

Mother of Sorrows Parish

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Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time • February 14, 2021

Registration: You are welcome to register in the parish after any Mass or by appointment.

Sacrament of Baptism: Please contact the Parish Office for arrangements.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: (Confession) Between 4:00 and 4:30 p.m. on Saturday & after any Mass or by appointment.

Sacrament of Matrimony: Please contact the Parish Office at least six (6) months in advance of the wedding date.

Sacrament of the Sick: If you are unable to attend Mass due to illness or hospitalization, please notify the Parish Office.

Retrouvaille (www.helpourmarriage.com) For marriages needing help, call Al and Diane at 330-665-3506

Emotions Anonymous – Akron area, call 330-849-0849.

Couple Ministry – Call Rose at 216-334-2973 or Jane at 216-334-2978

Cana II Day – Couples Planning Remarriage, Call 216-334-2978

PREP – Marriage Preparation or Enrichment, Call 216-334-2978

Pre-Cana Programs – Marriage Preparation, Call Jane at 216-334-2978

Natural Family Planning Classes – Call Kathy Patton at 216-334-2973

Separated & Divorce Ministry and Step-parenting
Call Carol Petro at 216-334-2975

For Your Marriage (www.foryourmarriage.org)
Find the latest marriage theology, news and resources at the U.S. Bishops website for engaged and married couples

Pro-Life Office (www.clevelandcatholiccharities.org/prolife)
Call Peggy Gerovac at 216-334-2965

World Wide Marriage Encounter (www.wwme.org)
Call 1-800-795-LOVE (5683) or 330-305-9963

MISSION STATEMENT

We, the parishioners of Mother of Sorrows Parish, established in 1882, Christ centered and empowered by the Holy Spirit, dedicate ourselves to serve the needs of all by liturgical worship and parish ministries.



From the Pastor's Desk

Jesus came to bring all to the Kingdom of God. Like the leper we must make every effort to approach Jesus despite our sinfulness, brokenness or troubles. Jesus in the *Sacrament of Reconciliation* (Confession), the *Sacrament of the Anointing* will grant us forgiveness and healing. We, like the leper must not let anything keep us from coming to Jesus, especially present in the sacraments. In *Reconciliation* we find absolution. In the *Anointing* we experience the healing grace for serious illness. In the *Holy Eucharist* is the medicine for the effects of sin. In turn we must seek to benefit others as Jesus offers us compassion, understanding and peace. *We pray...*

*O God, who teach us that you abide
in hearts that are just and true,
grant that we may be so fashioned by your grace
as to become a dwelling pleasing to you.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
One God, for ever and ever.*

Amen.

*Collect, Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time,
Roman Missal, 3rd Edition*



Parish Schedule and Mass Intentions

February 13 Saturday: <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time (5)</i>	4:00pm Sacrament of Reconciliation
	5:00pm Mass (<i>People of the Parish</i>)
February 14 The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	8:30am Mass (<i>Nicholas Edward Kuchar, d. 1/8/2021</i>)
	11:00am Mass (<i>Married and Engaged Couples</i>)
February 15 Monday: <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time (6)</i>	8:30am Mass (<i>Deacon William E. Schill, d. 2/08/2021</i>)
February 16 Tuesday: <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time (6)</i>	8:30am Mass (<i>All Souls</i>)
February 17 Ash Wednesday (<i>Fast and Abstinence</i>)	8:30am Mass (<i>People of the Parish</i>)
	7:00pm Mass (<i>Homebound of MOS</i>)
February 18 Thursday after Ash Wednesday	8:30am Mass (<i>Reverend John W. Lees, d. 2/09/1958</i>)
	7:00pm Eucharistic Holy Hour
February 19 Friday after Ash Wednesday (<i>Abstinence</i>)	8:30am Mass (<i>Benjamin Consolo</i>)
	7:00pm Stations of the Cross
February 20 Saturday after Ash Wednesday	4:00pm Sacrament of Reconciliation
	5:00pm Mass (<i>Eristea Consolo, d. 2/01/2021</i>)
February 21 The First Sunday of Lent	8:30am Mass (<i>People of the Parish</i>)
	11:00am Mass (<i>Brenda K Powell</i>)

Lent Begins . . .

