



# OUR LADY OF FATIMA Catholic Church

...a Eucharistic  
community living the  
Good News daily.



“Do not lay your hand on the boy,’  
said the messenger.  
‘Do not do the least  
thing to him.  
I know now how  
devoted you are to  
God, since you did not  
withhold from me your  
own beloved son.”

Genesis 22:12

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## MASS

SAT 8:30 AM, 5:30 PM (Vigil)  
SUN 7, 9, 11 AM, 1 PM (Span)  
5 PM, 7 PM (Span)  
MON 8:30 AM  
TUE 8:30 AM, 6:30 PM (Span)  
WED 8:30 AM  
THU 8:30 AM  
FRI 8:30 AM

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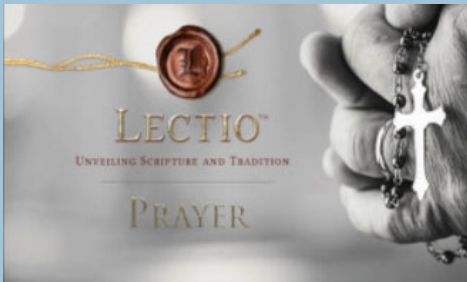
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Thank you for your  
generosity!  
Gracias por su generosidad!

February 18th  
Offertory: \$18,836.50

Collection for the Church in  
Latin American and Eastern  
Europe: \$3,217



Formed Pick of the Week  
*Lectio: Prayer*

In this moving and informative presentation on the art of Lectio Divina, Dr. Tim Gray reveals how praying with Scripture can be a powerful means of entering into an authentic dialogue and intimate encounter with Christ. To watch for free, visit [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org) and log in with Parish code GHGPY3.

## LIVING AS STEWARDS



The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) posts notes regarding all the Books of the Bible. In its introduction to Paul's Letter to the Romans (our Second Reading), the USCCB says, "Of all the letters of Paul, that to the Christians at Rome has long held pride of place. It is the longest and most systematic unfolding of the apostle's thought, expounding the gospel of God's righteousness that saves all who believe; it reflects a universal outlook."

Paul's Letter to the Romans is in fact the longest of his letters in the New Testament (Romans is more than 7,000 words; that is much shorter, of course, than the shortest Gospel, Mark, which is still more than 11,000 words.) However, as stated by the Bishops, the Letter to the Romans explained in a more detailed way Paul's theology and spirituality than any other letter.

Regardless the length, today's reading contains a statement with which many of us are familiar, but which has great meaning: "If God is for us, who can be against us?" The significance of that is that if we are on the side of righteousness, which should be a major goal of our Lenten experience, there should be nothing to threaten us.

We understand that we will be judged. Paul's point is if we are judged "not guilty" by God, who can bring an additional charge with any merit? Or, if Jesus is our advocate, promoting our benefit, then who can condemn us? This is the time to place our trust in God, and in His love. For more reflections and information on Stewardship please visit <http://www.catholicsteward.com>.

Para la traducción en español ver la pagina 5.

Daily Readings can be found at [www.usccb.org/bible/index.cfm](http://www.usccb.org/bible/index.cfm)

**SACRAMENT OF  
RECONCILIATION** (Confessions)  
Saturday 4 pm—5 pm

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**  
Mon—Fri 9 am—9 pm

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**  
Mon—Fri 9 am—12 pm;  
1 pm—6 pm

### SUNDAY 2/25

**READINGS/LECTURAS**  
Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 116:10, 15-19; Rom 8:31b-34; Mk 9:2-10

**INTENTIONS/INTENCIONES**  
7am Santiago Rivera +  
9am Lucy Flores +  
11am Fred & Lorna Antonio  
1pm Jorge Sanchez +  
5pm Missa Pro Populo  
7pm

### MONDAY 2/26

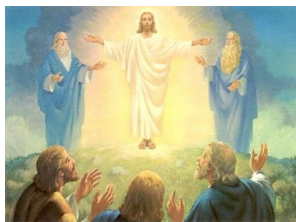
**READINGS/LECTURAS**  
Dn 9:4B-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13; Lk 6:36-38  
**INTENTION/INTENCION**  
8:30am Gerard Boyle +

### TUESDAY 2/27

**READINGS/LECTURAS**  
Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23; Mt 23:1-12  
**INTENTIONS/INTENCION**  
8:30am Ozzie Spinelli +  
6:30pm

