

AUGUST 2, 2020
EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE
YEAR

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION THIS WEEK
 The first reading of this Sunday is taken from the book of the Prophet Isaiah. This reading is a spiritual gem because it gives Christians the proper perspective of the spiritual life. Isaiah recognizes that in this life, we all have basic needs that need to be met. We all want food, shelter, security, and love; but sometimes in our quest for these needs, we tend to forget God, who is the giver all good gifts. Often, we first seek out our needs instead of first seeking God. Isaiah tells us that God satisfies our needs if we trust in God. How many times have we put other things before God in our lives? The things that we put before God are not necessarily bad, but they cannot take precedence over our relationship with God. Today, Isaiah calls you and I to put God at the center of our lives, then God will satisfy not only our physical needs, but also our spiritual needs. Isaiah gives you and I a practical guide in putting God first in our lives. Isaiah says that putting God at the center of our lives means that we need to listen to God and heed to his words. When was the last time you were still and tried to listen to the voice of God in your life? Today, may Jesus help you listen to the Father and observe the word of God.

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 7/26/2020

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| In Church | \$ 2954.00 |
| Cash App | \$ 110.00 |
| Vanco On-Line | \$ 588.65 |
| TOTAL | \$ 3652.65 |
| Local Charities | \$ 30.00 |
| Building Fund | \$ 100.00 |
| Catholic Education | \$ 25.00 |

CONFIRMATION TODAY
 Bishop Roger Gries is with us today at the 10:30 Mass to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation rescheduled from May. We will need to observe

social distancing and masks, and unfortunately will be unable to have groceries afterwards due to COVID19. If you are unable to attend, please consider streaming live and praying with and for our confirmandi this year. Congratulations to Brooklyn Jones, Erik Smith, and Prinze Uzuchwu. We also welcome Miguel Reyes as he makes his profession of faith in the Catholic Community today. May God bless them in their lives and in their faith!

MASS INTENTIONS AND
SCRIPTURES THIS WEEK

Aug 2 Eighteenth Sunday of the Year
 5:00 pm For the Parish
 8:30 am Robert McDuffie Sr.
 10:30am The Newly Confirmed
Is 55:1-3 Ps 145:8-9,15-18 Rom 8:35,37-39
Mt 14:13-21

Aug 3 Weekday
Jer 28:1-17 Ps 19:29,43,79-80,95, 102
Mt 24:22-36

Aug 4 St. John Vianney, priest
Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22
Ps 102:16-23, 29 Mt 14:22-36

Aug 5 Basilica of St. Mary Major
Jer 31:1-7 Ps Jer 31:10-13
Mt 15:21-28

Aug 6 Transfiguration of the Lord
Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9
2 Pt 1:16-19 Mt 17:1-9

Aug 7 St. Sixtus & Companions
Na 2:1,3;3:1-3,6-7 Ps Dt 32:35-36
Mt 16:24-28

Aug 8 St. Dominic, priest
Heb 1:12-2:4 Ps 9:8-13
Mt 17:14-20

Aug 9 Nineteenth Sunday of the Year
 5:00 pm For the Parish
 8:30 am Ben Schraegle, dec.
 10:30 am Annette James. Dec.
1 Kings 3:5, 7-12 Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-130 Rom 8:28-30 Mt 13:44-52

Daily Readings are also available on the USCCB website.

HEAL OUR LAND: PRAYING FORGIVENESS
 On September 24, 25, 26 a city wide service of prayer for healing and forgiveness will take place crossing all communities and denominations. The first night of this event is being hosted here at St. Agnes+Our Lady of Fatima with national and local ministers and pastors preaching and teaching on the importance of forgiveness for healing and renewal. These gatherings will be held each evening in several locations around the Cleveland area. Please watch for more details as we continue to ask God to heal us and our nation in these most difficult times.

CHURCH REOPENING GUIDELINES
 As we reopen our church, we do so under a few constraints and restrictions. **Given requirements for social distancing, the actual number permitted will be at 75.** As we join together, all are asked to observe the following:

1. All are asked to enter the church through the front wooden doors. The office entrance to the church will be closed and unavailable for entry.
2. Sanitizer will be provided at the entrance of the church. **It is recommended that you bring your own personal sanitizer as well.**
3. **All are asked to wear masks or face coverings of some kind. If you enter without a mask, you will kindly be asked to return when you have one.** This is so that if you have the virus unknowingly, you are less likely to spread it to others.
4. **Please observe distancing and the markings on the floor at six feet intervals.** The Father Judge Chapel will remain closed for the time being.
5. If you are not feeling well, have a temperature, or have been exposed to the Covid19 virus; if you are a vulnerable person due to health issues or age, please do NOT come to Sunday mass. There is still no obligation to attend at this time.

BUILDING UPDATE
 The demolition and building permit has been issued and work will begin this week to dismantle Schubert Hall. Please note that fencing will be installed around the property for security and safety. Thank you for your patience as we begin this long delayed work.

+PRAY FOR THE SICK+
We pray for all those who are affected in any way by the Corona Virus, or 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 Annette Cardwell Kathy Clayton Catherine Dominic 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 Michelle Kennedy Janie Kincaid Francesca Lehu Dolores Malby Elizabeth Malby LaVerta Marshall Bill Miller David McClain Chantel McConnell Chaquita McClinton Sharon McDuffie Terri Mohr Verendez Moore Marjorie Murphy Theda Nichols Lounette Payne Erma Pollard Nisha Presley Sue Scott Regina Shanklin Jerry Shelton Kevin Sipp John Strozier 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 Naomi Matthews 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!