Ash Wednesday, February 17, 2021 is a day of prayer and penance. A day when fasting and abstinence is observed. Fasting is to be observed by those ages 18 through 59. Fasting allows a person to eat one full meal. Two smaller meals may be taken, not to equal one full meal. Abstinence from meat is obligatory for all Catholics age 14 and older. Abstaining from meat on prescribed days is another way of doing penance. Lent is much more. It is a time of conversion, grace, and new direction. How can we make this happen? Fast from what we do not really need. Do more rather than less during these Lenten days. Consider daily Mass (perhaps virtually), celebrating the sacrament of penance, participating in our parish's Lenten devotions (Eucharistic Holy Hour, Stations of the Cross). You might read the Bible, spiritual literature, the lives of the Saints, and pray the Rosary (with family and friends). Take more time for personal prayer. Participate in the *Rice Bowl Lenten Project...sharing in order that others might have enough.* Join our faith community, and nearly 14,000 Catholic communities across the United States, in a life-changing Lenten journey of encounter with CRS Rice Bowl. There is even a CRS Rice Bowl app that can be downloaded. Pray that these 40 days truly help us on our Lenten journey to the glory of Easter and new life in the Lord. One further thought: consider meditating daily as an additional Lenten help on the words used in imposition of ashes: "Remember you are dust, and to dust you shall return." "Repent and believe the Gospel." *Blessings on our Lenten Journey 2021!*

Love your NEIGHBOR



Love Your Neighbor. Many parishioners received letters in January, inviting their support of the Annual Appeal. Next weekend the 2021 Catholic Charities Annual Appeal will take place in our parish. Our parish goal for 2021 is \$34,133. If you have not received the mailing from Bishop Malesic, or have not responded to it, you are asked to consider making a generous pledge to support the ministries and services provided by Catholic Charities. If you have received the mailing, please respond generously to it and we ask you to also complete the in-pew envelope and indicate by checking the box that you have responded by mail. Your donation makes a difference! Your support of the 2021 Catholic Charities Annual Appeal will help us serve those individuals who are most in need and most vulnerable. From Matthew's Gospel: Whatever you did for the least of these, you did it for me. When we feed the hungry, take care of the sick, and welcome the stranger, we are also serving Jesus himself. We appreciate your donation and will take special care to use it wisely in providing essential programs and services to people in need throughout all eight counties of the Diocese of Cleveland. We invite you to view stories of inspiration and more information at CatholicCommunity.org/2021Appeal. *Donations will be doubled by a generous donor, who believes in the mission of Catholic Charities, up to \$1 million. Please note that you can make your donation online at CatholicCommunity.org/Match. Thank you!*

Sunday, Feb 14, 2021

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Staying the course

Quarantine is hard on relationships: both with the people you can't yet risk seeing in person, as well as those with whom you happen to be locked down. Families that have survived a long year of "acute togetherness" might congratulate each other on their success. Spouses, too, might reward each other for going the distance, without much distance, since last spring. On this World Marriage Day, take some time to reflect together on ways your vital relationships have been tested in a long period of crisis. Ask for forgiveness where necessary. Offer yours freely.

TODAY'S READINGS: Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46; 1 Corinthians 10:31—11:1; Mark 1:40-45 (77). *"Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ."*

Monday, Feb 15, 2021

Lead by example

Presidents' Day—celebrated every February between Lincoln's and Washington's birthdays—is an occasion to remember all the presidents of the United States. Certainly some of them have been better than others. Our job is not to sit on the sidelines and criticize and complain. The church wisely instructs us on our duty as citizens "to contribute along with the civil authorities to the good of society in a spirit of truth, justice, solidarity, and freedom." That goes for participation in any community—get involved and raise it up!

TODAY'S READINGS: Genesis 4:1-15, 25; Mark 8:11-13 (335). *"Amen, I say to you, no sign will be given to this generation."*

Tuesday, Feb 16, 2021

Enjoy the feast before the fast

Today is Fat Tuesday. Whether you call it Mardi Gras, Carnival, or Shrove Tuesday, the popular practice of one last big, sumptuous feast—right before the asceticism of Lent—actually had a very practical motivation. In the days before refrigeration, people couldn't preserve certain foods (like eggs, cream, and butter) during the time of prolonged fasting. They had to use them up. Nowadays, that's not the case for most of us. So it's worth considering: What does the feasting of this day signify, in contrast to the great fast that's approaching? Perhaps it's gratitude—for God's generous abundance.

TODAY'S READINGS: Genesis 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Mark 8:14-21 (336). *"Do you not remember, when I broke the five loaves for the five thousand?"*

Wednesday, Feb 17, 2021

ASH WEDNESDAY; DAY OF FAST AND ABSTINENCE

Invitation to love

We enter the Lenten journey with the intention to draw closer to God by means of prayer, generosity, and fasting. Talk to God and share what is on your mind, read the daily scripture, practice the prayer of meditation. Find ways to be generous with time or treasure: write a card, heal a broken relationship, bake bread to share, donate to a group that cares for the underserved. And admit that some fasting—whether from gaming, social media, or worrying—could improve your connection to God. This Lent is an

opportunity, not a burden. Embrace it with hope. Live it with love.

