

**April 9, 2023**  
**Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord**

**SCRIPTURE REFLECTION THIS WEEK**

Just a few days ago on Good Friday, all that Jesus did and said seemed to have ended in failure. Jesus was dead and buried, and His friends were hiding in fear and doubt. But today, we rejoice because what seemed like complete failure was actually a victory. Our Lord has conquered sin and death through His obedience, even to death. (Philippians 2:8). The greatest miracle of all has been performed, the Resurrection of our Lord and Savior. Jesus' Resurrection proved that He was not just another healer, preacher, miracle worker, prophet. He was truly the Son of God who has fulfilled the promise of a Messiah proclaimed by all the prophets as we heard in the Acts of the Apostles today: *"To him all the prophets bear witness, that everyone who believes in him will receive forgiveness of sins through his name."* (Acts 10:43) These words also reveal that Jesus Christ desires to fulfill his promise for us who believe in Him. What was that promise? That we will share in His victory over sin and death by rising with Him also, as He told his disciples in John 12: 26, *"Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there also will my servant be. The Father will honor whoever serves me."* (John 12: 26). Therefore, we should have no fear to follow Him by serving Him, embracing our crosses and dying with Him. If we do so, our faith assures us that we will rise with Him. May this Easter Season dispel all our fears and anxieties, knowing that we have a Savior who is true to His word, and will give us a share in His Risen Life if we but trust and believe. With Easter joy, let us thank God for letting us share in this glorious victory.

**MASS INTENTIONS AND SCRIPTURES THIS WEEK**

**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  
 8:30am – Healing for Children who have suffered abuse.  
 10:30am –Sidney Andrist, dec.

**Mon, April 10 – Monday within the Octave of Easter**  
 Acts 2:14, 22-33 Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11 Mt 28:8-15

**Tue, April 11 –Tuesday within the Octave of Easter**  
 Acts 2:36-41 Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22 Jn 20:11-18

**Wed, April 12 – Wednesday within the Octave of Easter**  
 Acts 3:1-10 Ps 105:1-4, 6-9 Lk 24:13-35

**Thu, April 13 – Thursday within the Octave of Easter**  
 Acts 3:11-26 Ps 8:2, 5-9 Lk 24:35-48

**Fri, April 14 – Friday within the Octave of Easter**  
 Acts 4:1-12 Ps 118:12, 4, 22-27 Jn 21:1-14

**Sat, April 15 – Saturday within the Octave of Easter**  
 Acts 4:13-21 Ps 118:1, 14-15, 16-21 Mk 16:9-15

**Sun, April 16- Second Sunday of Easter**  
 Acts 2:42-47 Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 1 Pt 1:3-9 Jn 20:19-31

**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 4/12/23: **The Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist Part 2**

*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.**

**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.

**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 Available after Mass: \$25**  
 Flyers available in the Church entrances  
**For more Info:**  
 Please contact Annette Cardwell: (216) 659-1488

**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 04-02-2023

In Church	\$4393.00
Good Friday Collection	\$24.00
Easter Collection	\$530.00
Local Charities	\$217.00
Good Friday Donation(Lenten Meal)	\$100.00
Cash App	\$127.00
Vanco On-Line	\$1284.21
Building Fund	\$5.00
Catholic Relief	\$13.00
Easter Devotional Flowers	\$304.00
Candles	\$3.00
Women's Tea Event	\$150.00
Hall Rental	\$300.00
Fish Fry(Including CashApp)	\$1802.43
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$9,252.64</b>

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULES		
	8:30 AM	10:30 AM
<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>
<b>16-April 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter</b>		
<b>Comm</b>	<b>Sabina Conroy</b>	<b>Carol Grant</b>
<b>Lector</b>	<b>Stacy Mangum</b>	<b>Patricia Spychaj</b>
<b>Server</b>	<b>Jeremy Mangum</b>	<b>Syan Hughes</b>
		<b>Melvin Onuorah</b>
<b>Usher</b>	<b>Theresa Hughley</b>	<b>Michelle Booker</b>
	<b>Thomas Stover</b>	<b>Jeremiah Robinson</b>
		<b>Elinor Williamson</b>
		<b>Lena Austin</b>

**AFRICAN PRESENCE IN SCRIPTURE**

**APRIL 26-28, 2023**  
**6:30-8:00PM**  
**JESUIT RETREAT CENTER**

This seminar provides a comprehensive overview, awareness, and understanding of the biblical historical perspectives that authenticate African Presence in Scripture.

Instructor: Fr. Charles Smith  
 Member of the Society of the Divine Word  
 Co-Director of the Bowman Francis Ministry of Indianapolis

**Register by April 21**  
[dioceseofcleveland.org/events](http://dioceseofcleveland.org/events)

**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.

## 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 Durrah, Mary Roberts, Donald Leftwich, James Jackson, Marcia St. John, Sabrina Wilson, Betty Moore, Ophelia Swain, Fidela Lozada, Evelyn Morson-Eddie, 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



## 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!

## 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 be 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

## April is Child Abuse Prevention Month.

While the global trauma of the pandemic continues to impact all of us, we can be a part of the solution to provide safe, healthy, and happy environments for our kids. Child abuse comes in many forms. Most people identify child abuse as physically hitting a child. Neglect is also a form of abuse. Failing to provide a child with proper nutrition, housing and supervision can cause irreparable harm. Expectations that a child be an active participant in the care of home and family, or even age-appropriate jobs is a part of healthy development. But excessive demands can cross into a form of servitude that is beyond the societal norms. Child pornography is a form of sexual abuse, with real victims in every image. The viewing of these images is an offence against human dignity. Want to get involved?

Visit Prevent Child Abuse America:

[www.preventchildabuse.org](http://www.preventchildabuse.org)

Chapters throughout the nation provide services to families and resources for the community.

## Marriage & Family Ministry

**Marriage Enrichment Date Night, Lorain County**  
**Date and Time: Saturday, May 20, 5:30-7:30pm |**

**Location: Our Lady Queen of Peace, Grafton**  
Topics covered will include "The Five Love Languages" and Couple Prayer. The Five Love Languages is a great tool to use not only with your spouse, but also your family. Mass starts at 4:30 PM. Dinner will immediately follow in the Parish Center. **Presenter:** Terri Yohman, Director of Marriage and Family Ministry. Register at <http://dioceseofcleveland.org/MFMevents>

## 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:

Rev. James Watson, OFM Cap. Pastor

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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:

Go to [www.saolf.org](http://www.saolf.org) and click on "Make a Gift." For CashApp users: send to \$saolf

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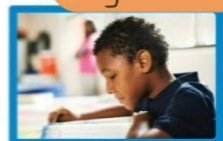
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