

**OUR LADY OF FATIMA
ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH**

Established 1949

Rev. Fr. Michael Russo, Pastor
Deacon Timothy Maragos

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Church Website: www.fatimalafayette.org

Office Hours

Monday – Thursday, 8:00 am to 12:00 Noon
1:00 pm to 5:00 pm
Friday – 8:00 am to 12:00 Noon

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

Saturday Anticipated – 4:00 pm
Sunday – 9:00 am, 11:00 am & 5:00 pm
Monday - 6:15am
Tuesday - 5:30 pm
Wednesday - 6:15 am
Thursday - 5:30 pm
Friday - 6:15 am
1st Saturday - 8am (followed by Novena)

**Exposition/Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament
Chapel of the Little Shepherds (Knight Hall)**

Monday and Wednesday
following the 6:15 am Mass until 5pm;
Tuesday and Thursday, 9am to 5 pm;
Friday, following the 6:15am Mass until 12 Noon;
First Friday/Saturday Vigil, 6pm through 8am

Our Lady of Fatima School

Phone (337) 235-2464 Fax (337) 235-1320
School Advisory Council - 3rd Thursday, 12:00 Noon
www.fatimawarriors.com

Parish Organizations

Catholic Daughters - 3rd Thursday, 7pm
Choir - Wednesdays - 6:15pm. to 8pm
Knights of Columbus - 1st Thursday, 7pm
Pastoral Council - Quarterly, 6:15 pm
Sts. Joachim and Anne Society - 2nd Tues, Rosary/Social
Fatima Mercy Works -monthly outreach to needy

Come, Lord Jesus! Weekly Bible Study Groups

Call the Parish Office to join (See back flap)

Unplanned Pregnancy?

Call 1-800-256-7222 for free, professional, confidential
counseling regarding keeping or placing your baby.

Post Abortion Trauma

Call Project Rachel (337) 561-5607 for help and healing.



Lucia dos Santos and Blesseds Francisco and Jacinta Marto, whose pure eyes beheld the Mother of God, intercede for the conversion of our hearts.

The Sacrament of Penance:

Saturdays - 3pm to 3:45pm
Weekdays - 15 minutes before am Masses
30 minutes before pm Masses

The Sacrament of Baptism:

On the third Sunday of each month, immediately following the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Please contact the parish office before the baby is born for required classes. Sponsors are to be practicing Catholics who attend Sunday Mass every week. Sponsors are to be confirmed.

The Sacrament of Matrimony:

Arrangements are to be made with the priest at least six months in advance. To avoid schedule conflicts, all wedding dates held at Our Lady of Fatima must be confirmed with the priest of Fatima, who should be the first contact of the couple. Please pick up a Wedding Guidelines Booklet at the parish office for details of paperwork and preparation requirements.

Natural Family Planning

Living the Church's teaching on Marital Sexuality

Courses are held regularly in Knight Hall.
Call the Parish Office for details.

APOSTLESHIP OF PRAYER FOR CANCER PATIENTS

A statue of St. Peregrine, patron saint of cancer patients, along with his precious relic, is made available to go into the homes of those diagnosed with cancer. Call the parish office to get on the roster.

THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

3 Sat 8:00am Living: Nick & Mary Hebert & Family
4:00pm Anticipated: Gerald (JJ) Streva, Jr., Ossie Huval, Nathan, Loretta and Robert Schiller, Gordon and Bobby Marshall, Patrick Purpera, Deceased members of the Patin & Trahan families, Joyce M. Monju, Michael & Fred Landry & Family, Edwina Hernandez, Dr. Ralph Bourgeois, Brandon John Terry, Philip S. Scotola, John J. Poirot, Alberta Gossen, Harold, Julie and Charles J. Roy, Sr., Althea, Theresa, Curley, Arthur and Louis Andre, Uranie "Nonie" Huval, Amanda Claire Judice, Special Intention, Living & Deceased Members of Kallam, Langlinais, Judice & Hamilton families, M/M Stephen R. Moore, Sr., M/M Frederick J. Forstall, Avis Moore Rupert, Ryan Guilbeau
4 Sun 9:00am Fatima Parishioners (pro-populo)
11:00am The Nugier Family
5:00pm Living and Deceased Members of the Carlos and Leonida Lim Family, Walter J. Romero, Jr., Dr. Ralph Bourgeois, Ampraro "Cookie" Piccione, Hortense Rosenstein, Uranie "Nonie" Huval, Living: Mr. & Mrs. Dallas M. Fleming & Sons, Living: Vicki Guilbeau
5 Mon 6:15am Living: Nick & Mary Hebert & Family
6 Tue 5:30pm Mr. Mrs. James Reaves Martin
7 Wed 5:30pm Dr. Frem Boustany, Jr.
8 Thu 12:10pm Living: Nick & Mary Hebert & Family
5:30pm Living and Deceased Members of the Butcher/Smith Families
9 Fri 6:15am Living: Nick & Mary Hebert & Family
10 Sat 4:00pm Anticipated: Gerald (JJ) Streva, Jr., Ossie Huval, Nathan, Loretta and Robert Schiller, Gordon and Bobby Marshall, Patrick Purpera, Michael & Fred Landry & Family, Edwina Hernandez, Deceased members of the Patin & Trahan families, Dr. Ralph Bourgeois, Brandon John Terry, Philip S. Scotola, Alberta Gossen, Blanche Ballowe, Edna Ketchum, Charles Hefner, Uranie "Nonie" Huval, M/M Stephen R. Moore, Sr., M/M Frederick J. Forstall, Avis Moore Rupert, Ryan Guilbeau
11 Sun 9:00am Living and Deceased Members of the Carlos and Leonida Lim Family, The Nugier Family, Living and Deceased Members of the Kerne, David, Bourque, VanHorn, Dominguez and Fontenot Families, Harold Comeaux, Robert, Sidney & Keith Huval, Kenneth Lormand, Amanda Claire Judice, Special Intention, Living & Deceased Members of Kallam, Langlinais, Judice & Hamilton families, Uranie "Nonie" Huval, Charles & Chris Prejean
11:00am Fatima Parishioners (pro-populo)
5:00pm Melvin R. Boesch