TODAY'S READINGS: Joel 2:12-18; 2 Corinthians 5:20—6:2; Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18 (219). *"Even now, says the Lord, return to me with your whole heart."*

Thursday, Feb 18, 2021

THURSDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY

Choose life

Today's readings focus on the urgency of choosing life. Moses tells his people to choose life over death; Jesus says we save our life by losing it in him. Meanwhile, events nationwide and worldwide keep reminding us that black lives matter and, as Catholic bishops put it, "everyone belongs." The disproportionate death of people of color from poor healthcare, poverty, abortion, crime and violence, judicial bias, and more cries out for major reform. Support life in all its diversity by learning more about racial injustice as a prolife issue.

TODAY'S READINGS: Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Luke 9:22-25 (220). *"For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will save it."*

Friday, Feb 19, 2021

FRIDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY; DAY OF ABSTINENCE

Make abstinence a healthy habit

The wisdom of making Lenten Fridays meatless has endured for centuries. We now understand that meat consumption at current levels is not only unhealthy, but unsustainable. Ever more Amazonian rain forests are cleared for grazing. Hundreds of activists have been gunned down trying to protect this biodiverse land and its poor settlers against the interests of powerful ranchers and loggers. Among the martyrs is Sister Dorothy Stang, SNDdeN, whose death 15 years ago brought new attention to the plight of the farmers and the devastation of the Amazon for the sake of beef. Why not extend your meat abstinence beyond Lenten Fridays?

TODAY'S READINGS: Isaiah 58:1-9a; Matthew 9:14-15 (221). *"Would that today you might fast so as to make your voice heard on high!"*

Saturday, Feb 20, 2021

SATURDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY

Off to a good start?

This is only the fourth day of Lent, and already we had a day of fasting and abstinence on Wednesday and another day of abstinence yesterday. During Lent back in the Middle Ages, Catholics weren't supposed to eat anything before 3 p.m. In the monasteries, that was the hour the "Nones" prayers were recited. So no eating until after Nones. But the monks would move the Nones hour up to 12 o'clock so they could eat earlier. That's how the 12 o'clock hour got the name "noon." While we can eat at any hour today, every day is a good day to control our appetites. What hunger stands between you and a peaceful heart? Can you put it on pause at least for a day?

TODAY'S READINGS: Isaiah 58:9b-14; Luke 5:27-32 (222). *"I have not come to call the righteous to repentance but sinners."*

Invest just five minutes a day, and your faith will deepen and grow—a day at a time



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Please pray for ...



Ed Abrams, Ann, Richard Bennett,
Terry Balinski, Ruby Beshara,
Wayne Beshara, Celia Bican, Logan

Boone, Susan Bormet, Caleb Bruce, Delia Chatigny,
Gabrielle Citino, Johanna Conner, Allan Cook,
Gary Crowe, Maribeth Derer, Jody Dagg, John
Dutton, Scott Ensign, Frank, Millie Fritz, Tom
Gardner, Chris and Laura Gibbs, James Ging,
Evelyn Goris-Trecaso, Richard J. Grabowski,
Marilyn Griffith, Angie Grimes, Jennifer Grimes,
Eileen Herrman, Tayha Hostetler, Sharon Houska,
Alaina Jaegers, Jill, Maureen Joyce, Marca Kaplar,
Kay, Evan Kelly, Douglas Klubnik, Kenneth
Klubnik, Helen Kracker, Drayden Lavere, Carol
Leach, Johnny Levanduski, Patricia Liebenaurer,
Bill and Nancy Lillyman, Paul Marcene, John
McDermott, Megan, Melissa, Menke Family, Bill
Misencik, John Moore, Connie Morehouse, Ashley
Munoz, Antoinette Myers, Natalie, Nate, Collin
Nemet, Jared Newman, Noa, Frank Nicotera,
Carroll O'Donnell, Adriana Paddock, Richard
Edward Parker, Penelope, Bridget Perez, Michael
Phillips, Bruce Pohl, Sandy Posten, Rita, Helen
Rhuling, Lynn Riley, , Eric Rogalski, Aggie Rohan,
Bruno Ruppel, Robert and Polly Rutledge, Sandy,
Kathy Scott, Steve Sheets, Stefanie, Stephen
Sommer, Shirley Southard, Kenny Starr, Amy
Stephen, Bruce Styles, Marla Sliwinski, Adriana
Tadlock, Diane Taninecz, Ginny Thompson, Robert
Timko, Laura Tories, Marianne, Stephen, Mallory
Trecaso, Meghann Trecaso, Paul Trecaso, Loretta
Uranker, Thomas Wearsch, Patricia Wiatrowski,
Barbara Wright and all need of prayerful support.
*Requests or changes please call 330-657-2631 or email
mosp Noah@windstream.net.*

**Pope's Intention for February
Violence against women**

*We pray for women who are victims of violence,
that they may be protected by society and
have their sufferings considered and heeded.*

Let us pray to the Lord.

