# **Catholic Community**



## Of New Bedford North

St. Joseph-St. Therese—St. Mary—Our Lady of Fatima

## "PARTNERING IN MISSION"





# St. Mary's Church

# COLLABORATIVE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES & MAILING ADDRESS

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#### Vision Statement

To renew the presence of Christ in our Community by being disciples and stewards of Jesus Christ.

## **Weekend Masses**

#### Saturday Vigil:

4:00 p.m. – St. Joseph-St.
Therese
4:00 p.m.–Our Lady of Fatima

#### Sunday:

7:30 a.m. -St. Joseph-St. Therese 9:00 a.m. - Our Lady of Fatima 10:30 a.m. - St. Mary's 7:00 p.m.- St. Mary's

#### **WEEKDAYS:**

Monday 8AM St. Mary's
Tuesday 8AM St. Joseph-St. Therese
Wednesday 8AM Our Lady of Fatima
Thursday 8AM St. Joseph-St. Therese
Friday 8AM St. Mary's

#### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturday 3-3:45 PM St. Joseph-St. Therese Saturday 3:15-3:45 PM Our Lady of Fatima Sunday 6:15-6:45 PM St. Mary

### **Adoration & Benediction**

1st Wednesday of the Month 8:30AM-1PM at Our Lady of Fatima

#### **Prayer Group**

7 PM Tuesdays at Our Lady of Fatima



The Churches are Handicap accessible



# ALL SAINTS CATHOLIC SCHOOL

#### Thinking about pre-school for your child?

All Saints Catholic School has separate pre-school programs for 3 and 4 year old's! Safe, affordable, faith-filled play based learning and social development - available three, four or five days per week. Together with ASCS Summer Program, we provide quality education and child care nearly year round for children age 3 through Grade 8! Limited seats available in grades 1 - 8. If you or someone you know is interested in excellent educational opportunity in a faith based environment, please contact Sue Massoud at 508-995-3696 or email smassoud@ascs.dfrcs.org for more information.

#### **OLOF Parish Financials**

THANK YOU to all who share their talent, time, presence, and support with our Parishes

Weekend Collection: \$1958.00 Second Collection: \$352.10 Christmas Flowers: \$162.00

INCLEMENT WEATHER: The Obligation to Attend Sunday (Saturday afternoon) Mass Cardinal Dolan of New York has good advice for us all: "Catholics take Sunday mass very seriously, but the Church never asks us to risk our health or safety to get to church on the Lord's Day. Please be careful! Do not take any chance with your safety and health if things get dangerous." I add that prudence and "common sense" should guide your decision to get to church. You are asked to "do your best" but no more.

Pray for no Sunday snowstorms!

© In the event that school is cancelled or delayed in New Bedford due to inclement weather or in a state of emergency, the usual practice is that there will be no daily weekday Mass.

Give your spouse a special gift this Christmas by attending a **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend**. The next Weekends are Mar 13-15, 2020 in Duxbury, MA and Apr 18-19, 2020 in BREWSTER, MA. For more information, call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit them at <a href="https://wwmema.org/">https://wwmema.org/</a>.

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# TUESDAY EVENING PRAYER GROUP

All are welcomed to join us for Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. There is so much to pray for.

#### FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT—DECEMBER 22, 2019



Antonio Vasconcelos & Family; Carlos & Maria Costa & Family Saturday December 21, 4:00 PM

Sunday December 22. 9:00 AM M/M Manuel & Liduina Resendes. M/M Jose Cordeiro

Wednesday December 18, 8:00 AM Adelino Pinto



Sanctuary Lamp: Intentions of the Prayer Line Our Lady of Fatima: Our Lady of Fatima Parish

#### CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

CHRISTMAS VIGIL TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24:

4:00pm @ Our Lady of Fatima

4:00PM @ St. Joseph-St. Therese

8:00PM @ St. Mary's

**CHRISTMAS DAY WEDNESDAY. DECEMBER 25:** 

7:30am @ St. Joseph-St. Therese

9:00AM @ Our Lady of Fatima

10:30AM @ St. Mary's

#### Bishop da Cunha's Blog

Bishop ds Cunha has launched a blog called, "Building Faith". With the intent of sharing regularly with the faithful of the Diocese in an easy and increasingly popular way, Bishop da Cunha hopes to post each week on a variety of topics of interest to our community of faith. Read Bishop da Cunha's blog at

fallriverdiocese.org.

#### **THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:**

"Discipline is the path that leads to fullness of life."

> -Matthew Kelly "Rediscover Catholicism"

#### "How are our Churches?"

Coming in the new year the Collaborative Council will be conducting a survey to see how we're doing and what we can do to improve.

We'll be asking about what you like best about our Churches, if our staff is friendly and responds quickly, what your experience at Mass is like, and if you'd like some changes about how homilies address real-life, world issues, and teachings on the faith!

#### **RCIA**

#### "I have called you by name" Isaiah 43:1

"Jesus offers a relationship with us so that we can be the most joy-filled, purpose driven human person he created us to be!" (Chris Padgett) The question then becomes are you ready to enter into a relationship with Him. If so, consider becoming a fully initiated Catholic Christian through participation in the RCIA Program offered through the Catholic Community of New Bedford North. Please contact 508-995-3593 for further info.

#### **FAITH FORMATION**

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the changes to our new Faith Formation Program and/or schedule, please contact Mrs. Joanne Mercier at faithformation@ccnbn.org or by calling the office at 508-995-3593.



Lord Jesus, I entrust myself completely to You. "Not my will, but Yours be done unto me." May I draw strength to bear the cross You offer me by drawing strength from Holy Communion, both Sacramental and Spiritual Communions.