

April 16, 2023
Third Sunday of Easter
Divine Mercy Sunday

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION THIS WEEK
'JESUS, I TRUST IN YOU.'

These are the words Jesus gave to St. Faustina Kowalska when He visited her in 1931. He asked that these words be placed under an image of His Mercy with two large rays coming forth from His chest. He also asked that this day, the first Sunday after Easter, be called the Feast of Mercy. St Faustina was given this grace in her life to remind the world that the Mercy of Jesus is wider than the universe! When the disciples were afraid in the upper room, thinking of their own weakness and inability, Jesus came to them and strengthened them with His peace and His Holy Spirit to empower them to live the mission He called them to. Let's bring to Him any of our own doubts, weaknesses, fears. Then, as we receive His Merciful love and tell Him in prayer, 'Jesus, I trust in you,' we will be equipped with all we need to live the Gospel mission He is calling each one of us to today! – Fr. David Domanski

MASS INTENTIONS AND SCRIPTURES THIS WEEK

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
 8:30am – For the Needs of the Poor Clare Nuns
 10:30am – For the Needs of our Parish
Mon, April 17 – Easter Weekday
 Acts 4:23-31 Ps 2:1-9 Jn 3:1-8
Tue, April 18 – Easter Weekday
 Acts 4:32-37 Ps 93:1-2, 5 Jn 3:7-15
Wed, April 19 –Easter Weekday
 Acts 5:17-26 Ps 34:2-9 Jn 16-21
Thu, April 20 – Easter Weekday
 Acts 5:27-33 Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20 Jn 3:31-36
Fri, April 21 – Easter Weekday
 Acts 5:34-42 Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 Jn 6:1-15
Sat, April 22- Easter Weekday
 Acts 6:1-7 Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19 Jn 6:16-21
Sun, April 23- Third Sunday of Easter
 Acts 2:14, 22-33 Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11 1 Pt 1:17-21 Lk 24:13-35

Sunday Van Driver

We are looking for a Parish Van Drivers. The Parish Van drivers provide transportation to church members for 10:30am Mass on Sunday morning. Must possess valid driver's license, be at least 21 years of age with clean driving record and willing to undergo Safe-Environment training. If interested, please contact: Fr. James Watson: jwatson@saolf.org



**Van
 Ministry**

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

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 Matrimony**

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 30th



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.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULES

	8:30 AM	10:30 AM
16-April	2nd Sunday of Easter(Divine Mercy Sunday)	
Comm	Sabina Conroy	Carol Grant
Lector	Stacy Mangum	Patricia Sychaj
Server	Jeremy Mangum	Syan Hughes
		Melvin Onuorah
Usher	Theresa Hughley	Michelle Booker
	Thomas Stover	Jeremiah Robinson
		Elinor Williamson
		Lena Austin
23-April	3rd Sunday of Easter	
Comm	Betty Smith	Brian Upton
Lector	Sandra Gay Chapman	Jarred Wilhite
Server	Uzuchukku Oranugo	Gavin Smedley
		Eric Smedley Jr.
Usher	Jeremy Mangum	Yvette Andre
	Karen Larry	Yvonne Griffin
		Sheila Griffin-McCoy
		Erik Smith

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.

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 04-16-2023:

To Be Reported Next Week

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

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

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>

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

IGNITE

Young Adult Conference

Saturday, April 29, 2023

Downtown Cleveland Marriott

Ignite is a single day conference meant to draw young adults from Cleveland and all neighboring Dioceses. The purpose of the conference is meant to instill young adult Catholics with the knowledge of their worth and dignity in the eyes of Jesus, surround themselves with a community of other passionate young adults that they can grow with, and equip them to be sent on mission to serve and evangelize. All in an effort to Ignite the nation on fire by creating young adult saints of our time.

Doors open at 8am, Conference begins at 9am,

Mass at the Cathedral with Bishop Malesic at 4:30pm.,

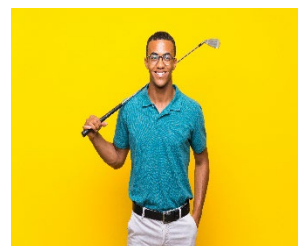
Cost is \$55/person. For more information & to register:

<https://www.ignitecatholic.com/>

St Agnes-Our Lady of Fatima

UPDATED FISH FRY ANNOUNCEMENT

Thanks again to everyone who participated in our Fish Fry events this year. Through your efforts, our parish family earned a net profit of **\$2362.00**, outdoing last year's results by almost \$700. **Praise God from whom all blessings flow!**



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 3rd. **Only 12 students will be accepted.** Call Fr. James right away to sign up today or register at:

<https://www.osvhub.com/st-agnes-our-lady-of-fatima-church/forms/youth-golf-registration>



St. Agnes Our Lady of Fatima Parish's OPEN GYM

Days: Tuesdays and Thursdays;

Time: 5:00PM to 7PM

Registration is currently open now to all 6th to 12th 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

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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

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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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

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