Catholic Community



Of New Bedford North

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

"PARTNERING IN MISSION"



St. Mary's Church

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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:

LENTEN SHCEDULE

Mass at 12 noon Monday thru Friday at 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

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

In this time of crisis you are encouraged to continue to donate either by mail (check only) or by online giving through the Collaborative website: ccnbn.org.

Remember in Your Prayers

ALL THOSE AFFESTED BY THE CORONAVIRUS
THROUGHOUT THE WORLD

Compassionate and Loving Father, in the face of confusion and concern impart to us the calm of Your presence.

In You allow us to find hope and healing. Be with those who serve the sick and give them Your caring hands.

Be with those who lead and give them Your spirit of Wisdom. Be with those who have fallen ill and give them your comforting heart.

Wrap Your arms around our world and hold us in Your love.

Allow us at this time of trial to then serve as instruments of that love to all we meet.

We ask this in Your Name. Amen.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

We will have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every TUESDAY, during a Holy Hour from 7:00pm—8:00pm ending with Benediction at Our Lady of Fatima Church.

Adoration and Benediction will be incorporated into the Tuesday evening prayer Group. The Holy Hour will include the Rosary and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. This will continue throughout the season of Lent. During the Holy Hour Fr. Raposo will be available for confessions.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament enables us to visually meditate on the Lord's presence to us by making ourselves present to the Lord. Please consider spending an hour in prayer and reflection before the Lord.

PASTORAL STAFF

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From the Diary of St. Mary Faustina:

Thank You, Jesus, for the Feast of Mercy that comes from the very depths of Your tenderness. May mankind find peace by turning to this fount of Your mercy.

PALM SUNDAY —APRIL 5, 2020



If you have had or will have a Mass intention cancelled, you may request another date for the intention or request a refund of the stipend you paid. You may also ask the office of the Propagation of the Faith to honor that intention. Please contact the Central Office (508) 995-3593 or email secretary@ccnbn.org.

Reminder: Weekday Masses during Lent are at 12 noon at St. Mary's Church. For Weekday Intentions please consult the Collaborative Bulletin.



Sanctuary Lamp: Catholic Community of New Bedford North

Our Lady of Fatima: Jacob Fabian

Dear Parishioners,

We are entering a different Holy Week. For you and for us as priests, it is a strange time. Yet we are in a situation that God wants us to experience at this moment. While some things can be delayed, Easter cannot be delayed or transferred.

Let us all together make this a Holy Week, despite the many concerns and fears we may have. Likewise, we hope you will share the beauty of these days with your children and grandchildren.

All masses will be private at the directions from the Vatican and our Diocese. Know however that all of you will be in our prayers and ask that you keep us in your prayers.

Holy Week ceremonies will be televised from the Vatican and from our Diocese. You can find information regarding scheduling at our collaborative website - ccnbn.org or the diocesan website - fall-riverdiocese.org. As always ETWN and Boston Catholic TV continually schedule religious programing.

The palms will arrive this week and will be available when the celebration of public mass begins again. With the restrictions imposed by the Governor to stay at home and the danger of the spread of covid-19 from those who come to receive the palms, we feel this is the safest route to employ at this time.

As we share in the sacred mysteries of this week let us recall that the way of the Cross led to the victory of Easter. The Lord, who call us to a different journey this year for Holy Week, we pray will lead us quickly to the end of this pandemic so we can experience the joys of Easter.

God bless you all.

Fr. John Raposo. Msgr. John Oliveira

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

While the Sacrament of Reconciliation is not available at this time because of the restrictions placed on us by the coronavirus pandemic, I offer the following substitute which I hope will bring you some comfort. This is taken from an instruction given by Pope Francis.

How to receive forgiveness of sins when, in this time of crisis, you can't go to Church. For those who are physically unable to attend individual Confession, our Holy Father, Pope Francis reminds us of the Church's teaching on perfect contrition. Such contrition arises when the penitent expresses a love of God above all else, the sincere desire for forgiveness, and firm resolve to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation as soon as possible when available. Perfect contrition obtains the forgiveness of sins both venial and mortal (cfr. *Catechism of the Catholic Church 1452*)