

**AUGUST 9, 2020**  
**NINETEENTH SUNDAY OF THE**  
**YEAR**

**SCRIPTURE REFLECTION THIS WEEK**

In both the readings of this Sunday the theme of listening to God is loud and clear in the text. Most Christians approach God in prayer by bringing to God our petitions and intercessions. There is nothing wrong in asking God for things, either for ourselves or for others in prayer. The danger is when our entire prayer life is reduced to only asking God for things. That is a problem because it reduces the role of God to being only a giver. There is another form of prayer on the other hand, which is actively listening to the voice of God. In the first reading taken from First Kings, it is noticeable that Elijah is trying his hardest to listen to God. Elijah thinks God's voice is in the earthquake and fire, but God voice is heard in the still and silent wind. I think the first reading encourages you and me to take time to be still during our day in order for us to listen to God. Many of us are busy and it is as if our lives are filled with voices that pull us from God and others, voices that are loud as earthquakes and destructive as fires. If we do not take time to listen to God's voice, the other loud voices in our lives will drown out God's still voice. Today, let us listen to God's voice that speaks of us peace to you and me in world filled with voices of chaos.

**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 8/2/2020

In Church	\$3327.00
Cash App	\$ 160.00
Vanco On-Line	\$ 898.52
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$4385.52</b>
Local Charities	\$137.00
Building Fund	\$ 50.00

**CONFIRMATION THANK YOU!**

Congratulations to Brooklyn Jones, Erik Smith, and Prince Uzukwu who were confirmed last week!. We also welcome Miguel Reyes as he has made his

profession of faith in the Catholic Community. A word of gratitude and appreciation go to Melissa McCall and to Br. Akolla who under COVID19 circumstances continued to work with and prepare our candidates. Thanks also to our choir, the parents and families of our newly initiated, and to all who were able to be present last week. May God continue to help us all stay strong in our faith!

**MASS INTENTIONS AND**  
**SCRIPTURES THIS WEEK**

- 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*
- Aug 10 Lawrence, deacon and martyr**  
*2 Cor 9:6-10 Ps 112:1-2, 5-9 Jn 12:24-26*
- Aug 11 Clare, founder and religious**  
*Ez 2:8-3:4 Ps 119:14, 24,72,103,111,131 Mt 18:1-5, 10,12-14*
- Aug 12 Jane Frances de Chantal, religious**  
*Ez 9:1-7,10:18-22 Ps 113:1-6 Mt 18 15-20*
- Aug 13 Pontian and Hippolytus, martyrs**  
*Ez 12:1-12 Ps 78:56-59, 61-62 Mt 18:21-19:1*
- Aug 14 Maximilian Kolbe, martyr**  
*Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 Ps Is12:2-3, 4-6 Mt 19:3-12*
- Aug 15 Assumption of Blessed Mary**  
*Rev 11:19, 12:1-6,10 Ps 45:110-12, 16 1 Cor 15:20-27 Lk 1:39-56*
- Aug 16 Twentieth Sunday of the Year**  
 5:00 pm World Peace  
 8:30 am For the Parish  
 10:30am Wellbeing of Onuorah Family  
*Is 56:1, 6-7 Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8 Rom 11:13-15, 29-32 Mt 15:21-28*
- 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.

**CONGRATULATIONS!**

We rejoice with Sr. Maria Alice Mrema and her community as she has professed her perpetual vows as a Sister of The Congregation of Our Lady of Kilimanjaro. While it was not possible for Sister to return to Tanzania for the profession, Bishop Roger was present to witness her vows this past Wednesday at our parish. Thanks go to Danny, Terrie, Sandra, Corlette for providing music in English and Swahili; to Lynard for streaming the ceremony so that Sister's family could take part back home. May God continue to bless Sr. Alice in her vocation and in her ministry here among us!

**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.

**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](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!

## 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

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 12<sup>th</sup> Bishop of Cleveland beginning September 14. Please keep our new bishop in your prayers as well as our Diocese.

## 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](mailto:brotherbob@saolf.org) or call direct at 216-406-5206. If you cannot continue, please also let Br. Bob know that as well.

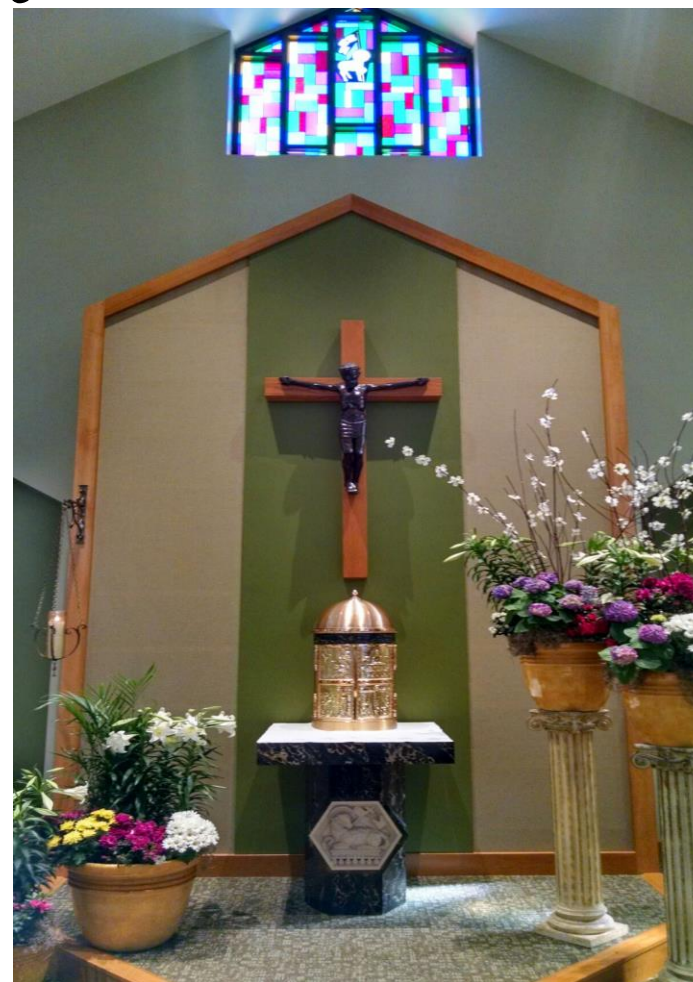
**SWAGG STUDENTS and PARENTS:** We will look to continue SWAGG on line and with possible in person gatherings with distancing in place. Parents please contact Br. Bob as well with the names of your children who would take part in this effort.

**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  
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*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**