

Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church

Pastor: Father César Vega-Mendoza Pastor@olf.church Deacons: Mark Krcma, Armando Escamilla, Frank (Paco) Martinez

MISSION STATEMENT

We the Catholic community of Our Lady of Fatima united by faith, are called by God and empowered by the Holy Spirit to evangelize and assist in the faith formation of all. We are committed to encourage, affirm and call forth everyone into participation by providing opportunity for ministry. We seek to deepen our personal relationship with Jesus Christ Our Savior and provide an environment in which all have an opportunity for a greater sense of communion, family and community.



Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time C

Welcome to Our Lady of Fatima Parish

We welcome all our visitors.

May your time with us be grace-filled and may the Lord Jesus Christ bless you and your loved ones.

OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday 9am to 5:00pm Closed for lunch 12pm to 1pm

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What's Happening at OLF This Week?			
Monday	3rd	Bible Buddies Group 12pm Vigil Mass Choir 5:30pm Adult Choir 5:30pm Spanish Bible Class 6pm Apóstoles de la Palabra 6pm La Busqueda 6pm Spanish Ultreya 7pm	
Tuesday	4th	OCIA 6-8 pm	
Wednesday	5th	ASH WEDNESDAY TOPS Group 8:30am Rosary Group 9am OLF Book Group 9am Religious Ed K-6 6-7:30pm	
Thursday	6th	Soup Kitchen 11am-1pm OCIA 6-8pm	
Friday	7th	First Friday Children's Choir Practice 4-5pm	
Saturday	8th	Retreat-Misioneros de Jesús 8:30am-5:30pm	
Sunday	9th	RE 7th-12th Grade 9:45-11:15am Youth Group 6-8pm (BOWLING ALLEY)	

Announcements:

- March 13th: Mass of Anointing at 10am, followed by lunch.
- ♦ CURSILLO: Spanish Womens Cursillo will be March 13th-16th, Men's Cursillo will be March 27th-30th
 - Marion Agbisit will lead a Public Rosary on March 15th
- ♦ There are several spots available for new advertisers in the bulletin-contact the parish office to advertise your business!
 - ◆ Candles for Easter now available in the Gift Shop and Parish Office-Large candles are \$25, Small candles are \$15
- ♦ See Last Page for Lenten Penance Service Schedule, as well as the Mass Schedules for Ash Wednesday

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday 7:00am Eng Communion Service Tues - Fri 7:00am Eng. Mass

7:30am Rosary
Tue 7:00pm Sp. Mass
Thurs 7:00pm Sp. Mass

ADORATION:

Monday 7am - Friday 7pm Adoration Chapel

Thursday Holy Hour 6:00pm

RECONCILIATION:

Tuesday 5:30pm to 6:45pm Church Confessional Thursday 6:00—6:50pm During Holy Hour Saturday 3:30pm to 4:30pm Chapel Confessional

WEEKEND SCHEDULE:

Saturday Vigil 5:00pm Eng. 7:00pm Sp. Sunday 8:30am Eng. 11:30am Sp.

First Friday & Saturday: **

First Friday Mass 7:00pm Sp.
First Saturday Rosary 6:30am Bilingual
First Saturday Mass 7:00am Bilingual

followed by 15 minutes of reflection

PRAYER REQUESTS

Repose of the Soul

Jorge Negrete, Bill Herup, Robert Gonzalez Jr., Antoinette Wilcoxson, Manolo Pruneda, Bert Morales, Kristin Vedder, Lloyd Arbaugh, Adrian Baeza Escobedo, Margarita Hernandez, Roberto DeLeon, Ramona Rodriguez, Pat Ramirez, Damien Rocha, Jesus Delgado, Rojelio Adame, Tito Gonzalez, Enedina Garza, Brian Wilson, Rolando Adame, David Adame, Kim Hoiness, Sebastian Baker, Adriel Miranda, Maria Hernandez, Marchell R Espinoza, Reyes De La Cruz, Diana Keller, Mitzy Cruz, Lucy Gunn, Maria Cruz Rodriguez, Maria Luz Borjas, Helen Theis, Anthony Homer, Mitchell Thompson, Daniel Zarate, Zendaya Martinez, Leroy Gonzalez, Jessie Jimenez, Nickie Anderson, Lorna Paola Villanueva

Physical/Spiritual Health

Frank Delgado, Dolores Carvalho, Lucy Messer, William McCormick, Jean Agbisit, Lorraine Medrano, Anita Huerta, Corinne Geblin, Gina Ruiz, Francisca Garcia, Fran Bill, Jill Murray, Sally Richards, Corina Miranda, Minga Rubio, Darlene Boechler, Gail Altenhofen, Diane Stevenson, Stephanie Martinez, Don Adolphson, Gordon & Beth Minnies

Military:

Daniel Jay, Shane Herup, James Herron, Christopher E. Uvalle, David Martinez, Paul E. Hanover, John Herup,

JC Hernández, Bettany Noregas

Letter From Father César



Dear parish family,

Lenten Greetings! We are about to begin a very especial journey as a Parish community. By humbly receiving the blessed Ashes this Wednesday, we will find ourselves responding to the call from Holy Mother Church into our "Annual 40 Day Retreat" of LENT. Through Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving we will make the proper spiritual preparations to joyfully celebrate the promise of Resurrection at Easter.

