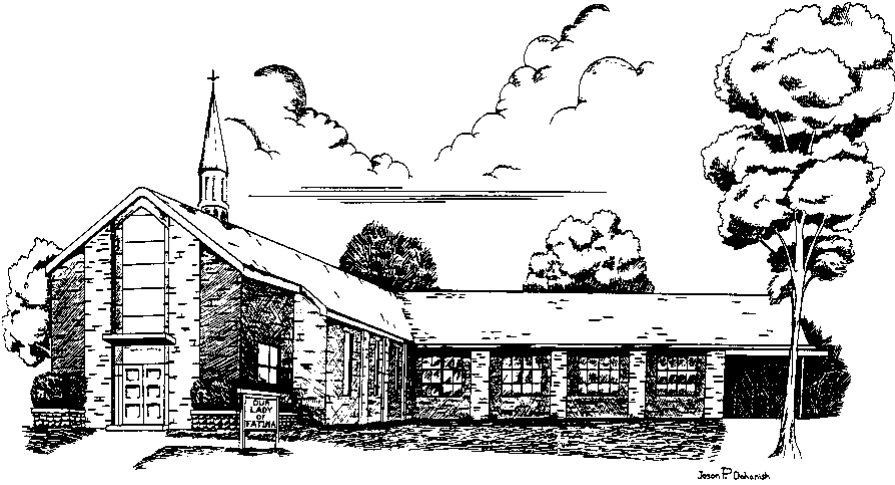


Our Lady Of Fatima RC Church

184 Breakneck Road, Highland Lakes, NJ 07422

SUNDAY – APRIL 29th, 2018



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Growing through stewardship, mercy, compassion

MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday: 5:00 pm (Sunday's Vespers) Sunday: 8:00 - 9:30, - 11:00 am.
Monday through Saturday, 8:45 am.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Tuesdays: 6:30 - 7:00 pm. Community Rosary followed by Holy Hour (7:00 - 8:00 pm)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: (ENGLISH AND SPANISH)

Each Saturday: 4:00 to 4:45 pm. In Church or by appointment.
Mondays 7:00pm – 8.30pm, during Advent & Lent only.

BAPTISM INSTRUCTION:

Required instructional meetings for parents and godparents are held regularly. Please call the parish office to register.

MARRIAGES:

Arrangements are to be made at the parish office one year in advance. To register for Pre-Cana class See inside page.

SICK CALLS:

Any time of the day or night. Call the emergency phone Number.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE:

[E-Mail: olfatima@warwick.net](mailto:olfatima@warwick.net)

MSZA PO POLSKU:

1:00 pm – 1st Niedziels Miesiaca

MISA EN ESPANOL.

1:00 pm, 2nd Domingo del Mes



FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

In the Old Testament the grape vine was actually the symbol of the nation of Israel. One of the glories of the temple was a golden grape vine which decorated the front of the Holy of Holies. Over the years, donations of gold were molded into grapes and added to the display.

However, in the scripture, this image of Israel as God's Chosen through the choice, luxuriant vine was always juxtaposed with the idea of loss, degeneration, and wildness. The vine went astray. Israel repeatedly strayed, just as we repeatedly stray.

The grape vine, which grew all over Palestine, required a great deal of attention. Careful preparation of the soil was essential; it had to be very clean. Vigorous pruning ensured that the life and energy of the plant was not drained by fruitless branches.

In this passage, Jesus is comparing the Jews, who refused to listen to Him with the hollow, fruitless vine. He is also comparing those of His followers, who claim to listen to Him but whose actions are inconsistent with their profession with the hollow, fruitless branches. The fate of those who have been chosen but fail to live up to that choice is bleak. Cut off, gathered up, cast into the fire.

In the New Testament, we hear over and over the warning that empty words, words without deeds, "all leaves and no fruit" is contrary to the Christian commitment to collaborate with Jesus. In the divine plan of salvation, uselessness is a personal disaster.

Our Baptism incorporates us into the genuine life of the "true vine". Our Baptism calls us to be productive. In Baptism we are immersed in the life of Christ. We respond by pursuing that attachment. We remain in Christ.

Father Ricardo

FROM THE DESK OF FATHER RICARDO:

THE MONTH OF OUR MOTHER

Traditionally, the month of May has been dedicated to honoring the first and best disciple of Jesus, the Blessed Virgin Mary. Our Parish claims her as our special patroness under the title of Our Lady of Fatima. During this month, we commend to her loving care, all members of our parish who are experiencing any special difficulty or worry. We ask her to help us to serve God as faithfully as she did.

LEGION OF MARY

Several parishioners have called to express gratitude for the beautiful Mass and Anointing of the Sick, organized and implemented by the Legion of Mary. Members not only hosted this spiritual opportunity for the homebound and chronically ill, but provided transportation to the church, as well as a chance for socializing. We thank them.

CATECHISTS

Words cannot express my deepest gratitude to the catechists of this parish. Their faith, love and dedication to our young students is remarkable. Catechists are true disciples who assist our parents in fulfilling their promise to raise their children in the knowledge and practice of the Catholic faith. Thank you.

HIGH TEA WAS SERVED

I offer my sincere thank you to the Rosary Society for the wonderful afternoon of Tea and Music. All who attended were served several varieties of tea, tea sandwiches and omelets, and of course, countless deserts. Special thank you to the Vernon Township High School Chamber Orchestra whose music contributed to a most elegant afternoon.

