

MARCH 6, 2022 FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION THIS WEEK

As we begin the season of Lent, we again encounter Jesus in the desert confronted with the temptations of Satan. We have been here before; we have had to face the devil over and over again not just in Lent but in everyday life. What will be different for us this year? What temptation will we stand firmly against with the help of the Lord? Lent is that time to begin anew as we seek to follow the Lord more closely in our lives. May the strength of Jesus be our strength; may the trust that Jesus has in his Father be our trust in God; may these 40 days of prayer, fasting, and charity bring us all to celebrate the fullness and grace of Easter.

YOUR SACRIFICE THIS WEEK

Thank you for your sacrificial gift for our church. Your response to our offertory commitment has been tremendous! Our goal to meet our budget is \$5,000.00. Thank you for your generosity and faithfulness!

SUNDAY OFFERING 02/27/22

In Church	\$ 2,147.00
Cash App	\$ 191.00
Vanco On-Line	\$ 930.71
TOTAL	\$ 3,268.71
Local Charities	\$ 11.00

NEW COVID19 UPDATE

Continue to wash hands, remain distant, and use masks as appropriate or necessary. While it seems the rate of infection is declining, we need to continue to be vigilant for the safety of all. **VACCINATE** for yourself and those you love!

ELECTRONIC GIVING OPPORTUNITY

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 is also available. Thanks so much for your faithfulness in these times!

SYNODALITY AS A WAY OF BEING CHURCH

Pope Francis is asking for world-wide participation of all members of the church in the process leading up to the Synod of Bishops next year. The topic is *Synodality: Being Church Together*. It is a chance

for us all to give our feedback about our experience of Church – both good and bad. There will be a ZOOM meeting on Wednesday, March 9 and an in person meeting on Saturday, March 12 in the Mother Lange/Father Tolton Room. There is a participation guide that you can download and use for discussions, the content (not the speaker) of which will be recorded and sent to Pope Francis by each Diocese throughout the world. Please consider your participation and invitation to contribute to this historic dialogue in our Church.

Wednesday Evening Zoom Meeting 7pm March 9

Topic: Uncynical Synodality
Meeting ID: 834 2929 4639
Passcode: 171715
Phone # 301 715 8592

BIBLE STUDY IN MARCH

While the weather outside may be frightful, a ZOOM study promises to be delightful! Bible Study will continue on Monday evenings at 7 on ZOOM. See you this Monday March 7. No Study on March 14.

Monday Evening "Sunset Scripture Study" 7pm

Topic: Siblings in the Bible
Meeting ID: 843 9160 3731
Pass Code: 168909
Phone #: 1 301 715 8592

IF NOT AT FIRST, TRY AGAIN!

Yet a new opportunity for learning will be available on the **Third Wednesday of each month at 7pm. (Tuesday morning did not capture our attention!)** We will study some of the Documents of the Second Vatican Council that guide our church still some 50 years later. We will begin our study with the Document on Religious Dialogue and Freedom, also known as *Nostra Aetate*. This can be downloaded as a PDF on your computer to begin your reading and study for this week.

Wednesday Evening "Know Your Faith"

7pm on the Third Wednesday of the Month

Topic: Religious Freedom: *Nostra Aetate*
Meeting ID: 847 4971 5888
Pass Code: 113184
Phone #: 1 301 715 8592

The documents for the Synod Sessions can be found on our website at www.saolf.org.

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES 2022

Opportunities for scholarships for Education for the 2022-23 academic year are now available to those who qualify and wish to apply. Forms for both the

Helen Morris Memorial Scholarship and the Parish Education Assistance Scholarship are available in the parish office or on our website at www.saolf.org. Note that the deadline for completed applications is April 30.

MASS INTENTIONS AND SCRIPTURES THIS WEEK

Mar 6 FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

*Dt 26:4-10 Ps 91:1-2, 10-15 Rom 10:8-13
Lk 4:1-13*

5:00 pm The Parish
8:30 am For World Peace
10:30 am Welfare of Joyce Baker

Mar 7 Lenten Weekday

Lv 19:1-2, 11-18 Ps 19:8-10, 15 Mt 25:31-46

Mar 8 Lenten Weekday

Is 55:10-11 Ps 34:4-7, 16-19 Mt 6:7-15

Mar 9 Lenten Wednesday

*Jon 3:1-10 Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19
Lk 11:29-32*

Mar 10 Lenten Weekday

*Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25 Ps 138:1-3, 7-8
Mt 7:7-12*

Mar 11 Lenten Weekday

Ez 18:21-28 Ps 130:1-8 Mt 5:20-26

Mar 12 Lenten Weekday

*Dt 26:16-19 Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8
Mt 5:43-48*

Mar 13 SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

*Gn 15:5-12, 17-18 Ps 27:1, 7-9, 13-14
Phil 3:17-----4:1 Lk 9:28-36*

5:00 pm The Parish
8:30 am Vivian & Artemus Watts, dec
10:30 am Leatrice Kent, dec.

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

SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS

To the family of Leatrice Kent on her passing this week. Ms. Kent was the last of the pioneering members of the Wisdom Council that was established in the early 1990's in our parish. May Leatrice rest in peace and consolation be given to her family, friends, and loved ones.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR SCHOLARS

Maciaha Irving, Elyse Mickel, and Alec Dabney all made Honor Roll this quarter. Well done!