See "Take Five For Faith" insert for
this week's Sunday and daily Mass Scriptures.



*Read and pray daily
the Scriptures*

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In the gospel reading today, Jesus reaches out to touch the leper, one who had been rendered ritually impure or "unclean" _due to his skin infection. This gospel story is one of mercy, acceptance, compassion, and empathy. We hear that Jesus is "moved with pity" _at the plight of the leper and reaches out to touch him, breaking the Jewish law of his time. How as Christians do we treat our family members with mercy, acceptance, compassion and empathy? Throughout his life, Jesus seeks out and draws near to those on the margins. How do we respond to those in our family who are on the margins of society or in our own family unit?

Universal Prayer . . . For families who lack food, water, shelter, and clothing, may those who have an abundance willingly share with those who have nothing . . .
Let us pray to the Lord.

Act of Spiritual Communion

*My Jesus, I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though You have already come,
I embrace You
and unite myself entirely to You;
never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.*

Prayer to St. Joseph

*Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.
Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage,
and defend us from every evil.
Amen.*

Thank you for mailing in your contributions!

The Weekend of February 7, 2021

Sunday	1065.00
Monthly	310.00
Initial Offering (Additional)	500.00
Special donations	40.00

Thank you for your generous support!

National Black and Indian Collection

Next weekend, February 20 – 21, 2021 our parish is taking take up the 137th annual National Black and Indian Mission Collection. Our support of this collection helps build the Church in African American, Native American and Alaska Native communities from coast to coast. Schools, parish religious education programs and diocesan ministries depend on your generosity to help spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ! You can help meet unmet needs with a generous contribution today. Thank you in advance for your support!

In Your Charity...Remember Rev. Thomas Hagedorn, retired priest; Rev. Mr. Carl Varga, retired deacon; Mrs. Patricia Anne Shemuga, mother of Rev. Kevin Shemuga, Pastor, Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish, Macedonia; and Rev. Mr. William F. Schill (Suzanne) retired deacon. **May Father Hagedorn, Deacon Varga, Mrs. Shemuga, Deacon Schill and all who have gone before us in faith live for ever in the joy of the Resurrection. May their family and friends be consoled. Amen.**

PRAYER INTENTIONS

We at AM 1260 The Rock pray daily for the intentions of our listeners. Please call us at 216-227-1260 or email prayers@am1260therock.com with your prayer requests.

The nuns at Christ the Bridegroom are our prayer partners and pray for and with you.

Prayer for Lent

O God, bless us during this season of spiritual renewal.

**Fill our minds and hearts, that we may be a sign of Jesus to all those Living in our midst.
Amen.**

Today is World Marriage Day!

On this *World Marriage Day*, we thank our heavenly Father for the gift and blessing of marriage and the family. As we strive to live our particular vocations and respond to the Lord's grace in our lives, let's also consider how we might dedicate renewed prayer and attention to marriage and the family.

As a start, here are possible areas we might consider:

First, we begin with prayer: Let's remember to pray with and for marriages and families throughout our nation: for marriages in crisis, for families struggling with unemployment, for broken or wounded family relationships.

Second, let us reclaim Sunday as the Lord's Day, a day of rest when we can focus on being together as a family. The celebration of Holy Mass together is the first essential way to honor this day. But is there something more the Lord is inviting us to when we go back home? Set aside some time to pray a decade of the rosary, enjoy the outdoors together, play ball, eat dinner together, have a game night!

And third, let us remember that the Church is the family of God and a family of families. As a family, how can we share Christ with other married couples and families? Do we have any friends and family members who are struggling in their marriage, alone during this time of isolation, or particularly afflicted by this pandemic? When was the last time we checked on our elderly neighbors? Is there someone in the parish that we haven't seen in a while? How can we—as a family—reach out to those who are in need?

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The Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time Bulletin Announcements February 14, 2021

Local Programming at AM 1260 The Rock

Join us for these AM 1260 The Rock local programs!

"**Where We Worship**" features host Bob Tayek exploring the history, stories, and faith of our Catholic parishes and institutions in Northeast Ohio. Tune in Sunday 2/21 at 11:00 am or Saturday 2/27 at 4:30 pm as Bob shares the story of Cleveland's **St. Mel Parish**.

