

# Our Lady of Fatima Bulletin      October 15-16, 2011

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## O.L.F. Year For Catholic Devotions June 2011 - June 2012

**October is dedicated to the devotion of The Most Holy Rosary**

# Our Lady of Fatima Parish



**TAKE-OUT SPAGHETTI DINNER SALE  
\$7.00 Per Dinner**

**Wednesday, October 19 from  
4:00 PM to 6:00 PM**

*Pick up at K of C Back Door (Stay in your Car)  
Rear 1508 12th Ave. Altoona*

All orders must be received by  
Monday, October 17, by 12:00 Noon

Call the Rectory at **942-0371**  
(Workers arrive at K of C Wed. 11:00 AM)

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<b>Mon. 10/17</b>	<b><u>A Day of Prayer for Victims of Cancer</u></b>
Feast	St. Ignatius of Antioch
8:00 AM Mass	Frances Kasun, Virginia Eder
<b>Tues. 10/18</b>	<b><u>A Day of Prayer for Victims of Heart Diseases</u></b>
Feast	St. Luke, evangelist
8:00 AM Mass	Sr. Mary Paulus Tittler, Bernadette Weakland
<b>Wed. 10/19</b>	<b><u>A Day of Prayer for Victims of Arthritis</u></b>
Feast	St. John de Brebeuf & St. Isaac Jogues, priests
8:00 AM Mass	Marguerite Frederick-Weakland, M/M Kirk Kling
<b>Thur. 10/20</b>	<b><u>A Day of Prayer for Victims of Nervous Disorders</u></b>
Feast	St. Paul of the Cross, priest
8:00 AM Mass	Naomi Buechle, Ray & Ellen Kelly
<b>Fri. 10/21</b>	<b><u>A Day of Prayer for Victims of Emotional Disorders</u></b>
Feast	Weekday
8:00 AM Mass	Bill Conrad, Friends of the Railroad
<b>Sat. 10/22</b>	<b><u>A Day of Prayer for Victims of Diabetes</u></b>
Feast	Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:30 PM Mass	John F. Ianniello, Contance Angeski
<b>Sun. 10/23</b>	<b><u>A Day of Prayer for Victims of Addictions</u></b>
Feast	Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 AM Mass	Eleanor Roscia, Ray & Ellen Kelly
11:00 AM	Living & Deceased Members of Our Lady of Fatima Parish

Lord  
Jesus  
Christ  
Son  
Of  
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Have  
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a  
Sinner

### Happy Birthday:

10/19	Caitlin Jones, Elisabeth Jones Stanley J. Krish
10/20	Jim Hosgood
10/23	Kathleen Kenney Frank Pleva John Waksmonski

### Happy Wedding Anniversary:

10/17	Helen and Butch Carper Bob and Kay Niemi
10/19	Bill and Bert Bravin

**NOTE WELL:**  
**The O.L.F. Washington Bus Pilgrimage**  
**Has been Canceled**

### MONEY MATTERS

#### Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (October 8-9, 2011)

223 people Celebrated Liturgy at O.L.F. contributing \$2,242.95 of which \$ 140.00 accounted for visitor contributions.  
# Envelopes In Circulation      210      # Used      94      # Unused      116

*Pig in the Blanket sale - \$258.62 profit*

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## Enter under my roof?

Why do we quote the centurion?

**"Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed."**

How is that better than praying, "Lord, I am not worthy to receive you..."?

By the time we reach this moment in the liturgy, if we consciously and actively participated in the previous parts of the Mass, we have gone through a process of restoring our unity to Christ. We have acknowledged our need, and Christ has responded with grace. However, this experience is incomplete if we intend it only for our own benefit.

Mass ends with a final blessing followed by a hymn that the community sings together as a glorious pronouncement of our unity with each other and with God. In the blessing, the priest (or deacon) can choose from four options; two of them are a direct command to GO and be the Jesus we have received in the Eucharist: "Go and announce the Gospel of the Lord." Or: "Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life."

The first and foremost place where we go is into our homes. From there, we go out to our workplaces, schools, stores, recreational activities, etc. Wherever we encounter others, we are supposed to spread the presence of Christ. This is what it means to be a true Christian.

We announce the Gospel and we publicly glorify the Lord primarily by the way we live our lives. We take Jesus out into the world, which so desperately needs a Savior, by treating others the way he wants to treat them, ministering to them the way he wants to help them, speaking what he wants to say, caring the way he cares.



To be successful at this, just prior to receiving Jesus in the Eucharist, we make one final prayer for help.

It's not enough to say, "Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed." He heals. We receive. We are done. We go home and start arguing with the spouse or we watch an immoral television show or we complain about the neighbor who is too ill to mow his lawn.