# FROM OUR PASTOR

**D**ear Parishioners and Friends of Our Lady of Fatima, Abraham is called the “Father of our Faith”. Because of his great act of faith, he was blessed abundantly. In the Old Testament, we see this many times. God gives out more stuff if we do things pleasing to Him. It’s kind of like raising a child. If you’re good in the store, then you will get a new toy. But if you’re bad... watch out, both God’s people and the child. I think God grew frustrated that His people weren’t maturing quicker into adult believers. People who do the right thing because it’s the right thing to do. Not out of fear of punishment or hope for a reward, but just because it’s right. When God sent his only Son, this was his purpose, to show us this new way. A way to love each other in all circumstances and that by loving others we are bringing about the Kingdom of God on earth.



In the transfiguration, we see Jesus fully in the Kingdom. The point was not to terrify the apostles, although they were terrified, but to open their minds beyond the natural realm into the supernatural and to show that they are both connected. The voice said, “Listen to him.” He told us to love God and our neighbor as ourselves. When we do this, we bring the two worlds closer together. In heaven, only love is present. Jesus reached out with love every moment he was here, even on the cross, and the Kingdom became visible through miracles and healings and the resurrection. Jesus brought the two worlds together by how he loved. Let us begin to act with maturity in our faith and love God and our neighbor. May our actions bring the worlds closer together, so that one day there will be no difference.

Thursday Confessions: March 1 (yes), 8 (no)

God bless you all! Fr. Jim

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Catholic Relief Services- Rice Bowl: Encounter Cesia / Servicios de Ayuda Católica – Plato de Arroz: Encuentro Con Cesia

We encounter Cesia in Nicaragua, where, with the help of the CRS YouthBuild program, she has built a thriving business making and selling cattle feed. She dreams of expanding her business throughout Nicaragua and leads workshops in her community to help other young people. How can you work to improve the lives of others this Lent? Visit [crsricebowl.org](http://crsricebowl.org) for more.

Nos encontramos con Cesia en Nicaragua, donde, a pesar de la falta de oportunidades económicas, los jóvenes persiguen sus sueños construyendo negocios para mejorar sus vidas. ¿Cómo puedes trabajar para mejorar la vida de otros esta Cuaresma? ¿Cómo puedes apoyar a los que se ven obligados a huir de sus hogares para encontrar seguridad o mejores oportunidades? Visita [crsplatodearroz.org](http://crsplatodearroz.org) para más información.

## WEDNESDAY 2/28

### READINGS/LECTURAS

Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28

### INTENTION/INTENCION

8:30am Lorraine H. Verno +

## THURSDAY 3/1

### READINGS/LECTURAS

Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4 and 6; Lk 16:19-31

### INTENTION/INTENCION

8:30am Patrick Hirst +

## FRIDAY 3/2

### READINGS/LECTURAS

Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

### INTENTION/INTENCION

8:30am Brian Fede +

## SATURDAY 3/3

### READING/LECTURAS

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

### INTENTION/INTENCION

8:30am Norma Juul +  
5:30 pm John C. Pontius +

## SUNDAY 3/4

### READING/LECTURAS

Ex 20:1-17; Ps 19:8-11; 1 Cor 1:22-25; Jn 2:13-25

### INTENTIONS/INTENCIONES

7am

9am Hon Vo Maria +

11am Mary Rose Smurro +

1pm

5pm Jose Maria Arimany +

7pm Missa Pro Populo



We pray for all the sick  
*Oremos por los enfermos*

Fr. Pavel Sandtner	Michael Curl
Anne Grace Ross	Rafael Diaz
Luis Melendez	Elizabeth Lopez
Ricardo Ruggiero	Paul Daniel
Fritz Sacher	Kurt Schneider
Bernard Devine	Carol Wright
Billie Devine	Mark Mikulics
Gregory Baldwin	Michael Mikulics
Sharon Dempsey	Larry Mustard
Julia Esqueda	Emmy Illosa
Kenneth Viktor	Bob Recendez
Barbara Viktor	Pedro Jimenez

and our beloved dead.  
*y por nuestros queridos.*

Pete Fort	Juan Jose Gallardo
Maria Hernandez	Miguel Gallardo
Aida L. Perales	George Akroush
Neyrell Jardeleza	Domingo Flores
Yvonne Frees	Manuela Diaz
Jorge Sanchez	Sergio Teran
Juana A. Noriega	Victor Sanchez
Martin Gomez	Augustina Cruz
Angel Gutierrez L.	Margaret Belcher
Anna Fitzpatrick	Carmin Fanelli
Norma Juul	Kevin Rice
Juanita Flores	Marilyn Guilfoyle

