

October 1, 2023
Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION THIS WEEK

In today's Scripture Readings, Our Lord calls us to remember that we must take personal accountability for our own actions. The Israelites assumed that their being exiled by the Babylonians was because of the sins of their forefathers, The Lord is explaining to them that they are facing the consequences of their own sins. However, if anyone converts from his or her sinful ways, that person will live. The Lord here is not talking about natural earthly life, but rather eternal life which the Savior, Jesus Christ, will win for all those who are faithful throughout salvation history. In the Gospel, Jesus emphasizes this point in the Gospel parable of the two sons. One humbles himself and chooses to be obedient to the will of his father. Jesus states that son represents, tax collectors and prostitutes who will hear the Word of God, change their ways and enter into eternal life. May we continually have hearts that respond to the Lord's word with humility and action trusting that His Ways are infinitely superior to our own and lead to eternal life.

MAY HE REST IN PEACE

Please Pray for the Family of our faithful parishioner, **Gary "Jack" Blackwell**, who has gone to eternal rest.

Viewing: Thursday, October 5th from 2PM-6PM at Wanton & Horne Chapel Of Peace, wantonhorne.com 12519 Buckeye Rd, Cleveland, OH 44120 (216) 921-6400

Funeral Services will be held here at the Church

Friday, October 6th: **Wake** at 10AM followed by the **Funeral Mass** at 11:00AM.

MASS INTENTIONS AND SCRIPTURES THIS WEEK

Sun, October 1, Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ez 18:25-28 Ps 25:4-9 Phil 2:1-11 Mt 21:28-32
 8:30am – Souls in Purgatory
 10:30am – Special Intention of the Priest

Mon, October 2, The Holy Guardian Angels

Zec 8:1-8 Ps 102:2, 16-23 Mt 18:1-5, 10

Tue, October 3, Seasonal Weekday

Zec 8:20-23 Ps 87:1-7 Lk 9:51-56

Wed, October 4, St. Francis of Assisi

Neh 2:1-8 Ps 137:1-6 Lk 9:57-62

Thu, October 5, Seasonal Weekday

Neh 8:1-4, 5-12 Ps 19:8-11 Lk 10:1-12

Fri, October 6, Seasonal Weekday

Bar 1:15-22 Ps 79:1-5, 8-9 Lk 10:13-16

Sat, October 7, Our Lady of the Rosary

Bar 4:5-12, 27-29 Ps 69:33-37 Lk 10:17-24

Sun, October 8, Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 5:1-7 Ps 80:9, 12-16, 19-20 Phil 4:6-9 Mt 21:33-43

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.

TIME CHANGE



BLESSING OF PETS

In remembrance of St. Francis, the patron of ecology and peace, pets will be blessed at the front of the church

Sunday, October 1st (outside): BEGINNING AT 3PM 'TIL 3:30PM. Bring your pets big and small (preferably on a leash!) to receive a blessing from the Lord in the spirit of St. Francis.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULES

	8:30 AM	10:30 AM
1-Oct	Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
Comm	Betty Smith	Josie Kramer
Lector	Dell Robinson	Tara Young
Server	Uzuchukku Oranugo	Divine Onuorah
		Eric Smedley Jr.
Usher	Lonnie Smith	Michelle Booker
	Theresa Hughley	Jeremiah Robinson
		Elinor Robinson
		Lena Austin
8-Oct	Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time	
Comm	Pam Pendleton	Carla Grant
Lector	Sabina Conroy	Rita Shinhearl
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 <https://www.saolf.org/altar-servers/> or contact the parish office to have a signup form sent to you.

Next training: **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22 AT 12:45PM**



Liturgical Ministers

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. Thank you for serving the Lord with your ministerial gifts!

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 09-24-2023:

In Church	\$1985.00
Cash App	\$172.00
Vanco On-Line	\$827.45
Donations(Coins)	\$10.00
Catholic Communications(Designated)	\$87.50
Building Fund	\$38.50
Local Charities	\$1.50
Candles	\$5.00
Hall Rental	\$300.00
Total	\$3,426.95

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sacraments and Faith Formation Registration 2023-24:

Classes begin TODAY, **SEPTEMBER 24th**

Please sign your child/teen up for First Communion, Confirmation.

<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

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 pastor@saolf.org (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.

Father Roy Lee's Books

have arrived:

At Last year's Advent Revival, some parishioners requested copies of Fr. Lee's books:

Our Story: A Journey of Human & Spiritual Love

& ***Fractured Church...In the Midst of Making Saints***

If your name was on the list for one or both of these books, please contact Fr. James to pay for and receive your book(s). Each book costs \$15. You will be contacted after September 24th if you have not responded.

