

Our Lady of Fatima RC Church
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Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 11, 2026

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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday	8 a.m.
Saturday	4:30 p.m.
Sunday	8 a.m.
Children's	9:30 a.m.
Choir	11 a.m.
Teen	4:30 p.m.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 3:30 p

**EVERYTHING IS READY;
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MATTHEW 22:4

Monday-Wednesday-Friday: 9a.m. Mass ♦ Tuesday- Thursday 12:15 pm Mass
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MASS INTENTIONS

	<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Oct. 10</u>
VP	8 a.m.	†Ronald Steven Calabrese 80 th Birthday
VP	4:30 p.m.	†Luz Marina Mora
	<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Oct. 11</u> (Twenty– Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time)
VP	8 a.m.	†All Parishioners Living & Deceased
PH	9:30 a.m.	†Joaquim Henriques
VP	11 a.m.	†Jerry & Dee Nazzaro
PH	4:30 p.m.	†James “Casey” Healy 1 yr anniversary
	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Oct. 12</u> (Columbus Day)
PH	9 a.m.	†Roseann De Simone
	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Oct. 13</u>
PH	12:15 p.m.	†Dorothy O’Keefe
	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Oct. 14</u> (St. Callistus I)
VP	9 a.m.	†Colleen Sweeney
	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Oct. 15</u> (St. Teresa of Jesus)
VP	12:15 p.m.	†Joey Nazareth
	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Oct. 16</u> (St. Hedwig, St. Margaret Mary Alacoque)
PH	9 a.m.	†Carole DiGiovanni
	<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Oct. 17</u> (St. Ignatius of Antioch)
PH	8 a.m.	†Collective Intentions
VP	4:30 p.m.	†Olga Montoya
	<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Oct. 18</u> (Twenty– Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time)
PH	8 a.m.	†All Parishioners Living & Deceased
PH	9:30 a.m.	†Paul Guarniere
VP	11 a.m.	†Antonio DiStasio 1 yr. anniversary
VP	4:30 p.m.	†Vincent Bufano 5 yr anniversary

Office will be closed Monday, Oct. 12 for Columbus Day and will reopen Tuesday, Oct. 13 at 9 a.m.

*This week’s readings for Oct. 11
Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time #934
First Reading: Isaiah 25:6-10a
Second Reading: Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20
Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14*

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Oct. 12	Office Closed	Columbus Day
Oct. 13	6:30 p.m.	Bible Study
Oct. 14	4:00 p.m.	Pumpkins Arrive
Oct. 15	7:00 p.m.	Mom’s Book Club
Oct. 17 Oct. 18	Coats for Kids-All Masses Coffee & Donuts after 9:30 & 11 a.m. Masses	

Today’s **second collection** is for the support of our future Priests. We have over 40 seminarians preparing for the priesthood! The cost of the formation for each is more than \$70,000 annually which breaks down as follows:

- 35% Tuition
- 19% Room & Board
- 21% Health insurance
- 15% Other living expenses
- 10% Summer programs & mission trips

Bishop Caggiano has asked all parishioners to be especially generous to ensure happy, healthy, holy priests for the future of the Church. Please give generously.



Thank you to the Wilton Fire Department for your help in replacing our American Flag that got caught on a nail and ripped.



The Knights of Columbus are hosting coffee & donuts Oct. 18 after the 9:30 and 11 a.m. Masses.

UPDATE ON THE PARISH CENTER

We know that many of you are curious about the construction that is taking place in the Parish Center. Please be patient and respect the workmen that are so diligently trying to complete the room. Even if you think you should go in and take a look- please don’t. Let them finish so that we can all enjoy the room as a parish. We expect it to be done in about 2 more weeks. Thank you.

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Welcome Home!
Whether you are a visitor or a Parishioner, welcome!
We hope you find Our Lady of Fatima Parish Family

spiritually nourishing, warm and welcoming. Thank you for joining us for Mass.



