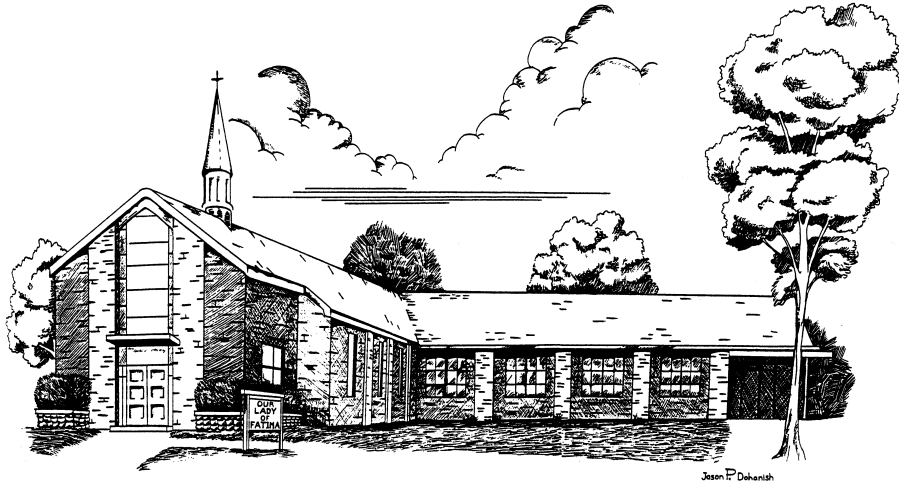


Our Lady of Fatima RC Church
184 Breakneck Road, Highland Lakes, NJ 07422

MAY 26, 2019



Administrator, Rev. Ricardo Ortega, Jr.
Deacon William Aquino
Mrs. Theresa Kimball, CRE
Hours: Mon. Tues. and Fri.
9:00 am – 2:00 pm
Youth Ministry – Ethan Kimball
Office Hours: Monday – Friday
9:00 am – 3:00 pm
Office Phone 973-764-4457
Fax: 973-764-4504
E-Mail: olfatima@warwick.net
Web page: www.olfatimaparish.net

Growing through stewardship, mercy, compassion

CAMPAIGN PROCESS: PHASE III

Now that we have completed Phase I, the Windows, and Phase II, the electrical system, we are ready to start Phase III, Floors and Walls. Work will begin on **May 20th and is expected to conclude on June 8th.**

The Church will be closed for that period of time and any religious services will take place **in the Parish Hall**. **For safety reasons, workmen, only,** will have access to the church building.

Masses, both daily and weekends, will be held in the parish hall. Information usually available in the vestibule will be found at the entrance to the hall.

Thank you for your patience and respect for this necessary restriction of access until the work is complete.

Father Ricardo

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

+

5/26

The Keys of the Kingdom

A recent poll indicates that currently there are 32,000 individual Christian denominations in the United States. Over the years, small groups have left their original church because of small disagreements over various points. They separate and form a new church. This unfortunate situation goes against the prayer of Jesus that "all may be one." Their emphasis on an individual relationship with Jesus, sometimes causes a "Jesus and Me" attitude. There is an absence of authority.

Today's readings all focus on the importance of authority. In the first reading in the "Acts of the Apostles," we see the way the early Church handles the human tendency to reinvent. As the Church grew swiftly and far from Jerusalem, we are told that a controversy arose concerning the necessity of circumcision for Gentile converts. Some of the well-meaning early evangelizers assumed that it was a good idea for all Christians to become Jewish first. Paul and Barnabas went all the way to Jerusalem to seek the advice of the apostles and elders, the first bishops. The apostles conferred and issued a decision: ***It is the decision of the Holy Spirit and of us not to place on you any burden*** In the "Book of Revelation," John reports one of his visions of the heavenly city. ***The city had no need of sun or moon to shine on it, the glory of God gave it light, and its lamp was the Lamb.*** God's authority.

In the Gospel, Jesus warns the apostles that they are not entitled to go their own way anymore than He is. ***The Father is greater than I.*** The Church, founded on the rock of Peter and the pillars of the apostles, has been authorized to make decisions ***under the Holy Spirit.***

Father Ricardo



Farewell Invitation

The weekend of June 8th and 9th, Father Ricardo will celebrate his final Sunday liturgies with us as our pastor. A Farewell Committee has planned a reception for the early afternoon of June 9th, between 2-4pm, in the Church Hall, to provide an opportunity for everyone to say goodbye and to give Father our personal thanks and wish him well. We are catering light refreshments.

RSVP: olfatima@warwick.net. In your response, please include the number of adults and children from your family who will be attending.

The Farewell Committee



FROM FATHER RICARDO'S DESK:

ASCENSION THURSDAY

Thursday, May 30th is the Feast of the Ascension of the Lord, **this is a holy day of obligation**. Mass will be celebrated at 8:45am as usual and 7:30pm.

WELCOME HOME

All of us welcome this happy season. We welcome summer residents to their summer church home. We welcome returning "snowbirds", and we welcome one-time vacationers. As we celebrate Memorial Day, we honor and remember all those who have given their lives that we might have life, a life of Faith and freedom.

CAMPAIGN UPDATE: PHASE III

Now that we have completed Phase I, the Windows, and Phase II, the electrical system, we are ready to start Phase III, Floors and Walls. Work has begun on May 20th and is expected to conclude on June 8th.

The Church will be closed for that period of time for all religious functions. For safety reasons, workmen, only, will have access to the church building. The vestibule, choir loft, church body, daily chapel, and sanctuary are strictly off limits to everyone.

Masses, both daily and weekends, will be held in the parish hall. Information usually available in the vestibule will be found at the entrance to the hall.

