

September 8, 2024
Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary
Time

ST. PETER CLAVER

Feast Day: September 9



St. Peter Claver was born at Verdu, Catalonia, Spain, in 1580, of impoverished parents descended from ancient and distinguished families. He studied at the Jesuit college of Barcelona, entered the Jesuit novitiate at Tarragona in 1602 and took his final vows on August 8th, 1604. While studying philosophy at Majorca, the young religious was influenced by St. Alphonsus Rodriguez to go to the Indies and save "millions of perishing souls."

In 1610, he landed at Cartagena (modern Colombia), the principle slave market of the New World, where a thousand slaves were landed every month. After his ordination in 1616, he dedicated himself by special vow to the service of the Negro slaves-a work that was to last for thirty-three years. He labored unceasingly for the salvation of the African slaves and the abolition of the Negro slave trade, and the love he lavished on them was something that transcended the natural order.

Boarding the slave ships as they entered the harbor, he would hurry to the revolting inferno of the hold and offer whatever poor refreshments he could afford; he would care for the sick and dying, and instruct the slaves through Negro catechists before administering the Sacraments. Through his efforts three hundred thousand souls entered the Church. Furthermore, he did not lose sight of his converts when they left the ships but followed them to the plantations to which they were sent, encouraged them to live as Christians, and prevailed on their masters to treat them humanely. He died in 1654. Excerpt taken from:

https://www.catholic.org/saints/saint.php?saint_id=94

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
& INTENTIONAL PRAYER

Join us Sunday Evenings at 7PM for an hour of Eucharistic adoration, meditation and benediction as we pray for the special intentions of our Church and other needs. Today we will pray for: **That the Holy Spirit May Increase Unity in Our Parish**



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, Sept 8, Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 35:4-7 Ps 146:7-10 Jas 2:1-5 Mk 7:31-37
 8:30am- For an End to Domestic Abuse in Families
 10:30am- For and End to Slavery in the World

Mon, Sept 9, St. Peter Claver

1 Cor 5:1-8 Ps 5:5-6, 7, 12 Lk 6:6-11

Tue, Sept 10, Seasonal Weekday

1 Cor 6:1-11 Ps 149:1-6, 9 Lk 6:12-19

Wed, Sept 11, Seasonal Weekday

1 Cor 7:25-31 Ps 45:11-12, 14-17 Lk 6:20-26

Thu, Sept 12, Seasonal Weekday

1 Cor 8:1-7, 11-13 Ps 139:1-3, 13-14, 23-24 Lk 6:27-38

Fri, Sept 13, St. John Chrysostom

1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-27 Ps 84:3-6, 12 Lk 6:39-42

Sat, Sept 14, The Exaltation of The Holy Cross

Nm 21:4-9 Ps 78:1-2, 34-38 Phil 2:6-11 Jn 3:13-17

Sun, Sep 15, Twenty- Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 50:4-9 Ps 116:1-6, 8-9 Jas 2:14-18 Mk 8:27-35

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULES

8:30 AM 10:30 AM

08-Sept	Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time	
Comm	Mike Bussey	Lorraine McMillian
Lector	Veronica Safo	Cassie Bronson
EM	Needed	Janice Kushner
		Danita Thomas
Server	Jeremy Mangum	Melvin Onuorah
		Vanessa Walker
Usher	Jackie Hite-Jackson	Needed
	Shirley Tucker	Yvonne Griffin
		Sheila Griffin-McCoy
		Billy Cardwell

15-Sept	Twenty- Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
Comm	Ellen Connally	Terrence Marsh
Lector	Betty Smith	Josie Kramer
EM	Rhonda Cross Mangham	Darlene Horton
		Erika Jones-Smith
Server	Uzuchukku Oranugo	Eric Smedley Jr.
		Sa'Vannah Love
Usher	Karen Larry	Billy Cardwell
	Cathy Scott	Sheila Griffin-McCoy
		Yvonne Griffin
		Needed

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.**

Thank you for serving the Lord with your ministerial gifts!

NEW EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

The Office for Worship currently has formation sessions for NEW Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion scheduled now. Those who are interested in attending should contact **Fr. James**, who can arrange for registration as appropriate at 216-538-2349 or pastor@saolf.org(Please use "NEW EM" in the subject line.

Sr. Jane Nesmith, SBS
60 Year Jubilee Celebration

St. Agnes + Our Lady of Fatima

September 8, 2024

1-4PM



Today after Mass, come join us as we celebrate with **Sr. Jane M. Nesmith, SBS** in recognition of her 60 years consecrated life as a member of the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament. Not only has Sr. Jane been a dutiful and faithful servant to God and her order, we have been blessed to have her serve our community in the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland as the Director of the Office of Black Catholic Ministries.

