Fatima Focus
Our Lady of Fatima Parish Community
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Firmly rooted in our Roman Catholic tradition, we, the Parish of Our Lady of Fatima are a welcoming, caring and inclusive community of believers. We seek to bear witness to Christ’s love for all in our lives, in our community and in our world.

We strive to continue the mission of Jesus through worship and in our educational, spiritual and social justice programs and in our commitment to stewardship.

We are a collaborative, diverse, multi-cultural parish dedicated to reaching out to all God’s people, especially those in need.

All are welcome in this parish.

Parish Mission Statement

Mass at Our Lady of Fatima Parish

**Sundays**
Sat.: 5:00 PM, 7:00 PM (Spanish)
Sun.: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM (Family Liturgy), 11:30 A.M.

**Weekdays**
Mon. - Fri: 8:00 AM

**Holydays**
Eve: 7:30 PM - Day: 8:00 AM

**Rectory Office: Mon. - Fri.: 9 AM - 12 Noon & 1 - 5 PM; Sat.: 9AM - 12:30PM Sun.: CLOSED**
Rectory Phone: 767-0781
Religious Education: 944-8322
Rectory Fax: 767-2981
Parish Outreach: 883-3903

(See page 2 for further Parish information.)
Parish Staff

Reverend Steven J. Peterson, Pastor
Deacon Arthur Candido, Pastoral Administrator
Sister Gerri O’Neill, O.P. (Retired-In-Residence)
Sister Kathy Somerville, O.P. Director Parish Social Ministry
Ruth Masarik, Faith Formation Administrator
Helen Mochwart, Music Director
Barbara Minerva, Business Manager

Office Personnel

Rectory Secretaries:
Jose Machuca & Gisela Maraboli
Faith Formation Secretary:
Andrea Herrera

Sacraments

Reconciliation: Saturday 4:00 – 4:45pm or by Appointment
Baptism: Please contact the rectory four to six weeks in advance for information and appointment.
Marriage: Those planning a wedding should contact the rectory at least 6 months in advance (516)767-0781.
Anointing of the Sick: Please contact the Rectory.

Devotions

Our Lady of Fatima Novena: Mondays following the 8:00am Mass.
Rosary: After Daily Mass

Apostolado Hispano

Misa en Español: Los Sábados a las 7:00pm.
Bautizos: El 4º Sábado del mes durante la misa en español. Los padres deben llamar a la rectoría, (516)767-0781, al menos dos meses antes.
Confesiones: Llamar y hacer cita (516)767-0781
Matrimonio: Parejas deben llamar a la rectoría, (516)767-0781, al menos 6 meses antes de la fecha del la boda.

Parish Ministries

Altar Servers:
Deacon Arthur Candido (516)883-8032
Altar Server Schedule:
Jane Candido (516)883-8032
Baptism Preparation:
Deacon Arthur Candido (516)883-8032
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Beth Kozlowski (516)570-2348
Parish Trustees:
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Small Faith Communities:
Sister Gerri O’Neill, O.P. (516)883-1762
Ushers:

Websites:
Beth Ann Kozlowski (516)570-2348
Parish Website: www.olfpw.org
Facebook: www.facebook.com/ourladyoffatimapw/
**Mass Intentions**

**Monday, February 24th**
8:00 a.m. Elisa Del Rosario & Edgar Torres  
(In Thanksgiving)

**Tuesday, February 25th**
8:00 a.m. The People of the Parish

**Wednesday, February 26th—Ash Wednesday**
7:00 a.m. Prayer Service  
8:00 a.m. Giovanni & Franco Tarone  
12:00 p.m. Prayer Service  
4:00 p.m. Prayer Service  
7:00 p.m. Spanish Mass / Misa en Español

**Thursday, February 27th**
8:00 a.m. Peace in the World

**Friday, February 28th**
8:00 a.m. Peace in the World

**Saturday, February 29th**
5:00 p.m. Giustina Penna & Richard T. Cieciuch  
7:00 p.m. Hispanic Community

**Sunday, March 1st**
8:00 a.m. Angela Starcich  
10:00 a.m. Theresa Pontillo  
11:30 a.m. Gennaro Savastano

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**Bulletin Reflection**

The readings for this week are about loving others, no matter who they are. However, it is important to note that loving someone does not require that you love their sin. Also, the first reading stresses the difference between reproving someone for their sin, and falling into sin yourself “because of him.” There is a middle ground between hatred and celebrating someone’s sinfulness.