"**Table Talk**" features conversations with Roman and Eastern Rite Bishops. This month, host Dick Russ will talk with **Most Rev. Timothy Broglio**, Archbishop of the Military, and a Cleveland native. Tune in on Thursday 2/18 at 5:00 pm, Friday 2/19 at 8:00 am, or Sunday 2/21 at 1:00 pm to learn how the Archdiocese addresses the spiritual needs of our servicemen and women.

"**God Calling**" airs Sundays at 4:30 PM and features vocation stories from priests, religious, married, and single Catholics. Veteran broadcaster Paul Orlousky hosts this 30-minute glimpse into how God calls each one of us. February's lineup includes:

- 2/14- **Vic and Pat Voinovich** (our Valentine's Episode)
- 2/21-**Fr. Joe Mamich**, Pastor-St. Joseph Parish, Strongsville
- 2/28-**Deacon Bill and Nancy Fredrick**, St. Joseph Byzantine Church, Brecksville

Brooke Taylor is back with her weekly program featuring all new episodes. Tune in Wednesday mornings at 8:00 am beginning February 17th to hear engaging interviews with theologians, athletes, priests, pastors, moms, and monks!

Visit www.am1260therock.com for previous recordings of these programs on our audio archive page, or to see our full array of programs under Schedule.

**Embrace Clinic & Care Center
Director of Client Services
Job Description Summary**

We are seeking candidates for the **Director of Client Services** position. This is a salaried, part-time staff position reporting directly to the Executive Director and currently requiring a commitment of 28 hrs/week, plus extra hours for meetings, trainings and in-services.

The qualified candidate will be a faithful Christian, willing to uphold the teachings of the Catholic faith and possessing excellent relationship skills, effective communication skills – both written and oral – and a commitment to the best interests of our clients and the pro-life movement.

Interested applicants can send a cover letter and resume to peggy@embraceccc.org, or by mail to Embrace Clinic & Care Center, 180 1st Street NW, Barberton, Ohio 44203.



Choose Life! Program



Art & Essay Contest



Truth Booth Programs

Educating the Next Generation with the Truth about Life

An Invitation to Students in Gr. 4 - 12

The annual "Respect Life" Art, Digital Art, Essay & Poetry Contest is an opportunity for students to share their artistic and written talents, celebrate the sanctity of human life, and be one of the many cash prize winners at our spring Awards Ceremony!

To enter, please go to www.LifeWorksOhio.org; at the bottom of the News & Events scroll, just click on the Contest Details for your grade level. **Entries must be postmarked or e-mailed by February 26, 2021.**

Questions: 216-661-6616 LifeWorks Ohio

LifeWorks Ohio's programs are endorsed by Auxiliary Bishop Emeritus Roger W. Gries

*The Salvation Army
Adult Rehabilitation Center
Cleveland, Ohio
Counselor Needed*

We are seeking to employ a person to provide counseling from a Christian perspective. Our residential program is the ideal environment for persons with a myriad of challenges to learn about GOD'S love and restore their life.

Visit Cleveland.SARehab.org for more information

Call: 216-881-2625 Extension: 311303

Donation Summaries 2020

Requests for 2020 Donation Summaries may be placed in the collection basket with your name, address, phone number, email address and envelope number. Thanks!

Please check the vestibule for more information on upcoming events, registration forms, prayer cards, and notices.

Love your NEIGHBOR

You shall love the Lord, your God,
with all your heart, with all your soul,
and with all your mind. This is the
greatest and the first commandment.
The second is like it: You shall love
your neighbor as yourself.

- MATTHEW 22:37-39

...who is hungry and isolated.

St. Martin de Porres Family Center has been an important part of Wilma's life since moving to the Glenville neighborhood over 18 years ago. Before the pandemic, Wilma regularly participated in many events for seniors. But when the Center had to close during the pandemic, Wilma's life became isolated. Luckily, the Center continued to provide meals to those in need, and Wilma was thankful to have healthy meals delivered to her home by the staff at the Center.

Hear more from Wilma at www.CatholicCommunity.org/videos/Wilma.

"Loving your neighbor means looking out for your neighbor, so thank you Catholic Charities for serving us during this pandemic. The work you have done for us has not gone unnoticed."

- WILMA



HUNGRY & HOMELESS: MAKING AN IMPACT



Thousands of people rely on Catholic Charities each year for basic necessities such as food + warmth.

28 + 17 = 273,449

Food Banks

Hot Meal Programs

The number of individuals seeking assistance from food banks + hot meal programs continues to grow.



St. Martin de Porres Family Center serves nearly **6,000 meals** per month to seniors. This has tripled since the pandemic began.

"I'm thankful to Catholic Charities for giving me hope when I was in need."

