

AUGUST 30, 2020
TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY OF
THE YEAR

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION THIS WEEK

The Gospel reading this Sunday has Jesus telling the disciples that being his followers will ultimately lead to dying to self and embracing the cross. Only in this way will one gain eternal life and communion with God. Dying to self and embracing the cross means a person resists conforming his or her life to this world and conforms his or her life to the desires of God taught by Jesus. This attitude of dying to this world brings about pain and suffering in the form of the cross. Some of today's followers of Jesus think that when one follows the Lord, one is automatically free from suffering and pain. This contemporary way of seeing the Christian life is flawed and is not grounded in the message of the Gospel. For followers of Jesus, to be in Christ means being at enmity with this world. The lack of conformity to worldly values by Christians will cause some Christians to suffer due to alienation from family and friends who still might espouse worldly values. May Jesus give us the strength this day to die to the desires of this world and live for God. In this way we can serve the needs and desires of the human family according to God's plan for us all.

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 8/23/2020

In Church	\$1982.00
Cash App	\$ 105.00
Vanco On-Line	\$ 731.67
TOTAL	\$2818.67
Catholic Education	\$ 20.00

CONGRATULATIONS NEOPHYTES!

We celebrate the Baptism, Confirmation, and Reception of Eucharist of Kaiyah and Malejah Jones as they were initiated into the Church last Sunday. We also celebrate with Miguel Reyes and his family

as he made his profession of faith in the Catholic Church. Please pray for and celebrate with them as they may continue to grow closer to the Lord in their lives and this faith community.

MASS INTENTIONS AND
SCRIPTURES THIS WEEK

Aug 30 Twenty Second Sunday of the Year
Jer 20:7-9 Ps 63:2-6, 8-9 Rom 12:1-2
Mt 16:21-27

5:00 pm Dorothea Hite, dec.
 8:30 am Myrna Washington, dec.
 10:30 am For the Parish

Aug 31 Weekday
1 Cor 2:1-5 Ps 119:97-102
Lk 4:16-30

Sep 1 Weekday
1 Cor 2:10-16 Ps 145:8-14
Lk 4:31-37

Sep 2 Weekday
1 Cor 3:1-9 Ps 33:12-15, 20-21
Lk 4:38-44

Sep 3 Gregory the Great, pope
1 Cor 3:18-23 Ps 24:1-6 Lk 5:1-11

Sep 4 Weekday
1 Cor 4:1-5 Ps 37:3-6, 27-28, 39-40
Lk 5:33-39

Sep 5 Weekday
1 Cor 4:6-15 Ps 145:17-21
Lk 6:1-5

Sep 6 Twenty Third Sunday of Year
Ez 33:7-9 Ps 95:1-2, 6-9 Rom 13:8-10
Mt 18:15-20

5:00 pm For the Parish
 8:30 am Leola Wilson, dec.
 10:30 am Ralph Shadd, dec.

Daily Scripture texts are also available at the
Catholic Bishops' website at usccb.org

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.

BUILDING UPDATE

Progress is being made on the demolition of Schubert Hall, but at a snail's pace! The gas company will not relocate the meter and gas line until the week of September 7. Fire alarms and security cannot be disconnected until the last moment for safety for the whole facility. Power has been transferred over, and water has been disconnected from the hall, along with all plumbing re-routed to the street. The basement sewer pump is no more!!!! As for the parish house, the remaining supplies to finish the siding are on order but delayed due to COVID issues with companies and transportation. Please continue to be patient and prayerful as we make slow but steady progress!

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!

+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 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!

PARISH PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

Has finally arrived! Work will be done this week to have directories available to those who had photos

taken, and then additional directories will be made available. Thanks for your patience. How young we all look in the photos!

PLANS FOR FALL BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study will resume after the Labor Day Holiday. We will conduct the study on Wednesday mornings from 10:30 to noon via ZOOM, led by Deacon Hardin Martin and Br. Bob. The log-in information will be in the bulletin next week and on the parish website. Details for materials will also be forthcoming. Thanks for your patience and participation in these most unusual days!

CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL

Our parish has met just over 90% of our pledged goal for 2020. Our goal this year was \$13,801.00, \$12,501.00 of which has been pledged and \$9,616.00 has been paid. Thank you for your continued generosity and support of the work of Catholic Charities in these most trying and difficult of times. Know that your gift comes back to us in the work of the Fatima Family Center in our community.

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.

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.

CYO BASKETBALL

After conversation with the Parish Pastoral Council, it is with a desire for the safety of our youth that our parish will not sponsor basketball teams this year. With the construction of Schubert Hall, the limited use of the Family Center, as well as the need to secure additional volunteers to sanitize and clean surfaces before and after practice, it was seen as best to postpone basketball and other sporting activities until next year. Thank you for your understanding and patience in these most challenging times.

A NEW NAME?

We are looking for a new name for our parish hall once it is completed next year. Do you have an idea? A name? Please email Brother Bob with your ideas and they will among those considered as we look to our new parish center.

GET OUT AND VOTE

Registration forms for voting are available in the Gallery Hallway as you leave church today. Note also that there are request forms for mail -in and absentee ballots available. In these days of turmoil and political divisiveness, it is more critical than ever to get out and vote. If you do not vote, you have little room to critique the outcome of the elections this November. Your vote counts – we all need it!

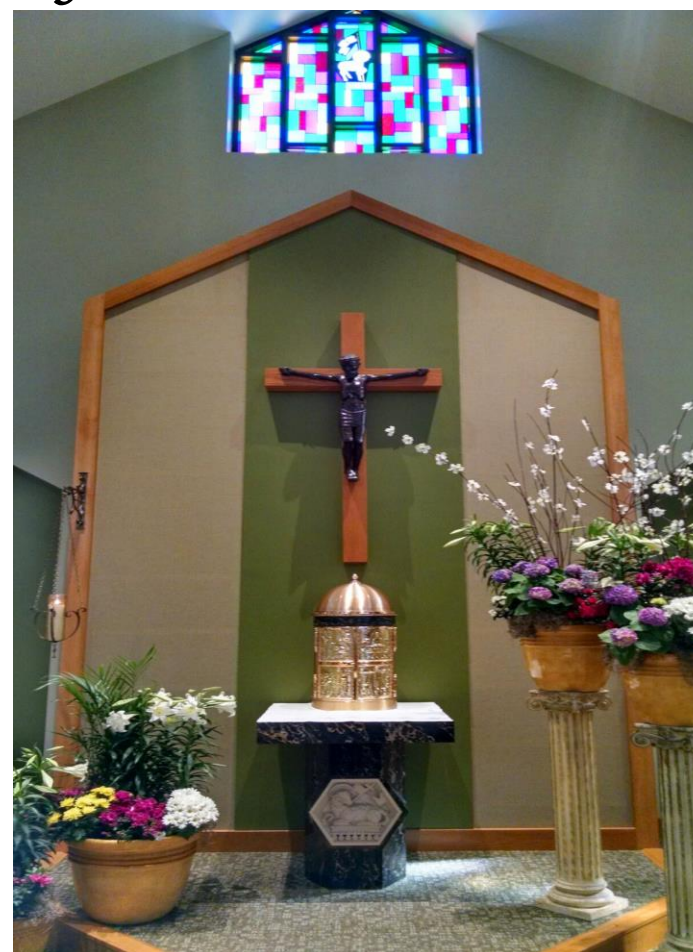
WELCOME ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI!

This week our church received the statue of St. Francis of Assisi that joins the saints that pray with us and for us as members of the Church! This statue was a gift of the Capuchins of St. Augustine Province in Pittsburgh and of the Sisters of St. Francis of Millvale, Pennsylvania. St. Francis, pray for us!

SUNDAY MASS STREAMING

We will continue to stream Sunday Mass at 10:30 am each Sunday. Our challenge is that ATT cannot provide us the service speed upgrade to meet the need for our broadcast. We are looking into new internet providers to address the challenges that have been experienced in the weekly broadcast. Thank you for your patience!

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*

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PARISH INFORMATION

Office: 216-391-1655
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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