

DECEMBER 27, 2020
SUNDAY IN CHRISTMAS
FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION THIS WEEK

The Christmas Story continues to unfold as we hear the stories of shepherds and angels, magi and stars, elders and sages. This feast of the Holy Family asks us to consider our own family relationships in these sacred days. No family is the same, and no family is perfect, but all families are called to holiness. Holiness is about our relationship with God and with one another. Not always easy and sometimes painful, our families are the places where we learn love and forgiveness, patience and compassion, goodness and virtue. While divine in his birth, the child Jesus grew in his humanity with the guidance of his family. So too, may we strive to help one another to grow in our humanity in the context of our families, and so too become holy as we enter into a new year of grace.

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!

SUNDAY OFFERING 12/20/20

In Church	\$5410.00
Cash App	\$ 50.00
Vanco On-Line	\$ 286.62
TOTAL	\$5746.62
Local Charities	\$ 75.00
Building Fund	\$ 106.00
Christmas	\$ 141.00

BUILDING UPDATE

The weather has slowed progress a bit, but the steel and ceiling trusses are to arrive and be installed this week. The old entrance to the hall has been filled in and a new sanitary line has been completed to replace aging lines from 1983 – 37 years ago! There are samples in the Gallery Hallway of materials and colors that are being considered that will help to blend together with the existing building and finishes. It is the plan to be under roof and ready to pour the floor as soon as weather and conditions permit. Pray for good weather and safety for our workers.

NEW YEAR 2021

We will not gather this year for Watch Night, nor is a mass scheduled for January 1 holy day, Mary the Mother of God due to the lifting of the obligation to attend Mass during the pandemic. Mass will be celebrated at 12 noon on January 1 at St. Paul Shrine for those wishing to celebrate. Masks and distancing are required.

**MASS INTENTIONS AND
SCRIPTURES THIS WEEK**

- Dec 27 Feast of the Holy Family**
Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 Ps 128:1-5 Col 3:12-21
Lk 2:22-40
 5:00 pm For the Parish
 8:30 am Br. Luis Gonzalez, OFM Cap.
 10:30am For Our Families
- Dec 28 Fourth Day of Christmas**
Holy Innocents
1 Jn 1:5-2:2 Ps 124:2-5, 7-8 Mt 2:13-18
- Dec 29 Fifth Day of Christmas**
St. Thomas Becket
1 Jn 2:3-11 Ps 96:1-3, 5-6 Lk 2:22-35
- Dec 30 Sixth Day of Christmas**
1 Jn 2:12-17, Ps 96:7-10 Lk 2:36-40
- Dec 31 Seventh Day of Christmas**
1 Jn 2:18-21 Ps 96:1-2, 11-13 Jn 1:1-18
- Jan 1 Eighth Day of Christmas**
Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God
Nm 6:22-27 Ps 67:2-3, 5,6,8 Gal 4:4-7
Lk 2:16-21
- Jan 2 Ninth Day of Christmas**
Ss. Basil and Gregory
1 Jn 2:22-28 Ps 98:1-4 Jn 1:19-28
- Jan 3 The Epiphany of the Lord**
Is 60:1-6 Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13
Eph 3:2-3, 5-6 Mt 2:1-12
 5:00 pm For the Parish
 8:30 am Mary Alice Monahan, dec.
 10:30 am Dismas Young OFM Cap. 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!

FORMED:

Go to the website at (<https://watch.formed.org>) to keep current in your faith! For more information please contact Br. Bob.

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: **843 9160 3731**
 Password: **168909**
 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.

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

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 properly credited. Thanks for your help!

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.

+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 Durrah 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 Natalie Webb Carson Wetherwax.

Pray for our service women and men!

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.

NAME FOR PARISH HALL

The ballots for naming the new parish hall are in and have been tallied by the Poor Clare Nuns on our behalf. There were 49 ballots received and the top two names were:

Legacy Hall 14 votes
Archbishop James Lyke Center 10 votes

A new ballot will be prepared to choose between these two names and will be accepted until January 17. Thanks for your input and participation.

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

Many thanks to all who assisted in preparing for the Christmas liturgies in any way – decorators, cleaners, sanitizers, choir and musicians, ministers, and our streaming personnel who made worship possible when the snow tried to do otherwise! Next year an easier time and opportunity to all be together in person to celebrate Christmas and another New Year!

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

The Parish Pastoral Council has received its letter of response from Bishop Malesic regarding the recent

elections and the issues facing our community. Please watch for information that will be shared as soon as it is available. Thank you for your continued prayers for our Bishop and our Church to be vigilant about the issues facing us all in these days of pandemic, division, and transition.

2021 CALENDARS

The 2012 Calendars from the Josephites have arrived and are available in the Gallery Hallway. There are many members who would like calendars and are unable to get to church at this time. Please take only one at this time so that others will have the opportunity to receive one as they are able. Thank you for your attention to our church family and your cooperation.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULES

	Commentator	Lector
December 27		
8:30	Mike Bussey	Veronica Safo
10:30	Heather Thacker	Brian Upton
January 3		
8:30	Sabina Conroy	Keith Durand
10:30	Carla Grant	Dolores Malby

END OF YEAR GIVING

2020 has been a year of challenge on so many levels. If you are wishing to make a gift to our church to include in your 2020 charitable giving, please remember it must be received or postmarked by December 31. Thank you for your sacrifice and generosity as we look forward to a New Year of promise in 2021!

SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS

To the family and friends of Janice Ware Ilerio who passed last week. May Janice and all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.

2021: THE YEAR OF SAINT JOSEPH

Pope Francis has declared 2021 as a special year of prayer and devotion in honor of St. Joseph, husband of Mary and foster father of Jesus. Please watch for more details and how we may celebrate this time in our parish family this year.

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
FAX: 216-391-7919
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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Mr. Hardin Martin, Deacon
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Bulletin Deadline: Tuesdays at 12 noon