

April 7, 2024 Sunday of Divine Mercy

What is Divine Mercy Sunday?

On May 5, 2000, five days after the canonization of St. Faustina, the Vatican decreed that the Second Sunday of Easter would henceforth be known as Divine Mercy Sunday.



The Image: Jesus appeared to St. Faustina in a vision, with his right hand raised in a blessing and his left touching his garment above his heart. Red and white rays emanate from his heart, symbolizing the blood and water that was poured out for our salvation and our sanctification. The Lord requested that "Jesus, I trust in You" be inscribed under his image.

Jesus asked that his image be painted and venerated throughout the world: "I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish" (Diary, no. 48) and "By means of this image I will grant many graces to souls" (Diary, no. 742).

The Chaplet of Divine Mercy: The Chaplet was also given to St. Faustina with this promise: "Encourage souls to say the chaplet which I have given you" (Diary, no. 1541). "Whoever will recite it will receive great mercy at the hour of death. ... Even if there were a sinner most hardened, if he were to recite this chaplet only once, he would receive grace from My infinite mercy. I desire that the whole world know My infinite mercy" (Diary, no. 687). Taken From: <https://www.thedivinemercy.org/message/devotions/image>

MAY SHE REST IN PEACE

Please Pray for the Family of our faithful parishioner, **Dolores(Dee) Marie Malby**, who has gone to eternal rest on Thursday, April 4, 2024

Funeral Services will be held here at the Church on Friday, April 12th and time will be determined today. For an update, you can contact the Parish on Tuesday at 216-391-1655 or Boyd Funeral Home at <https://www.efboyd.com> or (216)791-0770

If you have ParishApp, you will be notified sooner.

NOTE: The Parish Office will be Closed tomorrow, Monday April 8th, due to SOLAR ECLIPSE DAY

MASS INTENTIONS AND SCRIPTURES THIS WEEK

Sun, April 7, Second Sunday of Easter

Acts 4:32-35 Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 1 Jn 5:1-6 Jn 20:19-31

8:30am – John and Dorothy Johnson

10:30am- Children who suffered from Abuse

Mon, Apr 8, The Annunciation of the Lord

Is 7:10-14; 8:10 Ps 40:7-11 Heb 10:4-10 Lk 1:26-38

Tue, Apr 9, Easter Weekday

Acts 4:32-37 Ps 93:1-2, 5 Jn 3:7-15

Wed, Apr 10, Easter Weekday

Acts 5:17-26 Ps 34:2-9 Jn 3:16-21

Thu, Apr 11, Saint Stanislaus

Acts 5:27-33 Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20 Jn 3:31-36

Fri, Apr 12, Easter Weekday

Acts 5:34-42 Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 Jn 6:1-15

Sat, Apr 13, Easter Weekday

Acts 6:1-7 Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19 Jn 6:16-21

Sun, Apr 14, Third Sunday of Easter

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19 Ps 4:2, 4, 7-9 1 Jn 2:1-5 Lk 24:35-48

Liturgical Ministers

If you are a liturgical minister (Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist, Lector, Altar Servers, etc.) and would like to resume your ministry please contact: **Carla Grant:** 216-200-1525 or cgbible40@gmail.com so she can review your status and get you back active. **Thank you for serving the Lord with your ministerial gifts!**

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULES

	8:30 AM	10:30 AM
07-Mar Comm Lector EM Server Usher	Second Sunday of Easter Shirley Tucker Uzuamaka Oranugo Rhonda Cross Mangham Uzuchukku Oranugo Karen Larry Theresa Hughley	Chi Chi Onuorah Betty Washington Carol Grant Ariane Kirkpatrick-Couch Vanessa Walker Divine Onuorah Billy Cardwell Antoinette Smith Linda Weatherspoon Needed
14-Apr Comm Lector EM Server Usher	Third Sunday of Easter Veronica Safo Dell Robinson Rhonda Cross Mangham Sharla Durand Lazuras Oranugo Jeremy Mangum	Terrence Marsh Tara Young Carla Grant Erika Jones-Smith Eric Smedley Jr. Sa'Vannah Love Jeremiah Robinson Elinor Williamson Billy Cardwell Needed

YOUTH AND ADULT ALTAR SERVERS

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(FOR ALL ALTAR SERVERS): Saturday, April 20 at 10:00AM**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sacraments and Faith Formation Registration 2023-24:

