

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.

April 30, 2023



4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"Whoever enters through the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens it for him, and the sheep hear his voice, as the shepherd calls his own sheep by name and leads them out." - Jn 10:2-3

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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- 8:00AM to 4:30PM
Friday - 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM



Today is the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. While we pray for the encouragement of all vocations – including those of married life and single life, this day is particularly set aside to pray for those whom God calls to religious life – as priests and deacons, religious sisters and brothers – to serve God's people. For decades we have witnessed a severe decline in the number of men and women answering God's call to serve the Church. It is not that God has stopped calling people to religious vocations. It is that those who have been called have declined the invitation. Perhaps they have been too caught up in the allurements of the present world – in materialism, individualism, and hedonism – to answer the call. Perhaps their own prayer life is not what it should be to really hear God's call. Perhaps religious vocations have not been encouraged within their family. Or maybe, just maybe, no one has ever told them – "I think you would make a great priest (or deacon, or religious sister or brother)!" The sacramental life of the Church is clearly dependent upon having enough priests to serve the people and provide those Sacraments. Let us pray for those whom God has called, that they may answer that call. Let us speak of and encourage religious vocations in our own families. And don't be afraid to approach someone you think has the qualities of a religious vocation, and suggest that they answer God's call.

Because of the Gospel that is read today, this Sunday is traditionally known as "Good Shepherd Sunday." We are all familiar with the image of Jesus holding a lamb tenderly in His arms or across His shoulders. And yet, it may perhaps be more appropriate to rename today: "Are you a Good Shepherd Sunday?" It is my prayer that I will be a good shepherd among you - one who encourages rather than discourages; one who bandages rather than wounds; one who is faithful in serving rather than embracing personal ambition. I am bound by my vows as a priest to be faithful to the teachings of Christ and His Holy Catholic Church, yet I try to apply those teachings in a pastoral way without compromising the integrity of those teachings.

This is a day for each one of us, both clergy and laypersons, to look into our hearts and judge the generosity of our service to the people around us. Each one of us is called to lead others to the gracious mercy of God. Each one of us should see it as our duty to help others get to heaven as we faithfully answer God's call ourselves. This is done most effectively in living lives of self-evident joy and holiness so that others can trust that we are leading them in the right path. Jesus, our Good Shepherd, give us the grace we need to answer your call, and gently lead others to your heavenly kingdom. Amen.

May Crowning of Mary on Wednesday at the 8:15am Mass



"The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want." ~Psalm 23

Monday, May 1, Saint Joseph the Worker

6:30am ♦Intentions of Joseph and Beelin Armijo
♦Intentions of Paul Benavidez (mom)
†Gloria Crespín (Rosa Zamarrípa)

8:15am †Chris Quintana (Joye & Mearl Kubala)
†Dan Armer (Carol Yarnall)

Tuesday, May 2, Saint Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

6:30am †Angel Mary Sofia Tafoya (Family)
♦Intentions of Paul Benavidez (mom)

Wednesday, May 3, Saints Philip and James, Apostles

6:30am †John and Margaret Armijo (Armijo Family)
♦Intentions of Luis Fabian & Eduardo Pinedo & Families
(Alvarado Pinedo Families)

8:15am ♦Special Intention
♦Intentions of Mr. Strones & Mrs. Bradley
(Thankful OLF Families)
†Raymond Perovich (Family)

Thursday, May 4, Easter Weekday

6:30am †Fr. Stephen Sanchez (Carol Yarnall)
†Frank and Jeanette Devoti (Family)

First Friday, May 5, Easter Weekday

6:30am †Matthew David Reitezl (Family)
†Jose and Lily Armijo (Family)

8:15am †For all those on the Memorial Plaques and for all ♦Intentions
for which the Votive Lights are lit
†Margaret Storey (Jim & Danna)
†Fr. Edward Okpu (Linda & Al Gieri)

First Saturday, May 6, Easter Weekday

7:30am ♦Living and †Deceased Members of the Legion of Mary
♦Intentions of Cecelia Gurule-Happy Birthday
(Gurule Family)
♦Living and †Deceased Members of the Noga Family

Anticipatory Mass for the Fifth Sunday of Easter

5:30pm ♦Intentions of Elizabeth Nunez & Sara Leyva-Happy Birthday
(Nunez Family)
†Mary Theresa Kellovich (Nunez Family)
♦Living and †Deceased Members of the Peake-Sherer
Guimaraes Families

