



St. Adalbert/Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament
The 1st African American Catholic Church
in the City of Cleveland
The 2nd African American Catholic Church
in the United States

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Background:

Today's Gospel reminds us "If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all." Jesus stressed this point by placing a child in the midst of his disciples. It is a reminder we too, must have the childlike faith, love, hope and trust in God to serve and spread the message of redemption. Jesus has come to tell his disciples that they must become servants. In what you serve, and when you serve, you must give everything you have and not look for anything in return.

We are here to become conscious of the needs of the people around us and see how well we might serve them. For in serving, Jesus says, we enter into the heart of God.

Discussion Questions

- What opportunities to serve have you missed to become a self-less servant?
- What must you give up to be completely available to freely and wholeheartedly serve?
- Are we in competition to serve or do we have a desire to serve?

Practice:

This week, let us actively seek ways to serve, through volunteering: tutoring, serving at a community meal, sending cards/letters to the homebound/sick or praying for those in need.

FREE COVID-19 VACCINE at CVS and Rite Aid Pharmacies **DAILY**
No appointment necessary.
Please consider being vaccinated if you have not already done so.
It's not about you. It is protecting others from COVID-19.

School Mass: 9:30am/Thursdays (*unless otherwise noted*)
Holy Days of Obligation: 6pm (*unless otherwise noted*)
Confession by appoint only/contact Fr. Gary Chmura

1st Sunday Birthday Blessings/October 3, 2021
2nd Sunday Rosary/October 10th at 10:30am
3rd Sunday/September 19th/Thomas Clark Scholarship Collection
4th Saturday/September 24th/OLP Community Breakfast 10am-12pm

Mass Intentions: The Unvaccinated

Fr. Gary Chmura, Pastor, 216.881.7647
Fr. Andrew Morkunas
Sr Jacinto Kimaro, CSESM / Sr. Rita Mary Mrema, CESM
Sr. Miriam Fidelis, O.SU 440.213.4417
Saint Adalbert Campus President: James Smith
Saint Adalbert School Principal: Jamie Smith
Music Ministry: Theresa Bumpers/Sandi Gay Chapman
Praise Dance Coordinators: Megan Lipian/Janice Sims
Parish Council Chair: Irene Morrison
Parish Finance Council Chair: Phillis Fuller Clippis

School News:

School Mass has resumed on Thursdays at 9:30am. All ARE WELCOME AND ENCOURGAGED TO JOIN our school family at mass.

The Thomas Clark Scholarship Fund today. Thank you in advance for your generosity. The funds collected 2019-2020 were used to purchase tablets for the 8th grade students during the COVID-19 Pandemic lockdown. Students were able to successfully continue distance learning through your selfless contributions.

We are each called to be Missionary Disciples. Perhaps you know of someone who may not be confirmed or would like to renew their vows through Sacramental Marriage or would like to explore Catholicism. Please let Srs. Rita Mary or Miriam know. May we be aware of who God may put in our path. May God bless us as invite/welcome others to “Come and See” through our witness, words, actions, and the Joy of our hearts.

OLP Community Breakfast and Volunteers monthly Community Breakfast from 10:00am-12:00 Noon in Cummins Hall the last Saturday of each month. ALL are welcome. The Community Breakfast has been a very important part of our outreach (generally between the times of 9:30am-12:30pm). We are asking for assistance in a variety of ways: Set-up, cooking, serving, and cleaning. If you are interested in being a part of this ministry, sign-up by clicking this link: <https://olofpeace.flocknote.com/signup/65281>

Calamities in Haiti – The Sisters of Humility (HM) have ministered in Haiti for many years and continue to partner with the indigenous religious communities there. One of these communities, The Sisters of St. Therese, had a convent at the epicenter of the earthquake. The convent has been completely destroyed and the sisters are now living in the streets. If you or your friends would like to assist in rebuilding the convent, you may contribute online via the HM Website >www.humilityofmary.org< Click ‘other’ to contribute to rebuilding the convent or mail to Sisters of the Humility of Mary/P.O. Box 534/Villa Maria, PA 16155-DESIGNATION: HAITI. Thank you in advance for your generosity and support.

AM 1260 The Rock: Do you have questions about what the Catholic Church teaches? A lot of people do. As students go back to school perhaps now is the perfect time to tune in and listen to Catholic Answers Live as they explain and defend the Catholic faith by answering your questions about what the church actually teaches. Tune in to AM 1260 The Rock Sunday through Friday from 6 to 8 PM or listen live at am1260therock.com. Have a question? Call in at 1-888-31-TRUTH

The Catholic Cemeteries Association Catholic Cemeteries Association During October, the month of the Most Holy Rosary, invites you to participate in a half-mile walking Rosary in honor of departed loved ones. We walk, we pray, we sing, and we remember. For those who cannot walk, or in case of rain, the Rosary will be prayed in the mausoleum or in the cemetery office. At the end of the Rosary, there is a brief candle lighting ceremony in remembrance of our dearly departed. Registrations starts August 1st and runs through October 3rd. Whether walking or not, you can also honor your departed loved ones on our online “In Remembrance” Wall. Submit names by September 30th to be included for the month of October. Register and/or submit remembrance names TODAY by phone (Rhonda/216-930-4866).

The Year of St. Joseph continues through December. Sacred Scripture describes St. Joseph as “a just man” (Matthew 1:19) which can also be translated as “righteous,” “upright,” or, “he who is virtuous in all things.” If we want to learn from St. Joseph, we must begin by imitating the virtues he practiced daily in his quiet, hidden life. One of the prescribed works, to gain the indulgence for oneself or someone in purgatory, is to “recite the Litany of St. Joseph for Christians who suffer all forms of persecution.” continues through December. For September, the theme is: Joseph Most Prudent – Prudence is the mother of virtues which depends upon the practical wisdom gained by experience matched with an agile mind to make decisions in the here and now. Each time Joseph knew the will of God he acted decisively, swiftly, and accurately. He acted neither rashly nor timidly, but prudently. In honor of the Year of Saint Joseph, Pope Francis has decided to insert seven new invocations in the Litany of St. Joseph (Prot. n. 133/21). The new invocations are Guardian of the Redeemer, Servant of Christ, Minister of salvation, Support in difficulties, Patron of exiles, Patron of the afflicted, and Patron of the poor. They were drawn from the writings of various Popes.

The Bowman-Francis Ministry Team invite MEN OF ALL AGES to attend our **18th Annual Black Catholic Men’s Conference** October 14-17, 2021. The Theme is “Deliver me from myself” Psalm 34:4. The cost is \$100/Adult, \$50/Youth due no later than September 28th. For additional information, please visit: BOWMANFRANCIS.ORG **This a virtual event via ZOOM.**