

## SEPTEMBER 6, 2020 TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

### SCRIPTURE REFLECTION THIS WEEK

In the Gospel today, Jesus invites his disciples to seek out reconciliation when someone hurts or sins against them. Jesus gives his disciples a road map for reconciliation; if someone sins against you, you need to directly go and reconcile with that person. In our own experience, when people hurt or betray us, we may be quick to judge and write people off. Another thing when hurt by others is that instead of talking to the person that hurts us, we go about telling others how a particular individual has hurt us. One of the reasons why people may tell others about those who hurt them is because people want sympathy and validation for how we feel. Jesus knows the secrets of the human heart and knows how prone we are to anger, self-pity and being judgmental. The Gospel calls us to something greater - it calls us to reconciliation. For us to be reconciled with others, we need to recognize that we have been hurt or that we have hurt others. In order to recognize the hurt, we need humility. Humility is the beginning of reconciliation. May Jesus give us the grace to seek reconciliation today.

### 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 8/30/2020

In Church	\$3423.00
Cash App	\$ 105.00
Vanco On-Line	\$ 687.05
TOTAL	\$4215.05
Local Charities	\$ 2.00
Building Fund	\$ 85.00

### 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

- Sep 6 Twenty Third Sunday of the 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.
- Sep 7 LABOR DAY**  
*1 Cor 5:1-8 Ps 5:5-7, 12 Lk 6:6-11*
- Sep 8 Birth of Mary**  
*Rm 8:28-30 Ps 13:6 Mt 1:1-23*
- Sep 9 St. Peter Claver**  
*1 Cor 7:25-31 Ps 45:11-12, 14-17  
Lk 6:20-26*
- Sep 10 Weekday**  
*1 Cor 8:1-7, 11-13  
Ps 139:1-3, 13-14, 23-24 Lk 6:27-38*
- Sep 11 Weekday**  
*1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-27 Ps 84:3-6, 8, 12  
Lk 6:39-42*
- Sep 12 Holy Name of Mary**  
*1 Cor 10:14-22 Ps 116:12-13, 17-18  
Lk 6:43-49*
- Sep 13 Twenty-Fourth Sunday of the Year**  
*Sir 27:30-28:7 Ps 103:1-4, 9-12  
Rom 14:7-9 Mt 18:21-35*  
5:00 pm David Smith, dec.  
8:30 am For the Parish  
10:30 am Rosalie Cugliari, dec.

*Daily Scripture texts are also available at the Catholic Bishops' website at [usccb.org](http://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 relocate the meter and gas line this week and demolition is set to begin on September 14. 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 as we are already registered as a parish. For more information please contact Br. Bob.

### 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. CASH APP will be available for the indefinite future. 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.

### CAPUCHINS ON THE MOVE!

After serving in our parish family for two years as a deacon and then a priest, it is with sadness we announce that Br. Akolla will be moving to continue his ministry to the people of St. John Church and Holy Redeemer Church in Philadelphia, Pa. Br. Akolla will serve as assistant pastor/parochial vicar at both parishes. We are grateful for the time he has been with us, the gifts he has shared, and wish him all the best as he moves to a new and challenging ministry. With Br. Akolla's new assignment, Br. Bob will conclude his ministry as administrator of St. Paul Shrine and of St. Peter Church downtown and remain as pastor of St. Agnes+Our Lady of Fatima. Br. Phil Bernier (former pastor of Holy Spirit) will take on the

duties of the Shrine and St. Peter's, returning to Cleveland from his work at the Capuchin Novitiate in California. Br. David remains the pastor at Holy Spirit. These assignments take effect on October 1. May we all hold one another in prayer in these days of change and transition. God bless you and thank you, Br. Akolla!

### +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 Mike Conroy Catherine Dominic Terrell Cole Maddy Coughlin Robin Davis Edna Evans Margaret Ferguson Catherine Ford Richard Gayle James Nakima Della Gholson Myron Gholson Toni Griffin-France 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 Evelyn 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!

## **LITURGICAL MINISTRY SIGN UP**

Thanks to all who have volunteered so generously to assist with the ministries at Mass. Please sign up for each Mass in the narthex as you enter church for the next weekend. Again, much thanks to all!

## **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 is below.

1. Download the ZOOM app to your computer or open in your browser.
2. The meeting code is **874 1604 7716**
3. The passcode is **229898**
4. Follow the directions on your screen and Br. Bob or Deacon Hardin will welcome you in.
5. You may also call in for the study at 1-312-626-6799. You may need to use the code and password above.

Materials are being gathered to help your study and reflection that can be used online or by hard copy.

**The first session will be held on Wednesday, September 9.**

## **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 will become the 12<sup>th</sup> Bishop of Cleveland on 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 is requested:

**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.

## **CYO BASKETBALL**

After conversation with the Parish Pastoral Council this past Thursday, 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.

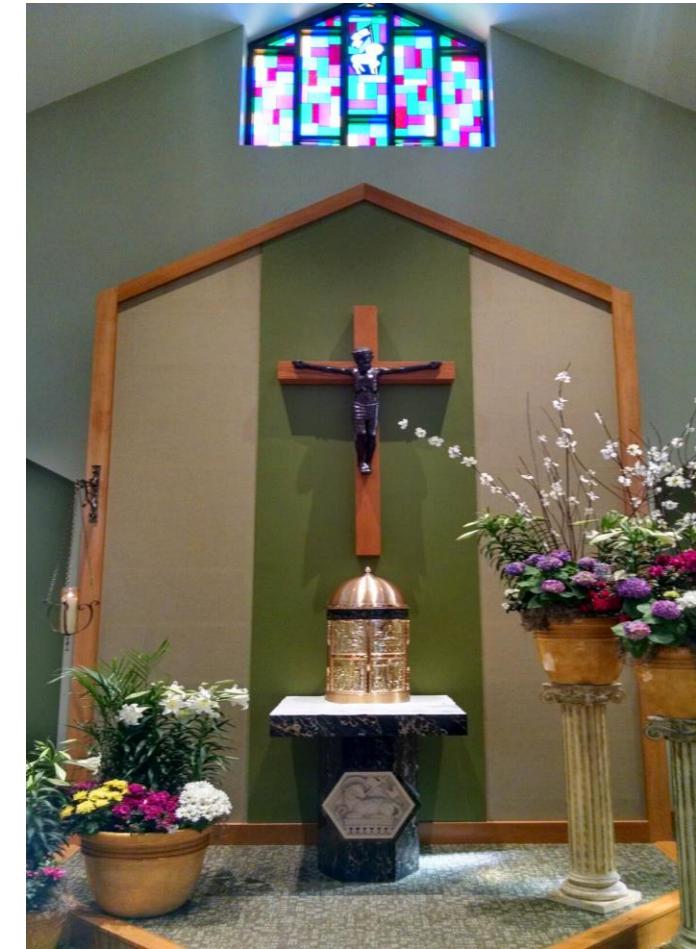
## **A NEW NAME?**

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!

# **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  
216-391-0505

**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
FAX:	216-391-7919
Friary:	216-431-8854
Website:	<a href="http://www.saolf.org">www.saolf.org</a>

### **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**