**Transitus of Saint Francis:
 Welcoming Sister Death**



**Tuesday, October 3, 2022,
 7:00 PM**

Location: The Conversion of St. Paul Shrine, 4120 Euclid Ave., Cleveland, OH 44103

You are invited to join with the Capuchin Franciscan friars and the Poor Clair sisters in this annual prayerful celebration of the passing of St. Francis from this life to eternal life on the Eve of his feast day. A social with refreshments will be held afterwards.

Hall and Church Cleanup Teams:

Thank you to those who volunteered to be on the Church and Hall monthly cleanup teams. **IF YOU SIGNED UP TO BE ON THE CLEANUP TEAMS, WE WILL HAVE A MEETING ON SUNDAY OCTOBER 15TH AT 12:45PM TO GO OVER DETAILS.** If that day and time does not work for you, please email Fr. James with the best day and time that works with your schedule: pastor@saolf.org

**Operation Good News
 45th Anniversary Celebration,
 "We've Come This Far by Faith"**

**Sat. November 11th Noon - 3pm with 4pm Mass,
 Our Lady of Peace Catholic Church – Cummins Hall:**

Operation Good News (OGN) invites all to celebrate 45 years of our unique lay-led Black Catholic renewal ministry in the Diocese of Cleveland. OGN has encouraged spiritual growth in Cleveland's African-American communities since 1979 with bi-annual retreats, prayer groups, and bible studies and is open to adults of any denomination over the age of 18 years. The celebration includes an elegant lunch, history and sharing from founding members, and in honor of Black Catholic History Month, a tribute to our local Black Catholic Religious and those who have supported OGN through the years, followed by Mass at Our Lady of Peace parish: 12601 Shaker Blvd, Cleveland OH 44120. The cost is \$20 per person, due by October 27, 2023, checks payable to "Operation Good News" c/o Holy Spirit Catholic Church, 4341 East 131st Street, Garfield Hts OH 44105. To RSVP and for more details, contact Juanita 216-659-3569 or Deland 216-249-4249.

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



**Van
 Ministry**

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

Catholic Cemeteries Association

CCA Grief Support October 15th "In-Office" at 3:00pm and "Virtual" at 5:00pm:

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 3rd Sunday of every month except where a holiday falls on the 3rd Sunday, then we meet on the 4th Sunday. Meetings are open discussion, surrounding a monthly topic or whatever is on your heart. The October 15th topics are "All Saints-All Souls Days" and "Children's Grief Awareness". 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 <https://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.

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 Durrach, 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, Thelma Thomas

FAMILIES: The Lane Family, The Poteat Family



Motown Night

Friday, November 10th, 2023

Our Church is planning a soul-filled, social event and we can use your help. Thank you to those who offered to help.

Tickets will be \$10 and an updated flyer will be available next Sunday, October 1st

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES...

For 2023-24 will be available in the Church Narthex next weekend. They are in **Alphabetical order based on your Last Name**. If you do not see a set for yourself and you want envelopes, please contact the Parish Office. **Please note:** We have a number of parishioners who have not used envelopes for the last few years. **IF YOU NO LONGER NEED ENVELOPES, PLEASE LET US KNOW.**

Capuchin Province of St. Augustine Celebrates 150th Anniversary

THANK YOU to all who came out to celebrate with the Capuchin friars at The Conversion of St. Paul Shrine yesterday. Your presence and ongoing support is greatly appreciated. Additional celebrations are taking place throughout our Provincial region and you which will culminate with our grand celebration on November 18 at our mother Church, St. Augustine Church, in Pittsburgh. More information will be provided in next week's bulletin for those who would like to attend. Please also pray for us as we continue to serve you and many others in all of our various ministries and for many more men to respond to God's call to serve Him as Capuchin Friars.

Men's Group Meeting and Tailgate Party

Men's Group Meeting will be held TODAY after the 10:30

Mass followed by a

Tailgate Party

Sun, Oct 1: Cleveland Browns vs Baltimore Ravens: 1pm

Church Social / Potluck(open to all)

Catholic Social Justice Workshop

Join us for a 3 part series on the Catholic teaching on **SOCIAL JUSTICE AND AND THE SACRAMENTS:** This 3-part series will take place on 3 consecutive Wednesdays begin on October 25th at 6:30PM Our Presenter is Kelly Bon, Director of the Social Action Office of the Diocese of Cleveland. Please email Fr. James if you plan to attend: pastor@saolf.org

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

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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:

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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**