

# 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.*

August 27, 2023



In today's Gospel (Matthew 16:13-20), Jesus asked his disciples who the people thought he was, and their replies were interesting. Some thought he was John the Baptist, others Elijah or Jeremiah or one of the prophets. But it was Peter who stated it correctly – "You are the Christ – the Son of the Living God." Peter's statement of faith became the foundation of the Church, and nothing would prevail against it. However, Peter would soon weaken in his faith. This would happen after Jesus was arrested and then crucified. Peter would deny three times that he even knew Jesus, and Scripture does not mention him as being present at the Crucifixion. But after the Resurrection, Peter and the other disciples would be stronger than ever.

God knew these things would happen. From our Second Reading today (Romans 11:33-36) we see that the ways of God are unsearchable. No one knows the mind of God. But what we do know is this: the Lord's love is eternal. The Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 138) tells us as much in the refrain: "Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands." God's love is manifested in sending his Son Jesus. It is a love that is beyond our understanding. God sent Jesus to us so that we could have the reward of everlasting life, not because of anything we have done, but because of what the Son of God has done for us!

Peter exhibited courage after the Lord Jesus had risen from the dead. He became a "fisher of men," attempting to bring the love of the Lord to all. Yet, the opportunities for evangelization continue to the present day, and we must be as strong and fervent as Peter was. How can we bring the message of the Lord to all whom we meet? By reading the Sacred Scriptures, by celebrating the Sacraments more regularly, and by becoming more involved in our parish. By our faith we know that Jesus is the Christ and we come to walk with Christ when we follow the commandments of God. May God's enduring love inspire us to evangelize at all times.

## 21<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." - Mt 16:19

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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

ANOIDING 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

*RCIA classes begin on Wednesday, see page 5 for information.*

*"Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands." ~Psalm 138*

**Monday, August 28, Saint Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**

**6:30am** ♦Living and †Deceased members of the Martinez Family (Anna Benavidez)  
†Jose and Lily Armijo (Family)

**8:15am** †Rev. Alberto Avella-Martinez (Dcn. & Mrs. Timoteo Lujan)  
♦Intentions of Rosemary Devoti (Family)

**Tuesday, August 29, The Passion of Saint John the Baptist**

**6:30am** ♦Intentions of Luis Fabian Pinedo and Family (Alvarado-Pinedo Family)  
♦Intentions of Eduardo Pinedo and Family (Alvarado-Pinedo Family)

**Wednesday, August 30, Wednesday**

**6:30am** ♦Living and †Deceased members of the Martinez Family (Anna Benavidez)  
♦Intentions of those beginning RCIA this evening

**8:15am** ♦Special Intention  
†Fr. Edward Okpu (Dcn. & Mrs. Timoteo Lujan)  
♦In Thanksgiving to the Twelve Apostles (Margaret Tello)

**Thursday, August 31, Weekday**

**6:30am** †Bill Yarnall (Carol Yarnall)  
†Ellen Hippeli (Carol Yarnall)

**First Friday, September 1, Weekday**

**6:30am** ♦Living and †Deceased members of the Martinez Family (Anna Benavidez)

**8:15am** †For all those on the Memorial Plaques and for all ♦Intentions for which the Votive Lights are lit  
♦Intentions of Luis Fabian Pinedo and Family (Alvarado-Pinedo Family)  
♦Intentions of Eduardo Pinedo and Family (Alvarado-Pinedo Family)

**First Saturday, September 2, Weekday**

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

**Anticipatory Mass for the 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**5:30pm** †Florinda and Francisco Calderon (Family)  
♦Special Intention

**Sunday, September 3, Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**7:30am** †Jimmy and Nestora Baca (Baca Family)  
†Fusako "Chiko" Jaramillo (Family)  
†Jack Feely (Sonny Sanchez)

**10:00am** ♦Intentions of all Parishioners, especially all those celebrating birthdays in the month of September  
†Margaret and Carlos Baca (Gloria Baca)  
†Kathy Vigil (Joe Vigil)

**12:00pm** †Omar Gonzales (Gonzales Family)  
†Louellen and Bob Baldoni (Family)  
†Tom Baldoni & ♦Intentions of Jeannie Baldoni (Family)

