 10:11-1

Please pray for the repose of the souls of

Clifford Eugene Bitsy, Jr.
Daniel Bernard Thom

Our sympathy is extended to their family and friends.
Requiescat in Pace

Quotable Saints

“How splendid the cross of Christ! It brings life, not death; light, not darkness; paradise, not its loss. It is the wood on which the Lord, like a great warrior, was wounded in hands and feet and side, but healed thereby our wounds.” – St. Theodore of Stoudites

Second Collection Next Week

In your envelope packets and Online Giving there is a special collection for the Brothers of the Good Shepherd who run the Good Shepherd Center in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Please be generous.



“At the Good Shepard Center hospitality is expressed to our homeless and less fortunate guests according to the goal of our founder, Brother Mathias:

"Charity Unlimited" through addiction recovery, medical shelter, food, and clothing for those in need.

We strive to serve, with respect and compassion, the most vulnerable in our community by providing sustainable resources, services, and programs that meet the most basic needs.” The center is located at 218 Iron St. SW, Albuquerque, NM, 87102.

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.

Prayer to Saint Michael the Archangel

Saint Michael the Archangel,
defend us in battle.

Be our protection against the
wickedness and snares of the devil.
May God rebuke him, we humbly pray;
and do thou,

O Prince of the heavenly host,
by the power of God,
cast into hell Satan and all the evil
spirits, who wander through the world
seeking the ruin of souls.

Amen.



**Welcome! Welcome!
Welcome!**

**• Dylan, Amy and Miles
Rodriguez**

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

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 reminds 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.

Thoughts on Stewardship:

Stewardship is planned giving and does not leave giving to chance. It challenges us to plan. It asks us to make a conscious determination of what we are doing with our time, our talent, and our treasure.



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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.



ONLINE GIVING IS NOW AVAILABLE!

Parishioners and friends of Our Lady of Fatima Church and School can now make one-time or recurring gifts directly on our parish website. Stop worrying about mailing in tithes. Instead, give a gift at any time (from any device that connects to the internet) using a current email and checking account/credit card. It's simple and secure. You can even turn your tithe into an automatic gift that gives when and how often you'd like.

Visit osvhub.com/fatimachurchabq/funds to see how easy it is! You can also use your smartphone to take a picture of the QR Code on the right and it will automatically link to the web address.



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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.



2017 Eclipse



OUR FUTURE IS SO BRIGHT WE GOTTA WEAR SHADES!!



Up-coming Events at Our Lady of Fatima Parish

First Holy Communion

The third-grade students of Our Lady of Fatima School and the parish CCD program will receive First Holy Communion at a **2:00 pm Mass on Sunday, April 18th, 2021**. Parishioners are invited to attend.

Youth Confirmation

Youth of our parish who have undergone two years of sacramental preparation will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation at a **6:00 pm Mass on Tuesday, April 27th, 2021**. Parishioners are invited to attend.

Adult Faith Formation

Our next discussion sessions begin **April 27th and will end May 27th, 2021**. The sessions will be a study of the book, "God: What Every Catholic Should Know", by Elizabeth Klein. Parishioners must contact the Parish Office to register and obtain class materials.

May Crowning of Mary

The May Crowning of Mary will take place at the Our Lady of Fatima School Mass at **8:15 am on Wednesday, May 5th, 2021**. Parishioners are invited to attend.