

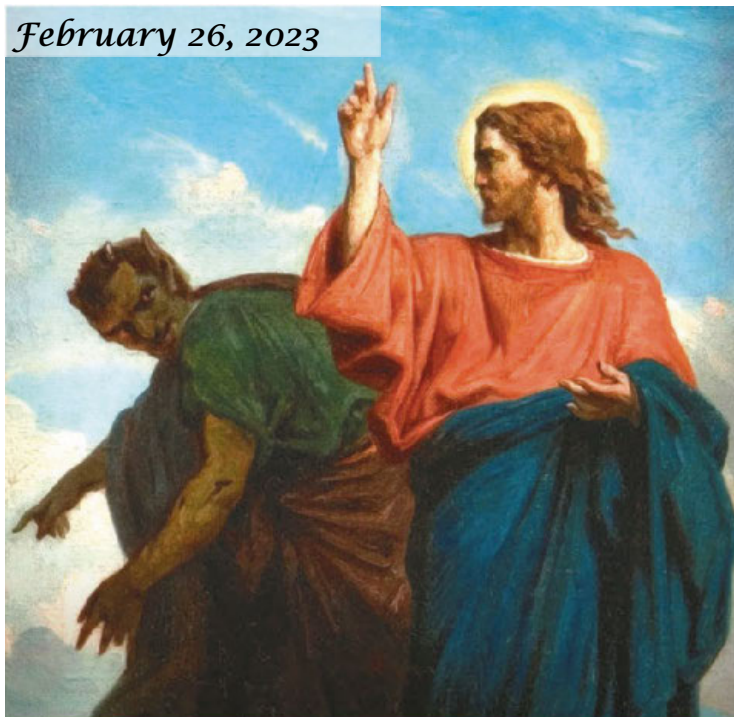
# Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church

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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.*

February 26, 2023



## 1<sup>ST</sup> 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 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

ANOIDTING OF THE SICK - - - - - First Saturday after the  
7:30 AM Mass or by request

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



Although fasting is only required on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, many people use fasting as a spiritual exercise on additional days 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, the late 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."

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*Lenten and Easter Event Schedule on page 5*

*"Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned." ~Psalm 51*

**Monday, February 27, Lenten Weekday, Saint Gregory of Narek, Abbot and Doctor of the Church**

**6:30am** ♦Intentions of Philip Andrew Leyva (Nunez Family)  
♦Intentions of Fr. Schultz, Fr. Okpu & Fr. Trambley  
†Kathleen Goodwin

**8:15am** ♦Intentions of Fr. Okpu (Al & Linda Gieri)

**Tuesday, February 28, Lenten Weekday**

**6:30am** †David Montoya (Mom & Dad)  
♦Intentions of Eileen and Bill Beaumont  
♦Intentions of Fr. Schultz, Fr. Okpu & Fr. Trambley

**Wednesday, March 1, Lenten Weekday**

**6:30am** ♦Intentions of Fr. Schultz (Al & Linda Gieri)

**8:15am** ♦Special Intention  
†Chris Quintana (Joye & Mearl Kubala)  
†Jose and Lily Armijo (Armijo Family)

**Thursday, March 2, Lenten Weekday**

**6:30am** †Walter Valdez (Armijo Family)  
♦Intentions of Fr. Trambley (Al & Linda Gieri)

**First Friday, March 3, Lenten Weekday, Saint Katherine Drexel, Virgin**

**6:30am** ♦Intentions of Our Lady of Fatima Parishioners  
♦Intentions of Fr. Schultz, Fr. Okpu & Fr. Trambley

**8:15am** †For all those on the Memorial Plaques and for all ♦Intentions for which the Votive Lights are lit  
†Mela Lucero  
♦Intentions of Fr. Schultz, Fr. Okpu & Fr. Trambley

**First Saturday, March 4, Saint Casimir**

**7:30am** ♦Living & †Deceased Members of the Legion of Mary  
♦Living & †Deceased Members of the Noga Family  
♦Living & †Deceased Members of the Peake-Sherer Guimaraes Families

**Anticipatory Mass for the Second Sunday of Lent**

**5:30pm** ♦Intention of Ryn De Castro-Happy Birthday (Nunez Family)  
†Frank and Jeanette Devoti (Family)  
†Mary Theresa Kellovich (Nunez Family)

**Sunday, March 5, Second Sunday of Lent**

**7:30am** †Jimmy and Nestora Baca (Baca Family)  
†Fusako "Chiko" Jaramillo (Family)  
†Santiago, Mary Lou & Dolores Martinez (Nunez Family)

**10:00am** ♦Intentions of all Parishioners, especially those celebrating birthdays in the month of March  
♦Intentions of Fr. Schultz, Fr. Okpu & Fr. Trambley  
†Elizabeth Anne Josey