**Readings for the week of August 27, 2023**

**Sunday:** Isaiah 22:19-23/Psalms 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8 (8bc)/Romans 11:33-36/Matthew 16:13-20

**Monday:** 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5, 8b-10/Psalms 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Matthew 23:13-22

**Tuesday:** 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8/Psalms 139:1-3, 4-6/Mark 6:17-29

**Wednesday:** 1 Thessalonians 2:9-13/Psalms 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab/Matthew 23:27-32

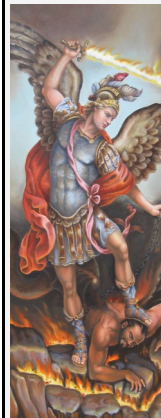
**Thursday:** 1 Thessalonians 3:7-13/Psalms 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14 and 17/Matthew 24:42-51

**Friday:** 1 Thessalonians 4:1-8/Psalms 97:1 and 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12/Matthew 25:1-13

**Saturday:** 1 Thessalonians 4:9-11/Psalms 98:1, 7-8, 9/Mt 25:14-30

**Next Sunday:** Jeremiah 20:7-9/Psalms 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 (2b)/Romans 12:1-2/Matthew 16:21-27

**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.**

**Quotable Saints**

“Belief and faith are proven by works, not simply by saying that one believes, but by real actions that are kept up and by a heart burning with love.”

– St. John Chrysostom

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## *A Brief History of Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Parish*

In July of 1929, through the generosity of Harry and Katherine Owen, and George and Elizabeth Parrish, (the sister of Harry Owen), the site of Our Lady of Fatima Church and School was deeded to A.T. Daeger, Archbishop of Santa Fe in trust for the benefit of the Roman Catholic Church.

In the mid 1940's, Archbishop Edwin V. Byrne was petitioned by Mrs. Helen Ross to establish a new parish. In the spring of 1948, a mission church was established under the mother parish of St. Charles Borromeo in a surplus army building known as "The Barracks". The Mission Mass League prepared "The Barracks" for use as a combined church, school and rectory. The first Mass was celebrated on January 3, 1949.

After a successful fund-raising campaign by the parish and St. Charles parish, the construction of "Heights Catholic School" began with groundbreaking ceremonies on July 3, 1949, with His Excellency Archbishop Edwin V. Byrne presiding. Sister M. Ignatia was the first Principal and in the fall of 1949, there were four grades and an enrollment of 157 students, with three nuns on the staff. The formal dedication was held on January 29, 1950.

In December 1951, the new convent for the Dominican Sisters of Grand Rapids was blessed and dedicated.

Following the addition of four classrooms, the school in its newly improved building had grown to the full eight grades. The rectory was purchased in 1954.

When an Archdiocesan Fund Campaign was held in 1953, discussion was begun for the construction of the present church. On January 19, 1957, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Jose Garcia, V.G. and pastor of Sacred Heart Church, broke ground and construction started. In May of that year, the "Fight to the Finish" was conducted in order to provide the necessary furnishing and equipment for the new church.

Formal dedication of the church was held on May 4, 1958 by Archbishop Byrne. The relics of saints Vincetius and Charus are in the main altar; saints Felix and Laetus are in the east altar, and saints Beatus and Clementis are in the west altar. In early 1958, Father William Homola formed an inter-parochial choir comprised of members of choirs of several Catholic churches in Albuquerque and it provided the music for the dedication ceremony.

In 1980, through a gift bequest from the Helen T. Gallagher Estate, funding was provided for the construction of a multi-purpose parish center. A campaign called "Project Parish" was formed and many parishioners participated in this effort to provide the necessary funds for completion of the center. The formal dedication of Fatima-Gallagher Hall was held on January 8, 1984.

The following seven pastors have served Our Lady of Fatima parish since 1949:

1949-1970	Monsignor Joseph Charewicz, founding pastor
1970-1977	Fr. Lucian Hendren
1977-1985	Monsignor Sipio Salas
1985-1988	Fr. Donald R. Kapitz
1988-1996	Fr. Clarence Galli
1996-2015	Monsignor Francis X. Eggert
2015—Present	Fr. Stephen C. Schultz





# OLF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



## RCIA and Adult Confirmation Classes



Classes for the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) and for Adult Confirmation will be starting in August 2023.