Thank you for your patience and respect for this necessary restriction of access for everyone until the work is complete.

FAITH FORMATION CLASS -2019-2020

Registration for our faith formation program for children has begun. It is a privilege to assist parents in carrying out their responsibility to hand on the faith to their children. Registration forms are available in the Church vestibule and on the parish website. All forms and fees are due no later than May 31st. After May 31st, there will be a late charge of \$25.00.

RCIA

RCIA is the program of preparation open to anyone who would like to become a full member of the Catholic Church by receiving the three sacraments of initiation: Baptism, the Eucharist, and Confirmation. Forms are available on our parish website or in the vestibule of the Church.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK



If someone is homebound or in the hospital, please notify the office. Arrangements can be made for the sick person to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. Holy Communion is brought to the homebound by our Ministers of Holy Communion or the Legion of Mary.

The Anointing of the Sick, hosted by the Legion of Mary, will take place here in our Church on Wednesday, May 29th at 11:00am Mass.

There will be no 8:45 am Mass.

OUT OF TOWN

I will be out of town for a couple of days, at the end of May, visiting with my family. Please remember me in your prayers as I will remember all of you in my daily prayers.

MEMORIAL DAY



In observance of Memorial Day, the parish and CCD offices will be closed on Monday, May 27th and will reopen on Tuesday May 28th.

FAMILY MINISTRY

We are inviting all members of the Parish to participate in this year's Relay for Life.

Relay for Life is a fundraising event for the American Cancer Society. This event is a way for our parish to assist in raising awareness along with much needed funds to support the research needed to fight cancer. The Relay is a fun and inspiring event that will take place on Saturday June 8th at Sussex Community College in Newton, NJ

We will be outside the church after each mass on June 2nd to offer Luminarias and Pretzels for Donations to benefit the event.

If you would like to register to participate or to donate to the team you can use the information provided below via the internet.

Relay for Life information:

OUR EVENT: [Greater Sussex County](#)

OUR TEAM [Our Lady of Fatima Parish Team](#)

Any questions please email the parish office
@olfatima@warwick.net

Patrick Kimball

THE PARISH OFFICE

Please make a note that the parish office will begin summer hours starting the week of July 1st. The parish office will be closed on Wednesdays through the summer. We will resume our regular schedule on Wednesday, September 3rd.

HELP US, HELP YOU

If you use the parish envelopes for your donations, please remember to specify on the front the amount of your donation to assure accurate recording. If you have a change in phone number or e-mail address, please let the office know.

Generosity
changes everything

Thank you for your continued generous support of our Parish. May the Lord reward you for your goodness

"STEWARDSHIP" – "A WAY OF LIFE"

Collection:	\$	3342.00
Maintenance		1311.00



We pray that the sick of our parish, our relatives, and friends will experience God's healing love, especially:

Larry Ambrosino, Scott Anderson, Baby Grace Andrews, John Apgar, Ray Bonomini, Maddy Brancato, Jerry Calcagno, Artie & Cathy Cohan, Tina Contento, Teresa Contento Alyssa Conticell, Aibhlinn Coyle, Elizabeth Copeland, Barry Crandall, Doug Crum, Nathanael Davenport, Alice DeLorenzo, Katie Drago, Roseann Dundonm, Jim Ecker, Jim Franco, Kay Gallo, Mike Gallo, Bill Gilheaney, Florence Guilfoyle, Barbara Hellwig, Bob Hojer, Joanna Horn, Christopher Hoyle, Nancy Hughes, Dave Jansson, Jean Jones, Melissa Klimaszewski,, Julianna Klinger, Carly Kosen, Emily Lewis, Brian Linke, Rose Martis, Fran and Larry Marsh, Patty McDermott, Robert McDermott, Kathy Nestico, Lisa O'Hanlon, Jennifer Oldham, Janis O'Neill, Eleanor O'Marra, John Orso, Lou Pra Sisto, Maura Reagan, Mary Reynolds, Linda Ross, Ron Shelly, Father Patrick Sullivan, Jim Scuderi, Alexander Truong, Mary Van Dyke, Russy Wright, Nick Zayatz.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY MAY 26
 8:00am +Joseph DeGennaro
 req. by Murphy Family
 9:30am +Eileen Donahue
 req. by Joan & Bob Miller
 11:00am +Stephen Geers
 req.by De Donna Family

MONDAY MAY 27 – HALL
 8:45am People of the Parish

TUESDAY MAY 28– HALL
 8:45am +John McCoy
 req by Family

WEDNESDAY MAY 29 – HALL
 11:00am +Anointing of the Sick

THURSDAY MAY 30 – HALL – THE ASCENSION
 8:45am Intentions of Father Julio Barrios
 7:30pm

FRIDAY MAY 31 - HALL
 8:45am +Irene Boeren
 req. by Donna and Tony Macerino

SATURDAY JUNE 1 - HALL
 8:45am Joan Dahl
 req. by family
 5:00pm +Charles Di Brasi
 req. by Bernice and Pete Bonnilla

SUNDAY JUNE 2 - HALL
 8:00am +John Gonzalez
 req. by Marion and Jerry Sheridan
 9:30am +Eileen Donahue
 req. by Helen Murphy
 11:00am +Patricia Marie Klemchalk
 req.by Cathy and George Fink

PLEASE PRAY FOR PEACE IN THE WORLD AND PRAY FOR THOSE MEN AND WOMEN WHO SERVE



If you have an intention for Mass, consider presenting the gifts of bread and wine during that celebration. Please arrive early and inform the ushers before Mass.

Tuesday: 5/28 Rosary 6:30 pm
 Adoration: 7-8 pm

Wednesday: 5/29 Choir Practice 7-8pm

Thursday: 5/30 Legion of Mary 10 am and 6 pm