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**SUNDAY COLLECTION**

February 16th: $2,320.00  
Faith Direct (Month of February): $6,119.00

Thank you for your generous sacrificial giving! Your faithful sacrificial giving each week helps Our Lady of Fatima to continue our Pastoral Ministries and care for our parish buildings.

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**Pray for our Sick & Homebound**

Your prayers are requested for: Tina Alexander, Joan Ambrosino, Aura Arango, Eva Ash, Mary Barry, Bree Belavita, Francis Breen, Apollonia & Wendelin Brenner, Michael Clifford, Helen Crum, Tom Falzone, Kyle Faticone, Sue Fitzgerald, Patrick Finnegan, Kathy Gardner, Rosalia Gioia, Kathryn Giulitti, Florence Gramarossa, Willie Ihrig, Josie Johnson, Rylia Laber, Linda Ladislaw, William Lewis, Teri Magel, Margaret Mahon, Gloria Mauro, Vincent Mutarelli, Seraphina O’Brien, Terry Olivo, Rose Osterberg, Ana Romero, Florence Santo, Amy Smith, Margaret Marie Trinko, Lena Trombella, Carla Vario, and all who are homebound or have special needs.

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**The Reflection Question for this week is:**

Jesus asks us to love our enemies.  

**HOW CAN I RESPOND TO JESUS’ DIFFICULT REQUEST?**

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**BE Merciful, O LORD, FOR WE HAVE SINNED.**
Worship

Readings for the Week

Monday, February 24th
- James 3:13-18
- Mark 9:14-29

Tuesday, February 25th
- James 4:1-10
- Mark 9:30-37

Wednesday, February 26th ~ Ash Wednesday
- Joel 2:12-18
- 2 Corinthians 5:20-6:2
- Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday, February 27th
- Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Friday, February 28th
- Isaiah 58:1-9a
- Matthew 9:14-15

Saturday, February 29th
- Isaiah 58:9b-14

Sunday, March 1st, 2020
The First Sunday of the Lent

First Reading: Genesis 2:7-9:3:1-7
- In the first reading, the woman and her husband eat fruit from the tree of life, and realize they are naked.

Second Reading: Romans 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19
- In the letter to the Romans, Paul reassures us that God’s grace surpasses any of our sins.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 4:1-11
- In the Gospel, the devil tempts Jesus while he is in the desert, but Jesus says to him, Get away, Satan! and the devil leaves him.

- THE SACRAMENT OF Penance is celebrated on Saturdays from 4:00 PM until 4:45 PM. All are welcome to celebrate this sacrament of peace, forgiveness, and healing.

- RECITATION OF THE ROSARY: Please come and join us as we respond to Our Lady’s request that we recite the Rosary, the first Saturday of each month in the Church.
  - Saturday, March 7th, at 9:15 AM
  - Saturday, April 4th, at 9:15 AM
  Note new time 9:15 AM, and we will meet in the Church. For information contact Maria Carpinelli at 516.767.1822 or email: mcarpinelli@msn.com.

- ASH WEDNESDAY is on FEBRUARY 26th. Ashes will be distributed at the 7:00 AM Prayer Service, 8:00 AM Mass, a Prayer Service at Noon, and 4:00 PM. Ashes will also be distributed at the Spanish Mass at 7:00 PM. Ashes will not be available throughout the day and you must attend one of the services to receive them.

