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MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Aug 25 Back to School Sunday 12:30pm SH
Social Justice Commission
Aug 26 Bokwa 6:30 pm SH
Aug 27 Hot Meal 5:30 pm SH
Youth Choir 6:00 pm CH
Adult Choir 7:00 pm CH
Aug 28 NA 7:00 pm SH
Aug 29 ALPHA TRAINING 6:00 pm MA
Bokwa 6:30 pm SH
Aug 30 Office Closed
Aug 31 Parish Council Retreat Day 9am-3pm MA

OUR PARISH IS BEING FORMED!

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SCHUBERT HALL UPDATE

The Diocese has reviewed the plans that were presented on Tuesday and made recommendations that will make a better facility for our parish, particularly in areas of maintenance and operations. Once those changes have been made, the exterior drawings and floor plan will be posted for all to review. A renewed timeline for construction will see a later start time for demolition and building to begin, most probably in February 2020. This means we have use of our hall into the New Year. Once those dates are in place, all the details will be shared with our church family. Thank you for your patience as we move forward.

PARISH COUNCIL RETREAT DAY

Will take place on Saturday, August 31 in the Monica/Augustine Room from 9am to 3pm. All pastoral council members and chairs of groups are asked to be present. Please contact Br. Bob for more information.

+++ LITURGICAL MINISTRIES +++ Today Sunday August 25, 2019

8:30am Mass

Commentator: Sandra Gay Chapman
Lector: Ellen Connally
Eucharistic Ministers: Anthonia Iwenofu Elizabeth Pendleton
Usher: Dianne Phillips Lazarus Oranugo
Greeter: Donna Dix-Washington Karen Larry
Server: Dante Hampton

10:30 Mass

Commentator: Taniqua Harris
Lector: Layah Hodges Donzell Andrew Jr.
Eucharistic Ministers: Laquisha Andrew Deandre Wilson
* Gyta Martin Dewayne Thomas Jr.
Usher: Patience Mangum Jeremy Mangum
Jeremiah Robinson Michelle Booker
William Mikel Jr. Robin Allen
Greeter: Youth/Young Adults
Youth/Young Adults
Server: Jordon Ivery Ronald Onuorah

Next Sunday Sept 1, 2019

8:30 Mass

Commentator: Nahtia Stribling
Lector: Pam Pendleton
Eucharistic Ministers: Rhonda Cross Mangham
Elizabeth Pendleton
Usher: Thomas Stover Lonnie Smith
Greeter: Shirley Tucker Keith Durand
Server: Sharla Durand

10:30 Mass

Commentator: Josie Kramer
Lector: Chidubem Onurah Carla Grant-Smith
Eucharistic Ministers: Darlene Horton Anna Smith
*Dr. Harold Butler Janice Kushner
Usher: Jeremiah Robinson Antoinette Smith
Donzell Andrew Jr. Michelle Booker
Linda Weatherspoon Billy Cardwell
Greeter: Morgan Slone Carol Grant
Tara Young Eboni Mikel
Server: Divine Onuorah Nicole Onuorah

Ministers are respectfully reminded to be present at least 10 minutes before Mass begins!
SEE MINISTRY SCHEDULES AT www.saolf.org

REGISTRATION FOR SWAGG

Please find in today's bulletin this year's registration form for SWAGG and for Formation for the Sacraments of Penance and Eucharist. Please fill out completely and return to the parish office, to Mrs. Mack directly, or by way of the Sunday offering basket. Starting date will be Sunday, September 15 as we celebrate Catechetical Sunday. See you there!

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.
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216-391-0505

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PARISH INFORMATION

Office: 216-391-1655
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Friary: 216-431-8854
Website: 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.

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Bulletin Deadline: Tuesdays at 12 noon

**AUGUST 25, 2019
TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**

+ SCRIPTURE REFLECTION THIS WEEK +

The readings of the Liturgy this Sunday invite us to meditate on the theme that God calls people from all corners of the world into his kingdom. Therefore, Jesus invites each one of us to strive to enter the Kingdom of God. Let us encourage one another as we strive to follow Jesus. Let us also invite others to an encounter with Jesus Christ.

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: 08/18/19 \$2,746.78

SECOND OFFERING: Faith and Values \$243.95

Designated Offering Today: Loaves and Fishes

Designated Offering Next Week: Charity of Parish

PLEASE BE FAITHFUL!

We have been blessed with resources to be able to do great things in our parish, but we need your weekly faithfulness to ensure that those resources can be sustained into the future. As you see above, we are falling way short of our weekly budget. Please recommit to making a just return to the Lord in your support of our church. Thank you for your sacrifice!

