

**August 6, 2023**  
**The Transfiguration of the Lord**

**SCRIPTURE REFLECTION THIS WEEK**

In today's Gospel, Peter, James and John are revealed as Jesus special inner circle. They are granted a special privilege of receiving a glimpse of his divinity and glory. This experience would be critical in helping them to have faith in Jesus as the promised Messiah revealed in the prophet Daniel's vision, and prophesized by Moses, Elijah. This experience would also be critical in filling them with the fortitude to "...listen to Him." Jesus knew that they would need His help as they prepare to deal with His coming Passion and to help them persevere as His Apostles. The Father voice proclaiming that Jesus is his Beloved Son of God comes also with the proclamation that in Jesus, the Father is **well pleased**. Therefore, if the Father is well pleased with Jesus, those who listen to the Son and live as He lived please the Father also. Peter affirms this when he reflects on that experience stating, "We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven while we were with him on the holy mountain. Moreover, we possess the prophetic message that is altogether reliable." We should not waste time paralyzed by fear to follow Jesus. We can rely on those words from heaven that to live as Jesus commands us to do is pleasing to the Father. Therefore, let us get up out of our comfort zones and our attitudes, listen to Christ, and do as he commands in faith, hope and love. Through the Sacraments beginning with baptism, Jesus has called us into His inner circle and invites us to know Him more intimately. More so, He wants us to have no fear to listen to him by going forth putting into practice what He teaches. In doing so, we will truly please the Father.

**MASS INTENTIONS AND SCRIPTURES THIS WEEK**

**Sun, August 6– The Transfiguration of the Lord**  
 Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9 2 Pt 1:16-19 Mt 17:1-9  
 8:30am – Miquel and Nicole Dagbeto-Reyes  
 10:30am – Intention of the Priest

**Mon, August 7– Seasonal Weekday**  
 Nm 11:4-15 Ps 81:12-17 Mt 14:13-21

**Tue, August 8– St. Dominic**  
 Nm 12:1-13 Ps 51:3-7, 12-13 Mt 14:22-36

**Wed, August 9- Seasonal Weekday**  
 Nm 13:1-2, 25---14:1, 26-29, 34-35 Ps 106:6-7, 13-14, 21-23  
 Mt 15:21-28

**Thu, August 10- St. Lawrence**  
 2 Cor 9:6-10 Ps 112:1-2, 5-9 Jn 12:24-26

**Fri, August 11– St. Clare**  
 Dt 4:32-40 Ps 77:12-16, 21 Mt 16:24-28

**Sat, August 12-Seasonal Weekday**  
 Dt 6:4-13 Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51 Mt 17:14-20

**Sun, August 13- Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 1 Kgs 19:9, 11-13 Ps 85:9-14 Rom 9:1-5 Mt 14:22-33

**New Member Registration:**

If you and your family would like to register to be a member of the St. Agnes Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Parish Family, You can contact the Parish office: (216) 391-1655 or register online at: <https://bit.ly/SAOLF-NewRegistration>



**ROSARY after the 8:30 MASS** 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.

**LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULES**

	8:30 AM	10:30 AM
<b>06-Aug</b>	<b>The Transfiguration of the Lord</b>	
<b>Comm</b>	Sabina Conroy	Angel Lozada
<b>Lector</b>	Mike Bussey	Tiana Banks
<b>Server</b>	Sharla Durand	Melvin Onuorah Syan Hughes
<b>Usher</b>	Lazuras Oranugo	Michelle Booker Jeremiah Robinson
	Thomas Stover	Elinor Williamson Erik Smith
<b>13-Aug</b>	<b>Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	
<b>Comm</b>	Shirley Tucker	Terrence Marsh
<b>Lector</b>	Veronica Safo	Jarred Wilhite
<b>Server</b>	Jeremy Mangum	Divine Onuorah Eric Smedley Jr.
<b>Usher</b>	Karen Larry	Yvette Andre
	Thomas Stover	Yvonne Griffin Sheila Griffin-McCoy Lena Austin

**YOUTH AND ADULT ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED**

Altar Serving is...

- ...A service directed to God above all.
- ...A ministry of assisting the clergy, bishops, priests and deacons in their roles of liturgical leadership.
- ...A ministry of service to the People of God gathered together to worship Him.

If you or your child/teen are interested in this holy ministry, go to <https://www.saolf.org/altar-servers/> or contact the parish office to have a signup form sent to you.  
**TRAINING DAY:** Saturday, August 19<sup>th</sup>, 10am-12PM



**Liturgical Ministers**  
**CONTACT INFORMATION**  
**UPDATE**

If you are a liturgical minister (Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist, Lector, etc.), **please contact to update your contact information: Carla Grant: 216-200-1525 or [cgbible40@gmail.com](mailto:cgbible40@gmail.com).** Thank you for serving the Lord with your ministerial gifts!