Let us welcome into Our Lady of Fatima Family

*Greg, Tammie, Alexandra & Jackson Badger
Michael, Shanaz & Michael Gambardella
Thomas, Kathryn, Liam & Theodora Lewis*

	Sunday Oct. 4	Monthly Oct. 4
Collection	\$8,288.50	\$1,956.00
# of envelopes	122	51
Online Giving	\$2,754.33	\$1,903.00
# online users	84	34
Total	\$11,042.83	\$3,859.00
Weekly Goal for budgeted expenses	\$13,966.00	
		\$935.83

Same Week Previous Year Offertory: \$9,970.11
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Please Pray For Our Sick and Infirm:

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Baby Gracie
Jacqueline Benson
Donna Britto
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Jane Cavanna
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Mary Ann Cote
Greg Cottone
Mia Cunningham
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Please inform our office (203) 762-3928 of anyone who needs to be added or removed from the list or anyone who has been hospitalized.

MINISTRY



4TH ANNUAL FATIMA FAMILY
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John Miles du Moulin

*Congratulations to his parents,
family, and friends.*

Please join us for grace, good reads, and great company at our long-standing Women's Book Club. We read a variety of books, from uplifting spiritual works, lives of the saints, to enriching Catholic literature while sharing our faith journeys together. For the rest of the year, we will be reading from the Daily Devotional *Jesus Always*. Our next gathering is October 15th at 7:00pm in the Parish Office Conference room. Questions: feel free to contact Alison Lombardi 203.762.9080

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Next weekend's second collection is **the World Mission Sunday** collection. This year's theme, *One in Christ, United in Mission*, chosen by Pope Leo XIV, invites us to discover the profound unity we share in Christ through the sacraments of initiation and how that Christian identity is meant to overflow into personal involvement to bring all peoples into communion with Jesus. Please be generous.



**COATS
& KIDS**

The Knights of Columbus will be **collecting donations** for

"Coats For Kids Drive" which is a charitable initiative that collects and distributes warm winter coats to children in need, to ensure they stay warm and healthy during the colder months, particularly for families facing financial hardship. They will be at the Church doors the weekends of **October 17/18th and October 24/25th** where they will be collecting after each Mass.



Scan to donate



Our Teen Youth Group had a great meeting and will be collecting Thanksgiving staples like boxed or canned nonperishables to donate to the Wilton Food Pantry. Please consider bringing an item to Church over the weekends of Oct. 31st and Nov. 7th. Boxes will be at the Church doors and the last day to drop off is Nov. 8th. Next meeting is 3:30 in the Conference Room on Nov. 8th (before Mass & class).

FAITH FORMATION

Next Sunday, October 18, the elementary Faith Formation students will gather at the 9:30 Mass after which they will proceed to the school for class until 11:30.



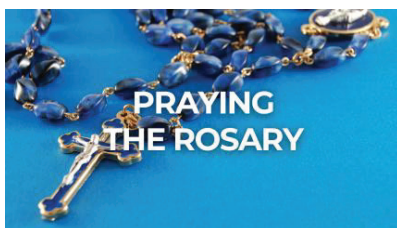
Confirmation candidates and all looking for service hours: The Rise Against Hunger Meal Packaging Event will take place at the WEPCO complex on New Canaan Road on Saturday, October 17. This is a great way to feed hungry children in countries around the world. Our meals will go to one of the countries in need at the time of shipment. We will announce the destination of the meals as soon as we are notified.

Students in grades one through five are invited to participate in the Children's Christmas Eve Mass at 4:00. Parents will receive an email next week with a sign-up sheet attached. The rehearsals will be on Monday, December 14 and Tuesday, December 22 from 4:30 to 5:30.

SHARING OUR FAITH

Let us reach out to our Catholic friends and family who have not been participating in Mass and the sacraments. Maybe they are not sure how to return to active practice or whom to approach with their comments and questions. Encourage them to contact a priest about why they have been away. You may even recommend a priest to them. Now is the time to re-join their faith at the Table of the Lord.

Have you thought about how you can help share our faith? Each of us is called to evangelize. Pope Francis said that "Sharing the faith is the oxygen that invigorates and purifies Christian life... Evangelization does not begin by seeking to convince others, but by bearing witness each day to the love that has watched over us and lifted us back up." Please call (203-762-9080) or email (krooney@olfwilton.org) Kathleen Rooney with the name of a person in your life who may welcome an invitation to come and meet a few members of our parish community, hear their stories, and learn about the Catholic faith through the OCIA process. "Go and make disciples!"