SACRED BOND MARRIAGE RETREAT

Is being hosted by the Marriage Ministry September 27-29, 2019 at the Courtyard Marriott in Beachwood. The retreat is being led by Andrew and Terri Lyke, authors of *Marriage on A Lampstand*. Both spouses must be present for the full retreat. Cost is \$338.00 per couple with a non-refundable deposit due by June 23. Cost includes two nights stay, meals, and materials. See Angelita Olowu at the 10:30 Mass or Veronica Safo at the 8:30 Mass for more details. **There is room for only four more couples. Consider making this weekend a part of your commitment to grow in your marriage.**

WOMEN'S RETREAT DAY

Join the Women's Group of St. Agnes Our Lady of Fatima in a day of prayer and reflection on September 7, 2019 here at the parish. Registration is \$25.00 and includes presentations, breakfast and lunch, and a t-

shirt. For more information speak to LaQuisha Andrew at 216-832-7421 or Doreatha Stover at 216-849-6407. Theme for the day: Create in me a new heart." Pray for the spiritual success of the day!

**MASS INTENTIONS AND
SCRIPTURES THIS WEEK**

**Aug 25 TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**
Is 66:18-21 Ps 117:1-2 Heb 12:5-7, 11-13
Lk 13:22-30

8:30 am For the Parish
10:30am Frank Lozada and
Cecilia Pagan, dec.

Aug 26 Seasonal wkdy
1 Thes 1:1-5 Ps 149:1b-6a Mt 23:13-22

Aug 27 Seasonal wkdy
1 Thes 2:1-8 Ps 139:1-3, 4-6 Mt 23:23-26

Aug 28 Seasonal wkdy
1 Thes 2:9-13 Ps 139:7-12b Mt 23:27-32

Aug 29 The Passion of St. John the Baptist
1 Thes 3:7-13 Ps 90:3-5a Mk 6:17-29

Aug 30 Seasonal wkdy
1 Thes 4:1-8 Ps 97:1, 2b, 5-6 Mt 25:1-13

Aug 31 Seasonal wkdy
1 Thes 4:9-11 Ps 98:1, 7-9 Mt 25:14-30

**Sept 1 TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**
Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29 Ps 68:4-7, 10-11
Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a Lk 14:1, 7-14

PARISH DIRECTORY

Thanks to all those who participated in the photo opportunities this past week to complete our parish directory. There will be opportunities through the coming year to add photos of new members and to update the directory (a new feature of this program). A special word of thanks is in order to all the volunteers who assisted with welcome, hospitality, and logistics for the LifeTouch Photography Team. Directories should be ready in time for Christmas.

ALL IN THE FAMILY PARISH PICNIC

Was another success despite a few passing showers! Many turned out and shared great food, fun, and fellowship. Many volunteers helped to make everything run smoothly and allowed everyone to have a great time. Mark your calendar for next year's picnic on Sunday, August 24, 2020.

+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 Anna Broadhead Christine Byrd William Byrd Marcella Caffie Rosemarie Criniti Marion Campbell Kathy Clayton Terrell Cole Maddy Coughlin Robin Davis Edna Evans Margaret Ferguson Catherine Ford Richard Gayle James Nakima 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 Janie Kincaid Francesca Lehu Dolores Malby Elizabeth Malby LaVerta Marshall Bill Miller David McClain Chantel McConnell Chaquita McClinton Maddy Coughlin Sharon McDuffie Robert McDuffie Sr. Terri Mohr Verendez Moore Marjorie Murphy Theda Nichols Lounette Payne Erma Pollard Nisha Presley Sue Scott Regina Shanklin Jerry Shelton Kevin Sipp Mary St. Clair Joyce Sparks John Strozier David Smith Barbara Sudberry Janice Thompson Hubert Watson Desiree Webb Aris White Catherine Young James Keifer Kathy Heard Eboni Edwards Fredrick Ross II Monique Johnson Margie Jones Barbara Marshall Brown Fay Grady Rachael Glaster Odessa Marshall Jame Hoyle Judy Guzy Dean Hodges Sr. Latina Thomas Constance Durrah Mary Roberts Donald Leftwich James Jackson Marcia St. John Leola Wilson Sabrina Wilson Betty Moore Ophelia Swain Soloman Fidela Lozada Evelyn Morson-Eaddie Alonzo Givens Juanita Carter Regina Woodard Serah Beverly Greene Reed Jahiem Wilson Ali'Bey Warren Family William Jackson Kardier Jackson Carol Hollinger Mattie McDonald Anita Gullett Carson Wetherwax

Pray for our service women & men!

MINISTRY RENEWAL AND TRAINING

Those who have signed up for ministry training have been contacted by Br. Akolla with training dates and information. If you are new to ministry and want to be trained, please sign up as well. Training and updates will be made available. For more information, speak to Br. Akolla.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS' TRAINING

With the Diocese of Cleveland have been scheduled for this Fall session. If you are a NEW Eucharistic minister who has not attended the diocesan training session (this is the certification process training), please see Br. Akolla for those dates, or look on the Diocese of Cleveland website for training locations and dates. **You must register through the parish.** Thanks for your attention to this effort.

PASTORAL STAFF ADDITION

Our parish family is blessed to have joining our Pastoral Staff, Ms. Melissa McCall, who will be assisting with Catechetical and Faith Formation and Sacramental Preparation for our youth. Melissa comes with many years of pastoral experience in parish education, formation, and pastoral administration. Melissa has been a member of our parish along with her family for two years and most recently coordinated this past year's Confirmation formation and retreat for our young people. Welcome Melissa and we look forward to your work among us.