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

For the Week of November 20th	\$ 12,563.00
Second Collection: Building & Maint.	\$ 2,392.00
Mercy Works	\$ 161.00
For the Week of November 27th	\$ 15,868.00
Thanksgiving Day—Mercy Works	\$ 1,748.00

Fulfilling the Fatima Promise"

Total Pledged 236 Families	\$ 1,825,637.00
Extended Pledges 51 Families	\$ 72,986.33
Pledged Amount Collected	\$ 1,992,581.64
Un-pledged Amount Collected 399 Families	\$ 279,019.17
Total Cash Collected	\$ 2,271,600.81

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

AROUND THE PARISH AND DIOCESE

2012 CALENDARS are at the doors of the Church, courtesy of **LA Z BOY Furniture Galleries**. Limited supply, one per family.

CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES Saint Name reports due NEXT Sunday, Dec 11th; place in the parish office door slot.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS: Donations for Christmas décor in memory of loved ones can now be made. We suggest using the envelope provided in the December mailing, for this purpose.

MINISTERS' SCHEDULES for the month of December and for the Christmas Liturgies are posted on the parish web site. Please peruse.

COME, LORD JESUS! weekly Bible study marks its third year at Fatima. A list of times and dates for weekly meetings is provided on the flap of this bulletin.

FOOD FOR THE JOURNEY this Tuesday, Dec 6th, Crown Plaza Hotel, 1801 W. Pinhook, buffet lunch at 11:30am; Cost is \$12 for meal, drink and tip. Rev. Jerry Mesley, speaker.

HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS: This Monday, Dec 5th, St. Patrick Church, Lafayette, 6pm to 7pm; sponsored by the Serra Club of Lafayette.

OLIVE WOOD CARVINGS to support the Christian presence in the Holy Land will be made available for purchase next weekend before and after all Masses.

WELCOME TO THE HISPANIC COMMUNITY: Our Lady of Fatima will host the diocesan celebration of the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe next Saturday, Dec 10th, with a 5:30pm procession and 6pm Mass; reception follows in Chance Hall. The Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe is on December 12th. Let us remember our Hispanic brothers and sisters as they commemorate the 25th anniversary of Hispanic ministry in the Diocese.

*4th ANNUAL
ADVENT CONCERT SERIES*

*Sunday, December 4th, 6:15pm
Sasha Massey & Andrea Mouton, sopranos
with André Courville, piano*

*Sunday, December 11th, 6:15pm
Schedule conflict with originally scheduled artists —
change to be announced*

FATIMA MERCY WORKS — a MONTHLY outreach to the needy in our community.
Activity details are listed on our web page. If you would like to participate, call Kellie Brewer, 280—5919.

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION this week!
Feast of the Immaculate Conception
December 8th

Mass times:

Wednesday, Dec 7th, 5:30pm Anticipated
(No 6:15am Mass)

Thursday, Dec 8th, (No 6:15am Mass)
8:15am (School)
12:10pm
5:30pm

QUESTION: What does the Immaculate Conception mean?

ANSWER: It is a title of Mary and recognizes that God prepared Mary to be the mother of Jesus by preserving her from original sin. This is a day to celebrate God's great love for Mary, and for all of us, in his power to save us from sin.

The Immaculate Conception is **the patroness of the United States** and thus has special honor in the hearts of Catholics in our Country.

SPECIAL LITURGICAL FEASTS THIS WEEK

Tues, Dec 6th: Feast of St. Nicholas — St. Nicholas was the fourth century bishop of Myra, in what is now Turkey. His love for the poor, especially children, has linked him in tradition with gift-giving. Children traditionally receive gifts — chocolate coins, in particular — in their shoes from St. Nicholas. Reading the story of St. Nicholas and celebrating his love for Christ through service to the poor is a good antidote for the frantic consumerism of secular Christmas preparations.