**12:00pm** †John and Evelyn Baca-Kight (Margaret Ortiz)  
♦Intentions of Fr. Edward Okpu  
♦Intentions of Fr. Schultz and Fr. Trambley

**Readings for the week of February 26, 2023**

**Sunday:** Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Psalms 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17 (see 3a)/Romans 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19/Matthew 4:1-11

**Monday:** Leviticus 19:1-2, 11-18/Psalms 19:8, 9, 10, 15/Matthew 25:31-46

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

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

**Thursday:** Esther C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Psalms 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/Matthew 7:7-12

**Friday:** Ezekiel 18:21-28/Psalms 130:1-2, 3-4, 507a, 7bc-8/Matthew 5:20-26

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

**Next Sunday:** Genesis 12:1-4a/Psalms 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 (22)/2 Timothy 1:8b-10/Matthew 17:1-9

**Schedule of Events**

**Monday, February 27-**

10:00am-Mass at Morada Senior Home  
3:30pm-Legion of Mary meeting

**Tuesday, February 28-**

Rosary to End Abortion in front of Planned Parenthood on San Mateo Blvd. after 6:30am Mass

**Wednesday, March 1-**

6:30pm- RCIA in FGH Room 1

**Thursday, March 2-**

6:30pm- Choir practice in Church

**Friday, March 3- First Friday**

9:00am-12:00pm-Adoration in the Church  
~Soup Supper, Confessions and Stations of the Cross, see page 5 for details

**Saturday, March 4- First Saturday**

Anointing of the Sick after 7:30am Mass

**Sunday, March 5- First Sunday of Lent**

Coffee and Doughnuts in FGH after the 7:30am and 10:00am Masses

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

**Quotable Saints**

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“Christ urges you, when you ask for 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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**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 completing the class is valid for two years from the date of completion.



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# Coffee and Doughnuts Next Weekend

Join us for Coffee and Doughnuts  
after the 7:30am and 10:00am Masses.



## Saint of the Week

Venerable William Gagnon, O.H. was born on May 16, 1905, in Dover, New Hampshire as the third of twelve children. Intrigued by a newspaper column about St. John of God and the community of brothers he founded to care for the sick all over the world, Gagnon entered the Hospitallers order and took his vows in Montreal in 1935. Brother William then spent the first 20 years of his vocation directing schools as well as hospitals in Montreal and Quebec City as well as serving as Provincial Superior at the first Chapter of the Canadian Province in Montreal before following the dream that originally drew him to the Hospitallers, to serve overseas as a missionary.

In 1952 Brother William was assigned to be the prior of his order's new foundation and hospital in Vietnam in Bui-Chu (North Vietnam). The Hospital du Sacre-Coeur de Bui-Chu and its dispensary served victims of war, ranging from children suffering malnutrition to adults wounded by the fighting. As refugees of war flocked to the hospital, Brother William relied on his deep devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary and the Sacred Heart of Jesus, as he was a person of deep reflection and prayer. These devotions helped steady him as he and his brothers cared for everyone who came through their doors. On occasion they would have to leave the mission for their own safety since they cared for soldiers on both sides of the conflict and that sometimes put them in harm's way. During his first year in Bui-Chu a bomb fell on the hospital's roof although, fortunately, nobody was injured. Eventually, the Brothers were forced Southward to continue to care for the refugees of the Vietnam conflict.

As the stream of refugees moved from the South out of North Vietnam, the Brothers relocated to Bien-Hoa near Saigon which became the Vietnamese province of the Brothers Hospitallers. Here, Brother William continued his leadership work in the hospital but also became the novice master, training those seeking a vocation with the Brothers in Vietnam. A true servant leader, beside his administrative work and his efforts with the novices, Brother William had a hand in every task of the mission — general contractor, fundraiser, social worker, nurse, and spiritual leader.

Brother Gagnon served his community in Vietnam until dying of heart failure in Saigon in 1972. Pope Francis recognized his heroic virtues and proclaimed him Venerable on December 14, 2015.

## 2023 Lent, Holy Week and Easter Schedule

+Every Friday, March 3, 2023 through March 31, 2023

5:30pm- Simple Soup Supper in gym of FGH

Soup Supper Hosts:



March 3<sup>rd</sup> —Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers,  
 March 10<sup>th</sup> —School  
 March 17<sup>th</sup> —Holy Name Society,  
 March 24<sup>th</sup> —Coffee and Donuts,  
 March 31<sup>st</sup> —Choir and Women's Guild

6:00pm-6:45pm-Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)  
 in the Church

7:00pm-Stations of the Cross in the Church

+Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

—Saturdays from 3:30pm to 5:00pm (except April 8, 2023)

—Fridays during Lent from 6:00pm to 6:45pm during Stations  
 of the Cross (except April 7, 2023)

—During Lenten Mission on March 15, 2023 7:00pm to 8:00pm

+Lenten Mission: March 13, 14, and 15, 2023

*THE SEVEN LAST WORDS OF CHRIST,*

Presented by Pastor Emeritus of Our Lady of Perpetual Help,  
 Rev. Christopher Zuger

6:30pm-7:30pm (Mon., Tues. & Wed.)

