

# 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

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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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:

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**Bulletin Deadline: Tuesdays at 12 noon**

## MAY 3, 2020 THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

### SCRIPTURE REFLECTION THIS WEEK

During the Fourth Sunday of Easter, the Church always invites us to meditate on Christ our Shepherd. Today we read from one of the most known Psalms of the Bible, Psalm 23. The psalmist begins by proclaiming that "the Lord is my Shepherd." At the core of this statement is a personal relationship that the psalmist has with God his shepherd. The psalmist knows deep within that God has a strong bond with the writer that cannot be broken. Sisters and brothers do you believe that God has a strong attachment with you and that God will not abandon you? Sometimes you and I ask ourselves the question, does God care about me? Does he know my worries? God, through his Son Jesus personally knows your struggles, pains, hurts, anxieties, joys, victories and hopes. God knows it all and yes, God cares about you. God loves you and wants to shepherd you, lead you, and guide you to a place of comfort, peace, joy and contentment despite our sins and hurts. In order for God to lead us from sin to salvation, or from hurt to healing; a place of green pastures and restful waters, we need to allow Christ the Shepherd to take the lead in our lives. Let us take the backseat and let Jesus take the front seat. Let us be humble as sheep and allow Jesus to be our Shepherd.

### 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 and faithfulness in these difficult days!

SUNDAY OFFERING: 4/26/20 (Mail and electronic giving)	\$6170.00
CHARITY	\$20.00
BUILDING FUND	\$50.00

### SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS

To Tia Stribling on the sudden passing of her father Darryl Williams. May he rest in peace and consolation be given to his family and friends at this difficult time. Due to COVID19 services are limited in attendance. A memorial will be celebrated here at church at a later date.

### MASS INTENTIONS AND SCRIPTURES THIS WEEK

- May 3 FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
Acts 2:14, 36-41 Ps 23:1-6 IPt 2:20-25  
Jn 10 :1-10  
*Mass is offered for health and healing for our parish and our world*
- May 4 Easter Weekday**  
Acts 11:1-18 Ps 42:2-3, 43:3-4 Jn 10:11-18
- May 5 Easter Weekday**  
Acts 11:19-26 Ps 87:1-7 Jn 10:22-30
- May 6 Easter Weekday**  
Acts 12:24-13:5 Ps 67:2-3, 5-8 Jn 12:44-50
- May 7 Easter Weekday**  
Acts 13:13-25 Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25-27  
Jn 13:16-20
- May 8 Easter Weekday**  
Acts 13:26-33 Ps 2:6-11 Jn 14:1-6
- May 9 Easter Weekday**  
Acts 13:44-52 Ps 98:1-4 Jn 14:7-14
- May 10 FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
Acts 6:1-7 Ps 33:1-2,4-5, 18-19 1Pt 2:4-9  
Jn 14:1-12

### GROUP AND ACTIVITIES CALENDARS

It is time once again for all groups and commissions to prepare calendars and budget information for the 2020-2021 year. Please contact Mike Bussey or Br. Bob for more information. New deadlines will be posted so that all information can be gathered. Forms are available on line on our parish website, as it is still uncertain when we will be able to get together again in groups. Thank you for your help.

### + + EASTER FLOWER MEMORIALS + +

<i>In memory of...</i>	<i>By...</i>
<i>George and Gwendolyn Connally</i>	
<i>Margorie Connally</i>	<i>C. Ellen Connally</i>
<i>The Herring Family</i>	
<i>The Jackson Family</i>	<i>Maxine Jackson</i>
<i>The Payne Family</i>	
<i>The Cross Family</i>	<i>Julia Cross</i> <i>Rhonda Cross Mangham</i>

## IN TIMES LIKE THESE...

We need and have a Savior in Christ the Risen Lord! And while our faith and trust in him will see us through, it doesn't make it any easier to be apart from one another for Sunday worship and parish life, as well as gathering with family and friends in these days. We will continue to try to stay in touch with our members in these and other ways. Please do not hesitate to call and reach out to church members and check on one another. Here is what we continue to do here at the parish level:

1. We are streaming Sunday Mass at 10:30 each Sunday on Facebook and uploading it to our website. There will be a small group putting these together observing the requirements for distancing and health and safety requirements.
2. There is daily mass on EWTN and Fox 8 will air the TV Mass on Sunday mornings at 6. there is also daily mass available at [dioceseofcleveland.org](http://dioceseofcleveland.org).
3. A weekly bulletin will be available on the Fatima website with information for our church family. Without schedules and meetings, if there is information that you want to communicate, please get it to Br. Bob at [brotherbob@saolf.org](mailto:brotherbob@saolf.org) by WEDNESDAY NOON of each week. We will do our best to get it published.
4. This week will be the last Tuesday for the Hot Meal to be served out of Schubert Hall. As the numbers have grown smaller, we will do this in conjunction with the Fatima Center and the Senior Meal Program. Details for volunteer needs will be forthcoming.
5. We are waiting for directions regarding the return to church gatherings and Mass. This will require some patience and coordination as we will be limited in the number of people allowed in the church at one time
6. At this time, all Church Services and gatherings are cancelled until the weekend of May 30/31. We are awaiting word from the Ohio Conference of Bishops regarding attendance at Sunday Mass and weekday Masses.
7. **FUNERALS** may be celebrated at the graveside only with a memorial mass to be celebrated later. There are no opportunities for a repast or luncheon to be held at the Church or the Center.

