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# The Missionary Shrine of Our Lady of Fatima Shrine



## You Don't Break So Easily

"I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish. No one can take them out of my hand."

As human beings we are, in fact, gifted with an incredible resiliency. Skin, bones, psyches, hearts, when pushed to it, these have a remarkable bounce. They don't break so easily and, when they do, they have an unbelievable capacity to heal. We can take a fall, a hurt, a cut, a rejection. It doesn't kill us, we heal; there is seldom an excuse for paralysis, never one for despair.

The most incredible and challenging of all of Christ's teachings is that we can in fact be happy, that we can celebrate and enjoy life, even though we and the world we live in are far from perfect.

We are never beyond healing. Christ's challenge to celebrate is uncompromising. It challenges us to our own capacities, to our own toughness, to love beyond hurt. It challenges us to risk great hurt.

When Christ rose from the dead he showed us that hope is stronger than death itself, in every step we take.

Nikos Kazantzakis starts his autobiography with these words: "Three kinds of souls, three prayers: 1) I am a bow in your hands, Lord, draw me, lest I rot. 2) Do not overdraw me, Lord, I shall break. 3) Overdraw me, Lord, and who cares if I break!" When we know how resilient God has made us, we risk the third prayer.



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**May 11, 2025**  
**4th Sunday of Easter**



**Acts 13:14, 43-52**  
**Revelation 7:9, 14b-17**  
**John 10:27-30**

### **Xaverian Missionary Community**

**Fr. Carl Chudy**  
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Senior Missionary

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Senior Missionary

**Fr. Frank Grappoli**  
Senior Missionary

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**The Gift Shop is open  
Thursday to Monday,  
11 am to 6 pm.  
508.429.8176**

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## Fatima Shrine News

**Sunday Collections**  
**April 27<sup>th</sup> : \$ 598.10**  
**Thank you for your generosity**

**Fatima Days** begins this Tuesday evening at 6 pm. Join us as we celebrate with the theme, "Mary, Star of Hope." An outdoor rosary procession follows, weather permitting.

**Thank you, thank you, thank you** to our Garden Committee and all who volunteered last weekend to help clean up our gardens for the Spring. Special thanks to Troop 14 of the Boy Scouts for their invaluable help.

**Wednesday, May 14 at 7 pm we are holding an interfaith gathering** at Fatima Shrine to support families and individuals who are struggling from addictions or who have lost loved ones to overdose.



### Weekly Celebrations

**SUNDAY**

10 AM MASS IN THE SHRINE CHURCH

**SATURDAY**

10 AM MASS IN THE SHRINE CHURCH  
CONFESSIONS 3 PM - 4 PM

**MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY**

7:30 AM MASS IN CONFORTI CHAPEL

**WEDNESDAY CONFESSIONS**

6 PM - 7 PM IN THE SHRINE CHURCH

**DAYS OF OBLIGATION**

7:30 AM IN CONFORTI CHAPEL  
12:10 PM IN SHRINE CHURCH

**LECTIO DIVINA**

EVERY TUESDAY AT 10:30 AM

**PAX CHRISTI**

SECOND FRIDAY OF THE MONTH AT  
4 PM IN THE UPPER ROOM

### Mass Intentions

**SUNDAY, MAY 11, 10 AM**

+ IMO Maria L. Bertone

**MONDAY, MAY 12, 7:30 AM**

+ Grace Murray

**TUESDAY, MAY 13, 7:30 AM & 6:00 PM**

+ Rene Portier, + Mary Duggan

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 14, 7:30 AM**

+ Joao Gomes Caneiro, Alilcar Carneiro,  
Laurinda Valenca & Domingos Dos Santos.

**THURSDAY, MAY 15, 7:30 AM**

Hugo & Mariana D'Abrosio Jr. (Health and  
happiness, forgiveness of sins)

**FRIDAY, MAY 16, 7:30 AM**

+Dorothy Bond

**SATURDAY, MAY 17, 10 AM**

+ Michael B. Litchenstein

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