OFFERTORY GIVING STATEMENTS

Are being prepared for your tax and recording purposes. If you desire a statement of your giving for 2021, please contact Brittany Taylor in the Parish Office by phone or email. Statements will only be prepared and sent to those requesting them so as to save paper and postage. Thank you for your support!

PARISH STAFFING

The Parish Pastoral Council and Br. Bob have begun reflection upon how best to move forward with our parish staffing in the wake of Mr. Perez's untimely passing. The Pastoral Minister job description is being reviewed and will again be posted on our website. Applications will be reviewed by a parish committee and recommendations will be made to Br. Bob. Please keep our parish in your prayers in this time of transition.

CONFIRMATION 2022

Formation for Confirmation 2022 begins today at 12:30. If you have not yet spoken to Brother Bob about celebrating the Sacrament this year, please plan to show up for class on that day. Confirmation is currently set for June 5 Pentecost Sunday at 10:30 Mass.

LENT IS HERE!

We are asked to fast and abstain, to consider our works of charity, and to recommit ourselves to prayer. **FASTING** means no eating between meals and eating only one main meal for the day. We are called to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. **ABSTINENCE** means not eating meat. We are asked to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and all the Fridays of Lent.

CHARITY invites us to consider how we might best assist those around us in need. A collection will be taken for the Rice Bowl during Lent (no small cardboard boxes this year), as well as the Holy Thursday offering for the poor, and the Good Friday collection to assist the work in the Holy Land.

PRAYER calls us to tend to the Scriptures more intently at Mass and in our personal lives, as well as to spend more time in QUIET before the Lord. God still speaks, we need to make time to listen.

Consider how this Lent will be a time to prepare for intensely and intentionally for the great feast of Easter, this year celebrated on April 17.

FISH FRY| APRIL 8

If you missed our Fish Fry this past Friday, you have another chance on April 8 to enjoy this seasonal favorite. Details are posted on the flyers around the church and with a few to share with friends on the table in the narthex. Thanks for your support as we get up and running once again!

PRAY FOR THE SICK+

We pray for all those affected by the Corona Virus, and for our servicewomen and men.

Ogechi Achunine Georgia Atkinson Kalima Assami Joyce Baker Bessie Bolles Gabriel Blair Joyce Blanton-Smith Anna Broadhead Thella Brooks Christine Byrd William Byrd Marcella Caffie Kathy Clayton Terrell Cole Maddy Coughlin Robin Davis Edna Evans Richard Gayle James Nakima Myron Gholson Yvonne Griffin 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 Janie Kincaid Francesca Lehu Dolores Malby Elizabeth Malby LaVerta Marshall Hardin and Rosary Martin Bill Miller David McClain Chantel McConnell Karen McWilliams Chaquita McClinton Sharon McDuffie Terri Mohr Verendez Moore 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 James Keifer Kathy Heard Eboni Edwards Monique Johnson Margie Jones Barbara Marshall Brown Naomi Matthews Fay Grady Tyrone Grady Rachael Glaster Jame Hoyle Judy Guzy 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 Gail Xavier Jaqueline Zeigler Darlene Harris

ST. ADALBERT/OLBS 100th ANNIVERSARY

It was in 1922 that Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament was established as a parish to serve the needs of a growing Black Catholic Community in Cleveland. In 1961, OLBS merged with St. Adalbert Church to continue that legacy that remains to this

day. A Centenary Celebration will be held on Sunday, April 22 at the parish. More information will follow. Please consider how we as a parish family might celebrate this milestone with our brothers and sisters in faith.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULES

	5:00pm	8:30 am	10:30 am
March 6			
Commentator	Sandra Chapman	Betty Smith	Lorraine McMillan
Lector	Sienna Mangum	Dell Robinson	Rita Shinhearl
Server	Kaitlynn Mangum	Sharla Durand	Eric Smedley Jr. Gavin Smedley
Usher		Theresa Hughley Lazarus Oranugo	Donzell Andrew Jr. Michelle Booker Billy Cardwell Crystal Willis
March 13			
Commentator		Ellen Connally	Terrence Marsh
Lector		Mike Bussey	Carla Grant-Smith
Server		Uzuchukku Oranugo	Donzell Andrew Jr. Jordan Ivery
Usher		Karen Larry Thomas Stover	Robin Allen Billy Cardwell Antoinette Smith Linda Weatherspoon
March 20			
Commentator		Carol Grant	Carla Grant-Smith
Lector		Tyler Hughley	Ariane Kirkpatrick-Couch
Server		Uzuchukku Oranugo	Divine Onuorah Melvin Onuorah
Usher		Lonnie Smith Lazarus Oranugo	Michelle Booker Jeremiah Robinson Elinor Williamson Crystal Willis
March 27			
Commentator		Sabina Conroy	Lorraine McMillian
Lector		Sandra Gay-Chapman	Erika Jones-Smith
Server		Sharla Durand	Gavin Smedley Eric Smedley Jr.
Usher		Theresa Hughley Thomas Stover	Yvette Andre Yvonne Griffin Toni Griffin-France Sheila Griffin-McCoy

Schedules may also be viewed at www.saolf.org

WELCOME SISTER ZENAS!

After two years of Covid lockdown, embassy delays and visa paperwork, finally Sister Zenais, a member of the Sisters of Our Lady of Kilimanjaro will finally join Sister Maria Alice at the Parish House Convent. We are grateful to God for Sister's safe arrival this week and pray that the community life of the Sisters might grow for their good and that of our whole community. Please continue to keep the Sisters and all who await visas in your prayers in these challenging times.

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 Br. Bob or Deacon Martin. 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 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

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