8. First Holy Communion and Confirmation will be rescheduled according to when we are permitted again to gather for mass.
9. Please consider mailing in your tithes or using the electronic giving opportunities through Vanco and Cash App. Your faithfulness is most appreciated. At the same time, take care of your business and financial responsibilities at home as needed.

We will all get through this challenging time. We also do well to remember that our faith unites us in prayer and in hope with the whole world. Keep on praying and stay well knowing that God is in control!

### ELECTRONIC GIVING OPPORTUNITY

Electronic giving is an option for your support of St. Agnes+Our Lady of Fatima. 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. Thank you for your cyber generosity!

### FORMED:

Looking for content about your Catholic Faith about Lent? Start your day off right with Catholic Reflections from Formed Daily! Get ready to be inspired and renewed through these reflections. Formed also has reflections for Lent. Go to the website at (<https://watch.formed.org>) for these reflections you don't need to register, we are already registered as a parish. For more information please see Mrs. Mack.

### CASH APP REINSTATED

Due to the challenging times of the Corona Pandemic, CASH APP will be available for the indefinite future. It will function just as it did before. Please consider using the VANCO electronic giving option described above so that all gifts may be streamlined and properly credited in the church accounting procedures. Should you have any questions, please contact Br. Bob directly at his email or phone. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

### PARISH TRANSITIONS

After much prayer, thought, and consultation, I have decided that it is in the best interest of our parish to reconfigure our parish pastoral staff. This decision was made in light of realities that our parish is experiencing, including parish offertory and

attendance, as well as the changing reality presented to us as a result of the Covid19 pandemic. A result of this restructuring will be the changing or discontinuing of certain positions and roles in service to our parish.

After 20 years of faithful and generous service to our parish. Toni Smith will be moving on from her current role as Youth Minister at St. Agnes Our Lady of Fatima. In that same vein, Melissa McCall will also come to the end of her current service in assistance to Ms. Mack in religious education and sacramental preparation as part of this restructuring. These changes will occur as of June 30 when the restructuring comes into effect. Mrs. Mack has already made known her intention to retire in June. There will be an opportunity to formally thank Ms. Smith, Ms. Mack, Ms. McCall at a time yet to be determined.

New Job descriptions and qualifications for a reconfigured pastoral staff are posted on the parish website. Any who meet those qualifications who are members of the parish or beyond may apply. Please continue to pray for our parish as we move forward in faith and trust in God.

### CATHOLIC CHARITIES SUMMER CAMP

We regret that Catholic Charities Fatima Family Center Summer Camp has been cancelled. There are plans underway to engage our community youth in a virtual experience in cooperation with John Carroll University. We will look forward to new and creative ways to continue to support the youth of our parish and of our community.

### BUILDING UPDATE

All contracts are finalized and we are awaiting a response from the City of Cleveland regarding property setbacks and a meeting with the design review committee. These meetings are delayed under the current pandemic situation so we need be patient and prayerful. There is also a possible property available that borders the church yard that will help with parking and traffic flow. As soon as the demolition permit is received, work will begin to dismantle Schubert Hall. Work has also begun to rebuild the porches on the front of the parish house that have begun to sag and pull away from the building. Next, bids will be secured to waterproof the foundation and replace the siding on the house. More updates will follow as work progresses. Thank you!

## +PRAY FOR THE SICK+

*We pray for all those who are affected in any way by the Corona Virus, by the Flu, by any physical or spiritual illness at this time, especially the following:*

Ogechi Achunine Mary Avery Georgia Atkinson Kalima Assami Joyce Baker David Baker Bessie Bolles Joyce Blanton-Smith 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 Wendell Harris 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 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 John Strozier David Smith Barbara Sudberry Janice Thompson Hubert Watson Desiree Webb Aris White Catherine Young James Keifer Kathy Heard Eboni Edwards 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-Eddie Alonzo Givens Juanita Carter Regina Woodard 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 and men, our health care workers and public safety personnel in these days!*

### SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

Beginning May 10, scholarship information and applications will be available on the parish website for the Helen Morris Scholarship as well as the Parish Scholarship for the academic year 2020-2021. Any questions may be directed to Br. Bob at the office.