# September 3, 2023 Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

# SCRIPTURE REFLECTION THIS WEEK

Last Week, Jesus honored His Apostles, Simon, with a new name, Peter, calling him the rock upon who Jesus would build His Church. This responsibility was given to Peter after he proclaimed through the gift of the Father that Jesus was the Messiah. This week Jesus teaches His disciples what the Mesiah must experience. Peter now responds by rejecting the Divine plan which results in Jesus now calling him, Satan, which in the Hebrew means "Adversary". What just happened? Peter had not yet understood that the Messiah was not an earthly ruler or king who would destroy the enemies of God's Chosen People, the Israelites. The Messiah had a higher purpose which was to destroy the kingdom of sin and death in order to set all God's people free. Jesus was ready and willing to suffer and die for the salvation of the world in complete obedience to the Will of His Father. Thinking in human ways, Peter did not understand this. He would come to understand later, but for the moment he allowed fear to overcome him which led to His being strongly chastised by Jesus. But note, all things that come from God including chastisement are rooted in His Love. The Lord's strong rebuke was meant to toughen Peter up for the journey. Eventually, Peter would also be crucified following in the footsteps of Jesus. May we have the courage to follow the plans of God in our own lives, reject our own plans knowing the Divine plans of God are always best.

## MASS INTENTIONS AND SCRIPTURES THIS WEEK

Sun, September 3– Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Jer 20:7-9 Ps 63:2-6, 8-9 Rom 12:1-2 Mt:16:21-27 8:30am – The Intentions of the Priest 10:30am – For Those Suffering from Terminal Illnesses Mon, September 4– Seasonal Weekday 1 Thes 4:13-18 Ps 96:1, 3-5, 11-13 Lk 4:16-30 Tue, September 5-Seasonal Weekday 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11 Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 Lk 4:31-37 Wed, September 6- Seasonal Weekday Col 1:1-8 Ps 52:10-11 Lk 4:38-44 Thu, September 7- Seasonal Weekday Col 1:9-14 Ps 98:2-6 Lk 5:1-11 Fri, September 8– The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mi 5:1-4 Ps 13:6 Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 Sat, September 9-St. Peter Claver Col 1:21-23 Ps 54:3-4, 6, 8 Lk 6:1-5 Sun, September 10- Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Ez 33:7-9 Ps 95:1-2, 6-9 Rom 13:8-10 Mt 18:15-20

## 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://saolf-parish.com/New-Registration



**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
3-Sept	Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	
Comm	Rhonda Cross Mangham	Brian Upton
Lector	Tyler Hughley	Chi Chi Onuorah
Server	Sharla Durand	Divine Onuorah
		Gavin Smedley
Usher	Lonnie Smith	Michelle Booker
	Theresa Hughley	Jeremiah Robinson
		Elinor Williamson
		Lena Austin
10-Sept	Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time	
Comm	Ellen Connally	Carol Grant
Lector	Uzuamaka Oranugo	Lorraine McMillian
Server	Sharla Durand	Syan Hughes
		Gavin Smedley
Usher	Karen Larry	Yvette Andre
	Jeremy Mangum	Yvonne Griffin
		Sheila Griffin-McCoy
		Erik Smith

## YOUTH AND ADULT ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED

If you or your child/teen are interested in this holy ministry, go to <u>https://www.saolf.org/altar-servers/</u>or contact the parish office to have a signup form sent to you. **MONTHLY TRAINING DAY: To Be Announced** 



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 <u>cgbible40@gmail.com</u>. Thank you for serving the Lord with your ministerial gifts!

## PASTORAL HOME VISITS

Fr. James is available to visit your home for a family blessing, Anointing of the Sick and other needs. If you would like to schedule a visit, please contact the parish 216-391-1655, email <u>pastor@saolf.org</u> (Please specify: "HOME VISIT" in the subject line.) Also, remember if someone in our parish is in the hospital or nursing home and in need of the Anointing of the Sick, Holy Communion or just a visit, please let him know.

## 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

## **MEETINGS THIS WEEK**

**Spiritual Life and Liturgy Commission:** Wed., Sept. 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:45PM

**Men's Group Meeting:** Sun., Sept 3<sup>rd</sup> after the 10:30 Mass The Men's Group, which is open to all men who have a love of God and community, has been rescheduled to next meet on Sunday, Nov. 20th after the 10:30AM Mass in the Mother Lange room.

# **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: <u>https://saolf-parish.com/FaithFormation-Registration</u> 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: <u>https://www.saolf.org/rite-of-christian-initiation-of-adults</u> or contact our Director of Religious Education, **Mr. Cary Dabney** at 216-391-1655 ext#14

# <u>Save the date</u> State of the Parish Meeting and Fellowship

September 24th

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

## 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!** 

Total	\$2,884.65
Building Fund	\$2.00
Local Charity	\$3.00
Vanco On-Line	\$806.65
Cash App	\$105.00
Catholic Education Collection	\$13.00
In Church	\$1955.00
SUNDAY OFFERINGS 08-27-2023	<u>:</u>

## 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-Eaddie, 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

#### 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 forthe transformation of the world.

St. Edward High School Open Houses for 8th 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** <u>St. Edward High School Admission Tests for 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys\*\*</u> 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** Contact the St. Edward High School Office of Admission: 216-521-2204 or admission@sehs.net

#### **OFFICE OF BLACK CATHOLIC EVENT**

Marian Devotions at the Crossroads of Our Life FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 6-8 PM

PRESENTER: DR. VALERIE LEWIS-MOSLEY

Dr. Lewis-Mosley will explore ways that we can deepen our incorporation of Marian devotions into our meditative and contemplative prayer life. Her presentation will engage Lectio Divina, Music, Meditation, Art, the Mystery of the Rosary, and the Memorare Prayer to journey through the healing guided by Mary, Mother of All Sorrows. It will be a journey of how we lay our burdens down- the burden of losing a child, the burden of feeling like a motherless child in our church, and our society.

