

**SEPTEMBER 25, 2022
TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION THIS WEEK

In this week's Gospel, Jesus teaches us about **sins of omission**. The Church teaches that sins of omission occur when we knowingly fail to do what we are obligated and capable of doing. The Corporal Works of Mercy are a perfect guide: *Feed the hungry, Give drink to the thirsty, Clothe the naked, Visit the imprisoned, Shelter the homeless, Visit the sick, Bury the dead.* In addition, we have the **Five Precepts of the Church**, such as the Sunday obligation to attend Mass, Confess mortal sins. We can also consider the neglect in our relationship with God. Do you sometimes ignore your prayer life, or turn your eyes from the Church's teachings on social justice, marriage, or the dignity of the human person? Or perhaps someone might waste money and resources on unessential things while his or her family members go hungry. If we consider Jesus' teaching in the Parable of the Judgment of Nations (Matthew 25:31-46), we see how He reveals our duty to serve him in our neighbor. He reveals the consequences of action or inaction. *"He will answer them, 'Amen, I say to you, what you did not do for one of these least ones, you did not do for me.' And these will go off to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life."*(Matt 25:45-46) A Christian moral life is not just about avoiding evil. It also includes fulfilling our baptismal call to love the Lord and our neighbor. The rich man's sin was the sin of omission through inaction. He did nothing to help Lazarus who laid at his door. St. James tells us in Scripture, "So for one who knows the right thing to do and does not do it, it is a sin."(James 4:17). Let us be attentive to love Jesus by recognizing His presence in our neighbor and serving Him in them.

R.C.I.A. FOR ADULTS AND CHILDREN

Are you someone or do you know someone who....

- ❖ *Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?*
- ❖ *Has a child over the age of seven who has not been baptized?*
- ❖ *Is thirsting for God?*

We offer an opportunity to come together to learn more about our faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and preparing individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist during the Easter season. **To get started**, please contact Fr. James at 216-391-1655 ext#11.

YOUR SACRIFICE LAST 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 \$5,400.00. **Thank you for your generosity and faithfulness!**

SUNDAY OFFERING 09/18/22

In Church	\$4185.61
Cash App	\$561.00
Vanco On-Line	\$973.22
Building Fund	\$115.00
Local Charities	\$20.00
Hall Rental	\$1570.00
Candles	\$6.00
Catholic Communication Campaign	\$10.00
Total	\$7440.83

LEGACY HALL UPDATES

Legacy Hall continues to get great use by both our members and the larger community. All Saturdays in October are booked for use, and the **Famicos Foundation** will be using the Hall from September 28th -30th. The installation of the stained-glass windows has been delayed, but will continue this week. The Hall is still available through the weekdays for Funeral Repasts on a first come first served basis with approval from the pastor.

WELCOME TO OUR DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION!

Please welcome, **Mr. Cary Dabney**, our new Director of Religious Education. Cary currently works as a Professor of Theology for Walsh University. Cary's past experience includes serving as the director of the Diocese of Cleveland Office of Ministry to African-American Catholics, director of faith formation and evangelization in a parish in Pennsylvania, and as master catechist for the Diocese of Pittsburgh just to name a few of his accomplishments. We pray the Lord will bless us as Cary uses his gifts to help us spread the Gospel throughout our parish community and beyond.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION 2022-23 (SWAGG)

Religious education and faith formation for our youth is postponed until Sunday, October 2nd. *Registration Forms are available at the Church entrance.*

A mandatory meeting for all SWAGG teachers will be held this Tuesday at 6:30PM in-person. If you absolutely cannot meet in-person, online streaming will be provided. Please call Fr. James at the parish.

**MASS INTENTIONS AND
SCRIPTURES THIS WEEK**

**Sept 25 TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**

*Am 6:1, 4-7 Ps 146:7-10 1 Tm 6:11-16
Lk 16:19-31*

5:00pm For the Poor Clare Sisters

8:30am For Michael Conroy, dec.

10:30am For the Homeless

Sept 26 Seasonal Weekday

Jb 1:6-22 Ps 17:1-3, 6-7 Lk 9:46-50

Sept 27 St. Vincent de Paul

Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23 Ps 88:2-8 Lk 9:51-56

Sept 28 Seasonal Weekday

Jb 9:1-12, 14-16 Ps 88:10-15 Lk 9:57-62

Sept 29 Sts. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 Ps 138:1-5 Jn 1:47-51

Sept 30 St. Jerome

*Jb 3:1, 12-21; 40:3-5 Ps 139:1-3, 7-10, 13-14
Lk 10:13-16*

Oct 1 St. Therese of the Child Jesus

*Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17 Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91,
125, 130 Lk 10:17-24*

Cleveland Catholic Women's Conference

The fourth Annual Cleveland Catholic Women's Conference is hosting a Day of Reflection on Saturday, **October 15, 2022**, the feast day of St. Teresa of Avila. Location: **St Albert the Great Parish in North Royalton** with about 400 women in attendance from parishes across the diocese.