*And all victims of war and violence.*

## NEWS, EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

Stations of the Cross /  
Estaciones de la Cruz  
Every Friday at 6:30pm (English) /  
Todos los viernes a las 7:30pm  
(Español)

Blood Drive— Today! /  
Colecta de Sangre  
February 25, 8:30am - 2:30pm /  
McGowan Hall – A  
25 de Febrero, 8:30am -  
2:30pm / Salón McGowan- A  
Give blood and help save lives. Walk-  
ins welcome! All blood collected will  
be designated to hospitals in need.  
Si no tiene cita aun son bienvenido!

Fatima Café/Fátima Café  
February 25, after the 9am,  
11am, 1pm, and 7pm Masses /  
25 de febrero, después de las  
Misas de 7am, 9am, 11am, 1pm  
y 7pm  
This Sunday, Fatima Café will be  
selling breakfast burritos in the  
morning and hamburgers in the  
evening in the parking space between  
the church and McGowan hall. The  
Proceeds will help fulfill the  
ministries' For Christ Forever  
campaign pledge as well as support  
activities in the parish.

El próximo domingo, Fátima Café estará  
vendiendo burritos por la mañana y  
hamburguesas por la tarde el  
estacionamiento entre la iglesia y el  
salón McGowan. Lo recaudado ayudará a  
cumplir la promesa de los Ministerios  
Hispanos a la campaña Para Cristo  
Siempre, y a las actividades de la  
parroquia.

Welcome to Our New Youth  
Minister!  
We are happy to announce the addition  
of Joey Lusk as Youth Minister here at  
Our Lady of Fatima. He will bring many  
blessings to our parish. Welcome him  
via [jlusk@olfchurch.net](mailto:jlusk@olfchurch.net).



Teen Confirmation  
C1 class held tonight, Sunday February  
25, 2018, 6-8pm, McGowan Hall. Bring  
Bible and Decision Point Workbook.  
C2 – next class will be Sunday March 4,  
2018, 6-8pm. Bring Bible and Decision  
Point workbook.  
All Confirmation teens are invited to  
attend viewing of The Passion of the  
Christ movie, Saturday March 10, 6:30  
pm. (Counts as an Activity.)  
All Confirmation teens are invited to  
participate in Stations of the Cross,

### PARISH CALENDAR/

#### CALENDARIO PARROQUIAL

Our parish calendar is online! Please  
visit [www.olfchurch.net/calendar.html](http://www.olfchurch.net/calendar.html)  
for the most up-to-date information on  
events and activities in our parish.

¡Nuestro calendario de la parroquia  
está en Internet! Por favor visite  
[www.olfchurch.net/calendar.html](http://www.olfchurch.net/calendar.html) para  
la información más actualizada sobre  
eventos y actividades en nuestra  
parroquia.

### ALTARATION

Every Wednesday thru March 14  
6:30pm - 7:30pm  
Want to understand the Mass better?  
Does it seem boring? Why does the  
priest wear that poncho? Does the  
bread really become Jesus? Come to  
this Lenten Series with Fr. Jim. for teens  
and adults and get your questions  
answered. Only four Wednesday  
nights.

### Do-It-Yourself Retreat:

33 Days to Merciful Love  
Begins March 7, 9:30am  
In preparation for Divine Mercy  
Sunday, join "33 Days to Merciful Love"  
by Fr. Michael Gaitley. Participants will  
meet each Wednesday for discussion  
and will proceed on their own in  
between each meeting. Please contact  
Jeanne at 290-2546 to sign up.

Friday March 16, 5:30 pm. On this Friday the stations of the Cross will be led by our Confirmation Teens! Contact Cate to sign up.