Deacons Paco, Armando, Mark, and I would like to extend an invitation to all of you and your family to attend the different opportunities during the upcoming Lenten Season. We begin our Lenten Journey/Retreat with **Ash Wednesday on March 5th**; On Thursdays of Lent we will start the Bilingual Holy Hour of Reparation at 6:00pm, followed by bilingual **Vespers** (**Evening Prayer**; *the prayer of the universal Church for evenings*) at 6:30pm ending with benediction and 7pm Spanish Mass; on Fridays of Lent we will have bilingual **Stations of the Cross** in the Main Church at 6:00pm followed "Soup and Bread" sponsored by the different ministries and prayer groups in our parish. I thank the ministries/prayer groups for undertaking this year's new idea of providing us with *soup and bread*.

Take one of **The Little Black Book**, six minutes a day reflection/prayer book based on traditions, the saints and 'Lectio Divina' for Lent and all the way to the Second Sunday of Easter. I hope you find this booklet useful during this Liturgical Season and as a great help for "God's Program in your spiritual rehab during Lent."

The Sacrament of Reconciliation during Lent is a great opportunity we must make good preparations for the celebration of Easter, we will celebrate the **Lent Penance Services** on Wed., Apr 2nd 6pm (other parishes' schedule in bulletin). More info on the Lent pamphlet at the vestibule or check our Facebook, and webpage.

Plan on joining the different retreat opportunities we will have during Lent: on March 8th Sunday of Miracles (Sp) by Misioneros de Jesús; Cursillos (Sp) Women Mar 13th & Men Mar 27th; Journey to the Cross (En) by Susie Johnston; April 5th First Communion Retreat (Bi); April 12th Youth Confirmation Lenten Retreat (En)

The Operation Rice Bowl, an outreach ministry from Catholic Relief Services, a part of our almsgiving to show solidarity and help those who have less; you will find a rice bowl in the bins, just put in it all the spare change (and checks) and bring it to the church at the end of the Lenten Season.

On **Tuesday April 8th** all the priests of the Diocese have our reflection day, we come together to pray, be reconciled and renew our priestly vows. Bishop then blesses the oils (of the sick, of catechumens and Chrism), which we will use for the sacraments throughout the year. Please join us at **St. Paul Cathedral at 7pm for the Chrism Mass**.

Please continue to pray for our Catechumens (non-baptized) and Candidates (baptized). During Lent our Catechumens and Candidates will come before the Church community asking for your support and prayers. These individuals are in their final stage of preparation for full membership into the Catholic Church, which will take place at Easter Vigil. If you know someone in your family or a friend that is interested in the Catholic faith invite them to join our community by attending the OCIA program; please call the office for more information.

Lastly, I would like to urge each of you to answer the invitation of Holy Mother Church, to join all the faithful in the world, on our Forty-Day Lenten Retreat. Each of us are called to be part of the Eucharistic Community of believers, sent by Jesus, to live out our Baptismal promises in service to the Church, the body of Christ. On our Lenten spiritual journey may we hear this call and experience a conversion of heart and renewed strength in our journey towards our heavenly Father. After our Forty-Day retreat, may we all come together to celebrate the Holy Triduum and the glory of Our Lord's Resurrection on Easter Sunday.

Lenten Greetings and Blessings, Rev. Cesar Vega-Mendoza Pastor

A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit. For every tree is known by its own fruit.

Luke 6:43-44

SCRIPTURE READINGS:

First Reading – Sirach 27:4-7 Second Reading – 1 Corinthians 15:54-58 **Responsorial Psalm** – Psalm 92

Gospel – Luke 6:39-45

Reflection

On the 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C, we explore important lessons from the readings. These reflections focus on the power of our words, the hope we have in Christ's victory over death, and the call to humility through self-examination. These themes guide us to live more faithfully as Christians.

Words Reveal Our True Selves

This week, we reflect on the power of our words. Sirach 27:4-7 teaches that our words reveal who we really are. Good words show a good heart, while bad words reveal inner problems. Our speech can lift others up or tear them down. Luke 6:43-45 also talks about the connection between our hearts and actions. Jesus compares people to trees, saying that good trees bear good fruit. This means our actions and words reflect our inner goodness. If our hearts are good, we will naturally do and say good things.

