

Bulletin # 102656

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MESSAGES:

O.L.F. Year For The Eucharist June 20, 2010 - June 19, 2011

*Thanking Our Patriots for Their Service
Our Lady of Fatima Parish Celebrates*



And



Armed Forces Day

Memorial Day

President Harry S. Truman led the effort to establish a single holiday for citizens to come together and thank our military members for their patriotic service in support of our country. On August 31, 1949, Secretary of Defense Louis Johnson announced the creation of an Armed Forces Day to replace separate Army, Navy, Marine Corps and Air Force Days. The single-day celebration stemmed from the unification of the Armed Forces under one department -- the Department of Defense.

Memorial Day, originally called Decoration Day, is a day to remember those who have died in our nation's service. After the Civil war many people in the North and South decorated graves of fallen soldiers with flowers. Decoration Day was first observed on May 30, 1868. In 1882, the name was changed to Memorial Day, and soldiers who had died in other wars were also honored. In 1971, Memorial Day was declared a national holiday to be held on the last Monday in May.

Our Lady of Fatima Roman Catholic Church is once again pleased to announce that at our regular Sunday 11:00 AM Mass on May 15, 2011 we will acknowledge and pay tribute to all living and deceased veterans, as well as those currently serving in the five branches.

*This nation will remain the land of the free only so long as
it is the home of the brave.*

MONEY MATTERS

Third Sunday (May 8, 2011)

203 people Celebrated Liturgy at O.L.F. contributing \$2,950.50 of which \$ 214.00 accounted for visitor contributions.

Envelopes In Circulation 216 # Used 96 # Unused 120

Catholic Home Mission appeal = \$20.00

May Camp Payment = \$809.39

2011 ACA Goal = \$15,636

Pledges to Date \$ 15,740.00 (100.67% of Diocesan Goal)

(See the Honor Roll in vestibule for names)

Mon. 5/16

A Day of Prayer for Victims of Cancer

Feast

Easter Weekday

8:00 AM Mass

Michael J. Zaczek, *Children*

Tues. 5/17

A Day of Prayer for Victims of Heart Diseases

Feast

Easter Weekday

8:00 AM Mass

Margaret Weakland , *Brian L. Weakland Family*

Wed. 5/18

A Day of Prayer for Victims of Arthritis

Feast

Saint John I, pope and martyr

8:00 AM Mass

Stanley Wilinski, Jr., *Sean Dorefice*

Thur. 5/19

A Day of Prayer for Victims of Nervous Disorders

Feast

Easter Weekday

8:00 AM Mass

Stella (Pufka) Kruis, *Steve Pufka*

Fri. 5/20

A Day of Prayer for Victims of Emotional Disorders

Feast

Saint Bernardine of Siena, priest

8:00 AM Mass

Sav Mincin, *Cheech Rodkey*

Sat. 5/21

A Day of Prayer for Victims of Diabetes

Feast

Fifth Sunday of Easter

4:30 PM Mass

Debbie Shuma, Ann, *Mom and Family*

Sun. 05/22

A Day of Prayer for Victims of Addictions

Feast

Fifth Sunday of Easter

9:00 AM Mass

In Thanksgiving for Successful Surgery & Recovery, *Fran Moses*

11:00 AM

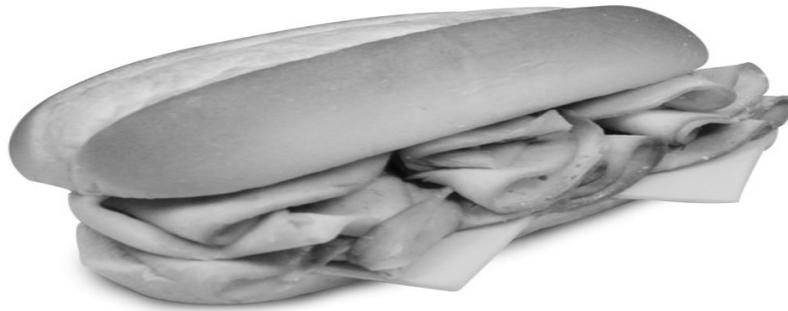
Living & Deceased Members of Our Lady of Fatima Parish

Fatima Prayer

O my Jesus, forgive us of our sins. Save us from the fires of hell. Lead all souls into heaven, especially those in most need of thy mercy.

