

HOLY FAMILY MISSION GROUP
Wood Carving Sale - TODAY

Holy Family is a group in mission to help Catholic families from Bethlehem by selling their Olive wood carvings in churches.



Catholic families in Bethlehem are going through a very hard economic situation and need your help, so please stop by our display and support them by buying their beautiful hand carved olive wood pieces. **We do accept cash, credit cards and checks.**

Samer and Ruth Kokaly
608-314-6673 or 810-931-7513

<https://hollyfamilywoodcarvings.com/>



MAKE ME a CHANNEL of your peace.

The 2025 Catholic Charities Appeal is underway. This is not a special collection; rather, the Catholic Charities Appeal represents the chance for all Catholics to make a significant pledge, payable in installments, to **Catholic Charities, Diocese of Cleveland** in order to support its mission of a society that stands united in its support of the "least among us." Your support of the 2025 Catholic Charities Appeal helps us to carry out the mission that Jesus entrusted to us: 'I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.' Please consider a generous gift that will change the lives of the nearly 400,000 people who are served each year in Northeast Ohio. Please pray for the success of the Appeal, which provides for essential programs and services in need throughout all eight counties of the Diocese of Cleveland.

We invite you to view stories of inspiration and more information at CatholicCommunity.org/2025Appeal

JOIN US FOR CRS RICE BOWL'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY!



CRS Rice Bowl is celebrating 50 years of helping Catholic faith communities bring Lent to life and encounter God through our global family. During the 40

days of Lent, let us journey together through CRS Rice Bowl to meet people in Nigeria, Guatemala and Bangladesh who are rising above the challenges of hunger and malnutrition. Pick up your rice bowl from the Tables near the Church Entrances. Visit crsricebowl.org/join to share your Lenten prayer intentions

ATTENTION BUSINESS OWNERS!!!

Looking to Attract New Customers and Support Your Parish. Consider Advertising in the Bulletin. Contact our parish business manager, **Mr. Robert Herrick**, (216)391-1655



A LIFELINE FOR MARRIED COUPLES
Struggling in your Marriage?
The Retrouvaille Program may be for you

This program is for couples with marital problems that want marriage help. Those who are considering marriage separation and those who are already separated or divorced are encouraged to consider the Retrouvaille Program. There is always hope of reviving your relationship.

Some couples come to Retrouvaille during the initial signs of a marriage problem. Other couples are in a state of despair and hopelessness when they attend the program. NOTE: The Retrouvaille program is for husbands and wives and is not designed nor intended for couples in a co-habiting relationship.

Retrouvaille of Cleveland Upcoming Weekends

Sep 5, 2025

For Registration information and locations:

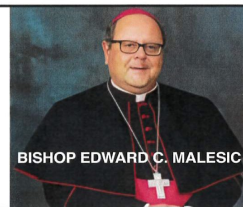
CALL: (800) 470-2230

EMAIL: cleveland@helpourmarriage.org

"CALLED TO LEAD"

Diocese of Cleveland
Catholic Men's Fellowship Conference
Saturday, March 22, 2025

Bishop Edward C. Malesic
Speaking at 3:00 PM
Celebrating Mass at 4:00 PM



FEATURED SPEAKERS:



Father Mitch Pacwa, S.J.
Scripture Scholar, World Renowned
Lecturer, EWTN Television & Radio Host.



Elvis Grbac
Retired NFL quarterback and
motivational speaker.

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HOLIDAY INN ROCKSIDE
6001 Rockside Road,
Independence, OH
DIRECTIONS: Northeast corner of the
intersection of Rt. 77 & Rockside Road
at the Rt. 480 Interchange.

NEW IN 2025....50/50 Raffle
Help to defray ever-increasing costs.
BRING CASH!

