

November 17, 2024
Thirty-Third in Ordinary Time

CELEBRATING BLACK CATHOLIC HISTORY MONTH

Servant of God Sister Thea Bowman, FSPA

EDUCATOR, MISSIONARY DISCIPLE, ADVOCATE FOR CULTURAL AWARENESS AND RACIAL HARMONY

A self-proclaimed "old folks child," Thea Bowman was born Bertha Elizabeth Bowman in 1937, the daughter of a doctor and a teacher. She was raised in Canton, Mississippi. As a child she converted to Catholicism through the influence of the Franciscan Sisters of Perpetual Adoration and the Missionary Servants of the Most Holy Trinity, who taught her and nurtured her faith.

Growing up, Thea listened and learned from the wit and wisdom of family members and those in the community. Ever precocious, she would ask questions and seek new insights on how her elders lived, thrived and survived. From them she learned survival skills and coping mechanisms. She was exposed to the richness of the African-American culture: its history and stories, music and songs, customs and rituals, prayers and symbols. Thea was cognizant that God was indeed the God of the poor and oppressed. Her community instructed her, "If you get, give—if you learn, teach." She developed a deep and abiding love and faith in a God who would make "a way out of no way!"*

*<https://nbccongress.org/noteworthy-black-catholics/>

To See a Documentary on Sr. Thea Bowman's Life: "Going Home Like a Shooting Star Thea Bowman's Journey to Sainthood": <https://bit.ly/40Ldglz> or use the following QR Code:



MASS INTENTIONS AND SCRIPTURES THIS WEEK

Sun, Nov 17, Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dn 12:1-3 Ps 16:5, 8-11 Heb 10:11-14, 18 Mk 13:24-32

8:30am- The Priest Celebrant's Special Intention

10:30am- All Souls in Purgatory

Mon, Nov 18, Seasonal Weekday

Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5 Ps 1:1-4, 6 Lk 18:35-43

Tue Nov 19, Seasonal Weekday

Rv 3:1-6, 14-22 Ps 15:2-5 Lk 19:1-10

Wed, Nov 20, Seasonal Weekday

Rv 5:1-10 Ps 150:1-6 Lk 19:11-28

Thu, Nov 21, The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Rv 5:1-10 Ps 149:1-6, 9 Lk 19:41-44

Fri, Nov 22, St. Cecilia

Rv 10:8-11 Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131 Lk 19:45-48

Sat, Nov 23, Seasonal Weekday

Rv 11:4-12 Ps 144:1-2, 9-10 Lk 20:27-40

Sun, Nov 24, Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Dn 7:13-14 Ps 93:1-2, 5 Rv 1:5-8 Jn 18:33-37

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULES		
	8:30 AM	10:30 AM
17-Nov	Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time	
Comm	Betty Smith	Carol Grant
Lector	Sandra Gay-Chapman	Tara Young
EM	Rhonda Cross Mangham	Annette Cardwell
	Needed	Janice Kushner
Server	Uzuchukku Oranugo	Eric Smedley Jr.
		Devine Onuorah
Usher	Karen Larry	Billy Cardwell
	Lazuras Oranugo	Antoinette Smith
		Linda Weatherspoon
		Marietta Stovall
24-Nov	Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time	
Comm	Ellen Connally	Carla Grant
Lector	Stacy Mangum	Tiana Banks
EM	Rhonda Cross Mangham	Darlene Horton
	Marietta Stovall	Danita Thomas
Server	Jeremy Mangum	Vanessa Walker
		Gavin Smedley
Usher	Theresa Hughley	Jeremiah Robinson
	Lazuras Oranugo	Elinor Williamson
		Needed
		Sheila Griffin- McCoy

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 11-10-2024
TO BE REPORTED NEXT WEEKEND

Correction: Last week's report was for the week of 11-3-2024, not 10-27-2024.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION HOLY HOUR

Join us Sunday Evenings at 7PM
for an hour of Eucharistic

adoration, quiet meditation and benediction as we pray for the special intentions of our Church and other needs. Today we will pray for:

All Souls in Purgatory

NEW EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

The Office for Worship currently has formation sessions for NEW Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion scheduled now. Our parish is in need of more EM's to help serve their sisters and brothers at Mass, homebound, in hospitals or nursing homes. Those who are interested should contact should contact **Fr. James**, who can arrange for registration for training at one of the following locations 216-538-2349 or pastor@saolf.org (Please use "NEW EM" in the subject line.)

