

# Our Lady of Fatima Church

*"WE ARE A WELCOMING COMMUNITY"*

229 Danbury Road  
Wilton, Connecticut 06897



**REV. MICHAEL C. PALMER**  
PASTOR

Rev. James C. Vattakunnel, VC  
Assistant Pastor

Thomas J. McManus  
Deacon  
Financial Council Chairman 762-7142

Sister Mary Jane Card  
Ministry to the Elderly 761-9879

Mrs. Kathleen Rooney  
Director of Religious Education

Miss Sharon E. Lynn  
Director of Youth Activities

Mr. Clay Zambo  
Music Director and Organist 847-4987  
czambo@mac.com

Mrs. Mary Bozzuti - Higgins  
Adult Choir 563-9697

Mrs. Betsy McGowan  
Children's Choir Director 856-6459

Paul Niche, Grand Knight  
Knights of Columbus 203-650-6394  
pمنية@optonline.net



## **MASSES:**

Daily: Monday, Wednesday & Friday 9:00 AM  
Tuesday and Thursday 7:45 AM  
Saturday 8:00 AM and 5:30 PM  
(5:30 for Sunday Obligation)  
Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 10:30, and 12:00 Noon  
Holy Day: 5:30 PM (Eve of Holy Day)  
7:00, 9:00, Noon, 8:00

**SACRAMENT OF PENANCE:** Saturday 4:00-5:00 plus 5:00 PM on Eve of Holy Day

**BAPTISMS:** Arrangements for Baptism can be made at the Rectory

**MARRIAGES:** Arrangements must be made at least eight months in advance. However we encourage they be made one year in advance.

**SICK AND HOMEBOUND:** Please notify the Rectory if anyone in your home is seriously sick or homebound.

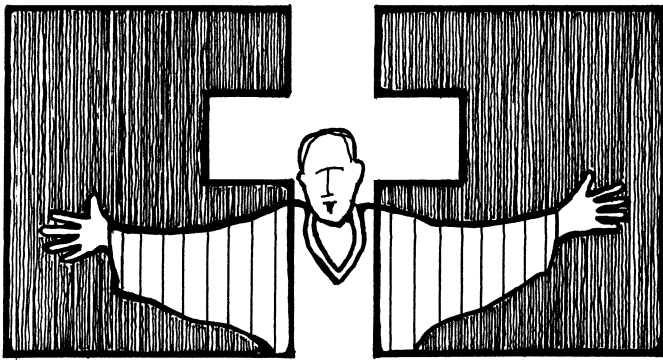
**PARISH REGISTRATION:** All families or individuals who have moved into the parish should register by filling out the registration card available at the church doors.

Rectory  
762-3928  
[www.olfwilton.org](http://www.olfwilton.org)

Church Fax  
834-1261

Religious Education  
762-9080  
[www.olfreligioused.org](http://www.olfreligioused.org)

School  
762-8100  
[www.olfcatholic.org](http://www.olfcatholic.org)



# FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**JULY 4, 2010**

May I never boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ.

— Galatians 6:14

## Masses for the Week

© J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

Sat. 3 <sup>rd</sup>	5:30 p.m.	Carol Marotta	Thu. 8 <sup>th</sup>	7:45 a.m.	Andrew Soltes
Sun. 4 <sup>th</sup>	7:30 a.m.	All Parishioners Living & Deceased	Fri. 9 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 a.m.	Louis Malpeso
Sun. 4 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 a.m.	Luigi Toffolo	Sat. 10 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 a.m.	Ziola Rosa Montoya
Sun. 4 <sup>th</sup>	10:30 a.m.	Carol Marotta	Sat. 10 <sup>th</sup>	5:30 p.m.	Georgia Jaskot
Sun. 4 <sup>th</sup>	Noon	Vera Esposito	Sun. 11 <sup>th</sup>	7:30 a.m.	All Parishioners Living & Deceased
Mon. 5 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 a.m.	Jean Ramsey	Sun. 11 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 a.m.	Merle Reisenberg
Tue. 6 <sup>th</sup>	7:45 a.m.	Pat Emro	Sun. 11 <sup>th</sup>	10:30 a.m.	Anthony Bozzuti
Wed. 7 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 a.m.	Edward Morris	Sun. 11 <sup>th</sup>	Noon	Ero Bruciati

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS Monday – Friday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

**PLEASE PRAY** for the happy repose of the soul of **Ed Mason, father** of Beth Johnson of our parish, and for parishioner **Joseph Martucci**, husband of Diane Martucci. May Jesus, our Lord and Savior, grant them eternal rest and joy.

**THE OFFERTORY COLLECTION** last weekend was \$9,369. Last year's comparable weekend was \$11,833. Thank you for your generosity.

**LAST WEEKEND'S SECOND COLLECTION** for the 2010 Peter's Pence Collection totaled \$2,055. Thank you for your generosity.

**THIS WEEKEND'S SECOND COLLECTION** is the monthly collection for the needs of the parish. Thank you in advance for contributing to this monthly collection.

### PARISH NEWS



**THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED TOMORROW, JULY 5TH**, in observance of the Independence Day holiday. The office will re-open at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, July 6th.



**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION FOR FALL CLASSES** is ongoing throughout the summer. You may download forms or come to the Religious Education office to obtain them. We would greatly appreciate your registrations as soon as possible so that we may order books and arrange for classes and catechists. Thank you in advance for your attention to this matter.

**PARENTS, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER IN ANY WAY FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OR YOUTH MINISTRY** during the 2010-11 school year, please call the Religious Education Office (203-762-9080) for information on VIRTUS classes held throughout the diocese. These classes are required for any volunteers or employees who will be associating with children, and they are for the safety and protection of all children.