- Wilma

Catholic Charities provides **shelter** to those who are seeking warmth + comfort at night.

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Shelter Sites



73,544
Nights of Shelter



Catholic Charities
DIOCESE OF CLEVELAND

Parish Appeal Weekend is February 20-21, 2021
2021 ANNUAL APPEAL

www.CatholicCommunity.org/2021Appeal

...who is eager to learn.

Twins Genice and GeNiah have participated in programs at Fatima Family Center since they were very young. Now, as their school has shifted to online classes, Fatima has shifted their services to provide the twins and their peers a safe, quiet place with fast internet to learn during the school day. Helpful staff members supervise five classrooms and offer assistance as students adapt to this new style of remote learning; and parents can be assured that their kids are receiving help.

Hear more from Genice and GeNiah at www.CatholicCommunity.org/videos/Fatima.

“When the pandemic hit, everything was upside down. I was grateful that the Fatima Family Center was still open to offer resources for us, especially having my twins in the learning pod to offer instruction and computer help with their school work.”

– SONYA, MOTHER OF GENICE AND GENIAH



FAMILY CENTERS: IMPACTING YOUR NEIGHBORS

Family Centers are neighborhood gathering places serving seniors, children and teens, families; those who are isolated, hungry, unemployed, or in need of emergency and medical services find help and hope through our children and family services.



4,946

Individuals are served at three Family Centers in Greater Cleveland.

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Different programs focus on teen leadership & mentoring, early childhood education, after-school programs, summer camps, family-focused counseling & mental health, parenting, and programs for seniors.

Fatima Family Center serves Cleveland's Hough community by providing events, recreational and educational opportunities, and supportive services for youth, families, adults and seniors.



5 Learning Pods

Due to the pandemic, Fatima Family Center had to cancel their in-person programming but were able to offer five classrooms where students could come to daily for internet access to remote learning.