Please remember that Ash Wednesday is a day of prayer and abstinence. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence. For members of Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Catholic Church from age 14 onwards.

- STATIONS OF THE CROSS will prayed every Friday at 7:00 PM in English and 7:30 PM in Spanish during Lent.

- THE LITURGY COMMITTEE will not meet on TUESDAY, MARCH 3rd.
February 26th – Ash Wednesday
  7:00 AM Prayer Service
  8:00 AM Mass
  12:00 PM Prayer Service
  4:00 PM Prayer Service
  7:00 PM Mass in Spanish (Misa en Español)

February 28th – Stations of the Cross at 7:00 PM (English), 7:30 PM (Spanish)

March 5th, 12th, 19th, & 26th – Lenten Evening of Prayer & Reflection at 7:30 PM

March 6th – Stations of the Cross at 7:00 PM (English), 7:30 PM (Spanish)

March 13th – Stations of the Cross at 7:00 PM (English), 7:30 PM (Spanish)

March 20th – Stations of the Cross at 7:00 PM (English), 7:30 PM (Spanish)

March 24th – Communal Penance Service at 7:30 PM

March 27th – Stations of the Cross at 7:00 PM (English), 7:30 PM (Spanish)

March 27th – Soup Supper at 6:30 PM in the Parish Center

March 31st – Children’s Seder Supper at 6:00 PM in the Parish Center

April 3rd – Stations of the Cross at 7:00 PM (English), 7:45 PM (Spanish)

April 4th – Solemn Blessing of Palms at the 5:00 PM Mass, Mass in Spanish at 7:00 PM

April 5th – Palm Sunday: Mass at 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, & 11:30 AM

April 6th – Individual Reconciliation from 4:00 PM to 5:30 PM & 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM in the Church.

April 7th – Seder Supper at 6:30 PM

April 9th – Holy Thursday: Morning Prayer at 9:00 AM, Mass of the Lord’s Supper at 8:00 PM (Bilingual)

April 10th – Good Friday: Morning Prayer at 9:00 AM, Stations of the Cross (indoor) at 10:00 AM, Outdoor Stations of the Cross at Noon, Solemn Liturgy of the Passion and Death of Jesus at 3:00 PM (English) and at 7:00 PM (Spanish).

April 11th – Holy Saturday: Morning Prayer at 9:00 AM & Easter Vigil at 8:00 PM

April 12th – Easter Sunday: Mass at 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, and 11:30 AM. Mass in Spanish at 1:00 PM.
NEW OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY – FRIDAY
9AM to 12PM & 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM
Closed for Lunch – 12PM to 1:00 PM

SATURDAY – 9AM to 12:30 PM

SUNDAY – CLOSED

• SECOND COLLECTION: Next weekend there will be a second collection for the Church in Need. Please be as generous as possible.

• SCHOOL SUPPLIES: Next weekend (February 29th & March 1st), our seventh graders who are part of our Faith Formation program will speak at all our Masses about our Annual School Supply Collection. As you leave Mass next weekend these seventh graders will be at the doors of the church asking for your financial support of this annual appeal. Please be as generous as possible and support our School Supplies Collection.

• THE STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE will meet on TUESDAY, MARCH 10th, at 7:30 PM in the Parish Meeting Room.

• THE HISPANIC COUNCIL will meet on TUESDAY, MARCH 31st, at 7:00 PM in the Parish Meeting Room.

• FAITH DIRECT: Please consider using FAITH DIRECT; eGiving is easy and safe and helps our parish in several ways. It’s easy to sign up. Just go to www.faithdirect.net. Our Parish code is NY 303.

