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.



Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass 02001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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 4:30PM Friday –8:00 AM to 1:00 PM





As we begin our post-Christmas observance of Ordinary Time, which will lead us into the beginning of Lent on Ash Wednesday (Wednesday, February 22nd), the Church invites us to look more closely at the public life of Jesus. While this year we will hear from the Gospel of Matthew on most Sundays, today we hear from John's Gospel, telling us about John the Baptist identifying Jesus as the *Lamb of God*. It is primarily from this Gospel passage that we speak of Jesus as the *Lamb of God* in our liturgy. Why the word *lamb*? After all, a lamb is a young sheep, and the term could be used to indicate an unsophisticated, immature person.

But a lamb is also known as a gentle or innocent person, and that truly describes Jesus. Jesus was hardly an unsophisticated person; he could relate to people at all levels and from all walks of life. So, it is the gentleness and innocence that fit his title as *Lamb of God*. Even more, the prophesies of the Old Testament proclaimed that the Messiah would be like a *lamb led to the slaughter or a sheep before the shearers* (Isaiah 53:7). Jesus would be the lamb that would be sacrificed for the sins of the world. John the Baptist announced to his followers, and to all the world, that Jesus was that lamb.

Remember, too, that God had called for the slaughter and roasting of an unblemished lamb for the Passover meal, as the Israelites were about to be led by Moses out of captivity in Egypt. The blood from that lamb would be smeared on the doorposts of the home, to spare the occupants from the Angel of Death that was to take the life of the first born of every human and animal family in Egypt. Consider also that the Jewish people of Jesus' time and for centuries before, regularly offered lambs and other animals as sacrifice at the Temple in Jerusalem in atonement for sin. By identifying Jesus as "the Lamb of God," John the Baptist is identifying him as the one who would offer his life on the wood of the Cross for the forgiveness of our sins.

John went on to testify to what he saw when he baptized Jesus in the Jordan River. He saw the Spirit of God descend upon Jesus, making it clear that this truly was the Son of God. In today's Gospel, John is telling his followers to become followers of Jesus, for he will truly lead them to the path of eternal life.

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"Here am I, Lord; come to do your will. "~Psalm 40



Monday, January 16, Weekday. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

6:30am †Chuck Cooper and ◆Intentions of Karen Cooper

(Carol Yarnall)

†Michael Carloni (Pattie & David Heiman)

†Thomas Baker (Vivica Ornelas)

8:15am ◆Intentions of Harley and Lauren Kimber (Family)

†Mabel Chavez (Chavez-Barela Family) †Richard Barela (Chavez-Barela Family)

Tuesday, January 17, Saint Anthony, Abbot

6:30am †Jose Francisco "Frank" Valdez

Wednesday, January 18, Weekday

6:30am †Katherine Lucille Mahoney

8:15am ♦Intentions of all Parishioners

†James Willis (Family)

Thursday, January 19, Weekday

6:30am †Gerald Schultz

†Helen Adamiak (Carol Yarnall)

♦Intentions of Finley R. Foster (Richard Perovich)

Friday, January 20, Saint Fabian, Pope and Martyr; Saint Sebastian,

<u>Martyr</u>

6:30am †Chuck Cooper and ◆Intentions of Karen Cooper

(Carol Yarnall)

8:15am †Geneva Chaido (Family)

Saturday, January 21, Saint Agnes, Virgin and Martyr

7:30am †Gary Lee Rieg

5:30pm †Peter and Elisa DiGangi (Gloria DiGangi-Garcia)

†Mary Theresa Kellovich (Nunez Family)

Sunday, January 22, Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30am ◆Intentions of all Parishioners

†Jimmy and Nestora Baca (Baca Family) †Fusako "Chiko" Jaramillo (Family)

10:00am ♦Living and †Deceased members of the Barbara Lebow Family

♦Intentions of Grant Foster-Happy Birthday (Richard Perovich)

♦Intentions of Barbara Posler and Bill Long

(Manzano del Sol Mass attendees)

12:00pm †Pope Emeritus Benedict the 16th

†Lynn Marie Jump †Mary Theresa Kellovich

Ouotable Saints



"Dear Lord, increase my strength and faith, my hope and charity, a thousand fold!... Be thou forever praised, dearest Jesus, my Lord and my God!" -St. John Newman

Readings for the week of January 15, 2023

Sunday: Isaiah 49:3, 5-6/Psalms 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9,

