

O, God bless all the children with your peace.



March 2, 2025 - 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Our Lady Of Fatima**

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Saturday Vigil Mass - 4:00 PM  
Sunday Mass - 11:00 AM  
Tuesday - 9:00 AM  
Office Hours:  
Mon - Thurs 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

**Our Lady of the Valley**

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Wednesday - 9:00 AM  
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Mon - Thurs 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

**Pastoral Staff**

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Liturgy Schedule

**Saturday**

**February 22, 2025 - 4:00 PM**

† Diane Kennedy - By: Ruth Kulesa and Family

**Saturday**

**March 1, 2025 - 4:00 PM**

† For anyone who is afraid and lonely

**Sunday**

**March 2, 2025 - 11:00 AM**

† John Knoll - By: Bill & Kris Zedaker

**Tuesday**

**March 4, 2025 - No Mass**

Pardon & Pancakes - 6:00 PM

**Ash Wednesday**

**March 5, 2025 Liturgy of Word and Ashes**

12:00 PM; 2:30 PM; 6:00 PM

**Saturday**

**March 8, 2025 - 4:00 PM**

For the unemployed

**Sunday**

**March 9, 2025 - 11:00 AM**

For our nation and world leaders

**Tuesday**

**March 11, 2025 - 9:00 AM**

For our law enforcement and corrections officers



**WE PRAY LENT**

Our worship space is simple, stark, and prayerful. Purples remind us of our call to continual conversion. Reds beckon us to live as a holy sacrifice for others. Bold willow branches help us to look forward to eternal spring; their winding twigs lead us along our pilgrim journey. The waters of our Baptismal Font are stilled until Easter. Our Eucharist is a sacred conversation with God and a sacred conversation with each other. The Cross centers us in our mission. We gather together asking our Lord to keep us ever near the healing, freedom giving Cross of Jesus; may the Glory of God uplift us in life giving faith. We acknowledge the sin and need for our own healing among us and the whole world. We sing in the ancient Greek “Kyrie, Christe eleison” as we have for countless centuries, trusting in the overwhelming abundance of God’s mercy for all. Our response to the Hebrew Scriptures is Psalm 136; “for your love is never ending”. We recall how our Creator has always been among us, sharing the Divine gifts of wisdom and peace. We approach the Gospel in stillness, with wonder and awe, as we hear God’s story unfold among us. The Lord invites us to gather around the Table to be renewed by Christ’s real presence as food for our journey. We sing of our mystery: “We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.” We are empowered to embrace the Cross of our neighbors as a community of life. Our Eucharistic prayer engages us to be the sacrament of Christ in our whole world. We sing: “We are God’s People, beloved in Christ.” The Great Amen culminates our prayer of thanksgiving. After sharing Communion, we listen and hear God speak tenderly, gently to each one of us, “I have loved you with an everlasting love, I have called you and you are mine.” We respond wholeheartedly, invigorated in hope and faith to go forth as beloved, yet humble people abounding in peace, compassion, and love for our world! And Christ is with you.

**“A Threshold of Hope”**

During this year of Holy Pilgrimage, our church doors are designated as “A Threshold of Hope “. We go forth from this sacred space to witness to the sacred everywhere. Every time we come in we remember that it is most important that we go out! ... refreshed invigorated, uplifted and committed to give birth to new hope in our world. For Christ Sake!

P.S. - as you leave Church at our front door, look up at the hand carved wooden sign of hope ... smile and be that hope for someone who needs you.

This week at Our Lady of Fatima...			
Date	Event	Time	Place
3/3	Friendship Café	11:00 am - 1:30 pm	Hall
3/4	Pardon&Pancakes	6:00 pm	Church/Hall
3/5	Ash Wednesday	12,pm;2:30pm,6pm	Church
3/5	Friendship Café	11:00 am - 1:30 pm	Hall
3/7	Friendship Café	11:00 am - 1:30 pm	Hall
3/8	Mass	4:00 pm	Church
3/9	Mass	11:00 am	Church

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**Beatitudes of Christian Living**

“Whatever you do, think of the Glory of God as your main goal.” ~ St. John Bosco

God’s love for us is never ending. Trust God in all that we do and glorify His name.