• THE CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL for 2020 has begun. Our goal for 2020 is higher this year, $40,400. You should have received a letter in the mail asking for financial support of the annual diocesan appeal. Your gift helps both our diocese and our parish continue to offer important pastoral care programs to many people throughout the diocese and in our own parish. Please consider making a gift to the 2020 CMA. Thank you for your consideration. 100% of all money raised is restricted to the ministries of the Catholic Ministries Appeal, touching each of our 133 parishes and more than 600,000 people. Together, parishes on Long Island reach many more people than one parish could ever do on its own. Some of the areas include: affordable and safe housing for seniors, veterans, and adults with mental and physical disabilities, Food programs for seniors, low-income families, women and their children, Youth, Campus and Young Adult Ministries, Priests, Deacons, and Lay Leaders’ education and formation, Hospital Ministry, Prison Ministry, Substance abuse services and day treatment programs, Catholic Diversity Initiatives.

Living Stewardship

Pillar of Hospitality: In today’s Gospel, Jesus tells us to love those who hate us. The reward for doing so, according to Our Lord, is great! This week refrain from speaking ill of anyone, no matter what they have done to you. Be hospitable to people that make it very difficult to be hospitable!

SAVE THE DATE

Our Annual Soup Supper is on Friday, March 27th, at 6:00 PM in the Parish Center. More Information to follow.

• PARISH BRUNCH: Our Lady of Fatima’s Annual Brunch will be held on SUNDAY, APRIL 26th, at the Port Washington Yacht club.
Community Life

A Letter for You….

“So be perfect as your heavenly Father is perfect.”
(Mt 5:48)

It seems like only yesterday that we were celebrating Christmas and ringing in 2020 and believe it or not in just a few short days we will celebrate Ash Wednesday, the beginning of the Lenten season.

Yes, Lent! The penitential season where we are all called to embrace the three great pillars of Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving. It’s a time of year that many of us identify with giving up things and being more mindful of our day to day spiritual practices. Lent is first and foremost about change, i.e. a change in us that turns us away from sin and towards a loving relationship with God and with one another.

While many of us might look at this time as a difficult period to embrace, I want to assure you that it can be a time of great grace and growth for those of us who look within ourselves and respond to God in the way that God calls us to. At the heart of the Lenten experience is to draw closer to God and to God’s Son, Jesus and to allow the love between the Father and the Son, the Holy Spirit, to dwell within us and to bear much fruit.

Maybe we can also fast from those things that we can certainly do without. Maybe it’s that afternoon candy bar, coffee, evening cocktail, television program or computer/Facebook time? When we fast from “things”, we let God and ourselves know that there is nothing that we are reliant on except for God and for the happiness that God provides for us. Maybe our fasting will also bring us to a greater understanding of what the hungry and thirsty feel each day that they long for their hunger to be satisfied.

Lastly, any Lenten experience would not be complete without Almsgiving or Charity to the poor and needy. Maybe we can do a quick calculation with the savings from our fasting and just “give it over” for the needs of others. Maybe we can even give in a way that we feel a sense of loss or a lack of fullness because we have given away that which normally satisfies our hunger. In our simple action, we take less so that others may have more.

May we all fully enter into these 40 days of Lent and have that change of heart that God is calling us to. May we come to know His Son more deeply and to allow the Holy Spirit to fill our hearts with the desire to love and to serve each and every day.

Peace,
Deacon Art

Faith Formation

• Monday evening classes for 4th, 5th and 8th grades will meet on February 24th at 7:00 PM.

• Tuesday evening classes for 5th, 6th and 7th grades will meet on February 25th at 7:00 PM.
**Outreach**

**Parish Social Ministry**

**FOOD PANTRY:** Thank you to all who have donated to Our Lady of Fatima Food Pantry. Please remember when you go to the grocery store next time to keep in mind the Food Pantry on your list. We are in need of the following items: rice, canned beans, canned vegetables, canned fruits, canned soups, pasta, spaghetti, mac & cheese, tuna, oil, cereal, and all toiletries are welcome.

Parece que fue ayer cuando estábamos celebrando la Navidad y celebrando el 2020 y lo creamos o no, en solo unos pocos días celebraremos el Miércoles de Ceniza, el comienzo de la temporada de Cuaresma.