**MANY OF YOU HAVE SPOUSES, FRIENDS, COWORKERS OR FAMILY MEMBERS** who are not Catholic, but would like to know more about our religion. Please encourage such persons to call Father Palmer, Father James, or Kathleen Rooney to learn more about the RCIA process here at Our Lady of Fatima. Phone numbers are on the front of the weekly Church bulletin. Over fifty people have joined our community of faith through this process. We will welcome your call!

**WHEN ASKED WHEN HE WOULD RETURN TO CHURCH AFTER NOT PRACTICING HIS FAITH FOR TWENTY YEARS,** a man replied, "The church would fall down if I walked in." If you know someone who feels that he or she has been away too long to be welcomed back, please explain that it is NEVER too late to become a practicing Catholic once again. Our priests would be most happy to meet with anyone who would like to talk about the issues that have kept him/her away. Please gently remind an inactive Catholic you know to make that phone call today (203-762-3928) and ask for Father Palmer or Father James.

## **YOUTH MINISTRY**

**HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR GRADUATION PHOTOS** that were posted on the Church bulletin board last month can be picked up in the Religious Education office Monday-Friday from 9:00 am – 4:00 pm.

**LOOKING FOR SERVICE PROJECTS THIS SUMMER?** Volunteer your time at a local charity or in the Religious Education office. Lend a hand with mailings, sorting through supplies, and other various projects. Hours worked in the office can be put towards the 30-hour service hour requirements needed for Confirmation. Contact Sharon Lynn at 762-9080 or OLFYouthGroup@aol.com for details.

## **SCHOOL NEWS**

**SUMMER BASKETBALL CAMP** still has a few openings and is open to **all** kids 1st through 8th grade! Coach Joe of Trinity Catholic High School and his assistant coaches will be running the OLF summer basketball program. (Coach Joe's bio is available upon request.) There will be three one-week programs: Coach Joe's camps will consist of full-day sessions, from **9 a.m.—3 p.m.** and will run from **July 19th—23rd, July 26<sup>th</sup> – July 30th, and August 16th - 20th (\$150/week per child)**. Discounts available for 2-3 week commitments. Build your basketball skills, run drills, improve your game! Please contact Sarah Fair at (203) 858-6301 or mfairs@aol.com for details. Forms are available at the Church doors or may be downloaded from the OLF School website: olfcatholic.org.

## **CAN YOU HELP??**

**THOMAS MERTON CENTER** in Bridgeport needs **toiletries- shampoo, soap, toothbrushes, toothpaste-** trial sizes preferred, for their guests. To help, please drop off or call Mark Grasso: 203-367-9036.

**MORNING GLORY** in Danbury is in need of cereal and pancake mix. For more information and to make a donation, please contact Michele Conderino: 203-748-0848, ext. 231.

**BIBLES FOR PRISON OUTREACH:** The Prison Outreach ministry is in desperate need of Bibles for the prison. Anyone able to either donate copies of Catholic Bibles or make contributions toward bulk purchase please deliver them to the Catholic Center at 238 Jewett Ave. or email the Catholic Charities Community Outreach office at frseraphim@ccfc-ct.org.

### SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

SUNDAY: Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time; Independence Day  
MONDAY: St. Anthony Mary Zaccaria  
TUESDAY: St. Maria Goretti  
FRIDAY: St. Augustine Zhao Rong & His Companions  
SATURDAY: Blessed Virgin Mary



© J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

## GOD WHO COMFORTS

*God works to gather together all people. God's will is that we find joy in God our Savior. God comforts by bringing the people home to Jerusalem to be nursed there, and Jesus sends out disciples to proclaim that the kingdom is at hand in their midst.*

## INSIDE THE READINGS

All vital Christian life needs periodic renewal with reflection, quiet, and continuing education. In the Gospel of Luke, Jesus sends out another group besides the Twelve. The apostles had just exhibited an excessive concern for their position, as first manifested in their concern about which of them was the greatest, and then in their efforts to exclude from the ministry of exorcisms those who were not part of their group (Luke 9:46–50). They had also asked if they should destroy a city whose citizens had rejected them (9:52–54). From these events Jesus discerns that the Twelve are in need of more quality time with Jesus in order to help them solidify healthy perspectives that will sustain them over the long haul. So Jesus sends out another seventy-two to go and prepare the way for him in the towns to which he will be going. This action has two goals. First, it gives the Twelve an example that rejection in ministry needs the response of even greater preparation for ministry. Second, it enables the Twelve to have more time with Jesus so that they can develop a better perspective on what Christian life is all about. Jesus wants to make sure that their ministry does not outrun the values that undergird it. We see from the reaction of the seventy-two to their ministries that getting caught up in the power of God working through them is a danger that affects all. The seventy-two return from their journeys rejoicing, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us because of your name" (10:17). Jesus has to remind them, too, that their focus should be on where they are going rather than on the flattering portraits of themselves that their ministry may be evoking in their minds: "Do not rejoice because the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice because your names are written in heaven" (10:20). We must always make time to immerse ourselves in the Christian vision so that our Christian ministry may be properly ordered.

## THOUGHTS FOR ACTION

We ask God to bring us to a new Jerusalem where we can find delight and comfort. We also ask God to comfort us in our sorrows and to bring our hearts to the new joy to be found by those who recognize Jesus as the embodiment of the kingdom of God.

*Excerpted and edited from LIVING THE WORD  
for the Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
commentary by Dennis D. Sylva and Rev. James A. Wallace, C.Ss.R.,  
© 2010 by J. S. Paluch Co., Inc. 7/4/10*