BE A PART OF ALPHA

There are many women and men who are searching for something greater in their lives. All they need is someone to listen to their questions and hear their own stories as they search out God's plan for their lives. Are you a good listener? Can you commit for 10 weeks to listen to other people's stories and walk with them in their journey? Come and be part of this effort by attending a first gathering on Thursday, August 29 from 6pm to 9pm. There will be food, conversation, and an invitation to be part of a new and exciting opportunity to help others to grow in their faith. Come and see; come and ask; come and be transformed by God's work in our midst.

LOOKING AHEAD

While it is a long way off, the 2020 Lenten Revival will be taking place at our parish beginning on Ash Wednesday and concluding on Friday, February 26-28. Mark your calendar now as we will welcome the larger community to be part of our hospitality, worship and fellowship. Next week, find out who our preacher will be and what good word the preacher has in store for us.

SWAGG SUNDAY

Sunday September 1 is SWAGG Sunday, a chance to register your child for Sunday Morning Religious Education, otherwise known as SWAGG: Stepping With All God's Gifts. **This year this process will also be used for Sacramental preparation for First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion.** Please sign up in the Narthex after both Masses on Sunday September 1. For more information please see Mrs. Mack. You may also use the forms in the bulletin today to register for SWAGG, to serve as Catechists, or to be part of the RCIA Process this year. Thanks!

ALPHA IS COMING

In all of Pope Francis' letters, talks, and exhortations to the faithful of the Church, he has repeatedly spoken about the need to reach out to the fringes to invite people to come to know Jesus in their lives. As Catholics, this is our call to missionary discipleship; that is, we follow Christ, but we also go out to share with others what Jesus has done for us. Our life in church nurtures that relationship, no matter to what faith community one may belong.

ALPHA is a process by which we are being called to invite others to have or renew their relationship with Jesus. It is a process of fellowship (read groceries!), video input, and discussion in which one can speak freely about what is happening in one's life. Maybe someone has never had a relationship with Jesus; maybe they had been part of a church and left angry or dissatisfied; maybe someone is looking for something more to give meaning and fulfillment to their life.

This process is not the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults). That process is really designed for those who may be ready to explore the Catholic Faith as their own. ALPHA is a step before that, inviting people to a relationship with Christ. At its heart, ALPHA is about evangelization at its core: sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Is there someone YOU know who is looking for deeper meaning in their life? Someone who is searching for a relationship with Christ? Invite them to come and see this fall! We will begin on Monday September 23 at 6:30 pm in the SS. Monica and Augustine Rooms. Bring a friend and walk with them on this journey. Pray for this effort of our parish to share Christ with others who may be beyond our church family and tradition.

THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION

Is the process by which persons might join the Catholic Church and embrace Catholic Christianity as their expression of faith in Christ. It is a journey of the heart, accompanied by a sponsor or godparent, as well as the whole Church. For those who make this commitment of faith, this process culminates in the celebration of the Sacraments of Initiation – Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist and invitation to full participation in the life of the Church.

St. Agnes+Our Lady of Fatima will begin this process again in September as we walk with those who will explore joining our church. But we need your help!

We are in need of those who would serve as godparents and sponsors. You must be at least 16

years of age and a fully initiated member of the church – having received Confirmation. You must be practicing your Catholic Faith and attending Mass regularly so that you might share your experience of faith with those who are searching. Please contact Carolyn Mack or Br. Akolla if you have a desire to assist as a sponsor or godparent.

We are also in need of mentors, teachers, catechists for this process to share and teach the basic beliefs of our faith to others as they discern their call to initiation. If you believe you can offer your talents and share your faith in this role, please also speak to Carolyn Mack or Br. Akolla.

Please pray for those who are seeking the Lord in our Catholic Community and in our particular church family. Let our faith shine forth and inspire others in the same!

CATECHISTS NEEDED

We are in need of those who would serve as catechists or teachers for SWAGG (religious education for youth) and for sacramental preparation for our youth (first Penance and first Eucharist). You need to possess knowledge of your Catholic Faith and practice it regularly in weekly Sunday Mass and celebration of the Sacraments. You also need to have a heart to share that faith with the youth, the next generation of our church so that they might grow in that same Catholic Faith. Training and support will be provided along with materials for teaching and personal preparation for sessions. If you can give yourself to a weekly Sunday morning commitment to teach our youth and share your faith, please speak to Carolyn Mack or Melissa McCall. Thank you for your consideration and helping us all to grow in our faith in Christ.

PARISH HOUSE UPDATE

The construction company that specializes in moving houses came on Thursday to look at the parish house and what it would entail to stabilize the house on a new foundation. This project is being undertaken to keep the parish house rather than demolish it, and to make it available for the Sisters of Our Lady of Kilimanjaro to establish residence in our parish to minister in our community. Other work will need to be done including a roof, HVAC, as well as insulation and electrical upgrades in wiring. More details will be forthcoming as we will have to empty the house of furnishings and set a date to move the house onto its new basement foundation. Please keep this project in your prayers.