- **Monday, November 18, 2024** from 7-9:30pm
Resurrection Parish, Solon

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sacraments and Faith Formation Registration 2024-25:

Please sign your child/teen up for First Communion, Confirmation. To register your child for next year, go online at: <https://saolf-parish.com/FaithFormation-Registration>
To register: call **Mr. Cary Dabney** at 216-391-1655 ext#14

Interested in Joining the Church

Are you someone or do you know someone who....

- ❖ Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic or learning more about the Catholic Faith?
- ❖ Has a child over the age of seven who has not been baptized?

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

Seeking for a City:
Academic Symposium on Black Catholic Liturgy & Culture

Friday, November 22, 12:00pm –
Sunday, November 24, 1:00pm
University of Dayton - Curran Place
1700 S. Patterson,
Boulevard, OH 45409

This coming November 22-24, 2024, join the Black Catholic Community for an Academic Symposium honoring the 40th anniversary of the Black Bishops' pastoral letter "What We Have Seen and Heard." The two-day Academic Symposium will be held at the University of Dayton from Friday afternoon to Saturday evening and feature festive liturgies.

Our Keynote Speakers for the Academic Symposium are: Rev. Dr. Joseph Brown, S.J., Most Rev. Edward Braxton, and Dr. Kim R. Harris. It is our hope that the wisdom in the pastoral letter is not forgotten, and that we build a future on the extraordinary efforts of our elders.

To Register:

<https://resources.catholicaoc.org/event/symposium>

or contact:

Sr. Jane Nesmith at

jnesmith@dioceseofcleveland.org

OFFICE OF BLACK CATHOLICS COMMITTEE MEMBERS NEEDED

The Office of Black Catholics is in need of planning committee members to help plan for the upcoming events. Sign up sheets are available in the Narthex.

- **Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration:** Jan 20, 2025
- **The Lenten Revival:** March 5th thru 7th 2025
- **Juneteenth:** June 19, 2025



MARRIAGE MINISTRY HOLIDAY SOCIAL

All married couples are invited to enjoy a festive extravaganza of fellowship, potluck treats, live holiday music, games and gifts on Sat., Dec. 7th from 2:00 - 6:00 pm at the Martin

residence. **Please respond to Rhonda in person or at 216-956-1145, no later than next Sun., Nov. 24th**, if you will be attending and what dish you will bring. Details regarding the event were texted to ministry members. If you did not receive the text, please contact Rhonda.



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 MINISTERS CONTACT INFORMATION UPDATE



If you are a liturgical minister (Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist, Lector, etc.), **please contact us to update your contact information: Carla Grant:** 216-200-1525 or cgibible40@gmail.com.

Thank you for serving the Lord with your ministerial gifts!

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, 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

Catholic Cemeteries Association Grief Support

The Catholic Cemeteries Association offers free, safe, and compassionate monthly Grief Support meetings and memorial events throughout the year.

Upcoming support/ gatherings:

Nov. 17th – Sunday Grief Support meetings (3pm In-person; 5pm Virtual)

Nov. 18th – AM 1260 Gravesite Service for Deceased Priests – (3pm at Holy Cross Cemetery, Brook Park – St. John Paul II Mausoleum, section 5 across from priest section 10) **For details, visit:**

<https://www.clecem.org/Events/Events.aspx>

For more information, call Rhonda at 216-930-4866.

