

## SUGGESTION BOX

Just a reminder that the suggestion box is available to make your ideas known. If you wish a direct response, please include your name and contact information. All questions will be answered in the bulletin. Let your voice be heard!

## ELECTRONIC GIVING HAS ARRIVED!

At last, electronic giving is an option for your support of St. Agnes+Our Lady of Fatima. It is easy to begin with just a few simple steps. Go to our parish website at [www.saolf.org](http://www.saolf.org) and click on the tab marked "Make a Gift." Instructions are given there for electronic giving as well as a number for giving by text message. You may also still give using the Cash App at \$saolf. Thank you for your patience and we thank you ahead of time for your cyber generosity!

## END OF YEAR REMINDERS

A reminder that all gifts and donations to our parish must be received by December 31 in order to be credited for the 2018 tax year. A statement of giving will be prepared and available for those who need it for their tax filings. Thank you for your generosity!

**ALSO, if you pledged at the Faith in Action portion of the Gala celebration, please remit those gifts as soon as possible. Thank you so much!**

## CELEBRATING FAITH BUILDING CHURCH

With the end of the calendar year, the redemption period for the pledges for our new church will come to an end. While the church is now debt free, all are asked to be faithful to their promise to support that effort as best they can. Any gifts received in payment of pledges after December 31 will be graciously received as donations to the building maintenance fund. Thanks to all who were so faithful and thanks to those who made the sacrifice to move us toward the future. God bless us all!

## CHURCH CALENDARS

The 2019 Church Calendars will be available Sunday December 30. Please take one per family so that all may have the opportunity to receive one. Thank you for your kindness.

## 2019 ENVELOPES

Are in the Gallery Hallway and ready for pick up for use in the New Year. If your name is not found on the envelopes, we may have made a mistake, or you asked not to receive envelopes. If you have any

questions, please contact Br. Bob as soon as possible so any errors may be corrected.

### +++ LITURGICAL MINISTRIES +++

Today, Sunday, December 16, 2018

5:00 Mass Ministers to be determined

8:30 Mass  
Commentator: Sabina Conroy  
Lector: Uzoamaku Oranugo  
Eucharistic Ministers: Elizabeth Pendleton  
Byron Washington  
Usher: Shirley Tucker Lazarus Oranugo  
Greeter: Karen Larry Karen McWilliams  
Server: Sharla Durand

10:30 Mass  
Commentator: Josie Kramer  
Lector: Erika Jones-Smith Tara Young  
Eucharistic Ministers: \* Bianca Campbell Marcia Smith  
Jeanette Austin Annette Cardwell  
Usher: Jeremiah Robinson Antoinette Smith  
Myla Montgomery George Chambers  
Linda Weatherspoon Billy Cardwell  
Greeter: Carol Grant Stephanie Montgomery  
Daphney McCaleb Brianna Davis  
Server: Donzell Andrew Jr. Syan Hughes

Next Sunday Dec 23, 2018

5:00 Mass Ministers to be determined

8:30am Mass  
Commentator: Keith Durand  
Lector: Tyler Hughley  
Eucharistic Ministers: Shimeaker Hampton  
Rhonda Cross Mangham  
Usher: Thomas Stover  
Jacquelyn Hite- Jackson  
Greeter: Kyle Hughley Theresa Hughley  
Server: Dante Hampton  
10:30 Mass  
Commentator: Herrick Martin  
Lector: Justin Wilhite Jarred Wilhite  
Eucharistic Ministers: \* Bettye Smedley Dr. Harold Butler  
Rosena Daniels Charles Smith  
Usher: Shirley Shanklin Lena Austin  
Elinor Williamson Michelle Booker  
Billy Cardwell Crystal Willis  
Greeter: Karen Bradley Debbie James  
Betty Washington Eboni Mikel  
Server: Clarice Banks Eric Smedley  
Gavin Smedley

*Ministers are respectfully reminded to be present at least 10 minutes before Mass begins!*

SEE MINISTRY SCHEDULES AT [www.saolf.org](http://www.saolf.org)

**9 Days until Christmas!**

## St. Agnes+Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church



## MISSION STATEMENT

*Saint Agnes + Our Lady of Fatima Church  
is a visionary Catholic Christian Community.*

*As a diverse parish, we embrace  
Africentric worship,  
Christ centered hospitality,  
and missionary service.*

*Sustained by the wisdom of our elders  
and energized by the spirit of our youth,  
we come together in faith  
as a church family  
to give witness to the liberating message  
of the Gospel*

### Schubert Hall Rental

Call the parish office  
For available dates and  
Rates

### Fatima Family Center

6600 Lexington Ave.  
LaJean Ray, Director  
216-391-0505

6800 Lexington Avenue  
Cleveland, Ohio 44103

A Ministry of the Capuchin Franciscan Friars  
Visit the Capuchins at [www.capuchin.com](http://www.capuchin.com)

## PARISH INFORMATION

Office: 216-391-1655  
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Friary: 216-431-8854  
Website: [www.saolf.org](http://www.saolf.org)

### Mass Schedule:

Sunday: 5:00 (Vigil) 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.  
Weekday: As Scheduled  
Holyday: 7:00 p.m.

### Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturdays 4:00 pm or anytime by appointment.

### Sacrament of Baptism for Infants:

Arrangements made in advance with Carolyn Mack. Godparents must be practicing Catholics.

### Sacrament of Marriage:

Preparations begin with priest or deacon BEFORE setting a date and six months prior to intended date. Contact Brother Bob or Deacon Martin before setting a wedding date.

### Sacrament of the Sick and Home Visits:

Please contact the parish office.

**Parish Registration:** Welcome to our parish. To register, please contact the parish office.

### PARISH STAFF:

Rev. Robert Marva, OFM Cap. Pastor  
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Mr. Danny McElroy, Director of Music Ministry

### Bulletin Deadline: Tuesdays at 12 noon

For publication in the following Sunday's bulletin

**DECEMBER 16, 2018  
THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**+ SCRIPTURE REFLECTION THIS WEEK +**  
The Scriptures in a word today: REJOICE! This theme for the Third Sunday of Advent heightens our awareness that Christmas is indeed drawing near. The prophet Zephaniah offers encouragement and hope, and St. Paul reminds us true joy comes from the peace that only God can give us. When at peace, we can do faithfully what is before us, be satisfied, and be ready to receive and share the Good News offered us by John the Baptist: Repent and believe the Good News!

**YOUR SACRIFICE THIS WEEK**

Thank you for your sacrificial gift for our church. Our goal to meet our budget is \$5,000.00. Thank you for your generosity!  
SUNDAY OFFERING: 12/9/18 \$4,779.00  
SECOND OFFERING: Retired Religious \$616.00  
Second Offering Today: Building Maintenance  
Second Offering Next Week: Loaves and Fishes

**LECTORS WORKBOOKS HAVE ARRIVED**

And are available for \$12.00 each. There are four books left. Please see Br. Bob.

**MISSALETES ARE AVAILABLE**

The new missalettes are in the pews for use at Mass to better tend to the Word of God. Personal copies are available for purchase for \$5.00. Please see any of the staff if you are interested. *Please do not take the books out of the racks in Church!* Thank you for your cooperation.

**GET IN THE A.C.T. WITH HUG-A-TREE**

The Active Catholics Together (ACT) Group will sponsor the Hug-A-Tree to provide hats, gloves, scarves and socks at the Tuesday Loaves and Fishes Meal. These items will be collected from November until February for adults and children. **Donations may be brought forth at the offertory of Mass each week.** See Corlette or Donna.

**THANK YOU FROM CATHOLIC CHARITIES**

Thank you for your generous support of this year's funding efforts. Our parish met its goal of \$15,708.00. You do our parish proud!

**MASS INTENTIONS AND  
SCRIPTURES THIS WEEK**

**Dec 16 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**Zep 3:14-18a (Ps) Is 12:2-6 Phil 4:4-7  
Lk 3:10-18**

5:00 pm Intentions of Elaine Pryatel  
8:30 am Benefactors of our Parish  
10:30am For the Parish

**Dec 17 Advent Weekday**

Gn 49:8-10 Ps 72:3-4b, 7-8, 17 Mt 1:1-17

**Dec 18 Advent Weekday**

Jer 23:5-8 Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19  
Mt 1:18-25

**Dec 19 Advent Weekday**

Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6b, 16-17  
Lk 1:5-25

**Dec 20 Advent Weekday**

Is 7:10-14 Ps 24: 1-6 Lk 1:26-38

**Dec 21 Advent Weekday**

Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21 Lk 1:39-45

**Dec 22 Advent Weekday**

1 Sm 1:24-28(Ps) 1 Sm 2:4-7, 8abed  
Lk 1:46-56

**Dec 23 FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**Mi 5:1-4a Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19  
Heb 10:5-10 Lk 1:39-45**

**SECOND COLLECTION CHANGES**

It has been a long practice at SAOLF to have a second collection each Sunday at Mass. These collections are for specific purposes, and some are designated to be sent to the Diocese for distribution to the proper cause. The diocesan designated collections have envelopes provided in the envelope box each year, as well as our own Charity Fund and Building Maintenance Fund. All of these envelopes may be placed in the main collection basket and will be sorted to the proper charity, organization, or regular tithe as marked. With the approval of the Finance Council, beginning in January there will be no second basket passed through the church for a second offering. Please use the **printed and designated special collection envelopes in your boxes or take one from the table in the Narthex or Gallery.** This will streamline the offering process and simplify the closing rites of Mass on Sunday. More information will be provided over the next several weeks before implementation. Thank you for your assistance!