For more information visit our webpage [olfchurch.net](http://olfchurch.net), then click on Youth Ministry. For questions, prayers or suggestions contact Cate Girskis [Cgirskis@olfchurch.net](mailto:Cgirskis@olfchurch.net), 949-492-4101 ext 117, Joey Lusk [jlusk@olfchurch.net](mailto:jlusk@olfchurch.net), ext 118, o Rosa Rama, [Rrama@olfchurch.net](mailto:Rrama@olfchurch.net) ext 102 (para español)

### Lenten Friday Fish Dinners/ Cenas De Cuaresma

March 2, 9, 16 & 23, 4:30pm - 8pm / 2, 9, 16 & 23 de marzo, 4:30pm - 8pm

This week's featured entrée: tuna burgers! Menu: baked salmon, beer-battered pollock, baked potatoes, coleslaw, homemade mac & cheese, pizza, desserts, coffee, and beverages. No-host bar is available. \$13 adults, \$7 kids (6-12), under 5 free. Family maximum of \$40. Take out is available. El plato principal de esta semana seran hamburguesas de atun! El menu regular es salmón al horno, pescado empanizado, papas al horno, ensalada de col, macarrones con queso caseros, pizza, postres, café y bebidas. Bebidas de la barra serán a un costo adicional. \$13 adultos, \$7 niños (6-12), niños de 5 años o menos gratis. \$40 Máximo por familia. Tambien hay para llevar.

### Mother of Perpetual Help Novena

9am every Wednesday after 8:30am Mass

This novena has been called "perpetual" because it is held around the world, weekly, on a fixed day such as Wednesday. Here at Our Lady Of Fatima Church it is prayed every Wednesday at 9am after the 8:30am mass.

What is a novena? Jesus told his disciples to pray together after his

### Office of Faith Formation Job Opportunity/ Oportunidad de Trabajo en la Oficina de Formación de Fe

This is a part-time position providing administrative support for the different faith formation programs in our parish. For a detailed job description and application, please send an email to Rosa Rama at [Rrama@olfchurch.net](mailto:Rrama@olfchurch.net). Please include "Faith Formation Assistant" in the subject line.

Esta es una posición de medio tiempo que proporciona apoyo administrativo para los diferentes programas de formación de fe en nuestra parroquia. Para obtener una descripción detallada del trabajo y la solicitud, envíe un correo electrónico a Rosa Rama a [Rrama@olfchurch.net](mailto:Rrama@olfchurch.net). Por favor incluya "Asistente de Formación de Fe" en el asunto.



### Fatima Friends: Childcare

During 9am Mass

8:45am - 10am / McGowan Hall-E  
Now available! All children ages 1-4 are welcome. Drop-off before Mass begins and pick-up after Mass ends.

ascension into heaven, so they went to an upper room along with the Blessed Virgin Mary, (Acts 1:14) and joined constantly in prayer for nine days until Pentecost, when the Holy Spirit descended upon the disciples as "tongues of fire" (Acts 2:1-4). This pattern of 9 days of prayer is an act of pious devotion, originates in ancient Christianity and often consists of private or public prayers repeated for nine successive days in belief of obtaining special intercessory graces.

### Reflexión de la Corresponsabilidad

La Conferencia de Obispos Católicos de los Estados Unidos (USCCB) publica notas con respecto a todos los Libros de la Biblia. En su introducción a la Carta a los Romanos de Pablo (nuestra Segunda Lectura), la USCCB dice: "De todas las cartas de Pablo, que a los cristianos en Roma siempre ha tenido un lugar de honor. Es el despliegue más largo y sistemático del pensamiento del apóstol, que expone el evangelio de la justicia de Dios que salva a todos los que creen; refleja una perspectiva universal".

La carta de Pablo a los Romanos es, de hecho, la más larga de sus cartas en el Nuevo Testamento (Romanos tiene más de 7,000 palabras, es mucho más corto, por supuesto, que el Evangelio más corto, Marcos, que tiene más de 11,000 palabras). Como lo declararon los Obispos, la Carta a los Romanos explicaba de una manera más detallada la teología y la espiritualidad de Pablo que cualquier otra carta.

Independientemente de la duración, la lectura de hoy contiene una declaración con la que muchos de nosotros estamos familiarizados, pero que tiene un gran significado: "Si Dios es por nosotros, ¿quién puede estar en contra de nosotros?" El significado de eso es que si estamos del lado de la rectitud, debería ser un objetivo principal de nuestra experiencia Cuaresmal, no debería haber nada que nos amenazara. Entendemos que seremos juzgados. El punto de Pablo es que si Dios nos juzga "no culpables", ¿quién puede presentar un cargo adicional con algún mérito? O, si Jesús es nuestro defensor, promoviendo nuestro beneficio, ¿quién nos puede condenar? Este es el momento de depositar nuestra confianza en Dios y en Su amor. Para más reflexiones e información sobre la corresponsabilidad visite <http://www.catholicsteward.com/>







## PARISH SCHOOL NEWS

### Community Outreach Update On Community Appreciation Day during Catholic Schools Week:

LEARN~LEAD~SERVE~ SUCCEED,  
our students went out to thank  
businesses and organizations in our  
community by bringing heartfelt  
wishes, certificates of appreciation and  
goodies.