10/1 Corinthians 1:1-3/John 1:29-34

Monday: Hebrews 5:1-10/Psalms 110:1, 2, 3, 4/

Mark 2:18-22

Tuesday:Hebrews 6:10-20/Psalms 111:1-2, 4-5, 9

and 10c/Mark 2:23-28

Wednesday: Hebrews 7:1-3, 15-17/Psalms 110:1,

2, 3, 4/Mark 3:1-6

Thursday:Hebrews 7:25-8:6/Psalms 40:7-8a, 8b-

9, 10, 17/Mark 3:7-12

Friday: Hebrews 8:6-13/Psalms 85:8 and 10, 11-

12, 13-14/Mark 3:13-19

Saturday: Hebrews 9:2-3, 11-14/Psalms 47:2-3, 6

-7, 8-9/Mark 3:20-21

Next Sunday: Isaiah 8:23-9:3/Psalms 27:1,4, 13-14 (1a)/1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17/Matthew 4:12-

23 or 4:12-17

Schedule of Events

Sunday, January 15-

Masses at 7:30 AM, 10:00 AM and 12:00 PM

11:00 Am-Holy Name Society meeting in FGH Gym

Monday, January 16- Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Parish Office Closed

School Člosed

10:00 AM- Mass at Manzano Del Sol Nursing Home

Wednesday, January 18-

6:30 PM- RCIA in FGH Room 1

Thursday, January 19-

6:30 PM- Choir practice in Church

Sunday, January 22,

11:00 AM– Yr. 1, Pre Confirmation Class in FGH Room 1 -Yr. 2, Confirmation Class in FGH Library

11:00 AM-SVDP meeting in FGH Room 1

PLEASE NOTE: Meeting and event times are subject to change.



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Around the Archdiocese

MARRIAGE PREPARATION

Weekends for the Engaged.

Couples must attend the whole weekend. Please visit www.familylifenm.org to register for one of the events. The cost is \$85.00 per couple.

Dates for 2023 are as follows: February 10-12, April 14-16 September 15-17 and November 11-13

Engaged Encounter Weekends are coming in 2023. Please be on the lookout for more information to come.

To register visit abasfee.org

Evenings for Engaged are listed below:

- Jan 10, 12, 17, 19 & 21
- March 21, 23, 28, 30 & April 1st
- June 13, 15, 20, 22 & 24
- Oct 3, 5, 10, 12 & 14

To register call St. Jude Parish at 505-898-0826.

The Pre-Cana de Santa Fe will be having Pre-Cana classes at St. Anne Parish in Santa Fe. To register or for more information call 505-690-7451.



ARCHDIOCESAN NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING -

Creighton Model FertilityCare System www.stjosephfertilityacre.org.

Couple to Couple League

https://ccli.powerappsportals.com/en-US/.

2023 parish calendars are still available

Pick up a 2023 Parish Calendar in the Parish Office. The calendars are offered to our parishioners free of charge while they last, but we ask that you please limit yourselves to one calendar per household so that all families have an opportunity to have a calendar.

Notice for Engaged Couples:

Engaged couples registered in our parish are reminded that they should contact the Parish Office at least <u>six months</u> before their proposed wedding date. This is to ensure sufficient time for preparation for Marriage.





Baptizing a child-

Parishioners who are planning to baptize a child or may be acting as godparents for another couple should call the parish office as soon as possible so you can schedule a time to complete the pre-baptism instruction which is required by the Archdiocese of Santa Fe. The

certificate you will receive after competing the class is valid for two years from the date of completion.



MARRIAGE HELP- Retrouvaille (pronounced Retro-vi) has helped tens of thousands of couples at all stages of disillusionment or misery in their marriage. This program can help you too. For confidential information call 505-890-3495. You can also find us on the Web at www.HelpOurMarriage.com.

For questions, please contact the Family Life office (see box).

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

Seasons of Hope is centered on Jesus Christ and grounded in the healing wisdom, traditions and practices of the Catholic Church. The small faith-sharing group typically meets for six consecutive weeks. Anyone who is mourning the death of a loved one is welcome to attend. Participants are asked to bring a bible (we also have bibles available) and each receives a journal to guide them through the sessions. Registration is requested so materials can be prepared. Call Holy Rosary Parish at 505-836-5011 for dates.

Visit our website to find Ministry Resources and Trainings on: The Marriage Preparation, Marriage Support & Enrichment, The ASF Therapist Referral Network, Natural Family Planning (NFP) Information, Parenting Support, Divorce Recovery, Grief Support Groups and more.

Office of Family Life

Yvette Duran Coordinator 505-831-8117 yduran@archdiosf.org

Saint of the Week

Known as the Snowshoe Priest, Venerable Bishop Frederic Baraga, was a lifelong missionary to the Native American people of the upper Midwest. He loved the people he served, knew their languages, and even published the first Ojibwe-English dictionary!

Prayer for the Cause of V. Frederic Irenaeus Baraga

O God, thank you for the life and holiness of your servant, Frederic Baraga.

I pray you will honor him by the title of Saint. He dedicated himself completely to missionary activity to make you known, loved, and served by the people who you love. As a man of peace and love, Baraga brought peace and love wherever he traveled.

