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# Our Lady of Fatima Bulletin December 11-12, 2010

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

Mon. 12/13	<u>victims of Cancer</u>
Feast	St. Lucy, Martyr
8:00 AM Mass	Marguerite Frederick, B. Weakland, sister
Tues. 12/14	<u>victims of Cardiovascular Disease</u>
Feast	St. John of the Cross, Priest
8:00 AM Mass	Louis Miller, Wife, Jo Ann Miller & Children
Wed. 12/15	<u>victims of Arthritis</u>
Feast	Advent Weekday
8:00 AM Mass	Mary J Gibbons, M A Colledge, J. Chester
Thur. 12/16	<u>victims of Neuromuscular Disorders</u>
Feast	Advent Weekday
8:00 AM Mass	Mary Cassarly, Ann 12/9, M/M P. G. Cassarly
Fri. 12/17	<u>victims of Emotional Disorders</u>
Feast	Late Advent Weekday
8:00 AM Mass	Anna Flanagan, M/M Stephen Flanagan
Sat. 12/18	<u>Victims of Diabetes and Obesity</u>
Feast	Fourth Sunday of Advent
4:30 PM Mass	Sally Colledge, Husband Pete
Sun. 12/19	<u>victims of Addictions and Obesity</u>
Feast	Fourth Sunday of Advent
9:00 AM Mass	M/M Morgan Smithmyer, Ann, Family
11:00 AM Mass	Liv/Dec Members of Our Lady of Fatima

## MONEY MATTERS

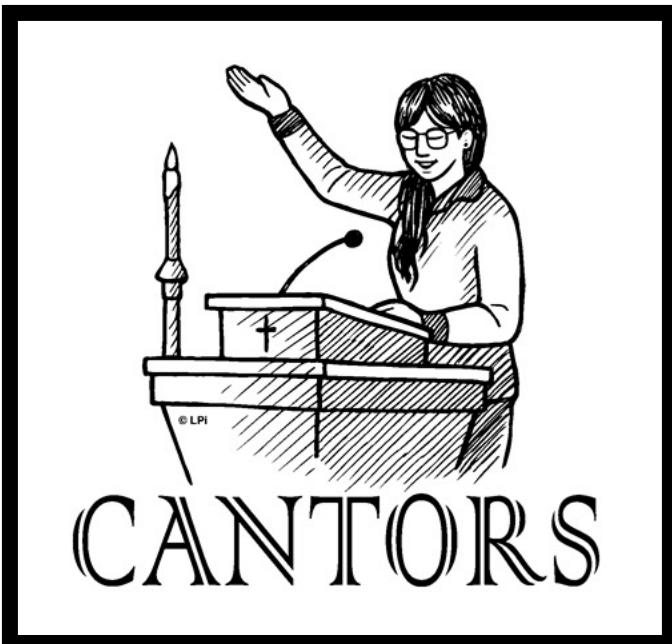
2nd Sunday of Advent, December 5, 2010

240 people Celebrated Liturgy at O.L.F. contributing \$2,683.00

of which \$ 202.00 accounted for visitor contributions.

# Envelopes In Circulation 215 # Used 101 # Unused 114

*Mortgage payment for Camp received Nov-Dec \$1,780.78*



## HOW TO CANTOR AT MASS

The Catholic Church adopted the role of cantor, or chief singer, from Judaism in the early days of Christianity. In both faith traditions, the cantor leads the sung responses of the congregation, especially the psalms. An integral part of both Jewish and Catholic worship, the cantor either sings accompanied by an organ or full choir. In most small parishes the Cantor also functions as the Psalmist, doing the Psalm Response to the First Reading from the Ambo (as opposed to the Lectern.)

The Cantor should possess intermediate to advanced vocal skills before assuming this ministry role. Since cantors are, for all intents and purposes, soloists, they need to be able to not only read music and carry a tune, but also to lead the congregation musically, and be confident of their own singing ability.

Approach the choir director to offer your services as a lead singer. Because most parishes have multiple masses each weekend the choir can only sing at so many, competent cantors are in high demand.

Choose to cantor at the mass that both fits your schedule and has the most need of one. Be committed to the frequency and time you volunteer for and arrange for a substitute if you can't make it. Since this is a central worship role, it's very inconvenient for the priest, accompanist and congregation if you're a "no-call-no-show." Contact Richard Kuiawa @ 942-3050 for all matters relating to Cantering at O.L.F..