**Sunday Van Driver**

We are looking for a Parish Van Drivers for Sunday Masses and other events. Must possess valid driver's license, be at least 21 years of age and willing to undergo Safe-Environment training. If interested, please contact: Fr. James Watson: [jwatson@saolf.org](mailto:jwatson@saolf.org)

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

**Sacraments and Faith Formation Registration 2023-24:** Please sign your child/teen up for First Communion, Confirmation. To register your child for next year, go online at: <https://saolf-parish.com/FaithFormation-Registration> You can also pick up a form at the church entrance or call **Mr. Cary Dabney** at 216-391-1655 ext#14

**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** at 216-391-1655 ext#14

**Holy Family Mission Group**  
**Wood Carving Sale Today**

Holy Family is a group in mission to help catholic families from Bethlehem by selling their Olive wood carvings in churches. Catholic families in Bethlehem are going through a very hard economic situation and need your help, so please stop by our display and support them by buying their beautiful hand carved olive wood pieces. We do accept cash, credit cards and checks.

**Samer and Ruth Kokaly**

Holy family: 608-314-6673 or 810-931-7513

**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 07-30-2023:**

In Church	\$2581.26
Local Charity	\$25.00
Cash App	\$214.00
Vanco On-Line	\$815.77
Hall Rental	\$250.00
Building Fund	\$10.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,896.03</b>

**SUMMER CONCERT SERIES**

Every other Thursday from 5:30pm- 7pm up to September 7<sup>th</sup> @ the Fatima Family Center. Live performances by **Roots of American Music**. Bring your lawn chairs & enjoy this family friendly event. Food will be provided by the "Good Luck Truck." Reservations are required for food by calling the Fatima Center in advance @ 216-391-0505.

**St. Edward High School**  
**OPEN HOUSE**

St. Edward High School, a Catholic school in the Holy Cross tradition, educates the hearts and minds of a diverse group of young men to have the competence to see and the courage to act as men of hope for the transformation of the world.

**St. Edward High School Open Houses for 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Families\***

Sunday, October 1 from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.  
 Monday, October 16 from 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.  
 Monday, October 23 from 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.  
 Monday, November 6 from 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

**\*Pre-registration is required at [sehs.net/openhouse](https://sehs.net/openhouse)**

**St. Edward High School Admission Tests for 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys\*\***

Saturday, October 7 at 9:00 a.m.  
 Saturday, October 21 at 9:00 a.m.  
 Wednesday, November 1 at 5:30 p.m.  
 Saturday, November 4 at 9:00 a.m.

**\*\*Pre-registration is required at [sehs.net/admissiontest](https://sehs.net/admissiontest)**

Contact the St. Edward High School Office of Admission: 216-521-2204 or [admission@sehs.net](mailto:admission@sehs.net)

**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



**Save the date**  
**State of the Parish Meeting and Fellowship: September 24<sup>th</sup>**

If you have questions, you can place them in the suggestion box

**NOTE:**

- **Fr. James will be away on retreat** and unavailable this week beginning on Monday, August 7<sup>th</sup> until Saturday, August 12<sup>th</sup>. **If you are in need of a priest**, you can call the Cleveland Diocesan Office at (216) 696-6525
- **Reminder:** The parish office is closed on Fridays except for prescheduled meetings, events and appointments.

**BECOMING FIRE**

**An Outdoor Festival of Faith for Young Adults.**  
**Saturday, August 12, 4pm-10pm**  
**Center for Pastoral Leadership, Wickliffe**  
 Mass with Bishop Michael Woost.

**Optional Breakout Sessions:**

- Free Total Faithful and Fruitful: Not just another NFP talk.
- Spiritual Direction: What it is, what it isn't, and why it's good for your soul
- Glorify the Lord by Your Life: Living out your faith in the world.

Night Prayer and Adoration closes the day. The cost is \$20 and includes dinner. Food by Winking Lizard and the King Cone Truck. Register <https://www.becomingfirecle.com/>.



Ohio's Educational Choice (EdChoice) Scholarship Program, advocated for by CCO, is now available to ALL Ohioans after Governor DeWine signed the State budget into law on July 3! Students can use an EdChoice Scholarship at one of Ohio's hundreds of

Catholic or other eligible schools.

Go to <https://www.ohiocathconf.org/news/school-choice-expansion> for details on how to Apply Today!

