

**May 7, 2023  
Fifth Sunday of Easter**

**SCRIPTURE REFLECTION THIS WEEK**

In today's Gospel, Jesus begins His first of three Farewell discourses to His Apostles with words of encouragement, "Do not let your hearts be troubled. You have faith in God; have faith also in me." He knows that soon He will be taken away from them to be executed on a cross. They will soon be commissioned to continue His work of spreading the Gospel throughout the world. In their mission, Jesus knows they will be witnesses to the world that He is the "Way, the Truth and the Life" as they will also eventually carry their own crosses in service of the Gospel. We see in the first reading an example of one challenge the Apostles encountered as the Church continued to grow through their missionary work. Greek speaking converts were now growing in number accepting Jesus as their Lord. We see how the Apostles filled with the Holy Spirit and matured in faith are fulfilling the prophetic words of Jesus who told them that "whoever believes in me will do the works that I do and will do greater ones than these." All baptized members of the Church who believe Jesus to be the Way, and the Truth and the Life share the apostolic call to proclaim the Gospel to all the world and to carry their own crosses inherent with that work. May Jesus' words of encouragement fill all Christian hearts with the divine peace and a maturity in faith to fearlessly proclaim the Gospel to the world by word and example.

**MASS INTENTIONS AND SCRIPTURES THIS WEEK**

**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  
8:30am – For Pregnant Mothers  
10:30am – For Married Couples Unable To Have Children  
**Mon, May 8 – Easter Weekday**  
Acts 14:5-18 Ps 115:1-4, 15-16 Jn 14:21-26  
**Tue, May 9 – Easter Weekday**  
Acts 14:19-28 Ps 145:10-13, 21 Jn 14:27-31  
**Wed, May 10- Easter Weekday**  
Acts 15:1-6 Ps 122:1-5 Jn 15:1-8  
**Thu, May 11 – Easter Weekday**  
Acts 15:7-21 Ps 96:1-3, 10 Jn 15:9-11  
**Fri, May 12– Easter Weekday**  
Acts 15:22-31 Ps 57: 8-10, 12 Jn 15:12-17  
**Sat, May 13- Easter Weekday**  
Acts 16:1-10 Ps 100:1-3, 5 Jn 15:18-21  
**Sun, May 14- Sixth Sunday of Easter**  
Acts 8:5-8, 14-17 Ps 66:1-7, 16, 20 1 Pt 3:15-18 Jn 14:15-21



**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.

**2023 Permanent Deacon  
Jubilarians Celebration**

**Congratulations to Deacon Hardin Martin** who will celebrate 20 years of ordination to the Diaconate on Tuesday, May 9<sup>th</sup> 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  
**A Few Tickets Still 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.**

**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](mailto:jwatson@saolf.org)



**Van  
Ministry**

**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 5/17/23: **The Sacrament of Holy Orders**

*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.**

**Men's Group**

The Men's Group will gather **today 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.

**LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULES**

	8:30 AM	10:30 AM
<b>7-May</b>	<b>5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</b>	
<b>Comm</b>	<b>Rhonda Cross Mangham</b>	<b>Carla Grant</b>
<b>Lector</b>	<b>Ellen Connally</b>	<b>Ariane KirkPatrick-Couch</b>
<b>Server</b>	<b>Uzuchukku Oranugo</b>	<b>Melvin Onuorah Eric Smedley Jr.</b>
<b>Usher</b>	<b>Lonnie Smith Lazuras Oranugo</b>	<b>Billy Cardwell Antoinette Smith Linda Weatherspoon Erik Smith</b>
<b>14-May</b>	<b>6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</b>	
<b>Comm</b>	<b>Keith Durand</b>	<b>Harold Butler</b>
<b>Lector</b>	<b>Mike Bussey</b>	<b>Carla Grant</b>
<b>Server</b>	<b>Jeremy Mangum</b>	<b>Syan Hughes Melvin Onuorah</b>
<b>Usher</b>	<b>Theresa Hughley Thomas Stover</b>	<b>Michelle Booker Jeremiah Robinson Elinor Williamson Lena Austin</b>

**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 04-30-2023:**

In Church	\$3762.00
Catholic Home Missions	\$128.00
Cash App	\$107.00
Vanco On-Line	\$803.64
Oil and Gas Diocesan Stipends	\$1275.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$6,075.64</b>

**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

### **FEAST OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA**

Join us for an Outdoor Rosary Service followed by Mass in the Church  
May 13, 2023 at Noon  
Light Refreshments after Mass



### **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.

Initial Classes are on Wednesdays beginning at 5:30PM in the Parish Hall. **Only 12 students will be accepted.** Call Fr. James right away to sign up today or register at: <https://bit.ly/SAOLF-YouthGolf>



### **St. Agnes + Our Lady Fatima Church**

6800 Lexington Ave, Cleveland, OH 44103

June 19- July 15

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



Ages 12-16

Want to know more?

Call 330-333-5322

### **THE FATIMA FAMILY CENTER SUMMER ENRICHMENT EXPERIENCE**

#### **SUMMER CAMP IS BACK**

Registrations are being taken for the Fatima Family Center Summer Youth Camp. Details can be gathered by calling the Fatima Family Center at 216-391-0505 and speaking to Ms. Shelly Brooks.

### **Black Catholic Ministries**

**Online seminar: Mary's Magnificat and Catholic Social Thought | Thursday, May 11, 2023, 7-8:30 PM EDT | Presenter: Dr. Valerie Lewis-Mosley, RN, Doctor of Ministry**

A theological reflection through the lens of Marian devotion and practices, to address justice and peace, with emphasis on the model of Mother Mary, Our Lady of Perpetual Help. Visit: <http://dioceseofcleveland.org/events> for more information and to register.

### **Young Adult Ministry**

- **Theology on Tap West | Tuesday, May 16, 7:00 pm Forest City Brewery, Cleveland**  
Speaker: Fr. Joe Menkhous  
Topic: "Jesus Heals: The Power of the Holy Spirit"
- **Theology on Tap East | Monday, May 22, 7:00 pm Abo's Grill, Lyndhurst**  
Speaker: Ron Nowak  
Topic: "Near-Death Experiences and Jesus"

### **Spiritual Life and Liturgy Commission:**

**Meeting on Wednesday, May 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30PM**  
**Location:** The Augustine Room: Please enter through the "Hall Entrance" near the front of the Church.

### **Training for Leaders working with Veterans and their Families**

Veterans are a large portion of our population in Northeast Ohio. We are inviting parish staff and servant leaders that are interested in increasing their awareness of military culture to attend free virtual training sessions offered by Star Behavioral Health. Visit their website and register at <https://starproviders.org/providers-tier-training/>  
The first part on "Introduction to Military Culture and Deployment" is being offered in May and June. Contact [Terri Yohman](mailto:Terri.Yohman@dioceseofcleveland.org) at [tyohman@dioceseofcleveland.org](mailto:tyohman@dioceseofcleveland.org) if you would like more information.

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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  
**Email:** [parish@saolf.org](mailto:parish@saolf.org)  
**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  
[jwatson@saolf.org](mailto:jwatson@saolf.org)  
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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](http://www.saolf.org) and click on "Make a Gift." For **CashApp** users: send to **\$saolf**