Si, ¡Cuaresma! La temporada penitencial donde todos estamos llamados a abrazar los tres grandes pilares de la oración, el ayuno y la limosna. Es una época del año en la que muchos de nosotros nos identificamos con renunciar a las cosas y ser más conscientes de nuestras prácticas espirituales cotidianas. La Cuaresma es ante todo acerca del cambio, es decir, un cambio en nosotros que nos aleja del pecado y hacia una relación amorosa con Dios y con los demás.

Si bien muchos de nosotros podríamos ver este momento como un período difícil de aceptar, quiero asegurárselos que puede ser un momento de gran gracia y crecimiento para aquellos de nosotros que miramos dentro de nosotros mismos y respondemos a Dios de la manera que Dios llama nosotros a La esencia de la experiencia cuaresmal es acercarse a Dios y al Hijo de Dios, Jesús, y permitir que el amor entre el Padre y el Hijo, el Espíritu Santo, more en nosotros y dé mucho fruto.

Tal vez podamos comenzar pasando un poco más de tiempo en oración cada día, simplemente hablando abiertamente con Dios sobre aquellas cosas que nos importan y que también le importan a Dios. ¿Podemos tal vez rezar el rosario o intentar hacer una misa diaria? Tal vez podamos pasar algún tiempo con las Escrituras, incluso si es solo pasar un rato tranquilo con las lecturas del día o el próximo domingo. Dios nos está hablando a través de la Palabra. ¡Escucha a Dios hablando! Por favor, no olviden nuestras tardes de oración y reflexión los jueves cuaresmales. Te darán mucha comida para pensar.

Quizás también podamos ayunar de aquellas cosas de las que ciertamente podemos prescindir. ¿Tal vez es esa barra de dulces de la tarde, café,
cóctel de noche, programa de televisión o computadora / tiempo de Facebook? Cuando ayunamos de las "cosas", dejamos que Dios y nosotros mismos sepamos que no hay nada de lo que dependamos, excepto Dios y la felicidad que Dios nos brinda. Tal vez nuestro ayuno también nos lleve a una mayor comprensión de lo que sienten los hambrientos y sedientos cada día que anhelan satisfacer su hambre.

Por último, cualquier experiencia de Cuaresma no estaría completa sin dar limosna o caridad a los pobres y necesitados. Tal vez podamos hacer un cálculo rápido con los ahorros de nuestro ayuno y simplemente "entregarlo" para las necesidades de los demás. Tal vez incluso podamos dar de una manera que tengamos una sensación de pérdida o falta de plenitud porque hemos regalado lo que normalmente satisface nuestra hambre. En nuestra acción simple, tomamos menos para que otros puedan tener más.

Que todos entremos plenamente en estos 40 días de Cuaresma y tengamos ese cambio de corazón al que Dios nos está llamando. Que podamos llegar a conocer a Su Hijo más profundamente y permitir que el Espíritu Santo llene nuestros corazones con el deseo de amar y servir cada día.

Paz,
Diácono Art

- **CONSEJO HISPANO** tiene su próxima reunión el MARTES, 31 de MARZO, a las 7:00 PM en el cuarto del ala de la Iglesia.

- **VOLUNTARIOS**: Nuestra Iglesia necesita voluntarios para nuestros programas. Para más información por favor pase por la Oficina Parroquial o puede llamar al 516.767.0781 para más información.

- **CLASES de INGLÉS**: Las clases de Inglés están en sesión todos los jueves a las 7:00 PM en el Centro Parroquial. Por favor, pase por la Oficina de Ayuda para registrarse durante la semana de Lunes a Jueves de 9am a 5pm (cerrado 12pm-1pm). Para más información llame al 516.883.6910.

- **ALMUERZO ANUAL**: Nuestro almuerzo anual será el DOMINGO, 26 de ABRIL, en el Port Washington Yacht Club. Por favor guarde la fecha.