We need to be careful with our words. Speaking kindly and truthfully can show our faith and love for others. Harsh or dishonest words can hurt people and damage our witness as Christians. Reflecting on how we speak helps us grow in holiness. Our words also impact our relationships. Kind words can build strong friendships and trust. Hurtful words can create distance and conflict. By watching what we say, we can strengthen our bonds with others and show them Christ's love. On this 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time, let's remember the power of our words. They are a window to our hearts. Let us strive to speak words that reflect our faith and love for God and others.

Hope in Christ's Victory

On the 8th Sunday, we celebrate the victory over death. In 1 Corinthians 15:54-58, Paul reminds us that Jesus defeated death. This victory gives us hope and courage to stay firm in our faith. Death is not the end; through Christ, we have eternal life. This message is comforting. It assures us that our struggles and pains in this life are temporary. Jesus' resurrection shows that life continues beyond the grave. We can face challenges with hope, knowing that victory is already won.

Paul encourages us to stand firm and give ourselves fully to God's work. Our efforts are not in vain. Everything we do for God has eternal value. This motivates us to stay committed to our faith and our mission. Living with this hope transforms our daily lives. We can approach each day with joy and purpose. Knowing that Jesus conquered death gives us strength to endure hardships and remain faithful. Let's embrace the hope and victory in Christ. Let's live with confidence, knowing that we share in this triumph. Our faith and work in the Lord are never in vain.

Humility Through Self-Examination

Jesus teaches about humility and self-examination. In Luke 6:41-42, He tells us to look at our own faults before judging others. This practice leads to true humility and helps us grow closer to God. We often judge people based on their appearance, wealth, or status. But what really matters is the condition of their hearts. Our conversations reveal our true beliefs and values. What we say shows what is inside us. Our words can impact our relationships deeply. When we speak with love and humility, we build others up. But if we are proud and critical, we can harm relationships. We must be aware of our own weaknesses and strive to improve.

Pride blinds us to our own faults. We become hypocrites, thinking we are better than others. This pride is a barrier to holiness and prevents us from leading others to Christ. Self-examination helps us recognize our own sins and grow in humility. On this 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C, let's focus on removing the beam from our own eye. Let's strive for humility and seek to improve ourselves before judging others. By doing so, we can follow Christ more closely and help others on their spiritual journey.

The 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C readings offer us deep insights into our words, our hope in Christ, and the importance of humility. Reflecting on these themes helps us grow in faith and live as true Christians. Let us carry these lessons into our daily lives, striving to follow Christ more closely.

Prayer

Lord, help us to speak with kindness and truth. Give us hope in Christ's victory over death. Teach us to be humble and see our own faults. Guide us to live faithfully and love others as You love us. Amen.

Reflection Questions

- ♦ How can you better examine your own faults before judging others?
 - ♦ What actions can you take to grow in humility?
 - ♦ How do your actions and words show your faith?

FAMILY CONNECTION

Jesus' parables in this week's Gospel are a reminder of the importance of continued learning, prayer and reflection, and humility in our discipleship. We shine God's light in the world when we are "lit from within" with God's grace, willing to examine our own conscience and recognize our own need for transformation through Jesus. As busy parents responsible for our children's physical, emotional, and spiritual growth, we may sometimes be challenged to find time and energy to care for ourselves and attend to our own spiritual growth. Yet doing so can improve our family relationships and help us guide our children in their faith. We can be reminded of the simple safety instruction we hear when flying: to put on our own "spiritual" oxygen mask before helping others.

Gather as a family and spend some time discussing ideas about what it means to be a good disciple. What do we need to learn? How are we to act? How do we treat others? Read aloud today's Gospel, Luke 6:39–45. Discuss what Jesus means when he asks, "Why do you notice the splinter in your brother's eye, but do not perceive the wooden beam in your own?" Talk about how we might be tempted to focus on one another's shortcomings without noticing our own and how this might lead to conflict. Point out that part of being a good disciple is focusing on our own behavior. As a family, share ideas for responding as a disciple when you are upset with another family member's words or actions. (For example, taking a cooling off break before talking to the person or praying for help to see if our actions contributed to the conflict and we need to apologize.) Pray that you will grow together in your discipleship and then pray the Lord's Prayer.

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Looking for fun ways to connect with your kids and help them find fun and joy in being Catholic?

Check out the Catholic Kids Bulletin! This is a weekly bulletin designed to engage children and teach them about each weeks readings. Located on the Religious Education Table!

Parents Group During Religious Education:

Parents, Grandparents and other interested adults are invited to join us on Wednesday nights during Religious Ed for a Bilingual group in the gathering area of the church.

We are beginning a new study on the Creed, learning more deeply about the beautiful Catholic faith that we profess.