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

Summer Camp Employment Working with Children with Disabilities

Catholic Charities Disability Services will be interviewing college students and young professionals to work this summer for Camp Happiness at the Center for Pastoral Leadership in Wickliffe. This is a great opportunity to experience a job that is truly one of service and is personally fulfilling and fun. Camp Happiness is from 9:00am to 3:00pm beginning June 10 and ending July 26, 2024 (closed on July 4 & 5 and includes one week of staff training and six weeks of camp). If you are interested in learning more about working at camp, **contact: Kayti Hedberg at kehedberg@ccdocle.org** or call 216-334-2997. You can apply at: <https://www.ccdocle.org/careers> (search for Camp Happiness to find open positions).

Sacraments and Social Mission Workshop

at St. Agnes Our Lady of Fatima Parish

Sunday April 14th

12:30- 4:30PM

Presenter: **Kelly Bon,**

Director of The Diocesan Social Action Office

The sacraments the Church celebrates are signs of grace that make a deeper reality present to us. One reality we encounter through the sacraments is Christ's presence in the Church community, his body.

Join us as we recognize Christ's presence in the community and how that will lead to a stronger awareness of being sent on a mission to engage in concrete, love-inspired action in the world.

The resources we will cover can help you to better understand the connections between the celebration of the sacraments and our social mission as followers of Jesus and the Body of Christ.

This is training for those who would like to serve on the Social Action Commission; however, All Are Welcome!

3 Ways to RSVP:

Parish Office - (216) 391-1655, or...

email pastor@saolf.org, or...

<https://saolf-parish.com/Sacraments-Social-Justice>

COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

We need **New Members** to help in the ministerial work of communicating important information to the Parish. Some tasks include: Setting up the Mass Streaming Service; Website updates; Taking video and pictures of parish events and posting them; Updating the bulletin and bulletin boards, etc... Please contact Fr. James and you will be invited to the next meeting: pastor@saolf.org

Divine Mercy Sunday Holy Hour: April 7th 3PM

This Afternoon, there will be a Eucharistic Holy Hour for Divine Mercy Sunday. Which will include prayer the DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

YOUR SACRIFICE LAST WEEK

Thank you for your sacrificial gift for our church. Our goal to meet our budget is \$5,400.00. **Thank you for your generosity and faithfulness!**

SUNDAY OFFERINGS: HOLY WEEK:
AN UPDATE FOR HOLY WEEK COLLECTIONS WILL BE POSTED NEXT WEEK.

BLESS YOU AND ALL YOU DO!

The Office of Black Catholic Ministries Presents

African Presence in Scripture
April 11th and 12th 2024 | 6:30-8pm
St. Agnes + Our Lady of Fatima
6800 Lexington Avenue
Cleveland, Ohio 44103
Register at: www.dioceseofcleveland.org/officeofblackcatholicministries

This seminar provides a comprehensive overview, awareness and understanding of the biblical historical perspectives that authenticate African Presence in Scripture.

Instructor: Fr. Charles Smith, Member of the Society of the Divine Word Co-Director of the Bowman Francis Ministry of Indianapolis

Diocesan Office of Black Catholic Ministries

Presents:

MEN'S RETREAT

THEME: **"HOW GOD MAKES MEN"**

Saturday, April 13, 2024

St. Agnes - Our Lady of Fatima Parish,

6800 Lexington Ave.,

Cleveland, Ohio 44104

To register, go to: www.bowmanfrancis.org

Or call 216-696-6525 for more information

Operation Good News

Presents

A SUMMER RETREAT

The Joy of the Gospel

June 29, 2024

Jesus Retreat House, Parma OH

Rev. David Domanski, OFM Cap – Spiritual Director

Contact Shawn Kennedy 216-233-0880

Or Carol Bugg 216-835-0117

FATIMA FAMILY CENTER EVENT

THE FAITH CONCERT

Presented by The Cleveland Orchestra

This concert features Fatima's Adult Gospel Chorus, soprano Laquita Mitchell, and musicians of the Cleveland Orchestra. This is a free event and will take place at the Fatima Family Center on Wednesday April 24 at 7pm.

