

April 30, 2023
Fourth Sunday of Easter

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION THIS WEEK

In today's Psalm we proclaim, "the Lord is my Shepherd, there is nothing I shall want." As we sing or recite those words, we like the Psalmist are claiming an intimate relationship with the Lord in which we proclaim the Lord to be not only our protector and guide, but the One through whom we have everything we need. St. Peter in the second reading tells us that Christ truly is our Shepherd, yet if we claim to be His sheep, we must be willing to follow Him by imitating Him through virtuous living. He tells us that "When he was insulted, he returned no insult; when he suffered, he did not threaten." The sheep are called to imitate Jesus who gave Himself willingly as a sacrifice to the Father out of loving obedience and complete trust for our salvation. Obedience and trust in the Father's Will is expected from the sheep. What is the Father's Will? Love Him by loving obedience to His Son, Jesus, and sacrificial charity for our neighbor.

MASS INTENTIONS AND SCRIPTURES THIS WEEK

Sun, April 30- Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:14, 36-41 Ps 23:1-6 1 Pt 2:20-25 Jn 10:1-10
 8:30am – For Priests, Deacons, Religious Men and Women and Seminarians
 10:30am – Fr. Robert McCreary, OFM Cap., dec.

Mon, May 1 – Easter Weekday

Acts 11:1-18 Ps 42:2-3; 43:3-4 Jn 10:11-18

Tue, May 2 – Saint Athanasius

Acts 11:19-26 Ps 87:1-7 Jn 10:22-30

Wed, May 3-Saints Philip & James

1 Cor 15:1-8 Ps 19:2-5 Jn 14:6-14

Thu, May 4 – Easter Weekday

Acts 13:13-25 Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25, 27

Fri, May 5 – Easter Weekday

Acts 13:26-33 Ps 2:6-11 Jn 14:1-6

Sat, May 6- Easter Weekday

Acts 13:44-52 Ps 98:1-4 Jn 14:7-14

Sun, May 7- Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 6:1-7 Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19 1 Pt 2:4-9 Jn 14:1-12

**2023 Permanent Deacon
 Jubilarians Celebration**

Congratulations to Deacon Hardin Martin who will celebrate 20 years of ordination to the Diaconate on Tuesday, May 9th with many other deacon jubilarians.

Bishop Edward Malesic will be the main celebrant of the Mass which will be held at **St. Basil the Great Parish , 8700 Brecksville Rd, Brecksville, Ohio at 7PM.** A reception will follow in the St. Basil's Family Life Center. **ALL ARE INVITED!**

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**.

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>

LEGACY HALL MANAGER Needed

Position: Part-time Manager of Legacy Hall at Saint Agnes-Our Lady of Fatima Church
Description: To manage the use of Legacy Hall for rental by parishioners and general rentals.
Requirements include: Must be 21 years of age or older, responsible, personable, and able to deal with people in a positive but firm manner; be trained in VIRTUS. For more information including salary, please go to: <https://www.saolf.org/job-opportunities/>

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 5/3/23: **The Sacraments of Healing, Reconciliation and Anointing of the Sick**

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.**



ROSARY DURING MAY

May is the month of devotion to Mary, the Mother of God. This is the perfect time to participate in the Scriptural Rosary each Sunday during the Month. The Rosary Group leads 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.

Men's Group

The Men's Group will gather next **Sunday, May 7th, after the 10:30am Mass** As Christian men growing in the Spirit of Christ, the Men's Group is open to all men of the parish 18 years of age and older. Moving forward, sustained by the wisdom of our elders, we come together in faith to be of service and to build up all members of our church family. The Men's Group sponsors events for the life of the parish and the growth of the men's ministry, participates in various church committees and ministries in support of the overall life and vitality of our parish.

WISDOM COUNCIL MEETING

Wisdom Council members please note that there will be a meeting today in the Parish Hall after the 10:30AM Mass.

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS:

There will be a Pastoral Council Meeting on **Thursday, May 4th at 6:30PM**
 We invite members to bring their favorite dish for a Potluck Dinner as we fellowship united in Christ..

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULES

	8:30 AM	10:30 AM
30-April	4th Sunday of Easter	
Comm	Pam Pendleton	Anna Smith
Lector	Veronica Safo	Tiana Banks
Server	Sharla Durand	Jeremiah Robinson
		Divine Onuorah
Usher	Thomas Stover	Donzell Andrew Jr.
	Karen Larry	Michelle Booker
		Billy Cardwell
		Lena Austin
7-May	5th Sunday of Easter	
Comm	Rhonda Cross	Carla Grant
	Mangham	
Lector	Ellen Connally	Ariane Kirkpatrick-Couch
Server	Uzuchukku Oranugo	Melvin Onuorah
		Eric Smedley Jr.
Usher	Lonnie Smith	Billy Cardwell
	Lazuras Oranugo	Antoinette Smith
		Linda Weatherspoon
		Erik Smith

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 04-23-2023:

In Church	\$2764.00
Building Fund	\$46.00
Sacraments Class	\$405.00
Donations	\$15.00
Cash App	\$167.00
Vanco On-Line	\$886.00
Hall Rental	\$1300.00
Total	\$5,583.00

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, Adriene Hall, JoAnn Hinson, Althea Hite, Ursula Hite, Patricia Heard, Estelle Hodges, Kyllan Hughes, Valada Hutchinson, 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

SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS

Please keep in your prayers the soul of **Maxine Jackson and her family**. Mrs. Jackson lovingly cared for her husband, her family, her community and she also served as faithful member of the Church. She shared a special bond with our Franciscan friars and the Poor Clares Nuns because Maxine was as professed member of the **Secular Order of St. Francis**. May Maxine rest in peace and consolation be given to her family, friends, and loved ones. A Funeral Mass will be held at the Parish on Thursday, May 4th at 10AM with final viewing beginning at 9:30AM. Other details regarding services can be found at <https://www.dignitymemorial.com/obituaries/cleveland-oh/maxine-jackson-11263264>



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 this 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>

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.

Mon-Fri 9am-5pm
4 Week Financial Literacy Camp
 Your Child Will Learn:
 How to balance a budget
 How to get, build, and fix credit
 How to start a business
 Branding and Marketing strategies for 2023

Want to know more?

Call 330-333-5322

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

Mass Online: Many people have been asking about viewing the Mass online. Thank you for your concern for our homebound parishioners. I am sorry for the delay in getting it back up and running. Please be aware that we are also preparing to improve our videography and sound equipment. **Just a reminder:** This service is for those who for serious reasons cannot attend Mass in-person(ex. sickness, hospitalization, homebound and some work related situations such as medical personnel just to name a few). Attending Mass in person when you are fully capable is a serious obligation based on the Commandment of the Lord to Keep Holy the Sabbath Day and Church teaching. Missing Mass for no legitimate reason has always been and still is a Mortal Sin requiring a person to confess this sin in the Sacrament of Reconciliation before receiving Holy Communion.

St. Agnes+Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church

A Ministry of the Capuchin Franciscan Friars
 Visit the Capuchins at 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
 Email: parish@saolf.org
 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:

Rev. James Watson, OFM Cap. Pastor
jwatson@saolf.org
 Rev. Mr. Hardin Martin, Deacon
deaconmartin@saolf.org
 Miss Brittany Taylor, Parish Secretary
btaylor@saolf.org
 Mr. Cary Dabney, Director of Religious Education
cabney@saolf.org
 Mr. Danny McElroy, Director of Music Ministry
dannymac63@roadrunner.com
 Mr. Reginald Daniels, Custodian

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 and click on "Make a Gift." For **CashApp** users: send to **\$saolf**