For information or questions, please call Hilary at 480-740-4082

Religious Education News and Information

Dates to Remember: 1st Communion Retreat-April 5th at 8 am

1st Communion Mass-May 3rd at 10 am

ConfirmationJuly 6th at 5 pm



Mass Intentions

Bob Tatum (L), Carol Loop (L), Anthony Homer (D), Mitchel Franz (D) 7 am: Saturday Jo Keeney (B), Stephanie Keeney Andersen (B), Ella Myers (D) 1st 5 pm:

> Almas de Purgatorio, Argimiro Flores (L) 7 pm:

8:30 am: All Souls of Purgatory, Kathy Simon (D), Mike Vasquez (L) Sunday 2nd

11:30 am Manuel Vela Jr. (D), Fidel Saucedo (D), Maria Barajas (D)

Tuesday Eneida Crawford (B) 4th 7 am:

Wednesday 5th Thursday 6th

Friday 7th 7 am: Linda Moncada (B), Rudy Perales (B)

Remembrance Flowers





If you would like a Remembrance Flower in memory or honor of a loved one, please call the Parish Office.

Attention:

If you would like an announcement printed in the weekly bulletin, or would like to have your business advertised, please email your request to:

Pastor@OLF.Church & Administrator@OLF.Church & OfficeManager@OLF.Church

Requests must be submitted the week prior to being put in the bulletin.

If you have any questions regarding this, please call the parish office.

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You are invited to become a Brother Knight!

Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism Serve as our core values

Meeting's at 7:00pm 1st & 3rd Thursdays St. John of the Cross Room - Fatima Center Contact Grand Knight, Rolando Gonzales at 509-717-880

Our Lady of Fatima Parish

News This Week: March 1st - 7th, 2025

Pancake Breakfast March 2nd after 8:30am Mass Business Meeting January 30th 7pm Proceeds from our Parish Pancake Breakfast will be donated to the Building Fund. Please come and enjoy breakfast in support of the Building Fund.

Thank you

Eucharistic Ministry to the Homebound and Nursing Homes

If anyone knows of a parishioner or someone who is homebound or in one of the local nursing homes who would like to receive Holy Communion, please call Carrie Tatum 509-989-6591



Attention: If you are planning a Quinceañera in 2025 please contact the office. The Quinceañera needs to attend a 6 week class before her Quinceañera day.

For questions or more information, contact: Anita Reyna 509-361-9639



Saturday, March 22 9:00 am to 3:00 pm **Fatima Center** Cost: \$35.00 (includes lunch)

RSVP: Parish Office 509-765-6729 **Retreat Presenter: Susie Johnston**

SEXUAL ABUSE HOTLINE

If you have been abused or victimized by a member of the Catholic clergy, please believe in the possibility for hope, help and healing. We encourage you to come forward and speak out. The Yakima Diocese has a sexual abuse hotline for those who wish to report some incident concerning that issue as regards to a bishop, priest, deacon or diocesan employee or volunteer. Our diocese provides a private/confidential phone line for those wishing to report incidents of sexual abuse regarding clergy, diocesan or church employees or volunteers 1-888-276-4490.



Schedule/Horario: 6:00 PM

Mon. Apr 1st St. Pious X-Quincy

Tues Apr 2nd Our Lady of Fatima-Moses Lake

Wed Apr 3rd Our Lady of the Desert-Mattawa

Thurs Apr 4th St. Michael the Archangel-Royal City

Wed Apr 9th Queen of All Saints-Warden

Thurs Apr 10th St. Rose of Lima-Ephrata

Ash Wednesday Service Horarios de Misas Miércoles de Ceniza

March/ Marzo 05, 2025
7 a.m. English/Ingles
12:15 pm Bilingue
5:15 pm English/ Ingles
7:00 pm Spanish/
Español

THANK YOU FOR ALL OF YOUR GENEROSITY TOWARDS OUR AMAZING PARISH!!

UPCOMING EVENT: PUBLIC ROSARY

Marion Agbisit will lead a public rosary on **March 15,2025** at **12pm** at **The "Twin Towers"** by the Public Library.

The Rosary will be prayed for the Sanctity of Marriage, for reparations to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Mary, and to honor St. Joseph on his upcoming feast day March 19th.

All Parishioners are welcome to attend.

For more information contact (509) 750-7691

Total Income

Total Expenses (Principle Payment plus

regular monthly payment)

Net Gain/Loss

Our Lady of Fatima Financials at a glance			
Operation Account-January Totals			
Total Regular Monthly Income	\$50,965.29		
Total Regular Expenses	\$66,136.80		
Net Gain/Loss	\$15,171.51		
Building Fund (Loan) Account-January Totals			

\$113,627.79

\$117,331.12

\$3,703.33

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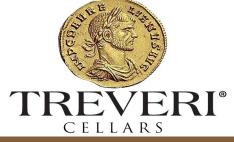
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