Gregory F. Clifford: 216.789.3110

In lieu of gifts, please consider contributing to Sr. Jane's pilgrimage to Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine [Paris, France]2025. Please make checks payable to: St. Aloysius Parish, with "*Sr. Jane's Jubilee*" in the memo line.

INSTALLATION OF PASTOR
&

SAOLF PARISH FAMILY PICNIC

All are invited to the formal Installation of **Fr. James Watson as pastor** of Saint Agnes+Our Lady of Fatima Parish on September 15th at the 10:30AM Mass. **Bishop Michael G. Woost**, auxiliary bishop of the Diocese of Cleveland will be the presider.

Our Annual **St. Agnes+Our Lady of Fatima Parish Picnic** will follow the Mass. Sign-up sheets for picnic volunteers and baskets for donations for Kiddie Korner, white elephant, and bingo prizes are at the entrance to the church. Please note the time span you would like to volunteer, no one will be working more than 2 hours. The next picnic planning meeting will be on Sunday, Aug 25 after the 10:30 Mass.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT

Donald Burts (donaldburts1@gmail.com),
 Julio Taylor (JulioTaylor85@gmail.com),
 or Steven Galecki (sgalecki@yahoo.com)

"IF TODAY YOU HEAR HIS VOICE..."

How is God calling you to serve the Church?
 You can take a quiz to find out. Visit:
<https://vocationnetwork.org/en/match>
 or
 to learn more about the priesthood, religious orders, diaconate and married life, visit:
<https://nbccongress.org/vocations>

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 him at 216-538-2349, or 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.

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 8-25-2024

Total in Pew Collection	\$3561.95
Vanco On-Line	\$1,072.08
CashApp	\$655.11
Total	\$5,289.14

Father Into Your Hands...

Please keep in your prayers the soul of our deceased parish sister, **Yvette Andre**, who passed away this past week. Yvette was a devoted servant to our parish as a member of the Social Justice commission, usher and many other ministries. Please pray for her family as they mourn her passing. Funeral arrangements are being made and an update can be found at <https://www.smith-funeral-home.com>

We pray that her soul will rest in the Eternal Peace of Christ.

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-Eddie, 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

NEW WEBSITE COMING

Our parish will soon be launching a new website
To help in this transition
we need volunteers in the following roles

PARISH ARCHIVIST: We are also in need of a volunteer Parish Archivist. This person will manage significant historical information for our parish in physical form and for the website. If you have expertise in this field, please consider volunteering to serve you parish in this roll. If you have however, 2 people on the communications commission will be responsible for person to handle the uploading of photos

PARISH PHOTOGRAPHER(S): Thank you to the several parishioners who take photos and videos; If you have parish photos and would like to submit them for potential additions to the website and Parish Archives, you can receive temporary access to the parish Google Drive until September 22nd by contacting Fr. James via email at pastor@saolf.org to obtain permission to upload your files. *If you would like to be considered for one of these roles, please contact Fr. James via email only at pastor@saolf.org*

“Lessons from the Carpenter’s Workshop” Father and Son Retreat Saturday, September 28 9:30am - 4:30pm

St. Ladislav Parish, in collaboration with the Diocese of Cleveland's Office of Marriage and Family Ministry, will host “Lessons from the Carpenter Workshop” — a father and son retreat for fathers with sons in **grades 7-12**.

The day will be a spiritually enriching experience designed to strengthen the bond between fathers and their sons through shared

faith and fellowship. Offering a mix of guest speakers, engaging activities, group discussions, prayer, culminating with Mass, fathers and sons will have the opportunity to deepen their relationship with God and each other. Mass will be celebrated at 5:00pm. The cost is \$20 per person, lunch and snacks included. Space is limited. **Register via St. Ladislav's website:**
<https://www.stladislav.org/fathersonretreat>

Operation Good News...

a lay-led African American Catholic renewal ministry open to those 18 and older is sponsoring a

ONE DAY RETREAT SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12 8 A.M. TO 4 P.M.

at the Jesuit Retreat Center
 5629 State Road, Parma.

Cost is \$65 and registration deadline is Oct. 3.
 The fee includes breakfast and lunch.

Father James Watson, OFM Cap, pastor of St. Agnes/Our Lady of Fatima Parish in Cleveland, will be the spiritual director

Contact: Shawn Kennedy 216-233-0880
 Or Carol Bugg 216-835-0117
 for more information.

The mission of OGN is to share the Good News of Jesus Christ through witnessing the joy of His Love, increased knowledge of His Word, and recapturing the newness and hope that one feels with the first knowledge of God's love.

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 Registration:

Welcome to our parish. If you would like to register to join, please contact the parish office, or go to <https://saolf-parish.com/New-Registration> (Case-Sensitive) or use our QR Code:



PARISH INFORMATION

Address: 6800 Lexington Avenue
 Cleveland, Ohio 44103
Office: 216-391-1655
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FAX: 216-391-7919
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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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 at least 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.

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**