

## April 2, 2023 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

### SCRIPTURE REFLECTION THIS WEEK

The Gospel we hear on Palm Sunday every year covers the events of Jesus' life that are core to our faith. The verses from Matthew's Gospel are often broken up into the form of a narrative reenactment with different parts spoken by the presiding priest, deacon, lector, and the faithful in attendance in the pews. This adds theater to the most dramatic moment of Jesus' life on earth as He is betrayed and denied by his own brother disciples, put on trial for crimes He did not commit, and then sentenced to the death penalty in the most terrifying way known at the time, crucifixion. The rejection, passion, and death which Jesus willingly entered into and then overcame with His resurrection are what His mission was all about. As much as He trembled in the Garden of Gethsemane, knowing the pain and suffering He would face the next day, He chose to do the will of His Father in Heaven. Jesus and the Father are united in their will to bring us into union with themselves all the way to the Cross! This is the eternal reality that our faith and hope are centered on and originate from! Let's take this to heart as we enter into this Holy Week and meditate on the passion and death Jesus endured out of His tremendous mercy and love for each and every one of us! – Fr. Dave Domanski

### MASS INTENTIONS AND SCRIPTURES THIS WEEK

**Sun, April 2– Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord**  
Is 50:4-7 Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24 Phil 2:6-11 Mt 26:14-24:66  
8:30am – Amy Theriot, dec.  
10:30am – Bishop Fernand Joseph Cheri III, OFM, dec.

**Mon, April 3 – Seasonal Weekday**  
Is 42:1-7 Ps 27:1-3, 13-14 Jn 12:1-11

**Tue, April 4 – Seasonal Weekday**  
Is 49:1-6 Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17 Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

**Wed, April 5 – Seasonal Weekday**  
Is 50:4-9 Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34 Mt 26:14-25

**Thu, April 6 – Holy Thursday**  
Is 61:1-3, 6, 8-9 Ps 89:21-22, 25, 27 Rv 1:5-8 Lk 4:16-21

**Fri, April 7 – The Passion of the Lord**  
Is 52:13----53:12 Ps 31:2, 6, 12-17, 25 Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9  
Jn 18:1---19:42

**Sat, April 8 – Holy Saturday**  
Gn 1:1—2:2 Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12-14, 24, 35 Gn 22:1-18  
Ps 16:5, 8-11 Ex 14:15—15:1 Bar 3:9-15, 32—4:4  
Ps 19:8-11 Rom 6:3-11 Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23  
Mt 28:1-10

**Sun, April 9- Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord**  
Acts 10:34, 37-43 Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 Col 3:1-4  
Jn 20:1-9 Mt 28:1-10

### Guardians of Hope Easter Ham Jam

Today, Sunday April 2<sup>nd</sup>, the Guardians of Hope will hold

the **3rd Annual Fatima/Hough/Collinwood Easter Jam**. They will set up approximately 12:15 pm after the 10:30AM Mass. They will be giving away hams, canned foods, clothing, sox, shoes, boots, coats, hats, gloves, blankets, etc. Please inform those in our community who are in need.

### SEASON of LENT and EASTER VIGIL SCHEDULE Holy Triduum

- **Holy Thursday**, 7PM [Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will follow in the Church Hall until 11:00PM]
- **Good Friday**,
  - **Stations of the Cross**: 5PM
  - **Simple Lenten Meal**: 5:30PM  
(*Grilled Cheese, Tomato Soup, Salad*) We are requesting donations for this meal. Please contact Carla Grant 216-200-1525 or [cgbible40@gmail.com](mailto:cgbible40@gmail.com)
  - **Good Friday Liturgy**: 7PM
- **Easter Vigil** – 8:45PM

### MINISTRIES FOR HOLY WEEK

Please sign up if you are able to assist in the ministries of the Holy Week liturgies. Please call Carla Grant at 216-200-1525 or email [cgbible40@gmail.com](mailto:cgbible40@gmail.com). You can also contact Fr. James directly during the week. We need *Commentators, Lectors, Greeters, Ushers, and Servers*.

#### **Practice for Holy Thursday and Good Friday:**

Wednesday, April 5<sup>th</sup>: 9:00AM (subject to change)

#### **Practice for the Easter Vigil:** Saturday, April 8<sup>th</sup>: 9:00AM

Please plan to attend and thank you for your generosity!

**We also need 12 volunteers for the Washing of Feet on Holy Thursday.** Please contact the office to add your name to the list.

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

#### **SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION 2022-23**

Please sign your child/teen up for First Communion, Confirmation. Faith formation for our youth takes place on Sundays immediately following the **8:30am** Mass from **9:45am–11:00am**. To register your child, pick up a form at the church entrance or call **Mr. Cary Dabney** at 216-391-1655.

#### **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 about the Catholic faith. To get started visit: <https://www.saolf.org/rite-of-christian-initiation-of-adults> or contact our Director of Religious Education, **Mr. Cary Dabney**.