Registration: 8:00 am
Mass: 4:00 pm
Adjourn: 5:00 pm

For info or to register, go to www.cmfeo.com
Need help? Call 216-633-3502



*St. Agnes+Our Lady of
Fatima Catholic Church*
A Ministry of the Capuchin Franciscan Friars
Visit the Capuchins at www.capuchin.com



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.*

Parish Registration:

Welcome to our parish. If you would like to register to join, please contact the parish office, or go to <https://saolf-parish.com/New-Registration> (Case-Sensitive) or use our QR Code:



PARISH INFORMATION

Address: 6800 Lexington Avenue
Cleveland, Ohio 44103

Office: 216-391-1655
Emergency: 216-538-2349
Fax: 216-391-7919
Email: parish@saolf.org
Website: www.saolf.org

Office Hours: Mon-Sat: 9AM -12:30PM,
1:00PM - 3:30PM

Mass Schedule:

Sunday: 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.
Weekday: As Scheduled
Holyday: 7:15AM(Vigil Mass: 7:00PM)
Rosary: After the 8:30AM Mass
Eucharistic Holy Hour: Sundays at 5:00PM

PARISH STAFF:

Rev. James Watson, OFM Cap., *Pastor*
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Mr. Reginald Daniels, *Custodian*
Mrs. Davilyn Foxworth, *Hall Manager*

Fatima Family Center: LaJean Ray, Director
6600 Lexington Ave.
216-391-0505

Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Sundays 7:45AM-8:15AM or by appointment.

Sacrament of Baptism for Infants:
Arrangements made in advance with a priest or deacon.
Godparents must be practicing Catholics.

Sacrament of Marriage:
Preparations begin with a priest or deacon BEFORE setting a date and at least six months prior to intended date.
Contact the parish to schedule an appointment.

Sacrament of the Sick and Home Visits:
Please contact the parish cell phone at 216-538-2349

Bulletin Article Deadline: Tuesdays at 12noon

Electronic Giving Opportunities:
Go to www.saolf.org and click on "GIVE"
For CashApp users: send to \$saolf

March 2, 2025

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION THIS WEEK

In today's Gospel, Jesus uses parables in order to evoke in us a self-introspection or self-evaluation. In the first parable, He addresses those who seek to lead others but fail to recognize their own blindness. . . Jesus uses the image of physical blindness to speak about the pitfalls of spiritual blindness Those who are blind in spiritual matters cannot guide others who are blind in spiritual matters. Blindness in spiritual and moral matters can be caused by others or self-inflicted. Caused by others who mislead others in the teaching of the Faith and promoting false Gospel doctrines either deliberately or by misunderstanding on one's part. It can be caused by the individual person by a failure, sometimes by no fault of the individual in understanding what the Lord teaches in the Gospels and in his Church. However, sadly, it can be deliberate by a refusal to accept Jesus's love by accepting the wisdom of the world over Him. Many times, we are blind to our own major faults and, at the same time, feel like we can judge others and criticize them for their lesser faults. We all need the Lord's Gifts to help us in our spiritual blindness. He provides it through Scripture, the teachings of the Church, prayer, the Sacraments and so many other ways. We pray Lord that you will heal us of our spiritual blindness so that we can be effective loving ministers for our neighbors.

Liturgical Ministry Schedule

| | 8:30 | 10:30 |
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| 02-March Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time | | |
| Comm | Pam Pendleton | Carla Grant |
| Lector | Doreatha Stover | Ariane Kirkpatrick-Couch |
| EM | Betty Smith Brunie Vega | Sharon Bertrand Darlene Horton |
| Server | Jeremy Mangum | Gavin Smedley Sa'Vannah Love |
| Usher | Marietta Stover Theresa Hughley | Billy Cardwell Elinor Williamson Jeremiah Robinson Sheila Griffin-McCoy |
| 09-March First Sunday of Lent | | |
| Comm | Keith Durand | Chichi Onuorah |
| Lector | Tyler Hughley | Patricia SpyChaj |
| EM | Betty Smith Brunie Vega | Annette Cardwell Danita Thomas |
| Server | Sharla Durand | Divine Onuorah Vanessa Walker |
| Usher | Cathy Scott Karen Larry | Billy Cardwell Antoinette Smith Linda Weatherspoon Sheila Griffin-McCoy |

