

**NOVEMBER 29, 2020
FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION THIS WEEK

The first reading on this Sunday of Advent is the basis for the ancient entrance song of the Mass: Let the heavens rain down from above and send forth the Just One. We begin our season of preparation for the Just One of God to enter anew into our hearts and our world. God turns his face to us in the person of Jesus Christ; we must also turn our gaze to God so that we may be saved when Christ comes again in glory. Let this season be one in which we welcome the God of Justice and Mercy to rain down on our world and to reign once again in our hearts.

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 11/22/20

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| In Church | \$1545.00 |
| Cash App | \$ 85.00 |
| Vanco On-Line | \$1502.75 |
| TOTAL | \$3132.75 |
| Campaign for Human Development | \$ 66.00 |
| Local Charities | \$ 30.00 |
| Building Fund | \$ 5.00 |

BUILDING UPDATE

Our new Hall is beginning to take shape as walls rise out of the ground. The underground reservoir is complete to catch rain water runoff and lines for plumbing are being laid in the building, It is the plan to be under roof and ready to pour the floor before January. Pray for continued good weather and safety for our workers.

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. 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. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

MASS INTENTIONS AND SCRIPTURES THIS WEEK

- Nov 29 First Sunday of Advent**
Is 63:16-17, 19, 64:2-7 Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 1Cor 1:3-9 Mk 13:33-37
5:00 pm For the Parish
8:30 am Health Care Workers
10:30am All the Sick
- Nov 30 St. Andrew, apostle and martyr**
Rom 10:9-18 Ps 19:8-11 Mt 4:18-22
- Dec 1 Advent Weekday**
Is 11:1-10 Ps 72:7-8, 12-13, 17 Lk 10:21-24
- Dec 2 Advent Weekday**
Is 25:6-10 Ps 23:1-6 Mt 15:29-37
- Dec 3 St. Francis Xavier, priest**
Is 26:1-6 Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27 Mt 7:21,24-27
- Dec 4 St. John Damascene, priest**
Is 29:17-24 Ps 27:1-4,13-14 Mt 9:27-31
- Dec 5 Advent Weekday**
Is 30:19-21, 23-26 Ps 147:1-6 Mt 9:35-10:1, 5-8
- Dec 6 Second Sunday of Advent**
Is 40:1-5, 9-11 Ps 85:9-14 2Pt 3:8-14 Mk 1:1-8
5:00pm For the Parish
8:30am Mike Conroy, dec.
10:30am Jan Keon Tu, dec.

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

COVID19 UPDATE

Please be vigilant in seeking out the correct information regarding the Covid19 Virus and current precautions for coming to worship on Sundays. We are still observing physical distancing and the wearing of face masks, and hand sanitizer is available. **Please use the sanitizer provided as you enter the church, or feel free to carry your own.** If you are feeling ill or have been in contact with someone who has COVID19 or has been exposed to it, PLEASE STAY AT HOME. Thank you for your sensitivity and care for others. The end is in sight, but not here yet!

ZOOM MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Download the ZOOM app for free!

Monday Evening Sunset Scriptures from 7pm to 8:30pm led by Br. Bob.

Meeting ID: **871 0738 4830**
Password: **708043**
Phone Number: **1-301-715-8592**
Use the code and password above.

Wednesday Morning Bible and Bagels

from 10:30am to noon led by Deacon Hardin Martin.

Meeting ID: **874 1604 7716**
Password: **229898**
Phone Number: **1-312-626-6799**
Use the code and password above.

Wednesday Spiritual Life Commission 12/2

7:00-8:30 pm
Meeting ID: **896 2553 8497**
Password: **858689**
Phone Number: **301 715 8592**

RCIA Faith Formation

7:00-8:30 pm
Meeting ID: **895 9560 9145**
Password: **675045**
Phone Number: **301 715 8592**

PARISH PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

Are in the Sacristy according to name. Please pick yours up today!

+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 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 Evelyne Jones Reaber Jones Craig Kelly Lynne Kelly Michelle Kennedy Janie Kincaid Francesca Lehu Dolores Malby Elizabeth Malby LeVerta Marshall Bill Miller David McClain Chantel McConnell Chaquita McClinton Sharon McDuffie Terri Mohr Verendez Moore 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 Tyrone Grady Rachael Glaster Odessa Marshall Jame Hoyle Judy Guzy Dean Hodges Sr. Latina Thomas Constance Durrh Mary Roberts Donald Leftwich James Jackson Marcia St. John Sabrina Wilson Betty Moore Ophelia Swain Fidela Lozada Evelyn Morson-Eddie Alonzo Givens Juanita Carter Yvonne Williamson 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! For more information please contact Br. Bob.

WHILE WE ARE WAITING...COME!

To celebrate the Season of Advent this year, please find the sets of candles prepared in the Gallery Hallway for use in your homes. Also available are the Word Among Us reflection books for the season as we pray for the Eternal Word to come again among us. A daily prayer calendar is being prepared and will be available on our website and in the bulletin. Let us prepare for the Lord in our lives once again!

BLACK CATHOLIC HISTORY MONTH

Black Catholic History has been made with the appointment of Archbishop Wilton Gregory of Washington D.C. to the College of Cardinals. Cardinal Gregory is the first African American Cardinal named and will receive his title and office

from Pope Francis at ceremonies in Rome. Cardinal Gregory visited Fatima in the early '90's and was part of the Imani Faith Education Series that was pioneered by our parish at that time. It is Cardinal Gregory who publicly spoke out against the Knights of Columbus in welcoming President Trump to the John Paul II museum in Washington after the president forcibly removed protesters from the streets outside the White House. Let us pray for the Cardinal Archbishop in his role and his ministry to the Church in the United States and the world.

