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Our Lady of Fatima – The feast day is this week, on May 13th. Mary comes to us under many titles, and this month as Our Lady of Fatima. Between May 13 and October 13, 1917, Mary appeared six times, to three children in Portugal. She asked the children to pray the rosary for world peace, for the end of World War I, for sinners, and for the conversion of Russia.

She also gave the children three secrets. The first secret was revealed in 1927 and concerned devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The second secret was a vision of hell. The third secret was revealed in 2000, and it spoke of a 'bishop in white' who was shot by a group of soldiers who fired bullets and arrows into him. Many people linked this vision to the assassination attempt against Pope John Paul II in St. Peter's Square on May 13, 1981. (Which was the feast of Our Lady of Fatima!)

Next week, information on the devotion of the Immaculate Heart of Mary will be shared...

Thank you for the donations and memorials received during the Easter Season. We erroneously omitted the following donations given in March in memory and honor of loved ones:

Arnie and Mary Nienhaus *In memory of Don Crain and Lillian Ruckdashel*
Frances Artz *In memory of deceased members of the Artz and Amador Families*
Ron and Jane Lorge *In memory of Ed Neely & family, Bert Lorge & family, Bob & Mary Bessette, and Gerri Barkow*

Online Giving is now available. Go to our website at stpatrickslebanon.com and click on link below 'Online Giving.' It's a very simple process. Thank you for your contributions. Please continue to support the parish as you can, and please let us know if you need anything.

Envelopes received this week and last will be deposited 5/8 and totals reported in next week's bulletin. Your generosity continues each and every week.

Council Member/Trustee ballots – Postponed. The voting will not take place in May/June. As recommended by the Diocese, this will be postponed and take place in the Fall, provided we are back to some normalcy.

COUNCIL MEMBERS NEEDED: We need more people to volunteer to be on the councils. This is a two year commitment, and six meetings a year. Please pray about volunteering to be put on the ballot for either the Pastoral Council or the Finance Council. Thank you for your consideration, and let Barbara Tate know of your interest.

Life Touch photography – is **cancelled** and will be rescheduled. We will not have family pictures in May.

Thank you for your email addresses. Continue to visit St. Patrick's Website and Facebook page for updates. Let's pray that the churches, Mass, and activities can continue very soon. God's Will be done.

MPB opportunities:

The Church is open for private prayer. The Holy Eucharist is present in the tabernacle. Use this time of physical isolation from others to deepen your relationship with Jesus. Sit in quiet meditation, say the rosary/Divine Mercy Chaplet, pray the Stations or just sit and soak in the love of God. We will come through this with the love and mercy of our God.

Daily Mass is offered on MPB's Facebook page, usually at 8:00 AM Monday –Saturday; and 9:00 AM on Sunday. Watch their bulletin for weekly schedule. <https://www.mostpreciousbloodchurch.com/> Stay close to Jesus.

Confession is currently offered at MPB, on Saturday afternoons from 3:45-4:30 pm, and on Tuesday from 5:00-6:00pm. In these days, it is drive-by Confessions. Drive to the school parking lot, stay in your car, stay three car lengths away from car in front of you, wait your turn, and Father will come out the side door to hear your confession. Stay right with Jesus.

Mother's Day- We extend most sincere congratulations to all Mothers of our parish on Mother's Day. God brought Joy and Light to the world through the Virgin Mary's delivery of her child. May her Divine Son bless you with every grace and good thing on this day and always.