TK: OLF Parish Office

Kindergarten: San Clemente Police  
Station

1st Grade: Presidio Casa de Seniors

2nd Grade: San Clemente Fire Station

3rd Grade: San Clemente City Hall

4th Grade: San Clemente Library

5th Grade: San Clemente Lifeguards

6th Grade: Sheckler Foundation

7th Grade: Family Assistance Ministries

8th Grade: Casa Romantica



### Annual Auction & Gala / "Nautical Nights"

March 10, 5:30pm / Dana Point  
Yacht Club

For more information, please contact  
Kris Windes, [kwindes@olfschool.net](mailto:kwindes@olfschool.net) or  
949-492-7320

### OLF Academy: NURTURE, ENCOURAGE, EMPOWER

If you desire an excellent Catholic  
school educational experience for your  
child in a family-oriented community  
that meets the needs of the whole-child  
with an emphasis on spiritual growth,  
academic rigor, technology acquisition,  
STEAM and an appreciation for the  
Arts, please contact Kris  
Windes, [kwindes@olfschool.net](mailto:kwindes@olfschool.net) or 949  
-492-7320.

Queridos parroquianos y amigos de Nuestra Señora de Fátima,  
Abraham es llamado el "Padre de nuestra fe". Debido a su gran acto de fe, fue  
bendecido abundantemente. En el Antiguo Testamento, vemos esto muchas veces.  
Dios da más cosas si hacemos cosas agradables para él. Es como criar a un niño. Si  
eres bueno en la tienda, obtendrás un juguete nuevo. Pero si eres malo ... cuidado,  
tanto el pueblo de Dios como el niño.

Creo que Dios se frustró porque su pueblo no maduraba más rápido en los  
creyentes adultos. Las personas que hacen lo correcto porque es lo correcto. No  
por miedo al castigo o la esperanza de una recompensa, sino solo porque es  
correcto. Cuando Dios envió a su único Hijo, este era su propósito, para  
mostrarnos esta nueva manera. Una manera de amarnos unos a otros en todas las  
circunstancias y de que al amar a los demás estamos provocando el Reino de Dios  
en la tierra.

En la transfiguración, vemos a Jesús plenamente en el Reino. El objetivo no era  
aterrorizar a los apóstoles, el cual estaban, sino abrir sus mentes más allá del  
reino natural hacia lo sobrenatural y que ambos estuvieran conectados. La voz  
dijo: "Escúchenlo". Nos dijo que amemos a Dios y a nuestro prójimo como a  
nosotros mismos. Porque cuando hacemos esto, estamos acercando los dos  
mundos. En el cielo, solo el amor está presente. Jesús se acercó con amor cada  
momento que estuvo aquí, incluso en la cruz y el Reino se hizo visible a través de  
milagros y sanaciones y la resurrección. Jesús trajo los dos mundos juntos por  
cómo amaba. Comencemos a actuar con madurez en nuestra fe y amamos a Dios y  
a nuestro prójimo. Que nuestras acciones acerquen a los mundos, para que algún  
día no haya diferencia.

Jueves Noche de Confesiones: 1 de marzo (sí), 8 (no)

¡Dios los bendiga a todos! Padre Jim

### Sponsor a Student Program

This program directly impacts families  
and students who otherwise would find it  
difficult, if not impossible, to afford a  
Catholic education. Your donation will also  
allow our school to provide a greater  
amount of financial support for all  
students. We endeavor to accept students  
and families regardless of financial need.  
Your contribution will enable more  
families in in our parish and local  
community to benefit from OLF's high-  
quality, Christian-value education.  
Through your generosity, you will be able  
to personally influence the education of  
children at Our Lady of Fatima. Please see  
the Sponsor A Student pamphlets at the  
back counters and side door exits.

Thank you so very much! "The school is  
the heart of the parish." - Bishop Kevin  
Vann

### IN OUR COMMUNITY & AROUND OUR DIOCESE

#### Bondi Ministries 5th Annual Wake Up & Worship

March 3, 9am - 11:30am / San  
Juan Hills Golf Club

A delicious brunch is included in this  
faith-filled morning of God's word,  
inspirational music and community  
fellowship! For tickets call Bondi  
Ministries at 800-795-5757.