FORMED:
 Go to the website at (<https://watch.formed.org>) to keep current in your faith! You don't need to register, we are already registered as a parish. For more information please contact Br. Bob.

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.

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 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!

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SIGN UP

Thanks to all who have volunteered so generously to assist with the ministries at Mass. Until regular schedules can again be created, please sign up for each Mass in the narthex as you enter church for the next weekend. This will allow everyone to prepare a bit and not be caught by surprise! Again, much thanks to all!

PARISH PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

Many have asked about the pictorial directory that is being published for our parish. Due to COVID19, all production and follow-up has been suspended. We regret the inconvenience of this delay especially as the directory would help us all stay in touch. Thank you for your prayers and your patience as this moves slowly forward.

NEW PARTNERSHIP FOR ST. THOMAS

The Diocese announced this past week that St. Thomas Aquinas School and Archbishop Lyke School will be under the management and direction of Partnership Schools from New York City. This is a Catholic organization that has committed to sustaining Catholic education in urban areas while making it affordable and available to those who desire. It is taking some time for the transition to unfold with COVID19 precautions in place. Please be persistent and patient in contacting the school regarding enrollment and questions that you may have regarding the plans for the future at St. Thomas

Aquinas. With this new leadership, Br. Bob will no longer be involved with Masses at the school at this time, as other arrangements have been made for regular Mass and prayer going forward. Please pray for their success for our children!

PLANS FOR FALL BIBLE STUDY

We are exploring how we might move forward with the Fall Bible Study in the midst of COVID19. Consideration is being given to phone in, ZOOMing in, or conducting in the sanctuary with distancing and masks in place. Let us know what you think!

NEW BISHOP FOR CLEVELAND

Bishop Edward Malesic has been named by Pope Francis as the 12th Bishop of Cleveland beginning September 14. Please keep our new bishop in your prayers as well as our Diocese. Bishop Edward has been the Bishop of Greensburg, PA since 2015 and was born in Harrisburg, PA in 1950. We will look to an appropriate time and day to invite the Bishop to be with us in the future. Due to Covid19, attendance at the ordination will be by invitation only. Thank you for your understanding.

FAITH FORMATION FROM AFAR...

As we will need to prepare for a new way of faith formation this fall in light of Covid19, the following request is being made:

SWAGG TEACHERS: If you have been teaching our youth on Sunday morning and are willing to continue to do so on line or through distance learning, please contact Br. Bob at brotherbob@saolf.org or call direct at 216-406-5206. If you cannot continue, please also let Br. Bob know that as well.

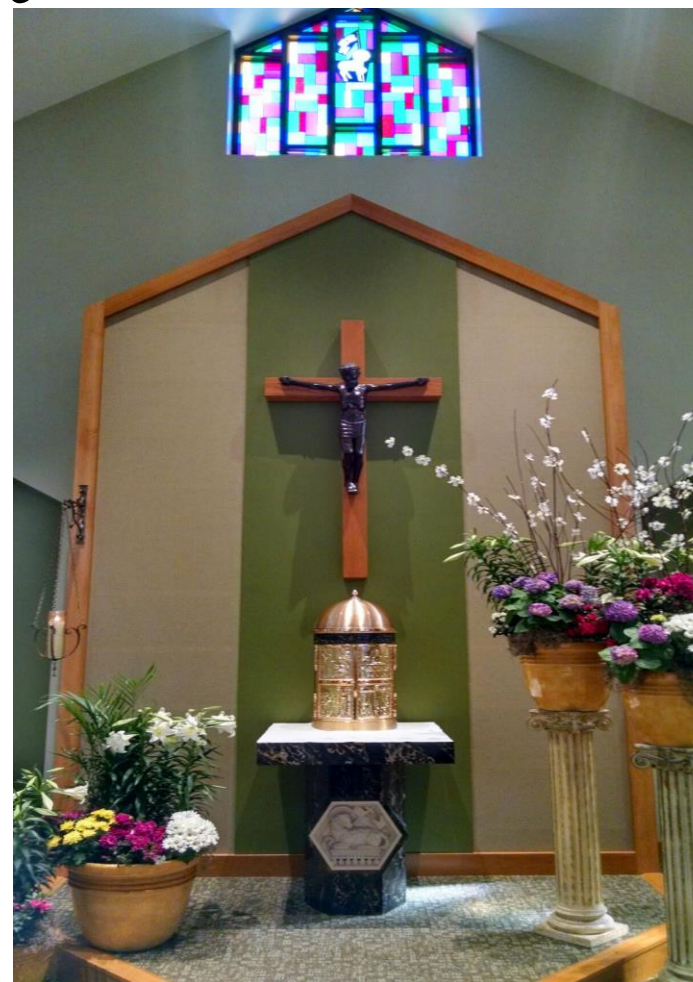
SWAGG STUDENTS and PARENTS: We will look to continue SWAGG on line and with possible in person gatherings with distancing in place. Parents please contact Br. Bob as well with the names of your children who would take part in this effort.

ALL PARENTS for SACRAMENTS: Please also contact Br. Bob to discuss how best to prepare your children for the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation. Baptisms will still be possible with guidelines and restrictions in place by the Diocese.

RCIA: If you are interested in professing Catholic Faith or know someone who wants to become part of our Church, please contact Br. Bob or Br. Akolla at the email addresses on the front of the bulletin.

More information will be forthcoming next week.

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*

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*

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.

PARISH STAFF:

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Bulletin Deadline: Tuesdays at 12 noon