FAITH FORMATION

Registrations for our faith formation program have begun. It is a privilege to assist parents in carrying out their responsibility to hand on the faith to their children. I would like to say thank you to Mrs. Theresa Kimball, for doing so much to assure that we are well prepared for our many activities. Thanks to our teachers, subs, and to all who are enrolled in our program.

R.C.I.A

Our Adult Program for the preparation of the Sacraments (RCIA) is open. Please contact our PARISH office, or Father Ricardo directly.

2018 OUR LADY OF FATIMA AWARD

Applications for graduating high school seniors are available at the parish office. In years past, we were able to give deserving High School Seniors, who intend to pursue higher education a small award. If you would like to assist in funding this year's award, please contact Bob Morrissey at 973-766-5944, or the parish office.

REMEMBRANCE ENVELOPES FOR MOTHER'S DAY

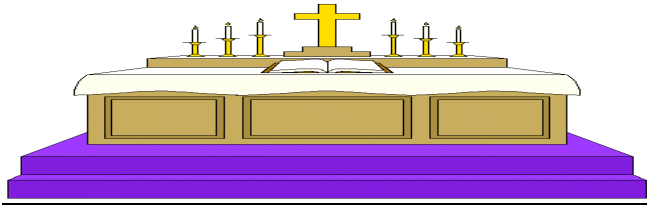
Envelopes are available to observe Mother's Day in a special way. The names of mothers will be enrolled in Spiritual Bouquets and placed in a Book of Remembrance. The book will remain in the Church throughout May. Please enroll the intentions and the souls of these women who have given us the gifts of life and faith.

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION

"Peter's Pence" is the most characteristic expression of the participation of all the Catholic faithful in the Pope's (the Bishop of Rome) charitable initiatives worldwide, as an assertion of the universality of the Church. Please be generous to this cause on May 27th when the collection will be taken.

NUPTUALS

Couples who are planning to be Married may register for the pre-cana conference by going to the website - [inside the walls.org/gods-plan-registration](https://www.insidethewalls.org/gods-plan-registration) and register on line.



HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Sunday	11:00 am	Presentation of 1st Eucharists Candidates
Monday	6:30-7:30pm 7:30-8:15pm	Communion practice (children) Parents join
Tuesday	6:30pm 7-8:00pm	Rosary Holy Hour
Wednesday	7-8 pm	Choir Practice
Thursday	10:00am 6:00pm	Legion of Mary Legion of Mary
	6:30pm	Youth Group
Saturday	10:30am	First Communion Day

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY	APRIL 29
8:00am	+Vincent Ventriglia req. by Helen Murphy
9:30am	+Thomas Brady req. by Bill and Eileen Aquino
11:00am	+Dean Kelly req. by Steven and Amanda Schereumann
MONDAY	APRIL 30
8:45am	+Rita Morton req. by Family
TUESDAY	MAY 1
8:45am	+Theresa Orso req. by Yessina and Tim Macerino
WEDNESDAY	MAY 2
8:45am	+Vincent Ventriglia req. by Calcagno Family
THURSDAY	MAY 3
8:45am	+ Evelyn and Frank Elleo req. by Murphy Family
FRIDAY	MAY 4
8:45am	+Curtis Robinson req. by McCoy Family
SATURDAY	MAY 5
8:45am	NO MASS
10:30am	FIRST EUCHARIST
5:00pm	+ Dorothy Locano req. by Patricia Bauernfeind and Alan Zurewich
SUNDAY	MAY 6
8:00am	+Margaret and Richard Murphy and Kathy Dignan req. by Family
9:30am	+Deceased Members of the Rosary Society
11:00am	+Kenneth Odenwalder req. by Ed Bullock

PLEASE REMEMBER AND PRAY FOR ALL THE SICK OF OUR PARISH:

Aidan Alvarez, Scott Anderson, Baby Grace Andrews, "Baby", John Apgar, Madeline Beirne, Ray Bonomini, Maddy Brancato, Artie & Cathy Cohan, Jerry Calcagno, Tina Contento, Teresa Contento, Mike Cordes, Aibhlinn Coyle, Elizabeth Copeland, Doug Crum, Nathanael Davenport, Alice DeLorenzo, Eileen Donahue, Josephine Donahue, Katie Drago, Roseann Dundon, Jim Ecker, Debbie Fuentes, Kay Gallo, Mike Gallo, John Gonzalez, Florence Guilfoyle, Barbara Hellwig, Bob Hojer, Joanna Horn, Dave Jansson, Jean Jones, Melissa Klimaszewski, Julianna Klinger, Carly Kosen, Emily Lewis, Brian Linke, Enrico Mancuso, Rose Martis, Fran and Larry Marsh, James McAlary, Patty McDermott, Robert McDermott, George McCabe, Ginny Meyer, Daniel Mulcahy, Sr., Kathy Nestico, Lisa O'Hanlon, Jennifer Oldham, Janis O'Neill, Eleanore O'Marra, James Pender, Lou Pra Sisto, Maura Reagan, Mary Reynolds, Linda Ross, George Sisco, Audrey Svenningsen, Ron Shelly, Father Patrick Sullivan, Alexander Truong, Mary VanDyke, Pat and Jim Van Gorder, Russy Wright, Nick Zayatz.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH. MAY THE LORD REWARD YOU FOR YOUR GOODNESS.



April 22ND 1st Collection \$ 2919.00
2nd Collection 883.00

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