**GIVING TREE READY FOR HARVEST!**

Giving Tree gifts are due today. Thank you for your generosity to Providence House again this year!

**MEETINGS THIS WEEK:**

Dec 16 SWAGG	8:30 am SH
Men's Group	12:30pm MA
Dec 17 Bible Study	7:00pm MA
Dec 18 Hot Meal	5:30pm SH
Youth & Young Adult Choir	6:00pm CH
Adult Choir	7:00pm CH
Dec 19 NA	7:00pm SH
Strategic Planning Commission	7:00pmSAg
Dec 20 Penance Service	7:00pm CH
Dec 21 Office Closed	
Dec 22	
Dec 23 Social Justice Commission	12:30pm I
Birthday Celebration	12:30pm SH
Church Decorating	12:30pm CH

**CHRISTMAS FLOWER MEMORIALS**

Are due by December 20 using the envelopes provided. Requested donation is \$15.00 for each plant which will grace our sanctuary through the Christmas Season. Thank you for your support and remembrance of those we love this Christmas!

**NO SWAGG DECEMBER 23 and 30**

Enjoy the break and celebrate Christ this Christmas!

**HOLIDAY SCHEDULE AT SAOLF**

As time draws near for the holiday season, please mark the following dates and times on your calendars:  
Dec. 20 Penance Service/Confessions at 7:00 pm  
Dec. 23 Church Decorating after 10:30 Mass  
Dec. 24 Christmas Eve Celebration (Mon.)  
Carols begin at 7:00 pm  
Mass begins at 7:30 pm  
Dec. 25 Christmas Day Mass at 10:00 am  
Dec. 30 Holy Family (Youth/Young Adult Choir sing  
At 10:30 Mass  
Dec. 31 Watch Night Mass at 10:00pm followed by  
Breakfast celebration in Schubert Hall  
Jan. 27 Youth Christmas Program at 12:30pm

**PARISH OFFICES CLOSED**

In line with the Offices of the Diocese of Cleveland, the parish offices will be closed from December 24 through January 2. No meetings or activities are scheduled during that time. Enjoy the holidays with family and friends!

**+PRAY FOR THE SICK+**

Ogechi Achunine Mary Avery Georgia Atkinson Kalima Assami Joyce Baker David Baker Bessie Bolles Joyce Blanton-Smith Darryl Blanton Donna Blythewood Warb Boykin, Jr. Anna Broadhead Christine Byrd William Byrd Marcella Caffie Kathy Clayton Terrell Cole Robin Davis Edna Evans Margaret Ferguson Catherine Ford James Nakima James Forte Della Gholson Myron Gholson Adriene Hall JoAnn Hinson Althea Hite Ursula Hite Patricia Heard Estelle Hodges Kyllan Hughes Valada Hutchinson Maxine Jackson Andrea Johnson Joseph Jones Brianna Jones Evelyne Jones Reaber Jones Craig Kelly Lynne Kelly Francesca Lehu Dolores Malby Elizabeth Malby LaVerta Marshall Joseph Mangham Bill Miller David McClain Chantel McConnell Chaquita McClinton Sharon McDuffie Robert McDuffie Sr. Terri Mohr Verendez Moore Marjorie Murphy Theda Nichols Lounette Payne Erma Pollard Ernestine Poole Roosevelt Thurman Sue Scott Regina Shanklin Jerry Shelton Kevin Sipp Mary St. Clair Joyce Sparks John Strozier Barbara Sudberry Janice Thompson Hubert Watson Desiree Webb Aris White Catherine Young James Keifer Kathy Heard Eboni Edwards LaVerne Henderson Fredrick Ross II Monique Johnson Margie Jones Barbara Marshall Brown Fay Grady Rachael Glaster Odessa Marshall Jame Hoyle Monica Starks Judy Guzy Dean Hodges Sr. Latina Thomas Constance Durrah Mary Roberts Donald Leftwich James Jackson Marcia St. John Leola Wilson Sabrina Wilson Betty Moore Albert Yourse II Ophelia Swain Soloman Fidela Lozada Evelyn Morson-Eddie Alonzo Givens

**ORNAMENTS OF JOY DUE TODAY!**

Thank you for the overwhelming response to sharing the Joy of Christmas. Ornaments are due today and will be delivered through the week. Thanks to the Youth Group for packaging the bags and wrapping ornaments for delivery. Many hands can share much joy! Thanks to all for your joyful spirit!

**TOWN HALL JANUARY 6**

This Town Hall meeting will have as its special focus the updates on Schubert Hall and the Strategic Planning Process. Please plan to attend after 10:30 Mass and be informed to make an informed decision!

**REMINDER ABOUT SOLICITING SUPPORT**

A reminder that there is no soliciting of any kind to happen in church. If you wish to ask for support for an effort for your group, school, or organization, please see Br. Bob to announce your cause. **Sales are to take place in Schubert Hall and not in church.** Thank you for your cooperation.