RCIA is intended for unbaptized adults who wish to become baptized Catholics, for Christians who have been baptized in another Christian denomination and now wish to become Catholic, and for Catholics who were baptized but did not receive any additional Sacraments.

The Adult Confirmation classes are for baptized Catholics who have received First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion, but never received the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Class sessions will be offered on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm in Fatima Gallagher Hall beginning August 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023 and ending May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024. There is no cost to participate. Registration for RCIA must take place before the first class starts. Sacraments will be received at the Mass of the Easter Vigil on Saturday, March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024. For more information or to register in the RCIA program, please call the Parish Office at (505)265-5868 to make an appointment with one of the priests.



**Welcome! Welcome!  
Welcome!**

- ♦ **Jim and Mary Sebring**
- ♦ **Bernadette Pahe**
- ♦ **Chasity Pahe**

We are blessed that you have joined our parish family.

St. Vincent de Paul is in need of volunteers to help them continue their vital ministry to serve the poor in Albuquerque. Help is needed in the Warehouse, Thrift Store and Call Center .



Please come to the St. Vincent de Paul office located in the warehouse and ask for Luana.

**St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store**  
4120 Menaul Blvd.NE  
Albuquerque, NM 87110  
Contact Luana at 505-346-1500 ext.4

### **ST. VINCENT DE PAUL MONTHLY MEETING**

We welcome all interested individuals to come to our monthly meeting on **Sunday, August 27<sup>th</sup>**, after the 10:00am Mass in Room 1 of Fatima-Gallagher Hall to discern if this ministry is for you. **Thank you for your generous support.**

**Your donations and support of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul brings joy, peace, forgiveness, mercy and kindness to the hurting hearts of the poor.**  
**God Bless You!**



**ONLINE  
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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.

Visit [osvhub.com/fatimachurchabq/funds](https://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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### **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.

### **Notice for Engaged Couples:**

Engaged couples registered in our parish are reminded that they should contact Fr. Schultz at least six months before their proposed wedding date. This is to ensure sufficient time for preparation for Marriage.



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



The next session of **Sharon's Bible Corner** will begin on September 7, 2023. The bible study group will meet on Thursdays from 10:00am-11:30am in the parish office. Seating is limited.

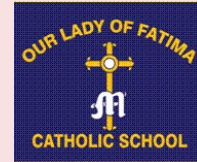
All interested parishioners should call the parish office to register.

## Coffee and Doughnuts Next Weekend

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



## THIS WEEKEND



### Our Lady of Fatima School Raffle Ticket Sales

After all Masses this weekend, students from Our Lady of Fatima School will be selling tickets for the School Raffle. Tickets are \$5 each. The drawing will be held on October 28, 2023.

**First Prize:** \$2,000.

**Second Prize:** \$1,000.

**Third Prize:** \$750.

**Please purchase some raffle tickets and help support our parish school!**



## SAVE THE DATE!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THESE  
UPCOMING EVENTS:

Our Lady of Fatima Church (in Fatima-Gallagher Hall)  
4020 Lomas Blvd. NE, Albuquerque, NM 87110

### INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITION: THE EUCHARISTIC MIRACLES OF THE WORLD

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7th and SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8th**  
**10:00 AM-4:00 PM (both days)**

This exhibit consists of over 60 Eucharistic Miracles which have been gathered in a photographic display of panels that travel all over the world. This event is open to the public and there is no cost to attend.

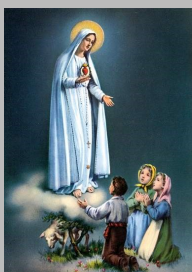
**No food or drinks are permitted in the display area.**

### International Exhibition THE EUCHARISTIC MIRACLES OF THE WORLD

Designed and created by Blessed Carlo Acutis



### 106th MIRACLE OF THE SUN ANNIVERSARY POTLUCK DINNER FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13th, 2023



Our Lady of Fatima Families, come and celebrate the 106th Miracle of the Sun Anniversary with Mass at 5:30 PM followed by a Potluck Dinner and Dance to be held on Friday, October 13th, 2023 from 6:30 PM-10:30 PM in Fatima-Gallagher Hall. There will be dinner, dancing, karaoke, games and a pinata for the children. The church will provide the main dish (BBQ brisket and Hawaiian Chicken) and we ask that everyone bring sides and desserts.