St. Agnes/Our Lady of Fatima Parish SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES 2024

Education Scholarships or assistance during the 2024-25 academic year will be available to those who qualify and wish to apply. Forms for both the **Helen Morris Memorial Scholarship** and the **Parish Education Assistance Scholarship** are available on the parish website at <https://www.saolf.org/scholarships>

THE APPLICATION MUST BE COMPLETED CORRECTLY IN ORDER TO BE CONSIDERED:

Members of the Education Commission will be available after both Masses TODAY, April 7th, in the Church Hall Lounge area to explain how to fill the applications correctly and go over expectations for the student.

The deadline for completed applications is April 30th. Please email your application to education@saolf.org

CCA Grief Support

April 21st "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 April 21st topic is "Mother's Day and Grief". 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+

FAMILIES: Lane Family, Poteat Family, Warren Family, Ogechi Achunine, Kalima Assami, Georgia Atkinson, Joyce Baker, Carol Bertrand, Gabriel Blair, Joyce Blanton-Smith, Bessie Bolles, Anna Broadhead, Thella Brooks, Barbara Marshall Brown, Christine Byrd, William Byrd, Marcella Caffie, Kathy Clayton, Terrell Cole, Danny Couch, Robin Davis, Constance Durrah, Eboni Edwards, Edna Evans, Richard Gayle, Myron Gholson, Alonzo Givens, Rachael Glaster, Fay Grady, Tyrone Grady, Daniel Grant Jr., Delvonte Grant, Beverly Greene-Reed, Yvonne Griffin, Anita Gullett, Judy Guzy, Adriene Hall, Darlene Harris, Patricia Heard, Kathy Heard, JoAnn Hinson, Althea Hite, Ursula Hite, Estelle Hodges, Carol Hollinger, Jame Hoyle, Kyllan Hughes, Valada Hutchinson, James Jackson, William Jackson, Kardier Jackson, Andrea Johnson, Monique Johnson, Joseph Jones, Brianna Jones, Reaber Jones, Margie Jones, James Keifer, Craig Kelly, Janie Kincaid, Donald Leftwich, Francesca Lehu, Elizabeth Malby, LaVerta Marshall, Naomi Matthews, David McClain, Chaquita McClinton, Chantel McConnell, Mattie McDonald, Sharon McDuffie, Bill Miller, Terri Mohr, Verendez Moore, Betty Moore, Evelyn Morson-Eaddie, Monika Moss-Gransberry, James Nakima, Lounette Payne, Erma Pollard, Nisha Presley, Mary Roberts, Sue Scott, Regina Shanklin, Jerry Shelton, Nina Simmons, Lasonia Sims, Kevin Sipp, Deborah Smedley, Marcia St. John, Barbara Sudberry, Ophelia Swain, Loraine Taylor, Danita Thomas, Latina Thomas, Janice Thompson, Michael Tucker Jr., Byron Washington, Thomas Washington, Hubert Watson, Desiree Webb, Natalie Webb, Carson Wetherwax, Aris White, Yvonne Williamson, Sabrina Wilson, Jahiem Wilson Ali'Bey, Regina Woodard, Gail Xavier, Jaqueline Zeigler

Child Abuse Prevention Month

April is Child Abuse Prevention Month (CAPM).

We highlight this month every year because we are called through Scripture and Tradition to protect the life and dignity of every human person, especially the young and the vulnerable. Did you know... Child abuse comes in many forms. Most people identify child abuse as physically hitting a child. Neglect is also a form of abuse. Failing to provide a child with proper nutrition, housing and supervision can cause irreparable harm. Expectations that a child be an active participant in the care of home and family, or even age-appropriate jobs is a part of healthy development. But excessive demands can cross into a form of servitude that is beyond the societal norms. Child pornography is a form of sexual abuse, with real victims in every image. The viewing of these images is an offence against the human dignity.

Angel Scholarship Fund

April 15, 2024 is the deadline for making a donation to the Angel Scholarship Fund (ASF) that may be eligible for a 2023 state tax credit. Please call 216-902-1312 for details on ASF; or visit www.catholiccommunity.org/for-advisors for important tax information that ASF donors can provide for their tax preparer.

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
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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: 7:15AM(Vigil Mass: 7:00PM)

PARISH STAFF:

Rev. James Watson, OFM Cap. Pastor
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Mr. Reginald Daniels, Custodian

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Sundays 7:45AM-8:15AM or 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 <https://saolf-parish.com/New-Registration>

Bulletin Article 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**