The Catholic who truly participates in Mass wants to take Jesus home. However, we are not worthy of such an honor, since we often behave embarrassingly unlike Christ in our homes. So we acknowledge this in our final prayer before getting into the communion line – "I am not worthy to have you come under my roof" – and we ask Jesus to heal our souls so that we can take him home with us and keep his presence alive in our homes.

Of course Jesus says the word of healing that gives us our soul unity with his Spirit: "Yes!"

And then what? We go home with a holy soul. We enter under our roofs with Jesus. And with the help of the Holy Spirit, we grow stronger in maintaining that holiness despite temptations and hardships and the unChrist-like ways that others treat us.

And when this help weakens and we start losing our unity with Christ? We go back to Mass and start the process of healing all over again.

How wonderful when daily Mass is available!

## Editorial:

It is not an exaggeration to say that each week we get on average 25 requests for space in our weekly Bulletin to advertise somebody's favorite project or event. It's not just Catholic proceedings, but non-Catholic and even secular or commercial ventures. The pastor sees the Bulletin as a tool for providing Catholic Education first and foremost and secondarily as a device for imparting information of interest as it relates to O.L.F. Parish. Two things can be said about this "information." It most probably does not appear in other information media easily available to our parishioners (read the Register and/or the Mirror and watch T.V.) The OLF Bulletin is what in the trades they call an "in house organ," so aside from trying to accommodate fundraising events of those Catholic parishes or Catholic entities who "advertise" our fundraisers, we rarely make mention of anybody else's projects.

Also there is the issue of appearances. In politics a common phrase is "perception IS reality." A common perception is that if a thing appears in the Bulletin the parish Church and/or the Pastor endorses it. Such is not always the case. For a single simple example note our paid advertisers on the back page. You don't see any Drug stores listed there. You know why? Almost without exception they sell Birth Control stuff (some of which are abortifacients). We can't collectively endorse that, can we? Individuals including pastors have to work out in their own heads how to handle getting their own legitimate medical needs met. But the Catholic community as a community cannot endorse or even appear to endorse the sale of these products. Again, perception IS reality.

On a personal note, a while back I spent a good deal of time online looking for a pill provider who conducted his/her business completely in accord with the teachings of the Catholic Church. I found one in Northern Virginia (near Washington - a favorite hangout.) When I finally made contact with the store I was told it went out of business, being unable to generate support from the local Catholic community in general. and the [Catholic] medical community in particular.

It's almost amusing the number of times someone will ask me, "why didn't you advertise such and such in the Bulletin, or make a bigger deal of it than you did?" Occasionally when I feel like messing with those kind of people I'll say, "If you already knew about it, what good would my advertising it do for you?" Often they will respond, "Well, it's important to others for you to show your support and give your endorsement!" "But," I'll say, "What if I don't support it and what if I don't endorse it?" You see, not just in politics but in most areas of life, a person's perception is that person's reality. Jesus addressed this issue when he said in Matt. 7:21 "Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only the one who does the will of my Father in heaven." Which is another way of saying: "Just because you perceive it to be such, doesn't mean that's the way it is."

We end as we began. *The pastor sees the Bulletin as a tool for providing Catholic Education first and foremost and secondarily as a device for imparting information of interest as it relates to O.L.F. Parish ... not as a convenient vehicle for indiscriminate free advertising!*

*Our Lady of Fatima Pledged That we pray the Holy Rosary Daily  
At O.L.F. before each Mass and privately from 8:30am to 7:00pm*

During each of the Months remaining in 2011 as well as all of the months 'til June in 2012 we will be having special devotions, usually but not always or exclusively, after each weekday and each weekend Mass, according to the schedule shown to the right of this announcement.

Often there are varying versions of these devotions or even different devotions. The pastor is open to reviewing any favorites any parishioner may have.

Month	Dedication / Devotion
January	The Holy Name of Jesus
February	The Holy Family
March	St. Joseph
April	The Holy Eucharist
May	The Blessed Virgin Mary
June	The Sacred Heart of Jesus
July	The Precious Blood of Jesus
August	The Immaculate Heart of Mary
September	The Seven Dolors of The Sorrowful Mother
October*	The Holy Rosary
November	The Holy Souls in Purgatory
December	The Immaculate Conception



**COMMUNITY NIGHT  
FUNDRAISER**

Present this card on **Nov. 6, 2011**  
 At Hoss's on **Valley View Blvd, Altoona**  
 Hoss's will then donate 20% of your total  
 check paid to **Our Lady of Fatima Church**  
**Group # 14168** Please present ticket when  
 ordering. No photo copies accepted

**CASH COW CARD**

**The Cow Gives O.L.F. 20% Of What You Give Her**

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