

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE NEW OFFICERS FOR THE**

**Men's Group**

**President:** Mr. Artemus Watts  
**Vice-President:** Mr. Donalds Burts  
**Treasurer:** Mr. Billie Cardwell  
**Secretary:** Mr. Eric Johnson

**Holy Family Mission Group  
Wood Carving Sale  
Sunday, March 2nd**



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**

Holy family: 608-314-6673 or 810-931-7513  
<https://holyfamilywoodcarvings.com/>

**Smart Giving From Your IRA**

As Christian stewards, we share the responsibility of making our Church a true community of faith and a vibrant source of service to the larger community. That includes providing financial support for today's needs - and building a firm financial foundation for tomorrow. Your IRA can be a tool to help you do this. If you are 70 1/2 years old or older, you can make a Qualified Charitable Distribution today for up to \$100,000 from your IRA directly to our parish. It will not count as taxable income, and it can satisfy your "required minimum distribution." Looking to the future, consider naming our parish as a beneficiary of your IRA. Speak with your financial advisor, visit <https://www.catholiccommunity.org/ira>, or contact Moira Wopershall at 216-696-6525 x8070 for more information

**PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN**

The Diocese of Cleveland's "Protecting God's Children" program is a continuing effort to instruct and inform everyone about the protection of children from sexual abuse. To report any past or present suspected inappropriate behavior toward children by priests, deacons, religious, lay ecclesial ministers or personnel associated with the Church, please contact the Diocesan Response Service Office at (216) 334 -2999 or via email at [response\\_services@dioceseofcleveland.org](mailto:response_services@dioceseofcleveland.org).

You are also asked to immediately inform local authorities about inappropriate behavior.



**Angel Scholarship Funds**

Donations to the Angel Scholarship Fund (ASF) helped make it possible for our parishes and schools to raise more than \$6.7 million in the 2023 tax year, and for a growing number of

families to receive tuition assistance for their children to attend a high-quality Catholic school. **Contact the ASF office:** 216-902-1312 or email: [asfinfo@catholiccommunity.org](mailto:asfinfo@catholiccommunity.org)

[www.catholiccommunity.org/angel](http://www.catholiccommunity.org/angel)

**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

**RETRouvaille**  
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**

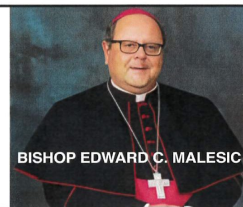
**Sep 5, 2025**

**For Registration information and locations:  
CALL: (800) 470-2230  
EMAIL: [cleveland@helpourmarriage.org](mailto: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.

**OUTSTANDING MUSIC • SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION • MASS**  
Continental Breakfast and Lunch

**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](http://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](http://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](mailto:parish@saolf.org)  
**Website:** [www.saolf.org](http://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**  
[jwatson@saolf.org](mailto:jwatson@saolf.org)  
**Rev. Mr. Hardin Martin, Deacon**  
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[btaylor@saolf.org](mailto:btaylor@saolf.org)  
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**Mr. Cary Dabney, Director of Religious Education**  
[cdabney@saolf.org](mailto:cdabney@saolf.org)  
**Mr. Danny McElroy, Director of Music Ministry**  
[dannymac63@roadrunner.com](mailto:dannymac63@roadrunner.com)  
**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**

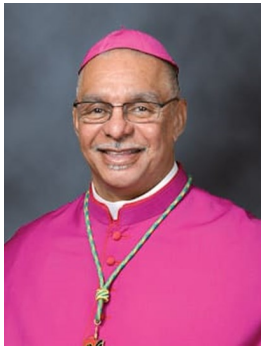
**Electronic Giving Opportunities:**

Go to [www.saolf.org](http://www.saolf.org) and click on "GIVE"  
For CashApp users: send to \$saolf

# February 23, 2025 Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Celebrating Black History Month

### Most Reverend Fernand Cheri III, OFM



Bishop Cheri was appointed as the Auxiliary Bishop of New Orleans, and the Titular Bishop of Membressa, on January 12, 2015 and installed March 23, 2015. He served in this capacity until his death on March 21, 2023. Bishop Cheri was ordained to the Catholic Church on May 20, 1978 by Philip Hannan and consecrated March 23, 2015 by Gregory Michael Aymond, Wilton Daniel Gregory, and J. Terry Steib. After his ordination he received a master's degree in theology from Xavier University of Louisiana's Institute for Black Catholic Studies.

Born January 28, 1952 in New Orleans, Louisiana, to Fernand Jr. and Gladys Cheri, Bishop Cheri attended St. John Vianney Preparatory Seminary in New Orleans. He went on to study at St. Joseph Seminary College in Covington, Louisiana and Notre Dame Seminary in New Orleans.