Support Your Church with your IRA

As Christian stewards, we are called to help make our Church a strong community of faith and a beacon of service to others. This includes supporting the financial needs of today while ensuring a stable foundation for the future. One way to contribute is through your IRA. If you are 70 ½ or older, you can make a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) of up to \$100,000 directly from your IRA to your parish. This gift will not be taxable income and can satisfy your required minimum distribution (RMD). Looking ahead, you might also consider naming our parish as a beneficiary of your IRA. Consult your financial advisor or contact **Mary Lou Ozimek at 216-696-6525 x4070.**

2024 Catholic Charities Appeal

“TRANSFORMED BY YOUR LOVE.”



For more information, please go to:

CATHOLICCOMMUNITY.ORG/2024APPEAL

OUR PARISH GOAL FOR 2024:

\$13,801

How are we doing as of September 2024?

Pledged: \$9,829.80, Fulfilled: \$6,339.80

Graduate Study at Saint Mary Seminary & Graduate School of Theology

Spring 2025 Semester

Saint Mary Seminary and Graduate School of Theology welcomes men and women who wish to study graduate theology to consider the Master of Arts (Theology) degree program or Continuing Education courses to advance personal theological knowledge. Please consult the [seminary website](https://stmarysem.edu/current-semester/) at <https://stmarysem.edu/current-semester/>

for information about course offerings in Spring 2025. If you are a current student, please review the Academic Bulletin for Spring 2025 and register for your spring courses. New students who are interested in more information about studying in the Graduate Program, please [contact the Registrar](mailto:registrar@stmarysem.edu) at registrar@stmarysem.edu to schedule an appointment.

Eucharistic Adoration and Black Catholic Heritage

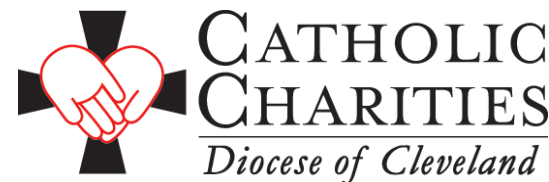


In honor of Black Catholic History Month, the Black Catholic community continues to host weekly prayer services throughout the month of November. We will pray with reflections on the mysteries of the Rosary created in honor of the 50th anniversary of the Civil Rights movement. Prayer services will begin at 7 pm and rotate weekly, a

different day each week, in order to have the opportunity to pray each of the mysteries.

Joyful Mysteries: Education, Social & Economic Justice. **Monday, Nov 18** at Our Lady of Peace, 12601 Shaker Blvd, Cleveland.

Sorrowful Mysteries: Black Catholic Historical Documents. **Friday, Nov 29** at Holy Spirit, 4341 East 131 Street, Garfield Heights.



Fatima Dinner and Community Conversation

Topic:

“Let’s Talk about Safety”



Tuesday, December 3, 2024: 5:30 to 7:00
Fatima Family Center
6600 Lexington Avenue

Free event, **tickets required**, tickets available on **November 18th at noon**
Limited to 100 people
Light Refreshments
Providing Help. Creating Hope.

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
Emergency: 216-538-2349
FAX: 216-391-7919
Email: parish@saolf.org
Website: www.saolf.org

Office Hours: Mon-Sat: 9AM-12:30, 1:00PM-3:30PM

Mass Schedule:

Sunday: 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.
Weekday: As Scheduled
Holyday: 7:15AM(Vigil Mass: 7:00PM)
Eucharistic Holy Hour: Sundays at 7:00PM

PARISH STAFF:

Rev. James Watson, OFM Cap. Pastor
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Mr. Cary Dabney, Director of Religious Education
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dannymac63@roadrunner.com
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.

Bulletin Article Deadline: Tuesdays at 12 noon

Electronic Giving Opportunities:

Go to www.saolf.org and click on “Make a Gift.”
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