This year's theme "**God Alone Suffices**" is a timeless reminder from one of St. Teresa's best-known prayers. For more information and to register go to:

<https://www.cleatholicwomen.org/>



**Society of
St. Vincent de Paul** | **DONATIONS**
Diocese of Cleveland

Blanket Sunday Drive

The **36th Annual Blanket Sunday** campaign kicks off the weekend of **October 8-9, 2022**. Last year, funds from the appeal were used to purchase 4,500+ winter blankets that were provided to the homeless and 126 beds/mattresses for low-income individuals and families throughout Northeast Ohio. The need is great and donations can be made securely online: <https://donate.svdpcle.org/blanket-sunday-donations/> Checks may also be mailed to: St. Vincent de Paul Society Blanket Sunday, 1404 East 9th Street-3rd Floor, Cleveland, OH 44114. Note: **Envelopes are also available in the Church vestibule**



BLESSING OF PETS

In remembrance of St. Francis, the patron of ecology and peace, pets will be blessed in the

front of the church **Saturday, October 1st (outside) at 10AM**. If weather is bad, all will gather in the narthex of the church. Bring your pets big and small (preferably on a leash!) to receive a blessing from the Lord in the spirit of St. Francis.

PRAY FOR THE SICK+

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, 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, Chaquita McClinton, Sharon McDuffie, Terri Mohr, Verendez Moore, Lounette Payne, Erma Pollard, Nisha Presley, Sue Scott, Regina Shanklin, Jerry Shelton, Kevin Sipp, Deborah Smedley, John Strozier, Barbara Sudberry, Danita Thomas, 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, Lasonia Sims, Bertha McClain, Nina Simmons, Bertha McClain Alexander, Loraine Taylor

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULES

5:00pm 8:30 am 10:30am

25-Sep		
Comm	Pam Pendleton	Harold Butler
Lector	Veronica Safo	Debbie James
Server	Uzuchukku Oranugo	Gavin Smedley Eric Smedley Jr.
Usher	Theresa Hughley Karen Larry	Robin Allen Billy Cardwell Antoinette Smith Linda Weatherspoon
2-Oct		
Comm	Mike Bussey	Chi Chi Onuorah
Lector	Rhonda Cross Mangham	Tiana Banks
Server	Sharla Durand	Donzell Andrew, Jr. Syam Hughes
Usher	Karen Larry Lonnie Smith	Michelle Booker Jeremiah Robinson Elinor Williamson Crystal Willis

NEW COVID-19 UPDATE

Those who wish are welcome to continue using masks as desired. Please do continue to wash hands, use sanitizer as needed, and be mindful of the safety and health of all. Thank you for your consideration.



Liturgical Ministers

If you are a liturgical minister (Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist, Lector, etc.) and would like to resume your ministry please contact:

Carla Grant: 216-200-1525 or cgbible40@gmail.com so she can review your status and get you back active.

Thank you for serving the Lord with your ministerial gifts!

ARE YOU REGISTERED TO VOTE?

Voter registration forms may be found in the church narthex, online or by request from the Board of Elections.

Voting Day: November 8, 2022

Registration deadline: October 11 2022

Registration required in case of change of status or address.

After your registration is confirmed, you may vote in person or use a Vote-by-Mail/ Absentee ballot.

A Vote-by-Mail absentee ballot must be requested first.

Either online (<https://boe.cuyahogacounty.gov/voters/vote-by-mail>) or at the Board of Elections. When your request is approved, you will receive an official ballot in the mail. Get young people engaged. **Let's Rock the Vote!**

2022 FIRST STEP PROGRAM: CONTINUING EDUCATION REGARDING MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Attempting to pick up the pieces of one's life after the tragedy of divorce is an area that can impact a person's relationship with God and the Church. One of the significant issues a person faces is their place in the Church. *Does the Church still care about me even though I am divorced? Am I allowed to go to Mass? Can I receive communion? How can the Church help me heal? If I decide to marry again, what do I have to do?* The Tribunal of the Diocese of Cleveland offers its First Step Program to help individuals deal with these questions in order to renew and/or strengthen their relationship with God and the Church. This program is offered to help everyone, especially those who have experienced divorce, learn more about Catholic teaching regarding marriage, divorce, and remarriage. Representatives from the Ministry to the Divorced Office of the Department for Marriage and Family Ministry will also be present to explain the resources they offer to the divorced.

Everyone is welcome:

- Deepen their knowledge of the Church's teaching on marriage...
- Learn about the Church's ministry to the divorced/separated in the Diocese...
- Hear about the annulment process and how to submit a case...
- Discover a path to healing after divorce in order to strengthen and/or renew a relationship with God and the Church

The First Step Program will be held on:

- Tuesday, September 27, 2022, at St. Ambrose Parish, Brunswick, at 7:00 pm

Note that the Diocese of Cleveland no longer requires any fees for this process.

For more information check our website:

www.dioceseofcleveland.org/tribunal

Or call the Tribunal: 216-696-6525/800-869-6525, ext. 4000

CATHOLIC COMMUNICATIONS CAMPAIGN

Today we take up the collection for the **Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC)**. Your support helps CCC engage and build Catholic communities in the United States and around the world using the internet, television, radio, and print media. Half the funds we collect remain here in the Diocese of Cleveland to support local efforts. Be a part of this campaign to spread the Gospel message. Support the collection today! To learn more, visit www.usccb.org/cc

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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.*



PARISH INFORMATION

Address: 6800 Lexington Avenue
Cleveland, Ohio 44103

Office: 216-391-1655
FAX: 216-391-7919
Website: www.saolf.org

Mass Schedule:

Saturday(Sunday Vigil): 5:00PM
Sunday: 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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