Sunday, May 7, Fifth Sunday of Easter

7:30am †Jimmy and Nestora Baca (Baca Family)
†Fusako "Chiko" Jaramillo (Family)
†Pablo Valdivia (Dcn. & Mrs. Timoteo Lujan)
10:00am ♦Intentions of All Parishioners, especially those celebrating
Birthdays in the month of May
†Kathy Vigil (Joe Vigil)
†Angel Mary Sofia Tafoya (Family)
12:00p †Alice Martinez (Lena Hawley)
♦Intentions of Mary Helen Flores (Palmisano Family)
♦Intentions of Louise Conlin

Please pray for the repose of the souls of

• **Fr. Edward Okpu**
• **Gloria Crespín**

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

Readings for the week of April 30, 2023

Sunday: Acts 2:14a, 36-41/Psalms 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1)/1 Peter 2:20b-25/John 10:1-10

Monday: Acts 11:1-18/Psalms 42:2-3; 43:3, 4/John 10:11-18

Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26/Psalms 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7/John 10:22-30

Wednesday: 1 Corinthians 15:1-8/Psalms 19:2-3, 4-5/John 14:6-14

Thursday: Acts 13:13-25/Psalms 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27/John 13:16-20

Friday: Acts 13:26-33/Psalms 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab/John 14:1-6

Saturday: Acts 13:44-52/Psalms 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/John 14:7-14

Next Sunday: Acts 6:1-7/Psalms 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19 (22)/1 Peter 2:4-9/John 14:1-12



**Welcome! Welcome!
Welcome!**

♦ **Hector Valenzuela**

We are blessed that you have joined
our parish family.

Quotable Saints

“Ask God simply to fill you with charity,
the greatest of all virtues; with it you can
accomplish what you desire.”

-St. Vincent Ferrer (1350-1419)



Schedule of Events

Monday, May 1-

10:00am-Mass at Manzano del Sol Senior Home
3:30pm-Legion of Mary meeting
4:00pm-M-F Rosary in the Church

Tuesday, May 2-

Rosary to End Abortion in front of Planned Parenthood on San Mateo Blvd. after 6:30am Mass
4:00pm-M-F Rosary in the Church

Wednesday, May 3-

8:15am- May Crowning of Mary
4:00pm-M-F Rosary in the Church

Thursday, March 4-

10:30am-Sharon's Bible Corner in FGH Room1
4:00pm-OLF Novena (day 1) M-F Rosary in the Church
6:30pm- Choir practice in Church

Friday, March 5- First Friday

9:00am-12:00pm-Adoration in the Church
1:00pm- School early dismissal
4:00pm-OLF Novena (day 2)/ M-F Rosary in the Church

Saturday, March 6-First Saturday

Anointing of the Sick after 7:30am Mass
4:00pm-OLF Novena (day 3) /M-F Rosary in the Church

Sunday, March 7-

Coffee and Doughnuts in FGH after the 7:30am and 10:00am Masses
4:00pm-OLF Novena (day 4) /M-F Rosary in the Church

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

COME AND PRAY THE ROSARY WITH US



**Monday through Friday
at 4:00 pm in the church
during the month of May**

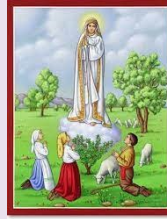
Annual Byzantine Bazaar

Saturday, May 6th, 2023 (10am-3pm)

**Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Byzantine Catholic Church**
1837 Alvarado Dr. NE (505)256-1539
www.olphnm.org

Featuring Traditional Slavic foods such as stuffed cabbage, pirohi, kielbasa, borscht and kolachi; dine in or take out; home-made goodies, a wide range of Catholic books and Eastern icons, great raffle prizes, tours of the beautiful church and its centuries old art.

*Be part of the church after your lifetime.
Remember the church in your will.*



Our Lady of Fatima Feast Day

Saturday, May 13th is celebrated by the Catholic Church as the Feast Day of Our Lady of Fatima. It marks the first day in 1917 on which the Blessed Mother appeared to the three shepherd children of Fatima in Portugal.



**Please continue to pray
for our sick parishioners
and their caregivers**

Saint of the Week

Venerable Norbert McAuliffe was born John Francis Joseph McAuliffe in Manhattan, New York in 1886. He was orphaned by the time he was nine years old. After living in homes for children, he was inspired by a visit by Brother Stanislaus Keating of the Brothers of the Sacred Heart. Losing both parents at an early age, McAuliffe became exceedingly interested in the Brothers' work founding and operating orphanages around the world. At age 16 he entered into the formation house of the Brothers of the Sacred Heart in Metuchen, New Jersey. He made his first vows in 1903 and took the name Norbert.

Immediately upon joining the Brothers, McAuliffe dove right into their educational mission and served all over the United States. He spent time in Mississippi, Washington, Louisiana, Indiana, and Oklahoma. In 1931, McAuliffe was assigned to lead the Brothers' first mission to Uganda. They opened schools in Gulu, Uganda and Brother McAuliffe quickly became known by the local people for his dedication to prayer and love of Jesus. They nicknamed him Dano Ma Lego, The Man Who Always Prays.