Friday, Dec 9th: Feast of St. Juan Diego — Juan Diego remained firm in his account of the Blessed Virgin Mary's appearance to him, even in the face of doubt from his bishop. We celebrate Mary's appearance as Our Lady of Guadalupe, patroness of the Americas and of the unborn, on **December 12th.**

Let us particularly pray for an end to abortion.

ADVENT CONFESSION OPPORTUNITIES

Plan to give Jesus His birthday gift; give Him your sins!

At Fatima

Additional Confession times

Sunday, Dec 17th following the 4pm Mass
Sunday, Dec 18th following the 9am and 11am Masses

At St. Joseph Church, 232 St. De Porres Street, Broussard,
Monday, December 5th, 7pm to 8:30pm

At Elizabeth Seton Church, 610 Raintree Trail, Lafayette,
Wednesday, Dec 14th, 7pm to 8:30pm

At St Edmond Church, 4131 West Congress, Lafayette,
Thursday, Dec 15th, 7pm to 8:30pm

SOME REMINDERS
as we begin a new liturgical year

We offer reminders on the changes in liturgical posture implemented by the Vatican a few years ago:

During the Nicene Creed, **we bow at the words** "*and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.*"

We first quietly stand before we answer: "May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands..." Note: We stand only **after the priest concludes in its entirety** his invitation: "Pray, brethren, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the Almighty Father."

The **sign of reverence** before the reception of the Body of Christ is a **bow of the head**, to be done as the person in front of us is receiving Holy Communion.

There is a greater call for **the use of silent reflection** during Mass.

COME HOME FOR CHRISTMAS

Please **PRINT** legibly. Letters will be sent from the Bishop to the names listed below, inviting them to "Come Home for Christmas". You will remain anonymous.

Name:
Mailing Address:

Name:
Mailing Address:

Name:
Mailing Address:

Name:
Mailing Address:

Return this completed form to the parish office (via mail or offertory basket) by Sunday, December 11th.

COME, LORD JESUS! WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY

Give the leader (listed below) a call to join!

Leader: Anne Pesacreta **Co-Leader:** Claude Guillory
Day & Time: Saturday @ 7 :30a.m.
Location: Knight Hall
Phone: (337) 235-4019 or 337 257-5872
Email: apesacreta@hotmail.com **Email:** clguillory@lgmc.com

Leader: Warren Stelly **Co-Leader:** Marlene Stelly
Day & Time: Wednesday @ 10:00 a.m.
Location: 210 Creedwood Drive, Lafayette 70503
Phone: (337)989-1611 **Email:** cwstelly@cox.net

Leader: Douglas Touchet **Co-Leader:** Debbie Moore
Day & Time: Wednesday @ 7:00 p.m.
Location: 226 Gabriel, Lafayette 70506 (*location rotates*)
Phone: (337)235-1618 or (337) 266-5331
Email: djtouchet@bellsouth.net or lion.king3drm@gmail.com
*Meetings will alternate monthly between locations

Leader: Dan Fourmerat (**MENS' GROUP**)
Day & Time: Wednesday @ 6:15pm
Location: 110 Claremont Circle
Phone: (337) 278.3725 **Email:** fourmerat@petroquest.com

Leader: Deacon Tim Maragos **Co-Leader:** Madelyn Maragos
Day & Time: Thursday @ 6:15 p.m.
Location: 112 Clark Ct., Lafayette 70503
Phone: (337)235-1521 **Email:** timothy.maragos@lusfiber.net

Leader: George McRae **Co-Leader:** Ian Taylor
Day & Time: Thursday @6:30pm
Location: Knight Hall **Phone:** (337) 356-2138
Email: george.mcrae@lusfibre.net

Leader: Jason Crochet **Co-Leader:** Mary Ann Bienvenu
Day & Time: Thursday @ 6:15p.m.
Location: 206 Beverly Dr. Lafayette, LA 70503
Phone (337) 278-5519 **Phone:** (337) 237-4367

Leader: Adele Connolly **Day & Time:** Friday @1:30pm
Location: Knight Hall **Phone:** 984-4530
Email: conirish@bellsouth.net

Leader: Mary Porubsky
Day & Time: Monday @ 12:00 p.m. **Location:** Knight Hall
Phone:988-6349 **Email:** m.e.porubsky@gmail.com

Area Coordinator: Kathy Purpera
Email: kpurpera@bellsouth.net **Phone:** (337) 988-3386
www.comelordjesus.com

DAY TIME ADORATION CHAPEL OF THE LITTLE SHEPHERDS

If interested on Monday, call Elaine Martin, 234-6752
If interested on Tuesday, call Adele Comeaux, 232-0101
If interested on Wednesday, call Dotsie Butcher, 234-6678
If interested on Thursday, call Helen Escott, 988-0532
If interested on Friday, call Bubbles Stelly, 233-8660
If interested on First Friday/First Saturday Night Vigil, call Douglas Touchet, 235-1618

Can you commit?