2021 ANNUAL APPEAL PARISH GOAL: \$13,500,000

PARISH GOALS

Parish	City	Goal	Parish	City	Goal	Parish	City	Goal
Assumption	Broadview Hts.	\$134,960	St. Aloysius-St. Agatha	Cleveland	\$4,123	St. Jude	Elyria	\$72,666
Blessed Trinity	Akron	\$25,965	St. Ambrose	Brunswick	\$127,282	St. Julie Billiart	North Ridgeville	\$50,148
Blessed Trinity	Cleveland	\$22,245	St. Andrew Kim	Cleveland	\$2,178	St. Justin Martyr	Eastlake	\$56,510
Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist	Cleveland	\$118,026	St. Andrew the Apostle	Norton	\$46,079	St. Ladislav	Westlake	\$162,568
Communion of Saints	Cleveland Hts.	\$145,321	St. Angela Merici	Fairview Park	\$228,873	St. Leo the Great	Cleveland	\$66,372
Divine Word	Kirtland	\$67,945	St. Anne	Wadsworth	\$14,655	St. Lucy	Middlefield	\$14,078
Gesu	University Hts.	\$157,343	St. Anselm	Chesterland	\$94,216	St. Luke	Lakewood	\$100,392
Guardian Angels	Copley	\$59,481	St. Anthony of Padua	Akron	\$43,620	St. Malachi	Cleveland	\$31,828
Holy Angels	Chagrin Falls	\$227,010	St. Anthony of Padua	Fairport Harbor	\$15,639	St. Mark	Cleveland	\$52,514
Holy Family	Parma	\$77,700	St. Anthony of Padua	Lorain	\$25,514	St. Martin of Tours	Maple Hts.	\$57,433
Holy Family	Stow	\$188,472	St. Anthony of Padua	Parma	\$91,414	St. Martin of Tours	Valley City	\$52,800
Holy Martyrs	Medina	\$100,051	St. Augustine	Barberton	\$55,154	St. Mary	Akron	\$5,212
Holy Name	Cleveland	\$12,199	St. Augustine	Cleveland	\$24,582	St. Mary	Bedford	\$13,510
Holy Redeemer	Cleveland	\$18,757	St. Barbara	Cleveland	\$6,513	St. Mary	Berea	\$69,643
Holy Rosary	Cleveland	\$48,779	St. Barnabas	Northfield	\$133,159	St. Mary	Chardon	\$130,397
Holy Spirit	Avon Lake	\$110,641	St. Bartholomew	Middleburg Hts.	\$105,204	St. Mary	Cleveland	\$34,377
Holy Spirit	Garfield Hts.	\$19,532	St. Basil the Great	Brecksville	\$392,191	St. Mary	Elyria	\$85,984
Holy Trinity	Avon	\$88,814	St. Bede the Venerable	Mentor	\$75,138	St. Mary	Hudson	\$296,044
Immaculate Conception	Akron	\$13,062	St. Bernadette	Westlake	\$232,017	St. Mary	Lorain	\$10,357
Immaculate Conception	Cleveland	\$18,571	St. Bernard	Akron	\$45,965	St. Mary	Painesville	\$60,466
Immaculate Conception	Madison	\$43,321	St. Boniface	Cleveland	\$1,155	St. Mary Magdalene	Willowick	\$46,288
Immaculate Conception	Willoughby	\$103,788	St. Brendan	North Olmsted	\$104,625	St. Mary of the Assumption	Mentor	\$141,453
Immaculate Heart of Mary	Cleveland	\$10,436	St. Bridget of Kildare	Parma	\$65,811	St. Mary of the Falls	Olmsted Falls	\$85,359
Immaculate Heart of Mary	Cuyahoga Falls	\$92,164	St. Casimir (Neff Rd)	Cleveland	\$15,710	St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception	Avon	\$50,066
La Sagrada Familia	Cleveland	\$10,427	St. Casimir (Sowinski Ave)	Cleveland	\$2,270	St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception	Wooster	\$90,304
Mary Queen of Peace	Cleveland	\$37,209	St. Charles Borromeo	Parma	\$86,694	St. Matthew	Akron	\$61,502
Mary Queen of the Apostles	Brookpark	\$57,769	St. Christopher	Rocky River	\$204,257	St. Matthias	Parma	\$37,275
Mother of Sorrows	Peninsula	\$34,133	St. Clare	Lyndhurst	\$124,986	St. Mel	Cleveland	\$35,480
Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Lorain	\$25,020	St. Clarence	North Olmsted	\$146,695	St. Michael	Independence	\$108,542
Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	South Amherst	\$16,071	St. Clement	Lakewood	\$57,108	St. Michael the Archangel	Cleveland	\$18,503
Nativity of the Lord Jesus	Akron	\$61,376	St. Colette	Brunswick	\$83,536	St. Monica	Garfield Hts.	\$36,322
Our Lady Help of Christians	Litchfield	\$38,498	St. Colman	Cleveland	\$12,585	St. Noel	Willoughby Hills	\$70,167
Our Lady of Angels	Cleveland	\$51,242	St. Columbkille	Parma	\$101,180	St. Paschal Baylon	Highland Hts.	\$165,894
Our Lady of Grace	Hinckley	\$52,241	St. Cyprian	Perry	\$38,320	St. Patrick	Thompson	\$21,822
Our Lady of Guadalupe	Macedonia	\$47,809	St. Dominic	Shaker Hts.	\$125,515	St. Patrick	Wellington	\$26,406
Our Lady of Hope	Bedford	\$37,594	St. Edward	Ashland	\$35,625	St. Patrick (Bridge Avenue)	Cleveland	\$32,728
Our Lady of Lourdes	Cleveland	\$14,472	St. Edward	Parkman	\$10,988	St. Patrick (Rocky River Dr)	Cleveland	\$27,133
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel	Wickliffe	\$66,336	St. Elizabeth Ann Seton	Columbia Station	\$20,876	St. Paul	Akron	\$44,893
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel West	Cleveland	\$5,984	St. Elizabeth of Hungary	Cleveland	\$1,400	St. Paul	Cleveland	\$4,872
Our Lady of Peace	Cleveland	\$33,120	St. Emeric	Cleveland	\$2,446	St. Peter	Cleveland	\$2,446
Our Lady of the Lake	Euclid	\$58,373	St. Eugene	Cuyahoga Falls	\$22,397	St. Peter	Lorain	\$51,506
Our Lady of Victory	Tallmadge	\$74,429	St. Frances Xavier Cabrini	Lorain	\$8,662	St. Peter	Loudonville	\$25,020
Our Lady Queen of Peace	Grafton	\$53,843	St. Francis de Sales	Akron	\$113,140	St. Peter	North Ridgeville	\$72,093
Prince of Peace	Norton	\$27,509	St. Francis de Sales	Parma	\$36,287	St. Raphael	Bay Village	\$211,744
Queen of Heaven	Uniontown	\$72,676	St. Francis of Assisi	Gates Mills	\$168,838	St. Richard	North Olmsted	\$81,262
Resurrection of Our Lord	Solon	\$111,718	St. Francis Xavier	Medina	\$124,202	St. Rita	Solon	\$176,981
Sacred Heart	Oberlin	\$32,019	St. Gabriel	Mentor	\$158,945	St. Rocco	Cleveland	\$16,098
Sacred Heart Chapel	Lorain	\$39,845	St. Helen	Newbury	\$83,779	St. Sebastian	Akron	\$143,916
Sacred Heart of Jesus	South Euclid	\$74,789	St. Hilary	Fairlawn	\$181,324	St. Stanislaus	Cleveland	\$21,182
Sacred Heart of Jesus	Wadsworth	\$172,576	St. Ignatius of Antioch	Cleveland	\$40,350	St. Stephen	Cleveland	\$24,744
SS. Cosmas & Damian	Twinsburg	\$39,677	St. James	Lakewood	\$18,524	St. Stephen	West Salem	\$11,656
SS. Peter & Paul	Doylestown	\$22,403	St. Jerome	Cleveland	\$20,322	St. Teresa of Avila	Sheffield Village	\$11,781
SS. Peter & Paul	Garfield Hts.	\$18,938	St. Joan of Arc	Chagrin Falls	\$152,445	St. Therese	Garfield Hts	\$28,312
SS. Robert & William	Euclid	\$78,953	St. John Bosco	Parma Hts.	\$66,483	St. Thomas More	Brooklyn	\$24,417
St. Adalbert	Berea	\$37,052	St. John Cantius	Cleveland	\$4,804	St. Thomas the Apostle	Sheffield Lake	\$13,334
St. Adalbert	Cleveland	\$4,124	St. John Nepomucene	Cleveland	\$14,814	St. Victor	Richfield	\$69,272
St. Agnes	Elyria	\$13,346	St. John Neumann	Strongsville	\$133,862	St. Vincent	Akron	\$65,083
St. Agnes	Orrville	\$24,698	St. John of the Cross	Euclid	\$39,739	St. Vincent de Paul	Cleveland	\$23,040
St. Agnes-Our Lady of Fatima	Cleveland	\$13,801	St. John the Baptist	Akron	\$3,262	St. Vincent de Paul	Elyria	\$24,315
St. Albert the Great	North Royalton	\$209,683	St. John Vianney	Mentor	\$167,331	St. Vitus	Cleveland	\$47,935
			St. Joseph	Amherst	\$80,812	St. Wendelin	Cleveland	\$15,136
			St. Joseph	Avon Lake	\$93,724	Transfiguration	Lakewood	\$45,213
			St. Joseph	Cuyahoga Falls	\$52,326	Visitation of Mary	Akron	\$15,519
			St. Joseph	Strongsville	\$140,892			

