



Our Lady of Fatima Mission

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St. Scholastica, V

Mass Intention

Friday: Doris Bridges, RIP (S&P Bridges)

Saturday: Christopher Spann (Michelle Spann)

Father is current accepting Mass intentions. Customary offering is \$25 per Mass.

Quinquagesima

If, therefore, we be children of Abraham, we must, as the Church tells us, during Septuagesima, look upon ourselves as exiles on the earth, and dwell, by hope and desire, in that true country of ours, from which we are now banished, but towards which we are each day drawing nigher, if, like Abraham, we are faithful in those various stations allotted us by our Lord. We are commanded to *use this world as though we used it not* [I. Cor. vii. 31]; to have an abiding conviction of our *not having here a lasting City* [Heb. xiii. 14], and of the misery and danger we incur, when we forget that Death is one day to separate us from everything we possess in this life.

Lenten Fast

Lent begins on February 14 and is a time of fast according to the laws of the Church. Except for Sundays, all the days of Lent are days of fast and abstinence. If you have any questions, please contact Father Trough.

Fasting

Everyone between the ages of 21 and 59 inclusive is bound to observe the law of fast. On days of fast, only one full meal is allowed and it should not be taken before noon. Two other meatless meals sufficient to maintain strength may be taken, but together they should not equal a normal main meal. Meat may be taken at the principal meal on a day of fast, except on days of complete abstinence. Eating between meals is not permitted, but

liquids, including milk and fruit juices are allowed.

When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige. Mothers who are pregnant or nursing are always exempt. In doubt concerning your obligation to fast and abstain, consult the parish priest or confessor.

Abstinence

Everyone 7 years of age and older is bound to observe the law of abstinence. Complete abstinence from meat must be observed on Fridays, Ash Wednesday, and Holy Saturday. On days of partial abstinence, e.g. Ember Wednesday and Saturday, meat and soup or gravy made from meat may be taken only once a day at the principal meal.

Stations of the Cross

During Lent the Stations of the Cross will be said prior to Mass in lieu of the Rosary. Due to the length, Stations will begin at 9:20 so arrive early if you are able. Father will be hearing confessions during Stations.

Spiritual Life

O my God, give me a taste for holy meditations and a disgust for worldly conversation.

Jesus, Mary, Joseph, may our family be formed on the model of thine!

Consider that, according to St. Thomas, there is a true union of correspondence between a fervent soul and God, far above any earthly union, but with the same threefold relation of faith, of indissolubility and of posterity. O my soul, how wonderful the love by which God wholly loves thee wholly!

Announcements

Blessing of throats in honor of St. Blase will be available after Mass on Saturday.

There are blessed Candlemas candles available for a \$5 donation per box.

The mission has purchased a statue of St. Joseph for the chapel. It will be formally installed on March 23rd.

Please join us for the Rosary. Sundays at 9 AM on Discord.

<https://discord.gg/K42TYCr>

If you are not receiving the mission newsletter, please contact Christy Hilliard, cahilliard7@gmail.com.

Prayer List

Please remember the following intentions:

Sharon Rose, Donna Perry, Michael Spann, Kathleen Weidner, Dennis Smith, Theresa Fishman, Father Trough, Success of the Mission

Upcoming

February 14: Ash Wednesday

February 21: Ember Wednesday

February 24: Ember Saturday

February 24: Mass, 10 AM

March 9: Mass, 10 AM

March 19: St. Joseph, SpBVM

Collections

Last Mass: \$864

Total Collections: \$1,484

Thank you for your generosity in support of the mission!

Dress Code

Welcome! Out of respect for the True Presence of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, and for the edification of our neighbor, we kindly request that all who come to our parish observe the basic traditional Catholic standards of dress for church attendance:

- Women and girls must cover their heads.
- Women and girls must wear dresses or skirts that cover the knee completely when standing or sitting. Slacks, shorts, sleeveless, tight or low-cut clothing, and dresses or skirts with long slits above the knees are not permitted.
- It is recommended for men and boys to wear suit coats and ties for Sunday Mass. Jeans and other casual attire are inappropriate for attendance at church.