### THE SACRAMENTS A DEEP LOOK INTO THE SACRAMENTS OF THE CHURCH

### "DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME..."

What does it mean to be a  
Sacramental Church?

Presented by **Mr. Cary Dabney**, Professor of Theology  
and our Director of Religious Education.

**Wednesday Evenings at 6:30PM**

Next Topic 4/5/23: **The Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist**

*The celebration of the Sacraments are essential to  
parish life. But why? Why are there 7 sacraments?*

*What are the effects of the sacraments?*

Please join us as we dive into the seven sacraments of the Church. We will uncover the history of the sacraments, the biblical foundations of each sacrament, and the importance of the sacraments to our salvation and living out the Gospel. **Registration is required. To register, please go to the following link: <https://bit.ly/3m0lrEJ> or come in person.**

### **SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES 2023**

Opportunities Education Scholarships or assistance during the 2022-23 academic year will be 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 at <https://www.saolf.org/scholarships>. Note that the deadline for completed applications is April 30<sup>th</sup>.

### **OFFERTORY GIVING STATEMENTS**

are available for your tax and recording purposes. If you desire a statement of your giving for 2022, please contact Brittany Taylor in the Parish Office by phone or email. Statements will only be prepared and sent to those requesting them in order to save paper and postage. Thank you for your support!

### **Women's Tea:**

*"Women in Christ, Standing in God's Promises"*

**Guest Speaker: Rosalyn Atkinson**

MAY 20, 2023 2:00 PM - 4:30 PM

**St. Agnes/Our Lady of Fatima Parish**

**LEGACY HALL**

6800 LEXINGTON AVE.

CLEVELAND, OH 44103

**Tickets: \$25**

Flyers available in the Church entrances

**For more Info:**

Please contact Annette Cardwell: (216) 659-1488

### **National Black Catholic Congress XIII**

#### **Write the Vision: A Prophetic Call to Thrive**

The National Black Catholic Congress (NBCC) convenes a national congress every five years. Join with other Black Catholics and those who minister to Black Catholics in the

United States for a celebration of our faith and culture. The next congress will be held July 20-23, 2023 at the Gaylord National in National Harbor, Maryland. **DELEGATES FROM OUR PARISH HAVE ALREADY BEEN CHOSEN.** To register or for more information, call Fr. James at the Parish office.



### **THE SCRIPTURAL ROSARY**

The Rosary Group will be leading a Scriptural Rosary in the Church every Sunday after the 8:30AM Mass. Please Join in as we Pray for our Parish, our Community and the World. Rosaries and Prayer Guides will be provided.

### **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 OFFERINGS 03-26-2023

|                       |                   |
|-----------------------|-------------------|
| In Church             | \$3685.00         |
| Cash App              | \$80.00           |
| Vanco On-Line         | \$839.93          |
| Charity of the Parish | \$20.00           |
| Building Fund         | \$15.00           |
| Catholic Relief       | \$5.00            |
| Donations             | \$2.50            |
| Candles               | \$6.00            |
| <b>Total</b>          | <b>\$4,653.43</b> |

### **St Agnes-Our Lady of Fatima**

#### **UPDATED FISH FRY ANNOUNCEMENT**

We would like to thank everyone who participated in our first fish fry and for your donations. This year's Fish Fry events were very successful, and a final report will be posted in next week's bulletin.

### **African Presence in Scripture**

**April 26-28, 6:30-8:30 pm**

**Jesuit Retreat Center**

**Fr. Charles Smith, SVD**, of the Bowman-Francis Ministry in Indianapolis will present this mini-Scripture course. All are welcome. To register, contact **Martha Hamilton**, [mhamilton@dioceseofcleveland.org](mailto:mhamilton@dioceseofcleveland.org) or call 216-696-6525 ext. 4530.

### **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, JoAnn Hinson, Althea Hite, Ursula Hite, Patricia Heard, Estelle Hodges, Kyllan Hughes, Valada Hutchinson, Maxine Jackson, Andrea Johnson, Joseph Jones, Brianna Jones, Reaber Jones, Craig Kelly, Janie Kincaid, Francesca Lehu, Dolores Malby, Elizabeth Malby, LaVerta Marshall, 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 Durrach, Mary Roberts, Donald Leftwich, James Jackson, Marcia St. John, Sabrina Wilson, Betty Moore, Ophelia Swain, Fidela Lozada, Evelyn Morson-Eaddie, Alonzo Givens, 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, Nina Simmons, Bertha McClain Alexander, Loraine Taylor. **FAMILIES:** The Lane Family, The Poteat Family

**EASTER FLOWER MEMORIALS**

Are being accepted in memory of loved ones as we prepare for the feast of Easter. Please use the envelopes provided and turn in through the collection or the parish office. Last day to include memorials is Monday, April 3rd.

