## November 12, 2023 Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

## SCRIPTURE REFLECTION THIS WEEK

What is Wisdom? The Jesuit priest, Fr. John A. Hardon, S.J., wrote in his Modern Catholic Dictionary, "Where faith is a simple knowledge of the articles of Christian belief, wisdom goes on to a certain divine penetration of the truths themselves." Therefore, wisdom is not merely human knowledge. In this case we are referring to Divine Wisdom. Pope Francis, borrowing from the thought of St. Thomas Aguinas stated, "It is not simply human wisdom, the fruit of knowledge and experience? The wisdom the Holy Spirit grants is the grace of being able to see things through God's eyes. It is seeing the world, situations, problems, everything, with the eves of God. And obviously this derives from intimacy with God, from the relationship of a Son with his *Father*. "(From the Papal General audience, April 9, 2014) This is why St. Paul's message in his letter to the Corinthians, "For the foolishness of God is wiser than mankind, and the weakness of God is stronger than mankind," (1 Cor 1:25) should compel us to humble ourselves like King Solomon who acknowledged his need for God's Wisdom as we deal with things of the world. The world's wisdom can easily pervert God's teachings; however, the disciple yoked to Jesus, Who is the visible Wisdom of God spoken of in the first reading, can see through the deceptions. Such wisdom helps us grow richer in faith and in divine virtues.

## BLACK CATHOLIC HISTORY MONTH HIS EMINENCE, WILTON CARDINAL GREGORY



Born December 7, 1947 in Chicago, His Eminence Wilton D. Cardinal Gregory attended St. Carthage Grammar School, where he converted to Catholicism. He attended Quigley Preparatory Seminary South, Niles College of Loyola University and St. Mary of the Lake Seminary. He was ordained a priest for the Archdiocese of Chicago on May 9, 1973. Three years after his

ordination he began graduate studies at the Pontifical Liturgical Institute in Rome. There he earned his doctorate in sacred liturgy in 1980. He was ordained an auxiliary bishop of Chicago on December 13, 1983. On February 10, 1994, he was installed as the seventh bishop of the Diocese of Belleville, IL. On December 9, 2004, Pope John Paul II appointed Bishop Gregory as the sixth archbishop of the Archdiocese of Atlanta. He was installed on January 17, 2005. Archbishop Gregory was appointed as the seventh archbishop of the Archdiocese of Washington, DC on April 4, 2019, and was elevated to Cardinal by Pope Francis on November 28, 2020. **Taken from National Black Catholic Congress Website:** https://nbccongress.org/noteworthy-black-catholics/



**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.

#### MASS INTENTIONS AND SCRIPTURES THIS WEEK

Sun, Nov 12, Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Wis 6:12-16 Ps 63:2-8 1 Thes 4:13-18 8:30am – Lives of unborn children and the elderly 10:30am – those with mental illness Mon, Nov 13, St. Frances Xavier Cabrini Wis 1:1-7 Ps 139:1-10 Lk 17:1-6 Tue, Nov 14, Seasonal Weekday Wis 2:23---3:9 Ps 34:2-3, 16-19 Lk 17:7-10 Wed, Nov 15, Seasonal Weekday Wis 6:1-11 Ps 82:3-4, 6-7 Lk 17:11-19 Thu, Nov 16, Seasonal Weekday Wis 7:22---8:1 Ps 119:89-91, 130, 135, 175 Lk 17:20-25 Fri, Nov 17 St. Elizabeth of Hungary Wis 13:1-9 Ps 19:2-5 Lk 17:26-37 Sat, Nov 18, Seasonal Weekday Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9 Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43 Lk 18:1-8 Sun, Nov 19, Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31 Ps 128:1-5 1 Thes 5:1-6 Mt 25:14-30

## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

**Sacraments and Faith Formation Registration** 

#### <u>2023-24:</u>

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

#### YOUTH AND ADULT ALTAR SERVERS

If you or your child/teen are interested in this holy ministry, go to <u>https://www.saolf.org/altar-</u> <u>servers/</u>or contact the parish office to have a signup form sent to you. **TRAINING DAY(For ALL ALTAR SERVERS): Saturday, December 2 at 10:00AM** 

### YOUR SACRIFICE LAST WEEK

Thank you for your sacrificial gift for our church. Yourresponse to our offertory commitment has beentremendous! Our goal to meet our budget is \$5,400.00.Thank you for your generosity and faithfulness!SUNDAY OFFERINGS 11-5-2023:Total Collection\$5088.91Cash App\$177.00Vanco On-Line\$883.08Total\$6,148.99

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULES		
	8:30 AM	10:30 AM
12-Nov	Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	
Comm	Ellen Connally	Lorraine McMillian
Lector	Dell Robinson	Josie Kramer
Server	Sharla Durand	Jeremiah Robinson Sa'Vannah love
Usher	Theresa Hughley	Michelle Booker
	Lonnie Smith	Billy Cardwell
		Linda Weatherspoon
		Antoinette Smith
19-Nov	Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time	
Comm	Mike Bussey	Terrence Marsh
Lector	Doreatha Stover	Tara Young
Server	Uzuchukku Oranugo	Gavin Smedley Divine Onuorah
Usher	Karen Larry	Billy Cardwell
	Thomas Stover	Antoinette Smith
		Linda Weatherspoon
		Lena Austin