Registration is now open at **dioceseofcleveland.org/events** 

## 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 <u>Marriage and Family Ministry</u> of the Diocese of Cleveland will also be present to explain their ministry to those who are <u>separated or divorced</u>. 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.

## For Divorced or Separated Faithful:

You are invited to attend a monthly support meeting for divorced or separated Catholics who willingly remain faithful to marriage. Catholics who were reluctantly divorced or separated can continue to fulfill your marriage mission to sanctify yourself and your spouse. Peruse the seven stages of the never ending process using the book, "The Gift of Self, A Spiritual Companio for Separated and Divorced Faithful to the Sacrament of Marriag" Our meeting is on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month, 7:00PM to 8:30PM at St. Mel Catholic Church, 11436 Triskett Rd., Cleveland, OH 44111. For questions, contact Jeannie Snider: 440-343-0161 or email: jeanniesnider1@yahoo.com

## Hall and Church Cleanup Teams:

Our Parish is in need of volunteers to help do minor cleanup of the Hall, lounge area and the Church which includes dusting and cleaning of the walls, etc. If you would like to help, please call the parish during the week or leave an email at pastor@saolf.org

**Fatima Family Center Fall Programs** September 5<sup>th</sup> through December 9<sup>th</sup> 2023 *This is a short list. For the full list, grap a handout in the narthex or call the center at 216-391-0505* 

Footprints for Fatima Saturday, September 30 9:00 am - 10:00 am Location: John Carroll University, 1 John Carroll Blvd., University Heights Event Contact: Julia Arnold-Hess - arrupe@jcu.edu

**Footprints for Fatima** is an annual 5K run and 1 mile walk fundraiser to benefit the Fatima Family Center and the Fatima Food drive. Proceeds go toward feeding 150 families in

Cleveland's Hough neighborhood and creating awareness about food insecurity in our city through advocacy.

**Book Band Week(Oct 1-7) Activities:** Are you aware that Ohio has a list of banned books? Let's talk and impact this by stressing the power of reading and how we can get involved. We want to identify volunteers who would be willing to come in and read to our children. Please call 391-0505 and leave your name and number.

**Community Basketball** Adults 18 and Up, structured and supervised games, fun and fitness. Wednesday 6-7:30

**Fitness and Cardio**: Adults Structured movement in group setting. Mondays and Wednesday 10:30-11:30

**Kid's Club:** Program operates Monday through Thursday, 3:30-5:30. Youth receive Home-work assistance, organized games, arts and crafts, fitness activities, drums, snacks and fun. Youth ages 5-12.

Line Dance: Thursdays Adults only 10:30-11:30

**Silver Threads:** Adults 60 and up. Structured activities include Bible study, arts and crafts, table games, sewing, field trips, rummy cube, technology instruction, bingo, live music, book clubs, bid whist, continental breakfast, lunch and fun. Monday through Thursday 9:30 to 4:30 pm.

**Technology Classes**: All participants will have the opportunity to learn Google Suites (email, photos, calendar, maps, connect mobile devices to computer and other self-identified interests/skills. Seniors Mondays 11:30-12:30 Adults Mondays 2:00 -3:00 Adults Mondays 5:00-6:00

**Teen Leadership:** Teens participate in career and business development activities. They attend field trips, college exposure trips, hear from professionals and entrepreneurs, hear speakers, and improve communication skills. Physical fitness and weight training, mentoring, community service

projects, conflict resolution training and collaboration make this an

engaging and innovative opportunity for 20 enrolled youth ages 13-16.

Mondays through Thursday 2-5:30.

Walking Club: We will gather at Fatima and walk the Fannie Lewis Park trail, when weather gets bad we will walk in the Center gym. 13 times around the gym equals a half mile. Join us on Wednesdays 12:00- 12:45.



# <u>Motown Night</u>

Friday, October 6, 2023 Our Church is planning a soul-filled, social event and we can use your help. The 1<sup>st</sup> planning meeting will be held TODAY after the 10:30 Mass.

# St. Agnes+Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church

A Ministry of the Capuchin Franciscan Friars Visit the Capuchins at <u>www.capuchin.com</u>



# **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

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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 <u>btaylor@saolf.org</u> Mr. Cary Dabney, Director of Religious Education <u>cabney@saolf.org</u> Mr. Danny McElroy, Director of Music Ministry <u>dannymac63@roadrunner.com</u> 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 and click on "Make a Gift." For **CashApp** users: send to **\$saolf**