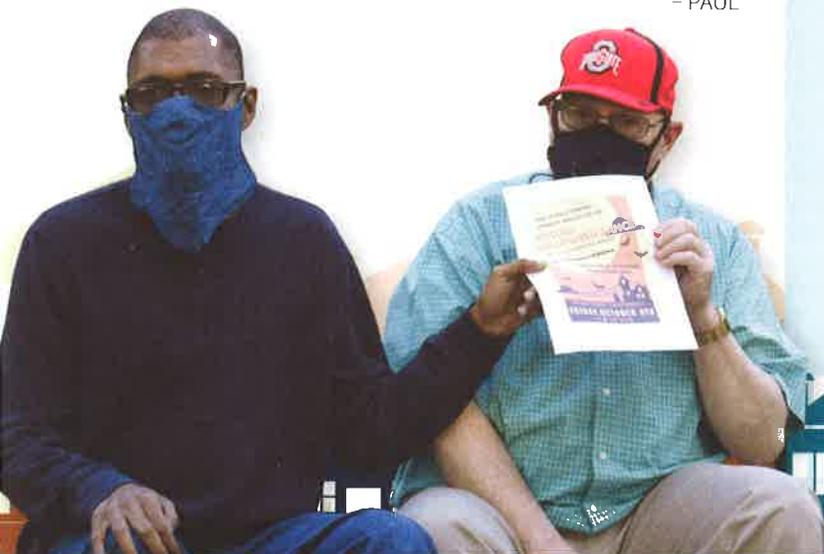
...who needs companionship.

Paul and Lamar enjoy participating in Catholic Charities Disability Services, especially Saturday School. The staff members knew that a virtual platform would be important to keep everyone engaged and connected when the pandemic started, and Paul and Lamar are glad they can still keep in touch with their friends, too. Each week they have something to look forward to, whether it be sharing with their friends, learning new things, or dancing.

Hear more about Paul and Lamar at www.CatholicCommunity.org/videos/disabilities.

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Camp Happiness campers with special needs are able to participate in traditional camp activities. Camp went virtual in 2020.



Saturday School

55 Adults meet weekly to learn social skills, math and money skills, discuss current events and get some exercise.

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Dancers who join a monthly Dance & Social Party for great music and dancing. They learn social skills and form new friendships. Dances moved to Zoom in 2020 and dancers adapted well.

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