#### 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, 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, Danny Couch, Delvonte Grant FAMILIES: The Lane Family, The Poteat Family

## **Catholic Charities**



# A time to heal. A time to help.

**2023 Catholic Charities Appeal Just over \$13.5M has been raised as of August 31.** Starting September 13, 50,000 households received a letter from Bishop Malesic asking for monetary support of the 2023 Appeal. We are fast approaching our \$14.0M goal and every little bit helps support the 425,000 who rely on the 160 programs throughout the diocese.

NOTE: As of September, St. Agnes Our Lady of Fatima Parish has raised 54%(\$7,483.96) of our goal of \$13,801. Reaching our goal helps bring additional funds to our parish enabling us to build the ministries we need in our community.

> Please Donate today: https://www.catholiccommunity.org/human or text CCHUMAN to 41444.



## THEOLOGY ON THE ROCKS WEST

For Adults 40 & Over Monday, Nov. 13 Copper Cup (Ironwood Café) 688 Dover Center in Westlake. Fitting for the month of Nov., Fr. Andy Turner, Rector for both Borromeo & St. Mary's Seminaries, will speak to us about

Gratitude: *It is Good for us to be Here!* Cost is \$15.00 per person which includes light appetizers & refreshments. Cash Bar is also available. Advance tickets highly recommended as space is limited & this will sell out. Register in advance:<u>www.theologyontherockswest.com</u> Doors open at 6:30pm. Program begins at 7pm

#### 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.)



# Motown Night... WAS A SUCCESS!!!

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE on the **MOTOWN NIGHT COMMITTEE** for working together to put together a exceptional event and to all who came out for a soul filled night!

Pictures will be posted on the website this week!

#### SAOLF PARISH EDUCATION COMMISION Tutoring Program

Has established a Tutoring Program Committee looking to start a tutoring program for our parish and community. We are gathering information to help the commission provide a tutoring program that will meet our students' needs. Please fill out the online survey at the following link to help us in this goal: Survey link: https://forms.gle/CrVp3Lsjyq6EBXyr9

## CONGRATULATIONS SCHOLARS!

Congratulations to our students who have achieved honors for the last grading period; Bless you and all you do!

#### **Trinity High School:**

Brooklyn Jones, Grade 12: Second Honors Elyse Mikel, Grade 12: First Honors

#### **EUCHARIST UNDER BOTH SPECIES**



Beginning on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent, our parish will return to offering Holy Eucharist under both species, Body and Blood of Christ(The Consecrated bread and wine). Cup). Remember, Communion is always "valid under both species". Therefore, if you only receive Jesus under the form of wine or under the form of bread, you're receiving Him in whole.



#### Sunday Van Driver

We are looking for a Parish Van Drivers. We are getting calls from people who would like to come to Mass who could use this service. **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 "Called to Sainthood" Retreat Saturday, November 25, 9:30am-1:30pm St. Agnes Our Lady of Fatima Parish.
Join us on retreat to hear about the lives of the six African Americans on the road to sainthood, to understand our role in the process of canonization, and to embrace our personal call to sainthood. Our presenter will be Deacon Allen Stevens of the Archdiocese of New Orleans. Free lunch and handouts provided. Go to the following link to register:

#### https://dioceseofcleveland.org/blkcatholicscle

IF YOU HAVE TROUBLE REGISTERING ONLINE and PLAN ON COMING, please sign the sheet found in the Narthex. We need a count for the lunch and handouts.

## OFFERTORY ENVELOPES... ARE AVAILABLE!

Your Church envelopes for 2023-24 are available in the Church Narthex. They are organized by envelope number. Please use one of the lists on the table to find your envelopes. If you do not see a set for yourself and you want envelopes, please contact the Parish Office. If you believe your envelope number is incorrect or that you should have envelopes, please let us know. We switched to a new parish database system and information might be off. **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 by calling he parish during the week.** 

## Catholic Campaign for Human Development National Collection November 18-19, 2023:

Many American families are struggling to make ends meet, but the struggle is even more difficult for the nearly 46.2 million Americans living in poverty. Your donation will empower local communities and strengthen families that are on the margins. Parishes and organizations in the Diocese of Cleveland are using the funds from the CCHD campaign via awarded grants to bring about real change and sustainable processes that help people in poverty break this cycle. Please help us continue this good work by supporting the collection for CCHD. Help support the mission and work of CCHD. To donate now or for more information, go online at: https://www.ccdocle.org/campaigns/catholic-campaign-

for-human-development

# 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 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:

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. Or go to <u>https://saolf-parish.com/New-Registration</u>

#### 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**