#### Taken from :

<https://nbccongress.org/noteworthy-black-catholics/>

### Liturgical Ministry Schedule

	8:30	10:30
<b>23-Feb</b>	<b>Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	
<b>Comm</b>	Sabina Conroy	Terrence Marsh
<b>Lector</b>	Jeremy Mangum	Cassie Bronson
<b>EM</b>	Rhonda Cross Mangham Betty Smith	Janice Kushner Danita Thomas
<b>Server</b>	Uzuchukku Oranugo	Vanessa Walker Divine Onuorah
<b>Usher</b>	Karen Larry Lazuras Oranugo	Sheila Griffin McCoy Marietta Stovall Elinor Williamson Jeremiah Robinson
<b>02-March</b>	<b>Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	
<b>Comm</b>	Pam Pendleton	Carla Grant
<b>Lector</b>	Doreatha Stover	Ariane Kirkpatrick-Couch
<b>EM</b>	Betty Smith Brunie Vega	Sharon Bertrand Darlene Horton
<b>Server</b>	Jeremy Mangum	Gavin Smedley Sa'Vannah Love
<b>Usher</b>	Marietta Stover Theresa Hughley	Billy Cardwell Elinor Williamson Jeremiah Robinson Sheila Griffin-McCoy

### MASS INTENTIONS AND SCRIPTURES THIS WEEK

#### Sun, Feb 23, Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23 Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13  
1 Cor 15:45-49 Lk 6:27-38

8:30am- Peaceful End to Wars Throughout the World  
10:30am- Healing and Peace Within Our Families

#### Mon, Feb 24, Seasonal Weekday

Sir 1:1-10 Ps 93:1-2, 5 Mk 9:14-29

#### Tue, Feb 25, Seasonal Weekday

Sir 2:1-11 Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40 Mk 9:30-37

#### Wed, Feb 26, Seasonal Weekday

Sir 4:11-19 Ps 119:165, 168, 171-172, 174-175 Mk 9:38-40

#### Thu, Feb 27, Seasonal Weekday

Sir 5:1-8, Ps 1:1-4, 6 Mk 9:41-50

#### Fri, Feb 28, Seasonal Weekday

Sir 6:5-17 Ps 119:12, 16, 18, 27, 34-35 Mk 10:1-12

#### Sat, Mar 1, Seasonal Weekday

Sir 17:1-15 Ps 103:13-18 Mk 10:13-16

#### Sun, Mar 2, Eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Sir 27:4-7 Ps 92:2-3, 13-16 1 Cor 15:54-58 Lk 6:39-45

### 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 First Session will be held **TODAY**

### Sunday, February 23rd

### BANKING BASICS

In this workshop, participants will learn how they can work with financial institutions to help them manage their personal finances, grow their wealth, and safeguard their money.

### 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 2-16-2025

Total in Pew Collection	\$1,283.00
Vanco On-Line	\$2,010.82
CashApp	\$338.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,631.82</b>

## Catholic Charities

DIOCESE OF CLEVELAND

2025 APPEAL

**MAKE ME a CHANNEL of your peace.**

The 2025 Catholic Charities Appeal is underway with an in-pew commitment process taking place this weekend. 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." Many parishioners have received a letter from Bishop Malesic requesting their support. If you have not received this letter, please respond to the in-pew commitment process today! If you have received the mailing, please respond to it. There is a box on the in-pew envelope to indicate that you have responded by mail. Make me a channel of your peace. 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](https://CatholicCommunity.org/2025Appeal)

**St Agnes-Our Lady of Fatima  
UPDATED FISH FRY ANNOUNCEMENT**

**We are looking for 20 committed volunteers to assist with our FISH FRY this year.**

The Fish Fry Fridays will be

**March 14th, March 21st and April 4th**

We are in Need of at least 20 VOLUNTEERS to help make this year's Fish Fry a success. We already have prices predetermined beforehand. If you'd like to participate please contact:

**Darlene Horton** 216-551-2646  
**Carla Grant** 216-200-1525

**FISH FRY DONATIONS NEEDED**

To make our fish fry a success, we need to do make our fish fry a success, we need donations of certain items: **YOUR TIME**, POP, WATER, BREAD (white and wheat) DESSERTS (cake only), salad mix.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND SUPPORT.**

### 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.

### OFFERTORY GIVING STATEMENTS

Are being prepared and will be ready for your tax and recording purposes. If you desire a statement of your giving for 2024, please contact **Brittany Taylor** in the Parish Office by phone or email.

Thank you for your support!

### 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 16<sup>th</sup>** – 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**

### 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 Durrh, 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-Eddie, 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