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Dear brothers and sisters in the Lord,

This week, I am happy to announce two new opportunities for worship and prayer in our regular parish schedule:

First, starting this week, we will have a weekly parish Holy Hour in church. Every Tuesday evening from 6pm to 7pm, we will offer Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in church. The Holy Hour is a wonderful time for prayer and for growing in love for our Lord Jesus Christ, as we are privileged to look upon Him, who is present for us in the monstrance. During this time each week, the sacrament of reconciliation will be available and the holy rosary will be offered. The Holy Hour will conclude each week with Benediction, led by one of our deacons or by me. I invite you to make this a normal part of your prayer and spiritual life each week.

Second, we will begin observing the First Saturday devotions, which were asked of us by Our Lady of Fatima. In 1917, the Blessed Virgin Mary appeared to three shepherd children in Fatima, Portugal. Eight years later, Our Lady of Fatima appeared again to Sr. Lucia, who had been one of those children. This was Our Lady's message:

Look, my daughter, at my Heart encircled by these thorns with which men pierce it at every moment by their blasphemies and ingratitude. You, at least, strive to console me, and so I announce: I promise to assist at the hour of death with the grace necessary for salvation all those who, with the intention of making reparation to me, will, on the first Saturday of five consecutive months, go to confession, receive Holy Communion, say five decades of the beads, and keep me company for fifteen minutes while meditating on the fifteen mysteries of the Rosary.

To honor Our Lady's request, we will begin offering Mass at 9am on the First Saturday of every month. Following Mass, we will have adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in church until noon. I will plan to be present in church during these times of prayer; and I would be happy to hear your confession at that time, if you ask me to.

I sincerely hope and pray that these two new opportunities for worship and prayer will be for you an avenue to greater holiness and deeper love for Jesus and Mary.

To Jesus through Mary,

Fr. Jonathan
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Saturday, November 3rd 5:00pm—7:00pm - ANNUAL PARISH THANKSGIVING DINNER
The Parish Family Dinner provides an opportunity to meet others and form a stronger parish unity. There is no charge for the dinner; however, there will be envelopes available for “freewill giving.” All donations will be donated to Our Lady of the Rosary’s St. Vincent de Paul Society. Fellowship is our goal, so please no take-out service!

TIME IS RUNNING OUT TO PURCHASE RAFFLE TICKETS!!

Raffle Ticket Sales at All Masses on October 20 & 21 and October 27 & 28
**RAFFLE TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE PARISH OFFICE AND WILL BE
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Fr. Jonathan’s pilgrimage is beginning to fill up!

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