**NUEVO HORARIO de OFICINA**

**LUNES – VIERNES**
9AM to 12PM & 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM
Cerrado para el Almuerzo – 12PM a 1:00 PM

**SÁBADO** – 9AM a 12:30 PM

**DOMINGO** – CERRADO

**Formación de Fe**

- Las clases de los lunes por la tarde para los grados 4°, 5°, y 8° se reunirán el 24 de febrero, a las 7:00 PM.

- Las clases de los martes por la tarde para los grados 5°, 6°, y 7° se reunirán el 25 de febrero, a las 7:00 PM.

***REGISTRO de FAMILIA***

¿Está su familia registrada en nuestra parroquia?
¿Está recibiendo nuestros sobres para traer sus donaciones a nuestra iglesia?
¿Sabía usted que al registrarse en nuestra parroquia le puede beneficiar a usted o a su familia?
Para más información puede pasar por la oficina parroquial o llamar al 516.767.0781.

Estoy le puede ayudar si usted necesita una carta, bautismo, o ser padrino/a.
Declaración de Misión Parroquial

Arraigados firmemente en nuestra tradición católica romana, nosotros, la parroquia de Nuestra Señora de Fátima, somos una comunidad de creyentes que acoge a todos, cuida de todos e incluye a todos.

Intentamos dar evidencia del amor de Cristo para todos en nuestras vidas, en nuestra comunidad y en todo nuestro mundo.

Nos esforzamos en continuar la misión de Jesús por medio del culto y por medio de nuestros programas de educación, espiritualidad y justicia social y en nuestro compromiso de corresponsabilidad de la vida parroquial.

Somos una parroquia colaboradora, diversa y multicultural, dedicada a extenderse a todo el pueblo, especialmente a los más necesitados.

¡Todos son bienvenidos a esta parroquia!

ASISTENCIA PARROQUIAL

Nuestra Despensa de Alimentos – Muchas gracias a todos los donantes y voluntarios. Estamos en necesidad de los siguientes elementos: Pastas, Fruta Enlatada, Aceite, Mayonesa, Salsa de tomate y todos los artículos personales siempre son bienvenidos.

Le pedimos que, por favor, revise las fechas de vencimiento de sus donaciones debido a qué hemos estado recibiendo algunos de estos elementos expirados.

Prayer for Lent

Lord Jesus Christ,
You came among us first
as the suffering Servant of God.
When you come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead,
be our peace and our salvation,
For you have redeemed us with your precious blood.
You live and reign forever and ever.
– Amen

Oración por la Cuaresma

Señor Jesucristo,
Viniste entre nosotros primero
como el siervo sufriente de Dios.
Cuando vengas de nuevo en gloria
para juzgar a los vivos y a los muertos,
se nuestra paz y nuestra salvación,
Porque nos has redimido con tu preciosa sangre.
Vives y reinas por los siglos de los siglos.
– Amen
“...let us stand beside our brothers and sisters in need, sharing our spiritual and material goods with them.”
- Pope Francis

Almsgiving in Lent

During the Lenten Season we are asked to pray, fast and give alms.

Lent is a perfect time for us to pray for those in need - whether it is for their material, emotional or spiritual needs. And when you practice fasting and abstinence during these forty days, please remember those of our neighbors who are hungry, and consider sharing your gifts with them.

One way to do this is by making a gift to the Catholic Ministries Appeal, which supports programs that help to feed people in our community each year through Catholic Charities and our Parish Outreach programs.

Have you thought about “fasting” from a regular purchase of something – i.e., a hand-crafted beverage? Over a 10 month period, this simple “fast” can serve many people need!

$6.25 a week for one month is $25 -- over 10 months it is $250.

For more information about the Catholic Ministries Appeal, please visit CatholicMinistriesAppeal.org or call 516-678-5800 ext. 296.