MASS INTENTIONS AND SCRIPTURES THIS WEEK

Sun, Mar 2, Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sir 27:4-7 Ps 92:2-3, 13-16 1 Cor 15:54-58 Lk 6:39-45
8:30am- Healing for Those Grieving the Loss of a Loved One
10:30am- The Success of our Upcoming Revival

Mon, Mar 3, Seasonal Weekday
Sir 17:20-24 Ps 32:1-2, 5-7 Mk 10:17-27

Tue, Mar 4, Seasonal Weekday
Sir 35:1-12 Ps 50:5-8, 14, 23 Mk 10:28-31

Wed, Mar 5, Ash Wednesday
Jl 2:12-18 Ps 51:3-6, 12-14, 17 2 Cor 5:20—6:2 Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thu, Mar 6, Thursday after Ash Wednesday
Dt 30:15-20 Ps 1:1-4, 6 Lk 9:22-25

Fri, Mar 7, Friday after Ash Wednesday
Is 58:1-9 Ps 51:3-6, 18-19 Mt 9:14-15

Sat, Mar 8, Saturday after Ash Wednesday
Is 58:9-14 Ps 86:1-6 Lk 5:27-32

Sun, Mar 9, First Sunday of Lent
Dt 26:4-10 Ps 91:1-2, 10-15 Rom 10:8-13 Lk 4:1-13

FINANCIAL LITERARY SERIES

Our Parish is Offering a Financial Literacy Series for all every 4th Sunday after the 10:30 Mass



Hosted by

PNC BANK: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICE

Sessions will cover *Investing, Home Ownership, Budgeting* and much more. The next session will be held on **Sunday, March 23rd**

CONSIDERING HOME OWNERSHIP

In this workshop, participants who may be thinking about buying a home will learn what financial preparation is required prior to purchasing a home.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sacraments and Faith Formation Registration

Please sign your child/teen up for First Communion, Confirmation. To register your child for next year, go online at:

<https://saolf-parish.com/FaithFormation-Registration>

To register: call **Mr. Cary Dabney** at 216-391-1655 ext#14

Interested in Joining the Catholic Church

Are you someone or do you know someone who....

- ◆ Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic or learning more about the Catholic Faith?
- ◆ Has a child over the age of seven who has not been baptized?

We offer an opportunity to come together to learn about the Catholic faith. To get started visit:

<https://www.saolf.org/rite-of-christian-initiation-of-adults>

or contact our Director of Religious Education,

Mr. Cary Dabney at 216-391-1655 #14

YOUR SACRIFICE LAST WEEK!

Thank you for your sacrificial gift for our church. Our goal to meet our budget is \$5,400.00 per week. **Thank you for your generosity and faithfulness!**

SUNDAY OFFERINGS 2-23-2025

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| Total in Pew Collection | \$2,667.15 |
| Vanco On-Line | \$661.00 |
| CashApp | \$10.00 |
| Total | \$3,338.15 |

ST. AGNES - OUR LADY OF FATIMA
LENTEN FISH FRY

\$18

Friday
3/14, 3/21 & 4/4

11 am - 2 pm - phone orders/carry-out (only)
5-8 pm - carry-out/dine-in

- Catfish
- Perch
- Shrimp

Dinner includes fresh fish of choice, choice of 2 sides: french fries, coleslaw, mac and cheese, dessert, a drink

6800 LEXINGTON AVE
CLEVELAND, OH 44103

Order Today
216-391-1655

Put Your Faith into Action!

As Catholics, we are called to give of our time, talent, and treasure for a greater purpose. **The Diocesan Social Action Office and Bread for the World invite you to use your voice to help end hunger.** By taking part in the Offering of Letters, you will help support domestic and international nutrition programs that offer vital support for families and children. Your letter matters. Combined with others from our parish—and thousands of advocates across our Diocese and the country—your letter is an expression of faith and hope, urging our legislators to pursue a world without hunger.

Catholic Cemeteries Association Grief Support

The Catholic Cemeteries Association offers free, safe, and compassionate monthly Grief Support meetings and memorial events throughout the year.