Confessions on Wednesday,  
 03-15-2023, from 7:00pm to 8:00pm

—During presentation



+Palm Sunday, April 2, 2023

Mass and distribution of Palms on:

—Saturday (04-01-2023 Anticipatory)  
 at 5:30pm and

—Sunday (04-02-2023) at 7:30pm,  
 10:00am, and 12:00pm

\*CRS RICE Bowls are due\*

### Easter Triduum

+Holy Thursday, April 6, 2023

6:00pm — Mass of the Lord's Supper, with  
 Eucharistic Adoration until 10:00pm

+Good Friday, April 7, 2023

Parish Office and School Closed

3:00pm — Stations of the Cross in Church

3:00pm —Begin Divine Mercy Novena in Church

6:00pm — Celebration of the Lord's Passion  
 and Veneration of the Cross

\*Good Friday Collection to support the Holy Land\*

+Holy Saturday, April 8, 2023

10:00am —Rehearsal for Candidates and  
 Catechumens of RCIA

3:00pm — Divine Mercy Novena in Church

8:00pm — Easter Vigil Mass

\*No Confessions on Holy Saturday\*



+Easter Sunday, April 9, 2023

**Mass of the Resurrection** at 7:30am,  
 10:00am, and 12:00pm

*\*The Holy Name Society will be  
 distributing Easter gift bags of candy to  
 children after the 10:00am Mass.*

3:00pm — Divine Mercy Novena in  
 Church

+April 10, 2023, Easter Monday

Parish Office and School Closed

+April 10 through April 15, 2023

3:00pm — Divine Mercy Novena in Church

+Sunday, April 16, 2023, Divine Mercy Sunday

Mass at 5:30pm on Saturday (04-15-23 Anticipatory)

and on Sunday (04-16-23) at 7:30pm, 10:00am and  
 12:00pm

11:00am-1:00pm—High School Confirmation  
 Classes in RM 1 and Library

1:00pm—First Communion Retreat and rehearsal for  
 students, parents and godparents. Begins with  
 12:00pm Mass until 4:00pm (Lunch provided)



+Sunday, April 23, 2023, Third Sunday of Easter

Mass at 5:30pm on Saturday (04-22-23 Anticipatory)

Mass on Sunday at 7:30am, 10:00am (FIRST COMMUNION  
 MASS) and 12:00pm

11:00 AM-St. Vincent de Paul Meeting in Room 1



+Thursday, April 20, 2023, Our Lady of  
 Fatima High School-Confirmation Mass with

St. Charles Borromeo and St. Thomas  
 Aquinas University Parish Confirmandi.  
 6:00pm- Mass

+Wednesday, May 3, 2023, May Crowning of Mary  
 at the 8:15am Mass





**Notes from the Pastor**

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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 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!"

We will be having Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on First Fridays in the Church from 9:00AM-12:00 NOON. All are welcome. Come and spend some time in contemplation and prayer before our Lord.



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# OUR LADY OF FATIMA 2023 LENTEN MISSION

**March 13th-15th, 2023  
6:30pm to 7:30pm in the Church**

**Rev. Chris Zugger, Pastor Emeritus of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Byzantine-Ruthenian Rite Church** will be leading our Lenten Mission this year. The topic will be, "The Seven Last Words of Christ".

Monday, March 13th— The Real Presence in the Eucharist and the Passion; "Father, forgive them"

Tuesday, March 14th— The Seven Last Words, "The Good Thief; Behold Thy Mother; Why have You forsaken Me?"

Wednesday, March 15th— The Seven Last Words, "I thirst; It is finished; Into Thy Hands" and the piercing of Jesus' Heart.  
—Confessions are available on this night **ONLY**, from 7:00pm to 8:00pm, during the presentation.

## Operation Rice Bowl

Students at Our Lady of Fatima School and students in the Confirmation program will be receiving cardboard "Rice Bowls" to use during Lent as we participate in Catholic Relief Services "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 any parishioners who would like to participate.

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.

The Rice Bowls will be collected during Holy Week, or you may take them to the Parish Office by April 2, 2023. Thank you for your generous support.



## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

### February 26: First Sunday of Lent

Lent is a call to "give alms for the poor." Wherever you live in the parish, there are poor families within walking distance of your home. When in need, they ring the rectory bell. They are, in effect, ringing your bell. **Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that together we can help the suffering and poor.**

**God Bless You!**

We welcome all interested individuals to come to our monthly meeting on the fourth Sunday of the month, after the 10:00 AM Mass in Room 2 of Fatima-Gallagher Hall to discern if this ministry is for you. **Thank you for your generous support.**

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