During the outbreak of World War II, Brother McAuliffe was forced to return to the United States and was assigned as the Director of the Brothers' formation center at Metuchen, New Jersey, where he was originally formed. During the difficult times accompanying WWII, those at the formation center lived off of the food that they grew and sustained an impoverished lifestyle. This time is remembered by those who worked and lived with him as a time of spiritual growth and blessings for those in the community.

In 1946, social stability allowed for Brother McAuliffe's return to his missionary work in Uganda. During this time, he continued his work in education and established a more permanent formation center for those wanting to enter the Brothers of the Sacred Heart. He went on to become appointed the Director-General of the congregation leading them throughout eastern Africa. They continued their development of schools and soon expanded to both Sudan and Kenya. By the time McAuliffe passed away, he had seen the congregation grow from six brothers to six African novices, 21 missionaries, and 53 African postulants. He was able to witness the first Ugandan novices take their vows and begin the work of carrying the Brothers' work forward with local ownership of the mission.

After he died in 1959, the Ugandan bishops invoked his name as an intercessor for the country. Pope Francis bestowed upon him the title of Venerable in the Church on May 19, 2018. Brother McAuliffe's legacy of constant prayer, charity, and educational opportunity lives on in the Brothers' work in East Africa to this day!

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How is God Calling you to Serve?

Each one of us has been given a unique set of gifts which are integral for the Church to fulfill its purpose here on earth. Participating in a church ministry at Our Lady of Fatima is a great way to share your talents, make a positive impact in the church community and develop closer relationships with the members of your parish. If you are interested in working with others to bring Christ's light to the world, call the parish office at (505)265-5868 to volunteer for one of our ministries.

Altar Servers-

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.

Birthright-

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.

Blessed Mother Rosary Guild-

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-

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

Coffee and Donuts-

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

Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Eucharist and Lectors-

As extraordinary ministers of the Holy Eucharist you can distribute Holy Communion during Mass. As a Lector, you can proclaim the Word of God, General Intercessions and announcements.

Greeters-

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

Grotto Keepers-

Meets monthly for landscaping maintenance in the grotto areas.

Holy Name Society-

The Society's 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-

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

Ministry of Care/Outreach-

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

Parish Council -

President: Carlos Pacheco;

Vice-President: Bruce Fradette; *Secretary:* Joann Lucero;

School Representative: David McFarlane

Members: Janie Armijo, Minerva Baca, Cecelia Horner, Samantha Martinez, Rebecca Navarrete, Royman.

Meetings are held the first Tuesday of the month at 6:30 PM.

School Consultative Council (SCC)

School Consultative Council Members help to safeguard the future of the school. We particularly need council members who have experience in marketing, technology and grant writing.

St. Vincent de Paul-

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

Ushers-

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

Women's Guild-

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.

***All participants must have a background check and current VIRTUS Certificate on file in the Parish Office.**

As Catholics, we have been given a mission to grow the Church.



*Congratulations to the 3rd grade students
from Our Lady of Fatima School
who received First Holy Communion
on Sunday, April 23, 2023*

*Dylan Reed Cahill
Alexis CereCeres
Sienna Rae Dixon
James Gregory Grundhoffer
Maila Phuong-Thy Le
Lelianna Sophia Trias
Benjamin Gaje Vicenti*

*Thank you to Fr. Stephen Schultz and
their teacher, Mrs. Kimberly Deprest who
prepared them for this special day.*

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.



Join us in the Church at 4:00 PM from May 4th through May 12th as we pray a Novena to Our Lady of Fatima.



*Congratulations to the youth of our parish
Confirmed on April 20, 2023*

*Kathryn Li **Perpetua** Egberg
Antonio Bautista **Anthony** Malagon
John Anthony **Augustine of Hippo** Robelo*

*A special thank you to their sponsors
and to their Confirmation instructors*

*Mr. John Varney
Mrs. Leslye Padilla and Mrs. Marisol Garcia*

Coffee and Doughnuts Next Weekend

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



Lets Celebrate!



We would like to invite everyone who has received sacraments at Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church this Easter Season to join us for cake in Fatima-Gallagher Hall next Sunday, May 7, 2023 after the 10:00am Mass.

Second Collection Next Weekend

In your envelope packets and Online Giving there is a special collection for the Brothers of the Good Shepherd next weekend.

The Good Shepherd Center in Albuquerque, New Mexico, expresses hospitality to our homeless and less fortunate guests according to the goal of their founder, Brother Mathias: "Charity Unlimited" through addiction recovery, medical shelter, food, and clothing for those in need since 1951.

They 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.

Please give generously.