**American Flag**

We are aware the American Flag needs to be replaced, we have a new flag to be put up. Unfortunately we can not replace the Flag until spring, as the rope needs to be replaced also. Special equipment needs to be brought in due to the height of the pole.

**Pardon and Pancakes**

Tuesday, March 4, 6:00 pm - Reconciliation followed by a pancake dinner in the hall.

**Ministry Schedules**

Lectures, Eucharistic Ministers and Counters your leaders will soon be doing the schedule for Apr - May. Please send them your dates of unavailability for this time frame. Thank you.

**Please Pray for our Sick and Homebound**

Bella Stuart, Charlotte Marks, Joan Williams, Lorraine Duffy, Mary Brewer, Ken Chrinian, George Tallman, Paul Reveal, Ron Fagan , Jack Finn, Diane McCulloch and Gay Wolfgang

WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE	
Saturday, Mar 1	Saturday, Mar 8
<p><b>LECTOR</b> Joe Oehler</p> <p><b>EUCARISTIC MINISTERS</b> Jeannette Coppolo Ruth Kulesa Linda Snow</p>	<p><b>LECTOR</b> Lew DeFillipo</p> <p><b>EUCARISTIC MINISTERS</b> Jeannette Coppolo Mary Ann Conway Dianne Church</p>
Sunday, Mar 2	Sunday, Mar 9
<p><b>LECTOR</b> Sandi DiNicola</p> <p><b>EUCARISTIC MINISTERS</b> Christine Hennessey Cathy Callahan Kris Zedaker</p> <p><b>COUNTERS</b> Karen Hawes Nancy Chrinian Joe Oehler</p>	<p><b>LECTOR</b> James Keller</p> <p><b>EUCARISTIC MINISTERS</b> Sandi DiNicola Noel Luby Janet Korwan</p> <p><b>COUNTERS</b> Paul Callahan Cathy Callahan Janine Dowling</p>



**GIFT:** First Eucharist preparation will be held on Tuesday, March 11 at 4:30 P at Our Lady of Fatima.

The next GIFT session is March 30

Winter Spring Season brochure are available out-lining GIFT sessions thru April. Also our website is updated with GIFT information, prayer intentions by Pope Francis each month, links for parents, saint of the month links, weekly liturgy of the word and information regarding registering families for faith formation. The website: [olfgrowinginfaith.weebly.com](http://olfgrowinginfaith.weebly.com) and color Kits are available for our young disciples to draw during the service. It includes first liturgy reflection and readings, art activities, coloring pages as well as a few jokes here and there! Please keep the papers and return bag and crayons Thank you.

**Lent 2025 WE GATHER, WE PRAY , WE SERV E**

**Ash Wednesday March 5**

Liturgy of the Word and Ashes

- Our Lady of the Valley Church  
10:00 am; 2:30 pm; 6:30 pm
- Our Lady of Fatima Church  
12:00 pm; 2:30 pm; 6:00 pm
- Schoharie Central School (Prospect St.) 2:30 pm – 3:00 pm
- Kingsway Nursing Home 2:00 pm; 3:00 pm

**Labyrinth of Peace** - pilgrimage of conversion Our Lady of Fatima Hall Saturday, March 22, 1:00 pm – 6:00 pm and Sunday, March 23, 9:30 pm – 2:00 pm We walk quietly in the footsteps of Christ.

**Parables of Jesus:** Stories of Boundless Love Monday, March 31, 6:00 pm at Our Lady of Fatima. An hour long discussion and sharing of Jesus’ wit.

**Reconciliation Service** Tuesday, April 8, 6:00 pm at Our Lady of the Valley Church.

**Rice Bowls** - We support the ministry of Catholic Relief Services here and throughout our world; feeding the poor and hungry, planting trees, and helping farm families. Your donations are needed more than ever in the face of government cutbacks.

**Little Black Books** - Everyday inspiration

**The Word Among Us** Daily Bible Insights

**Our Church is open for quiet prayer, meditation walks, and peace.**

**Bookkeeper Needed**

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