

# FATIMA CENTENNIAL

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Join us at our Mass in Celebration of Our Lady of Fatima on

**June 13<sup>th</sup> and July 13<sup>th</sup> at 7pm,**

**August 13<sup>th</sup> at 5pm,**

**September 13<sup>th</sup> and October 13<sup>th</sup> at 7pm**

The Diocese of Oakland has designated St Joseph the Worker Church as the official pilgrimage site from May 13, 2017 through November 26, 2017.

*St. Joseph the Worker Church  
1640 Addison Street, Berkeley, CA 94703*

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### Morning Offering

O Jesus, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary (*kiss Scapular*), in reparation for my sins, I offer Thee all of my prayers, works, joys, and sufferings of this day and of my entire life, for all the intentions of Thy Most Sacred Heart, in union with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, validly and licitly offered this day throughout the world, the infinite graces and merits thereof to be dispensed in accord with Thy Divine Will for the salvation of souls, the conversion of poor sinners, and the special intention recommended for this month by our Bishop.



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## Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

O Immaculate Heart of Mary, Queen of Heaven and earth and tender Mother of men, in accordance with thy ardent wish made known at Fatima, I consecrate to thee myself, my brethren, my country and the whole human race. Reign over us and teach us how to make the Heart of Jesus reign and triumph in us and around us as It has reigned and triumphed in thee. Reign over us, dearest Mother, that we may be thine in prosperity and in adversity; in joy and in sorrow; in health and in sickness; in life and in death. O most compassionate Heart of Mary, Queen of Virgins, watch over our minds and our hearts and preserve them from the deluge of impurity which thou didst lament so sorrowfully at Fatima. We want to be pure like thee. We want to atone for the many sins committed against Jesus and thee. We want to call down upon our country and the whole world the peace of God in justice and charity. Therefore, we now promise to imitate thy virtues by the practice of a Christian life without regard to human respect. We resolve to receive Holy Communion on the First Saturday of every month and to offer thee five decades of the Rosary each day together with our sacrifices in a spirit of reparation and penance. Amen.

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*Dear Lady of Fatima,*  
We come on bended knee,  
To beg your intercession,  
For peace and unity.  
Dear Mary, won't you show us,  
The right and shining way,  
We pledge our love and offer you,  
A Rosary each day.  
You promised at Fatima,  
Each time that you appeared,  
To help us if we pray to you,  
To banish war and fear.  
Dear Lady, on First Saturdays,  
We ask your guiding hand,  
For grace and guidance here on earth,  
And protection for our land.

## **Prayer to St. Joseph the Worker**

Glorious Saint Joseph, pattern of all who are devoted to toil, obtain for me the grace to toil in the spirit of penance, in order thereby to atone for my many sins; to toil conscientiously, putting devotion to duty before my own inclinations; to labor with thankfulness and joy, deeming it an honor to employ and to develop, by my labor, the gifts I have received from Almighty God; to work with order, peace, moderation, and patience without ever shrinking from weariness and difficulties; to work above all with a pure intention and with detachment from self, having always before my eyes the hour of death and the accounting which I must then render of time ill spent, of talents unemployed, of good

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undone, and of my empty pride in success, which is so fatal to the work of God. All for Jesus, all through Mary, all in imitation of thee, O Patriarch Joseph! This shall be my motto in life and in death. Amen.

## Prayers of the Angel of Portugal

### The Pardon Prayer

The angel who appeared to the children called himself the Angel of Peace and the Angel of Portugal. He taught them the following prayer:

***My God, I believe, I adore, I hope and I love Thee! I ask pardon for those who do not believe, do not adore, do not hope and do not love Thee.***

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## The Angel's Prayer

On one occasion, the three children saw the angel prostrate before a host and chalice that hung in the air. Worshipping the Eucharist, the angel prayed,

***Most Holy Trinity – Father, Son and Holy Spirit- I adore Thee profoundly. I offer Thee the most precious Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ, present in all the tabernacles of the world, in reparation for the outrages, sacrileges, and indifferences whereby He is offended. And through the infinite merits of His Most Sacred Heart and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I beg of Thee the conversion of poor sinners.***

## The Eucharistic Prayer

During the first apparition of Our Lady of Fatima, the children found themselves “moved by an interior impulse,” as Lucia later explained, to say the following prayer together:

***Most Holy Trinity, I adore Thee! My God, my God, I love Thee in the Most Blessed Sacrament.***

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## The Sacrifice Prayer

The Blessed Mother taught the children to offer all their personal sacrifices to God by praying,

***Oh my Jesus, I offer this for love of Thee, for the conversion of sinners, and in reparation for the sins committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary.***

## The Rosary Decade Prayer

The Blessed Mother stressed the critical importance of praying the rosary daily for the conversion of sinners and for peace in the world. She asked that the following prayer be recited at the end of each rosary decade:

***Oh My Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of Hell, lead all souls to Heaven, especially those in most need of Thy mercy.***

## **INDULGENCE INFORMATION**

### **What is an indulgence?**

An indulgence is the remission in the eyes of God of the temporal punishment due to sins already forgiven. The graces through an indulgence come from all the graces won for us by the saving works of Jesus Christ and the Communion of Saints.

### **Why Gain an Indulgence?**

Gaining a plenary (full) indulgence on behalf of a deceased person is a great act of mercy because it makes atonement for the punishment they are experiencing in purgatory; the person's soul is then able to proceed to heaven. Remember, this is only possible because of the merits Christ won for us on the Cross; we are asking that those merits be applied to a loved one in need of them. If the indulgence is for yourself, you are working toward the remission of the temporal punishment for sins that, if left in this life, you will have to work toward in purgatory.

### **Who is an Indulgence for?**

It can be applied either to oneself or to a deceased person, but not to other living persons.

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### **Who can obtain an Indulgence?**

A person seeking an indulgence must be baptized, not excommunicated, and in the state of grace when performing the work of the indulgence. A person also needs to have the sincere intention of gaining the indulgence before doing the particular work associated with it.

### **What must I do to gain Plenary Indulgence for the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Fatima Apparitions throughout the Centennial Year?**

His Holiness Pope Francis has granted a plenary indulgence opportunity for the 100th anniversary of the Fatima apparitions throughout the centennial year, which will end on November 26, 2017.

There are three ways to obtain the indulgence:

1. Make a pilgrimage to the Shrine in Fatima, Portugal  
To the faithful who make a pilgrimage to the Fatima Shrine in Portugal and participate in a celebration of prayer dedicated to the Virgin. In addition, the faithful must pray the Our Father, recite the Creed and invoke the Mother of God.

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## 2. Pray before any statue of Our Lady of Fatima

To the faithful who visit with devotion a statue of Our Lady of Fatima solemnly exposed for public veneration in any church, oratory or proper place during the days of the anniversary of the apparitions, the 13th of each month from May to October 2017, and there devoutly participate in some celebration or prayer in honor of the Virgin Mary. In addition, the faithful must pray the Our Father, recite the Creed and invoke Our Lady of Fatima.

In the Diocese of Oakland, Bishop Barber has designated Saint Joseph the Worker Parish in Berkeley as the Pilgrim Shrine for our Diocese. The Parish has prepared a series of celebrations in honor of our Lady, including a special Masses every month, and a celebration with Bishop Barber on October 13.

## 3. The elderly and infirm

To the faithful who, because of age, illness or other serious cause, are unable to get around, may pray in front of a statue of Our Lady of Fatima and must spiritually unite themselves to the jubilee celebrations on the days of the apparitions, the 13th of each month, between May and October 2017. They must also “offer to merciful God with confidence, through Mary, their prayers and sufferings or the sacrifices they make in their own lives.”

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To gain indulgences, whether plenary or partial, it is necessary that the faithful be in the *state of grace* at least at the time the indulgenced work is completed.

*A plenary indulgence* can be gained only *once a day*. In order to obtain it, the faithful must, in addition to being in the state of grace:

- have the interior disposition of *complete detachment from sin, even venial sin*;
- *have sacramentally confessed* their sins;
- *receive the Holy Eucharist* (it is certainly better to receive it while participating in Holy Mass, but for the indulgence only Holy Communion is required).

**May the Lord, through the intercession of Our Lady of Fatima, strengthen our faith, sustain our hope and ignite our charity.**

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## References on Indulgences:

- **Catechism of the Catholic Church, nos. 1471-1479**
- **2 Maccabees 12:39-45**
- **Matthew 5:25-26**
- **Matthews 16:13-19**
- **1 Cor. 3:12-15**
- **Philippians 2:12**
- **Colossians 1:24**
- **1 Peter 1:9**
- **Revelation 21:27**