Lord, grant Venerable Bishop Baraga the grace of beatification.

We ask this in Christ name.

Amen.

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Sharing Talents

"Your talent is God's gift to you. What you do with it is your gift back to God." —Leo Buscaglia

God gave many of us the gift of music-making. Are you one of those fortunate people? And are you willing to share your gift in making our liturgies more meaningful and joyful? We are currently looking to expand the music program and need volunteers to help.

In a recent U.S. Catholic survey, eighty percent of those questioned said that music at Mass was very important to them. However, only thirteen percent were totally satisfied with the music that they have and actually sing. The music at Mass is important, very important! It is not simply a performance by a soloist or choir, a background to accompany our prayer, a means to create a mood, or an incentive to shout and clap our hands. Music is integral to our liturgical worship. Indeed, Saint Augustine once said, "The person who sings, prays twice!"

Woodwinds, brass, guitar, bass guitar, drums and percussion all have a place in liturgy. Well-trained singers could volunteer as cantors and those who want to sing in a choir are most welcome. For the former, one only needs to be able to carry a tune and have the desire to sing with others in harmony. And if you're an accomplished pianist, you could be an occasional substitute.

Mark Adrian, our Director of Music, is seeking to implement some changes to Our Lady of Fatima's liturgical music. Beginning soon, our new format for music at Mass will be as follows:

- <u>SATURDAY 5:30 pm</u> Mix of traditional and contemporary songs with piano. Additional instruments may be added as they become available. A cantor currently leads the singing, but we're looking to develop a small group of singers.
- <u>SUNDAY 7:30 am</u> Traditional hymns with organ, led by a cantor/song-leader.
- <u>SUNDAY 10:00 am</u> Mix of traditional and contemporary songs with piano accompaniment. Additional instruments may be added as they become available. The adult choir leads the singing and often presents a "solo" anthem during Preparation-of-Gifts and/or Communion.
- ◆ <u>SUNDAY 12:00 noon</u> A more contemporary style of music is planned, with guitar, bass guitar, drums/percussion, and piano. Songs will be presented that are *not* typically found in the Music Issue or Today's Missal. A cantor currently leads the singing, but we're looking to develop a small group of singers.

Has God given you the gift of music? Are you willing to share it with us?

Let's see how we can include your talent in our liturgies. Call Mark Adrian at the church office: 505-265-5868.

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Notes from the Pastor

of February.

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We know that this was John's primary role in salvation history. Just a few weeks ago, in our Advent season, we heard in the Gospel of Luke how John told his followers not only to follow Jesus, but to be prepared for a baptism of fire and the Holy Spirit (Luke 3:16).

John acknowledges that he is God's servant, and that he has been called to share this message with the world. Yes, John's message is given specifically to the Jews, but it is the whole world that would be saved by Jesus. We hear this prophesied in today's First Reading, in which Isaiah speaks of the Servant of God, who will bring back the Israelites to faithfulness, but also be a *light to the nations*. He will bring the message of salvation to a world in need of hope.

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 2022. 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 the first week

If your total donations for 2022 were less than \$50 and you would like a copy of your contribution statement, it may be requested from Ryn at the parish office. Thank you for your financial support of our parish.



Sanctity of Life Awareness and Unity Day Mass Wednesday, January 25, 2023 at 12:00 PM Cathedral Basilica of St. Francis of Assisi, Santa Fe Sponsored by the New Mexico Conference of Catholic Bishops

The Mass with the three Bishops of New Mexico will also be live-streamed at https://yotutu.be/MknJggedWyg. There will be no march, only a Prayer Rally at the Roundhouse at 1:30pm. Participants are asked to bring baby items like diapers, blankets, bottles etc. and/or socks and toiletries for the elderly to be collected at the Mass and distributed to organizations that provide support to expectant mothers in need or nursing homes.

The Parish Office will be closed on **Monday**, January 16, 2023 in observance of the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday. The office will reopen the following day, Tuesday, January 17, 2023.

Our Lady of Fatima Parish currently has an opening for a full-time Janitor position. Please call the Parish Office for more information.



HOLY NAME SOCIETY MEETING

TODAY—JANUARY 15th

Corporate Mass at 10:00 AM—Meeting at 11:00 AM FATIMA-GALLAGHER HALL GYM All men in the parish are invited!!



9 Days for Life Novena January 19-27, 2023

You're invited to join thousands of Catholics nationwide in prayer for the respect of human life during a special novena called 9 Days for Life. Visit 9daysforlife.com to sign up to receive daily intentions from January 19th through the 27th.

Join us as we pray to protect human life!



ONLINE GIVING IS 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.

*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.



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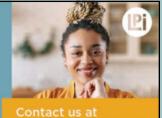


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