

St Agnes-Our Lady of Fatima
UPDATED FISH FRY ANNOUNCEMENT
THANK YOU to all who made our 1st Fish Fry for 2025 this past Friday .

We are STILL looking for more committed volunteers to assist with our additional FISH FRY FRIDAY this year.

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

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND SUPPORT.



THANK YOU to all who made a gift to Catholic Charities. Because of your support, hundreds of thousands of individuals will be given help + hope in the Diocese of Cleveland. You can still make a donation by visiting CatholicCommunity.org/ donate or text CCHOPE to 41444.

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

OUR PARISH GOAL FOR 2025:

\$8578.00

How are we doing as of January 2025?

Pledged: \$275.00 Fulfilled: \$260.00

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

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 ½ 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



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 www.catholiccommunity.org/angel



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

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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Rev. Mr. Hardin Martin, Deacon
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Mr. Robert Herrick, Parish Business Manager
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Meghan Barca, Parish Secretary(Fri-Sun)
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Dr. Cary Dabney, Director of Religious Education
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Mr. Danny McElroy, Director of Music Ministry
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 and click on "GIVE" For CashApp users: send to \$saolf

March 30, 2025 Fourth Sunday of Lent

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION THIS WEEK

LAETARE(REJOICE!) SUNDAY

In the Parable of the Prodigal Son, the younger son returns to his father's house without any hope of reconciliation. While the younger son had humble contrition for his sins and confessed his sins to his father, he still needed to reconcile with his father. The father and son now needed to work on repairing what was broken relationship. Not only did the father and younger son need to work on their relationship, we also see the older son needed to be reconciled with his brother and to understand the blessings he already had in his relationship with his father. A multitude of feelings needed to be addressed. We often have to deal with the messiness of our relationships. This is why the Love and Mercy of our Father in Heaven granted to us though undeserved because of the multitude of our own sins compels us to forgive the small specks of sin in the eyes of our family members, friends and other neighbors and to confess our own faults to them leading to holy reconciliation.

Liturgical Ministry Schedule

	8:30	10:30
30-March Fourth Sunday of Lent		
Comm	Ellen Connally	Josie Kramer
Lector	Keith Durand	Tiana Banks
EM	Betty Smith Brunie Vega	Annette Cardwell Ariane Kirkpatrick-Couch
Server	NEEDED	Jeremiah Robinson Melvin Onuorah
Usher	Marietta Stovall Shirley Tucker	Billy Cardwell Antoinette Smith Linda Weatherspoon Sheila Griffin-McCoy
06-April Fifth Sunday of Lent		
Comm	Sandra Gay-Chapman	Terrence Marsh
Lector	Veronica Safo	Chichi Onuorah
EM	Marietta Stovall Brunie Vega	Sharon Bertrand Danita Thomas
Server	NEEDED	Divine Onuorah Vanessa Walker
Usher	Karen Larry Jeremy Mangum	Billy Cardwell Antoinette Smith Linda Weatherspoon Sheila Griffin-McCoy

MASS INTENTIONS AND SCRIPTURES THIS WEEK

Sun, Mar 30, Fourth Sunday of Lent

Jos 5:9, 10-12 Ps 34:2-7 2 Cor 5:17-21 Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

8:30am- Missionaries Suffering Persecution

10:30am- The Poor and Oppressed in the World

Mon, Mar 31, Lenten Weekday

Is 65:17-21 Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13 Jn 4:43-54

Tue, April 1, Lenten Weekday

Ez 47:1-9, 12 Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 Jn 5:1-16

Wed, April 2, Lenten Weekday

Is 49:8-15 Ps 145:8-9, 13-14, 17-18 Jn 5:17-30

Thu, April 3, Lenten Weekday

Ex 32:7-14 Ps 106:19-23 Jn 5:31-47

Fri, April 4, Lenten Weekday

Wis 2:1, 12-22 Ps 34:17-21, 23 Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Sat April 5, Lenten Weekday

Jer 11:18-20 Ps 7:2-3, 9-12 Jn 7:40-53

Sun, April 6, Fifth Sunday of Lent

Is 43:16-21 Ps 126:1-6 Phil 3:8-14 Jn 8:1-11



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, April 27**

BUDGETING

In this workshop, participants will understand the value of creating a budget, and learn strategies to build a simple budget and pay off debt.

St. Agnes/Our Lady of Fatima Parish SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES 2025



Financial Assistance during the 2025-26 academic year will be available to those who qualify and wish to apply. Forms for both the **Helen Morris Memorial Scholarship** and the **Parish Education Assistance Scholarship** are available now. To download an application go to:

<https://www.saolf.org/scholarships>

To have one emailed to you, please make your request at:

education@saolf.org

or

Contact the parish office during office hours.

Note: The deadline for completed applications is **April 30th**

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 3-23-2025

Total in Pew Collection	\$1786.00
Vanco On-Line	\$1049.00
CashApp	\$75.00
Total	\$2910.00

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 **Dr. 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,

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

The Office of Black Catholics of the Diocese of Cleveland

Presents a

Bible Study:

African Presence in Scripture

April 10th and 11th: 6:30-8:00 pm

Instructor: Cary Dabney, Mdiv, PhD.

Director of the Bowman Francis Minister of Indianapolis

This is an opportunity for the community to enrich and expand their study of Scripture as this two-day presentation enables us to take a stroll through the Old and New Testaments where hundreds of references verify the reality of African Presence in Scripture

**St. Agnes/ Our Lady of Fatima Church: Legacy Hall
6800 Lexington Ave, Cleveland, OH 44103**

The Office of Black Catholics of the Diocese of Cleveland

Presents a

~Catholic Men's Retreat~

Saturday, April 12, 2025: 9:30 am—3:30 pm

Come Join Us!

Retreat Master: **Fr. Anthony Bozeman, S.S.J.**

Director of the Bowman Francis Minister of Indianapolis

Location

St. Agnes/Our Lady of Fatima Church-Harambee Room
6800 Lexington Ave.
Cleveland, OH 44103

SEASON OF LENT SCHEDULE

Stations of the Cross:

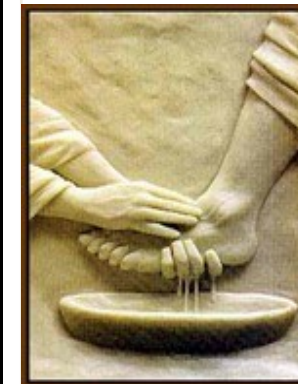
Every Friday 3PM and 6:30PM

Good Friday – 5PM followed by a

Simple Lenten Meal:

(Grilled Cheese, Tomato Soup, Salad)

We are requesting donations for this meal. There is a sign up sheet in the back of the Church. Please submit donations by Wednesday April 16, 2025



HOLY THURSDAY

Washing of Feet

Looking for 12 volunteers for the Washing of Feet at the Holy Thursday Liturgy

To volunteer, please email **Fr. James:** at pastor@saolf.org and use "**FOOT WASHING**" in the Subject line.

The first 12 will be accepted. Any others will serve as backup.

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.

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

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 Durrah, 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