Pray the Rosary

October is the month of the Rosary. Whether you're new to praying the Rosary, or looking for a little refresher, this course will help you to engage with this powerful and meditative form of prayer. We

will discuss the history, structure, and spiritual benefits of the Rosary and cover the different sets of mysteries, offering points for reflection for each mystery. Discover how the Rosary can enrich your spiritual life, bring you closer to God, and provide a source of comfort and strength in your daily journey of faith!
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Isaiah's "Father of the Bride"

Reflections

by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson



One of the most pitiful characters found in several movie versions is a fellow called "The Father of the Bride." His story first appeared in a 1950 film, followed by a 1991 version and the latest in a 2023 version. This last added a Latino setting. The title character was first portrayed by the late Spencer Tracy, followed by Steve Martin and ending with Andy Garcia.

All the versions let us watch how a perplexed father has to cope with the overly elaborate plans and some pre-nuptial silliness that can come with a family wedding. The fun is watching how the poor man does it all as tension mounts. It is all innocent comedy. But as a former pastor who got involved with leading some wedding rehearsals with intended features more like Hollywood than holy rule, I can identify a little bit with the movie dad.

Today we read from Isaiah his use of a wedding banquet to illustrate heaven and God, the all-knowing "Father of the Bride," who sends generous invitations to a list of all kinds of people, including Gentiles.

Then comes Our Lord's masterful use of a royal wedding to teach His ideas and to illustrate how ungrateful invitees cause the king to expand his guest list. The original invitees—representing the chief priests and the Pharisees—lose their place at the royal buffet. The king then sends his servants to invite anyone. The servants do just that, and Matthew notes that the newly invited guests are a motley crew, made up of "both bad and good." We present-day disciples have to remember that we are invited to a heavenly banquet. This despite our faults. We also have to follow a certain dress code. Jesus issues a warning that we "clothe" ourselves with a sincere transformation of life from bad to good. Only then will we be honored some future day with a smiling greeting from the real and heavenly "Father of the Bride."

Speaking of clothing ourselves, someone has likened adjustment in marriage to two porcupines that lived in Alaska. When the deep and heavy snows came, they felt the cold and began to draw close to one another. However, when they drew close, they began to stick one another with their quills. But when they drew apart, they felt the cold once again. To keep warm, they had to learn how to adjust to one another—very carefully.

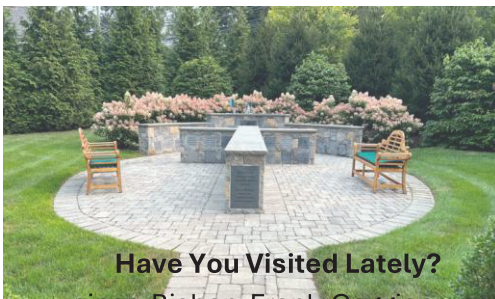
God love you and give you His peace.

Pumpkins are arriving on Oct. 14th. All hands on deck for unloading. ***If you are looking for something to do to help—we can always use volunteers. Please call the office if you'd like to help. 203-762-3928.***

Check out the signup genius to look for a shift that will work for you!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040A4AAEA62FA6F85-65883864-pumpkin>





Have You Visited Lately?

It's **six years** since Bishop Frank Caggiano came to Our Lady of Fatima parish on Aug. 15, 2020 to bless and dedicate our Philip Tai Lauria Memorial/Prayer Garden. It is inspiring to see people come by to remember in prayer family members and friends whose names have been inscribed on the granite plaques and pavers placed on and around the cruciform structure.

In his comments that day, the Bishop described the memorial as "a garden of dedication and remembrance," calling it "a great gift" to the parish.

The garden is a spiritual oasis in the midst of a busy community. Benches on either side of the structure provide comfort to those who use the space as a place to reflect and pray.

Close to 75 plaques are in place. More are available.

Information on how to purchase a space is available at the Parish Office: (203) 762-3928; bookkeeper@olfwilton.org.

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YOUR FAITH MISSION Show mercy without ignoring truth. Forgive someone who is sorry and help that person make a better choice.	PRAYER Saint Callistus, help the Church welcome repentant hearts and teach us to unite truth, justice, and mercy. Amen.

Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. • Luke 6:36

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