Arrange a time to practice in advance with your accompanist. Receive formation and training at least once a year outside of your regular practice sessions. Cantor workshops and conferences are excellent ways to network with other lead singers, learn new music, improve your own vocal abilities or just "talk shop."

Our Annual Holiday Open House in the O.L.F. Rectory is an opportunity for parishioners and parish staff members to honor and thank the many volunteers and vendors who keep the parish moving ahead. Everybody is invited to come and pay tribute to the servers, lectors, cantors, E.Ms, musicians, choir persons, sacristans, linen laundresses, fundraiser workers, and the various Councils. As we think what this party is all about, the Pastor hopes that others will listen and hear the call to special service in and for this parish community. Especially:

**We are in near desperate\* need of:**

**CANTORS**

**LECTORS**

**SERVERS**

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

\* The use of the word “desperate” bears no reflection on the quality of service being rendered by those persons currently performing. We are simply working them to death, and they need help. Perhaps you can provide the help they need! Consider making a New Years resolution!

**Our Lady of Fatima Parish Schedule**

- DEC 11 SAT Christmas Open House at the Rectory after 4:30 Mass
- DEC 18 SAT SNOW Date for Open House
- DEC 18 SAT OLF Home made Cookie Sale in vestibule of church
- DEC 19 SUN OLF Home made Cookie Sale in vestibule of church
- DEC 19 SUN Christmas Decorating of the Church following 11:00 Mass
- DEC 24 FRI Christmas Eve Mass at 4:30 (Obligation) - Christmas Carols at 4:00**
- DEC 25 SAT Christmas Day Mass at 10:00 (Obligation) (one morning Mass only)**
- DEC 25 SAT 4:30 PM (Recent orders from Chancery direct that this is a Christmas Mass)
- DEC 26 SUN Regular Sunday Schedule of 9:00 and 11:00 AM Masses (Holy Family)
- DEC 31 FRI Not a Holy Day of obligation this year. (Regular 8:00 morning Mass only)
- JAN 1 SAT Not a Holy Day of obligation this year. (Sunday 4:30 anticipatory Mass only)
- JAN 2 SUN Hoss's Monthly Fundraiser (First Sunday of Month)
- JAN 2 SUN Parish Council and Finance Committee Meeting after 11:00 Mass

## The Flow of the 4:30 PM Mass on Saturdays and the 9:00 AM Mass on Sundays

Time	Time	Event	Notes
3:15	7:45	Confessions Start	Soft recorded music plays to discourage even whispered conversation and encourage mental prayer.
4:05	8:35	Recorded Music stops And Rosary Begins	A parishioner “volunteer” will lead five decades of the Holy Rosary at a respectfully quickened pace.
4:15	8:45	Confessions End	
4:20	8:50	Liturgical Preparations	Fr. Z and Richard will lead the gathered community through explanations and practices related to today's Mass and the Mass come <u>next</u> Advent.
4:30	9:00	Announcements	One of the Lectors comes from the rear of the church goes to podium (as opposed to the pulpit) and reads announcements which do not appear in the Bulletin.
4:32.	9:02	Mass Begins	
5:05	9:35	Liturgy of the Word ends	The four Scripture Readings and the <u>5</u> minute Homily, Creed and Prayer of the Faithful conclude the Word and lead into the Eucharist
5:25	9:55	Mass is ended.	We go in peace.

## The O.L.F. Great Cookie Extravaganza

*(We're not sure why or how it works, but it always does!)*

On Friday	December 17	Parishioners and friends bring Baked Goods to the Rectory throughout the morning and afternoon.
On Saturday	December 18	People continue bringing Baked Goods to the Rectory while the Fundraiser Folks package and price the items brought in.
On Saturday	December 18	Before and After the 4:30 PM Mass people buy the Baked Goods displayed in the Vestibule of the Church.
On Sunday	December 19	Before and After the 9:00AM Mass people buy the Baked Goods displayed in the Vestibule of the Church.
On Sunday	December 19	Before and After the 11:00 AM Mass people buy the Baked Goods displayed in the Vestibule of the Church.

*May be the reason it works is because when baking at home people tend to bake only one or two varieties of product. When the church pools everybody's limited editions the result is a veritable panoply of variety. At any rate, bake up a storm. Bring a large portion of what you make to the Rectory on Friday and Saturday. Then come prepared to spend money on Saturday Evening and Sunday Morning to make this the sweetest Christmas yet.*