Upcoming support/ gatherings:

March 16th – Sunday Grief Support meetings (3pm In-person at 6 locations; 5pm Virtual);

The March topic is

“Spring, Easter, and Grief: Times of Sacred Transition”.

For details, visit:

<https://www.clecem.org/Events/Events.aspx>

For more information, call Rhonda at 216-930-4866

LENTEN PRACTICE REMINDERS

Lent is marked by the traditional observances of **Prayer, Fasting, Abstinence and Almsgiving.**

PRAYER: Consider daily mass and personal scripture reading during Lent. The Stations of the Cross, a devotion to the suffering of Christ on his journey to Calvary will be prayed each Friday at 3pm and 5pm in the Church. **The Word Among Us** is also available for your daily prayer and reflection during this season.

FASTING: Catholics, ages 16 to 59, are obligated to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. The Lenten practice of Fasting is as follows: one main meal, two smaller meals, and no food in-between. We should be hungry, not starved. Those needing to eat with medication may do so.

ABSTINENCE FROM MEAT: This is an Obligation for all Catholics on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays of Lent and Good Friday.

ALMSGIVING: Consider works of charity, service, or financial sacrifices during Lent.

SEASON OF LENT SCHEDULE

Stations of the Cross:

Every Friday (except Good Friday) 3PM and 6:30PM

The Diocesan Evening of Confession

Wednesday, March 19th. St. Agnes-Our Lady of Fatima Parish along with all the parishes in the diocese will welcome the faithful from **5-8 pm** on that

PRAY FOR THE SICK+

FAMILIES: Lane Family, Poteat Family, Warren Family
Ogechi Achunine, Kalima Assami, Georgia Atkinson, Joyce Baker, Carol Bertrand, Gabriel Blair, Joyce Blanton-Smith, Bessie Bolles, Anna Broadhead, Thella Brooks, Barbara Marshall Brown, Christine Byrd, William Byrd, Marcella Caffie, Kathy Clayton, Terrell Cole, Danny Couch, Robin Davis, Constance Durrach, Eboni Edwards, Edna Evans, Richard Gayle, Myron Gholson, Alonzo Givens, Rachael Glaster, Fay Grady, Tyrone Grady, Daniel Grant Jr., Delvonte Grant, Beverly Greene-Reed, Anita Gullett, Judy Guzy, Adriene Hall, Darlene Harris, Patricia Heard, Kathy Heard, JoAnn Hinson, Althea Hite, Ursula Hite, Estelle Hodges, Carol Hollinger, Jame Hoyle, Kyllan Hughes, Valada Hutchinson, James Jackson, William Jackson, Kardier Jackson, Andrea Johnson, Monique Johnson, Joseph Jones, Brianna Jones, Reaber Jones, Margie Jones, James Keifer, Craig Kelly, Janie Kincaid, Donald Leftwich, Francesca Lehu, Elizabeth Malby, Luther B. Mangham Jr., LaVerta Marshall, Naomi Matthews, David McClain, Chaquita McClinton, Chantel McConnell, Mattie McDonald, Sharon McDuffie, Bill Miller, Terri Mohr, Verendez Moore, Betty Moore, Evelyn Morson-Eaddie, Monika Moss-Gransberry, James Nakima, Lounette Payne, Erma Pollard, Nisha Presley, Mary Roberts, Sue Scott, Regina Shanklin, Jerry Shelton, Nina Simmons, Lasonia Sims, Kevin Sipp, Deborah Smedley, Marcia St. John, Barbara Sudberry, Ophelia Swain, Loraine Taylor, Danita Thomas, Latina Thomas, Janice Thompson, Michael Tucker Jr., Byron Washington, Thomas Washington, Hubert Watson, Desiree Webb, Natalie Webb, Carson Wetherwax, Aris White, Yvonne Williamson, Sabrina Wilson, Jahiem Wilson Ali'Bey, Regina Woodard, Gail Xavier, Jaqueline Zeigler