

**AUGUST 21, 2022
TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION THIS WEEK

In today's Gospel, Jesus addresses what the Catholic Church terms the sin of presumption. In the Catechism of the Catholic Church, we read that "There are two kinds of presumption. Either man presumes upon his own capacities, (hoping to be able to save himself without help from on high), or he presumes upon God's almighty power or his mercy (hoping to obtain his forgiveness without conversion and glory without merit). (CCC 2092)

First, this teaching rejects the false teaching that a person can achieve salvation merely through works without God's grace. Jesus tells His Disciples, "*Remain in me, as I remain in you. Just as a branch cannot bear fruit on its own unless it remains on the vine, so neither can you unless you remain in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing.*" (John 15:4-5, NAB) **Secondly**, this teaching on the sin of presumption also refutes the teaching that one can achieve salvation through Grace alone. In the Master's rejection of the evildoers in today's Gospel, our Lord teaches that they did nothing to prove their faith and love for Him, the Master. They ate and drank with Him, but what was missing? Fruitful works and an intimate relationship with Jesus. They did nothing to bear fruit for the Kingdom of God and they had no intimate relationship with Him, which is why Jesus says they will hear the harsh judgment, "I do not know where you are from. Depart from me..." Jesus wants to have a close relationship with us like friends do. Also, when we are close to Him in prayer and sacrifice, we become like Him. He fills us with His Divine Grace and He sends us out to continue His work revealed in our corporal and spiritual works of mercy bearing fruit for the Kingdom of God.

SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

Every other Thursday starting June 16th -September 22nd from 5:30pm- 7pm @ the Fatima Family Center. Live performances by Roots of American Music. Bring your lawn chairs & enjoy this family friendly event. Food will be provided by the Good Luck Truck. Reservations are required for food by calling the Fatima Center in advance @ 216-391-0505.

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 \$5,400.00. Thank you for your generosity and faithfulness!

SUNDAY OFFERING 08/14/22

In Church	\$3087.00
Cash App	\$594.00
Vanco On-Line	\$601.04
Building Fund	\$145.00
Local Charities	\$57.00
Catholic Education	\$3.00
Peter's Pence	\$10.00
Donations	\$5.50
Hall Rental	\$300.00
Total	\$4802.54

LEGACY HALL UPDATES

We are happy to report that Legacy Hall is getting great use by both our members and the larger community. The City of Cleveland has given their approval of the signage in front of the church and the digital sign on the corner of Lexington and E. 70th. It is hoped that these can be installed very soon. Work on the picnic area is also progressing, but our picnic tables have been delayed. Thank you for your patience and prayers.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL RETREAT

Please mark your calendars for the Parish Council Day of Retreat on Saturday, August 27 from 9am to 3pm. More information will follow regarding nominations to Council for representation at large, as well as the various Chairpersons of each Council Commission. Let's look ahead to planning the direction and activity of our parish for 2023!

GREYHOUND CDL BUS DRIVING POSITIONS

Greyhound Bus Lines are actively looking for individuals that may be interested in driving for Greyhound. They are looking for full time drivers with a current CDL class A or B license and passenger endorsement. If you or anyone may be interested in the position they can apply online at <https://careers.greyhound.com/jobs/vacancy/cdl-bus-driver---cleveland-oh-32708/32952/description/>.

**MASS INTENTIONS AND
SCRIPTURES THIS WEEK**

**Aug 21 TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**

*Is 66:18-21 Ps 117:1-2
Heb 12:5-7, 11-13 Lk 13:22-30*
5:00 pm For the Parish
8:30 am Irwing Dominic, dec.
10:30 am Mary Kay Boland, dec.

Aug 22 The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12 Ps 96:1-5 Mt 23:13-22

Aug 23 Seasonal Weekday
2 Thes 2:1-3, 14-17 Ps 96:10-13 Mt 23:23-26

Aug 24 St. Bartholomew
Rv 21:9-14 Ps 145:10-13, 17-18 Jn 1:45-51

Aug 25 Seasonal Weekday
1 Cor 1:1-9 Ps 145:2-7 Mt 24:42-51

Aug 26 Seasonal Weekday
*1 Cor 1:17-25 Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11
Mt 25:1-13*

Aug 27 St. Monica
1 Cor 1:26-31 Ps 33:12-13, 18-21 Mt 25:14-30

**Aug 28 TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**
*Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29 Ps 68:4-7, 10-11
Heb 12:18-19, 22-24 Lk 14:1, 7-14*
5:00 pm For the Parish
8:30 am For our Benefactors
10:30 am Charles & Phylis Brown

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

RE-ENGAGE AND RE-CONNECT

The Covid Pandemic has radically changed our lives in our work and families, as well as in our worship and faith family here at St. Agnes+Our Lady of Fatima. Many have taken a safety-break from activities, meetings, and groups; others have been working extra hard to fill in gaps and keep our parish moving forward. Under the direction and leadership of Br. James and Br. David, all will be asked to review and renew their commitment to the life of OUR Church. Opportunities to be involved in worship and spiritual life, social justice, finance, youth and young adult activities, media, education, and outreach abound and offer all a chance to re-engage. We have already made a commitment in our tithes and financial responsibilities, and all are asked to remain faithful in those areas. But your gifts, talents, and presence are needed as we move forward

to the next level. Pray, consider, and be open to what the Holy Spirit may be asking you to consider. The world and the church have changed over these last two years. Let's commit to being the change that we want to see, and that we need to be to continue to grow into the future according to God's plan for us all.

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

August 21

Comm	Keith Durand	Anna Smith
Lector	Mike Bussey	Carla Grant-Smith
Server	Sharla Durand	Divine Onuorah Syah Hughes
Usher	Lazuras Oranugo Lonnie Smith	Donzell Andrew Jr. Michelle Booker Billy Cardwell Crystal Willis

August 28

Comm	Betty Smith	Brian Upton
Lector	Carol Grant	Lorraine McMillan
Server	Uzuchukku Oranugo	Jeremiah Robinson Gavin Smedley
Usher	Karen Larry Thomas Stover	Robin Allen Billy Cardwell Antoinette Smith Linda Weatherspoon

September 4

Comm	Sabina Conroy	Josie Kramer
Lector	Doreatha Stover	Jeanette Austin
Server	Sharla Durand	Donzell Andrew Jr. Eric Smedley Jr.
Usher	Theresa Hughley Lonnie Smith	Michelle Booker Jeremiah Robinson Elinor Williamson Crystal Willis

September 11

Comm	Ellen Connally	Terrence Marsh
Lector	Uzuamaka Oranugo	Angel Lozada
Server	Uzuchukku Oranugo	Syahn Hughes Melvin Onuorah
Usher	Lazuras Oranugo Theresa Hughley	Yvette Andre Yvonne Griffin Toni Griffin-France Shelia Griffin-McCoy

NEW COVID19 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.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION 2022-23 (SWAGG)

It is hard to believe that it is time to look to beginning a new year of religious education and faith formation for our youth. Families are asked to sign up in the Narthex of the Church with the names, grades, and parent contact information of our youth so that preparations can begin for faith formation this fall. There will be a gathering of parents and guardians of our youth with the new pastor soon. For more information, you may contact Br. James directly in the parish office at 216-391-1655.

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 to:

- 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, 27 September 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

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
FAX: 216-391-7919
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 Fr. James, Fr David 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 Fr. James, Fr. David 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

Fatima Family Center: 6600 Lexington Ave.

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216-391-0505

Electronic Giving Opportunity:

Go to www.saolf.org and click on "Make a Gift."