**BOWMAN-FRANCIS MINISTRY**

**2023 Fr. Chester P. Smith National Black Catholic Men's Conference**


**THURSDAY  
OCTOBER 12TH  
- SATURDAY  
OCTOBER 14TH**

**LOCATION**

MARRIOTT LOUISVILLE DOWNTOWN  
280 West Jefferson  
Louisville, KY 40202  
Room Rates  
Early Bird - \$239.00  
May 1st - September 19th  
\$351.00 after September 19th  
Self Parking: \$40.00  
Valet Parking: \$45.00

For more information, contact  
The Bowman-Francis Ministry  
at:  
317-800-1621

Email: [ministry@bowmanfrancis.org](mailto:ministry@bowmanfrancis.org)  
Website: [www.bowmanfrancis.org](http://www.bowmanfrancis.org)



**Registration Cost:**  
\$150.00 Adult - \$100.00 age 17 and below

To register for the conference, go to:  
[www.bowmanfrancis.org](http://www.bowmanfrancis.org)

**FOR ROOM RESERVATIONS CLICK ON**

**BOOKING LINK:**  
[HTTPS://BOOK.PASSKEY.COM/GO/NATIONAL-  
BLACK-CATHOLIC-MENS23](https://book.passkey.com/go/national-black-catholic-men-s-conference-in-october-2023)

OR

**CALL  
RESERVATION PHONE NUMBER:**  
1-888-236-2427  
ASK FOR THE:  
LOUISVILLE MARRIOTT DOWNTOWN FOR  
THE FATHER CHESTER P. SMITH'S NATIONAL  
BLACK MEN'S CONFERENCE IN OCTOBER  
2023

**2023 FIRST STEP Program**

The Church's teachings on marriage, divorce, and remarriage are often misunderstood. The First Step program is offered to help everyone, especially those who have been divorced, learn more about Catholic beliefs on marriage and how to submit an 'annulment' case.

Representatives from **Marriage and Family Ministry** of the Diocese of Cleveland will also be present to explain their ministry to those who are **separated or divorced**.

First Step sessions currently scheduled for 2023 are:

- St. Gabriel Parish, 9925 Johnnycake Ridge Road, Mentor, OH 44060, on **Thursday 14 September 2023, 7:00 p.m.**, in the Community Room of the Parish Life Center.
- St. Bartholomew Parish, 14865 E. Bagley Rd, Middleburg Heights, OH 44130, on **Wednesday 20 September 2023, 12:15 pm**, in Rectory Meeting Rooms A+B.
- St. Bartholomew Parish, 14865 E. Bagley Rd, Middleburg Heights, OH 44130, on **Wednesday 20 September 2023, 7:00 pm**, in Rectory Meeting Rooms A+B.
- Prince of Peace Parish, 1263 Shannon Ave., Norton, OH 44203, on **Tuesday, September 26 2023 at 7:00 pm** in the Parish Hall.

**CATHOLIC CEMETERIES ASSOCIATION**

**CCA Grief Support August 20<sup>th</sup>**

**"In-Office"** at 3:00pm and **"Virtual"** at 5:00pm:

The Catholic Cemeteries Association provides free monthly grief support groups in two formats: In-Office (3pm) at six Cemetery offices and Virtually (5pm) via Zoom. We meet the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of most months; 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday if the third Sunday falls on a holiday. Meetings are open discussion, surrounding a monthly topic or whatever is in your heart. The August 20<sup>th</sup> topics are:

**"Planning for Special Days/Memorials"**

We offer a comfortable, private, and safe environment where you are free to explore your grief. Come and be in the presence of those who understand.

**3:00 pm In-Office Grief Support groups** meet in the main office building at each of the following 6 cemetery locations:

- \*All Saints, Northfield | 480 W. Highland Road
- \*All Souls, Chardon | 10366 Chardon Road
- \*Calvary Cleveland | 10000 Miles Avenue
- \*Holy Cross, Akron | 100 E Waterloo Road
- \*Holy Cross, Brook Park | 14609 Brook Park Road
- \*St. Joseph, Avon | 32789 Detroit Road

**5:00 pm Virtual Grief Support group** meets for an hour via Zoom and follows the same monthly topic discussion as the in-office groups. Sign-up at:

<http://bit.ly/ccavirtualgriefsupportgroup>

to receive login information and to download the handout materials. You can join virtually from any Wi-Fi enabled area via computer, laptop, smartphone, or even without Wi-Fi (via audio only) from your analog phone. If you do not have Wi-Fi or email, please contact Rhonda at 216-930-4866.

Your RSVP for both In-Person and Virtual Grief Support is appreciated but not required to attend. **For more information or if you have questions, please contact Rhonda at 216-930-4866.**

**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  
**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)
- Rev. Mr. Hardin Martin, Deacon  
[deaconmartin@saolf.org](mailto:deaconmartin@saolf.org)
- Miss Brittany Taylor, Parish Secretary  
[btaylor@saolf.org](mailto:btaylor@saolf.org)
- Mr. Cary Dabney, Director of Religious Education  
[cabney@saolf.org](mailto:cabney@saolf.org)
- Mr. Danny McElroy, Director of Music Ministry  
[dannymac63@roadrunner.com](mailto:dannymac63@roadrunner.com)
- Mr. Reginald Daniels, Custodian

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

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

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**