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

Back By Popular Demand



**The Famous O.L.F. 12"
Meat & Cheese Loaded**

\$6.00 **Hoagies** **\$6.00**

WEDNESDAY

MAY 18

**Order via Clipboard or Phone 942-0371
Pick-up at K of C drive through**

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Congratulations

**Our Lady of Fatima Parishioners
for
Achieving Goal
in
Record Time**

Assessed	\$15,636
Pledged	\$15,790
Overage	\$ 154

It must be noted that several unusually large pledges were made by people who experienced unexpected, once in a lifetime, windfalls in FY 2011. We are still 22 pledges short of the number we typically get to make goal. Those monies will go to Church improvement projects.



MESSAGE OF THE HOLY FATHER
FOR THE 48th WORLD DAY
OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS
15 MAY 2011 FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
Theme: "Proposing Vocations in the Local Church"

Dear Brothers and Sisters!

The 48th World Day of Prayer for Vocations, to be celebrated on 15 May 2011, the Fourth Sunday of Easter, invites us to reflect on the theme: "Proposing Vocations in the Local Church"

It is essential that every local Church become more sensitive and attentive to the pastoral care of vocations, helping children and young people in particular at every level of family, parish and associations – as Jesus did with his disciples - to grow into a genuine and affectionate friendship with the Lord, cultivated through personal and liturgical prayer; to grow in familiarity with the sacred Scriptures and thus to listen attentively and fruitfully to the word of God; to understand that entering into God's will does not crush or destroy a person, but instead leads to the discovery of the deepest truth about ourselves; and finally to be generous and fraternal in relationships with others, since it is only in being open to the love of God that we discover true joy and the fulfilment of our aspirations. "Proposing Vocations in the Local Church" means having the courage, through an attentive and suitable concern for vocations, to point out this challenging way of following Christ which, because it is so rich in meaning, is capable of engaging the whole of one's life.

The Second Vatican Council explicitly reminded us that "the duty of fostering vocations pertains to the whole Christian community, which should exercise it above all by a fully Christian life"). I wish, then, to say a special word of acknowledgment and encouragement to those who work closely in various ways with the priests in their parishes. In particular, I turn to those who can offer a specific contribution to the pastoral care of vocations: to priests, families, catechists and leaders of parish groups. I ask priests to testify to their communion with their bishop and their fellow priests, and thus to provide a rich soil for the seeds of a priestly vocation. May families be "animated by the spirit of faith and love and by the sense of duty" which is capable of helping children to welcome generously the call to priesthood and to religious life. May catechists and leaders of Catholic groups and ecclesial movements, convinced of their educational mission, seek to "guide the young people entrusted to them so that these will recognize and freely accept a divine vocation."

Dear brothers and sisters, your commitment to the promotion and care of vocations becomes most significant and pastorally effective when carried out in the unity of the Church and in the service of communion. For this reason, every moment in the life of the Church community – catechesis, formation meetings, liturgical prayer, pilgrimages – can be a precious opportunity for awakening in the People of God, and in particular in children and young people, a sense of belonging to the Church and of responsibility for answering the call to priesthood and to religious life by a free and informed decision.

The ability to foster vocations is a hallmark of the vitality of a local Church. With trust and perseverance let us invoke the aid of the Virgin Mary, that by the example of her own acceptance of God's saving plan and her powerful intercession, every community will be more and more open to saying "yes" to the Lord who is constantly calling new labourers to his harvest. With this hope, I cordially impart to all my Apostolic Blessing.