LECTOR BOOKS 2021

If you wish to order a lector workbook for 2021, please contact Br. Bob asap as the books have arrived. The missalettes with the Sunday readings are also here and available to take home. Cost for the lector books is 12.00 and the missalette donation is 5.00. Let our lives be guided by the Word of God in 2020.

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

We will celebrate Christmas Masses at St. Agnes+Our Lady of Fatima on December 24 at 4pm and 7pm, and on Christmas Day at 10am. **Seating will be limited to 75 persons at each mass and free tickets will be issued.** Please sign on for the Mass of your choice in the Narthex this weekend. Contact information is needed to receive your ticket which needs be presented on your arrival to church. Thank you for your cooperation and continued commitment to safely gather for worship in these days.

NAME FOR PARISH HALL

Ballots are available in the narthex to vote for a name for our new parish hall. There have been additional suggestions made that will appear on the forms, or another may be written in. Availability will also be made on our website. **You must give your name and a way to be contacted to ensure one vote per person.** Thank you for your input and participation. Names that have been suggested are:

Legacy Hall
Heritage Hall
Founders Hall
Archbishop James Lyke Center
Wilton Cardinal Gregory Center
Harambee Hall
Trinity Hall

The top two winners by majority will appear on a final ballot before the New Year.

HAVING OUR SAY-VOICES HEARD

The Morgan Conservatory has launched a new community project: **Having Our Say-Voices Heard Journals.** Personal Journals have been created for you to share your stories with your family and with the world. Stories may be of your journey through the pandemic, the social unrest of the '60s to today, or your experience of growing up and being part of Cleveland. Collect stories from your family members over the holidays. The journals will be gathered in February and part of an art show and poetry reading at the Morgan Conservatory in 2021. For more information or to pick up your journal contact Tony Williams at 216-534-7136 or tonywilliamsartist@gmail.com.

CHURCH ENVELOPES 2021

Church Offertory envelopes are being prepared for 2021. As many persons have moved to electronic giving, envelopes may no longer be needed by those families or households. If you will NOT use your envelopes this coming year, please notify Br. Bob or Brittany Taylor in the parish office. Thank you for your faithfulness in these challenging days of pandemic as we seek to be faithful to our commitments to family, church, and community.

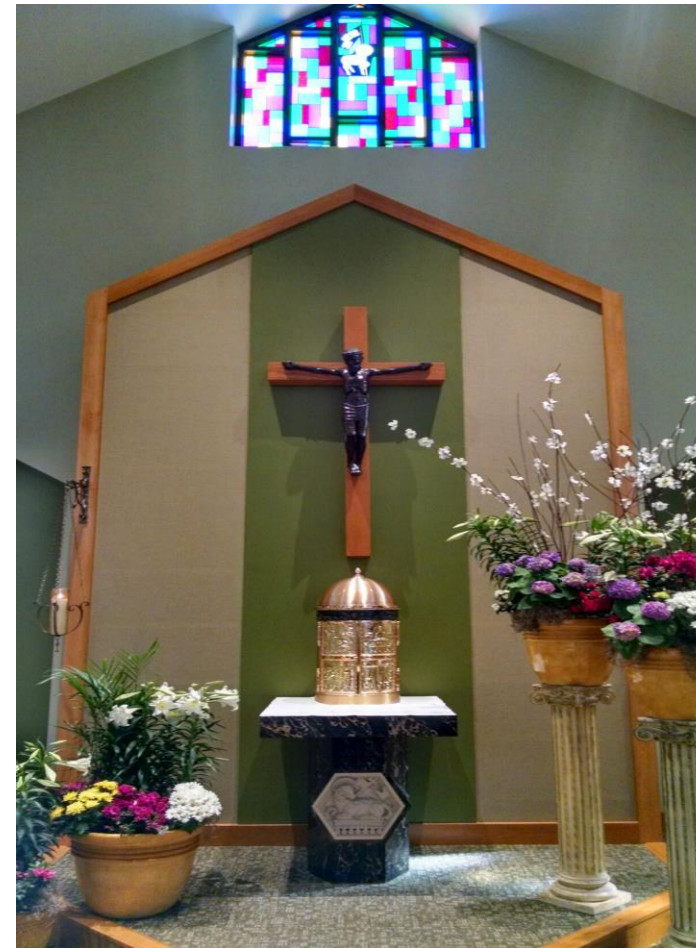
THANK YOU FROM BR. AKOLLA

*Dear Parishioners of SAOLF,
I want to say thank you for all your cards and well-wishes as I moved to Philadelphia. I pray the Lord Jesus bless you all for your generosity. I want to let you know that I miss all of you and that I pray for you regularly. Please feel free to reach out to me with cards, and if any of you finds themselves here in Philadelphia, I will love to meet you. May God bless Fr. Bob, your pastor, and all of you.
Thanks,
Br. Akolla*

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

The Parish Pastoral Council has sent its letter in response to Bishop Malesic's counsel regarding the recent elections and the issues facing our community. We received acknowledgment of that letter from the Bishop who indicated that he would respond to it in the very near future. Please continue to be prayerful as we seek to support the culture of Black Lives Matter, Black Catholic Lives Matter, and the ongoing work to overcome racism in our church and world.

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

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:

Rev. Robert Marva, OFM Cap. Pastor
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Bulletin Deadline: Tuesdays at 12 noon