**OPEN GYM IS OPEN!**

St. Agnes Our Lady of Fatima Parish's OPEN GYM program opened up for the first time this past Thursday. Please welcome our new coach, **Mr. Anthony Adams**, who will working with our youth as we plan to form CYO teams for next season.



**Days:** Tuesdays and Thursdays; **Time:** 5:00PM to 7PM  
**Registration is currently open now to all 6<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> grade Youth and Teens in our parish and participants at Fatima Family Center.** For more info and to register, contact Fr. James at the parish or Mr. Dell Robinson at (216)470-0398



**GOLF LESSONS FOR STUDENTS(ages 12-18)**  
 This 12-week course is open to youth, male and female ages 12-18. Only 12 students will be accepted. Come learn the sport of golf and many other life skills to help make you successful.

Classes begin Wednesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>. **Only 12 students will be accepted.** Call Fr. James right away to sign up today!

**CONGRATULATIONS SCHOLARS!**  
 Congratulations to our students who have achieved honors for the last grading period; Bless you and all you do!  
**Trinity High School:**  
**Brooklyn Jones, Merit Roll & Elyse Mikel, First Honors**

| LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULES |                             |                           |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|
|                               | 8:30 AM                     | 10:30 AM                  |
| <b>2-April</b>                | <b>Palm Sunday</b>          |                           |
| <b>Comm</b>                   | <b>Betty Smith</b>          | <b>Carla Grant</b>        |
| <b>Lector</b>                 | <b>Sabina Conroy</b>        | <b>Lorraine McMillian</b> |
| <b>Server</b>                 | <b>Sharla Durand</b>        | <b>Jeremiah Robinson</b>  |
|                               |                             | <b>Eric Smedley Jr.</b>   |
| <b>Usher</b>                  | <b>Lazuras Oranugo</b>      | <b>Donzell Andrew Jr.</b> |
|                               | <b>Thomas Stover</b>        | <b>Michelle Booker</b>    |
|                               |                             | <b>Elinor Williamson</b>  |
|                               |                             | <b>Billy Cardwell</b>     |
| <b>9-April</b>                | <b>Easter Sunday</b>        |                           |
| <b>Comm</b>                   | <b>Rhonda Cross Mangham</b> | <b>Josie Kramer</b>       |
| <b>Lector</b>                 | <b>Jeremy Mangum</b>        | <b>Betty Washington</b>   |
| <b>Server</b>                 | <b>Uzuchukku Oranugo</b>    | <b>Divine Onuorah</b>     |
|                               |                             | <b>Donzell Andrew Jr</b>  |
| <b>Usher</b>                  | <b>Lazuras Oranugo</b>      | <b>Billy Cardwell</b>     |
|                               | <b>Lonnie Smith</b>         | <b>Antoinette Smith</b>   |
|                               |                             | <b>Linda Weatherspoon</b> |
|                               |                             | <b>Erik Smith</b>         |

**WELCOME SISTER REINFRIDA!**

We give glory and praise to God for her safe arrival of **Sister Reinfrida Kitale**, a member of the Sisters of Our Lady of Kilimanjaro(CDNK). Sister Reinfrida joins Sister Mary Alice and Sister Zenais in the parish convent which they have decided to name **St. Francis of Assisi Convent**. We pray for Sister Reinfrida as she prepares to begin ministerial work here in the Diocese of Cleveland. We also pray that the community life of the Sisters may continue to bear good fruit for their personal holiness and for the whole community.

**FATIMA FAMILY CENTER SPRING ACTIVITIES**  
 Be sure to Pick up a brochure at all church entrances from the Fatima Family Center listing all the programs available this Spring Season.

*St. Agnes+Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church*

*A Ministry of the Capuchin Franciscan Friars*  
 Visit the Capuchins at [www.capuchin.com](http://www.capuchin.com)



**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](http://www.saolf.org)  
**Office Hours:** Mon-Thurs: 9AM-12:30, 1:00PM-3:30PM  
 Fridays: Closed

**Mass Schedule:**

Sunday: 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.  
 Weekday: As Scheduled  
 Holyday: 7:00 p.m.

**PARISH STAFF:**

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**Fatima Family Center:** 6600 Lexington Ave.  
 LaJean Ray, Director  
 216-391-0505

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

Saturdays: 4:00 pm or anytime by appointment.

**Sacrament of Baptism for Infants:**

Arrangements made in advance with a priest or deacon. Godparents must be practicing Catholics.

**Sacrament of Marriage:**

Preparations begin with a priest or deacon BEFORE setting a date and six months prior to intended date. Contact the parish to schedule an appointment.

**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.

**Bulletin Deadline: Tuesdays at 12 noon**

**Electronic Giving Opportunities:**

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 For **CashApp** users: send to **\$saolf**