



# OUR LADY OF AFRICA

## PARISH BULLETIN

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Sunday, November 6, 2022



## 32<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“That the dead will rise even  
Moses made known in the  
passage about the bush, when  
he called out ‘Lord,’ the God  
of Abraham, the God of Isaac,  
and the God of Jacob; and he  
is not God of the dead, but of  
the living, for to him all are  
alive.” - Lk 20:37-38

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### **Mass Schedule**

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday: 9:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. (Livestream)  
1:30 p.m.—Ghanaian Community (*1st and 2nd  
Sunday each month*)  
2:00 p.m.—Igbo Community (*3rd and 4th  
Sunday each month*)  
6:00 p.m.—French speaking Community (*1st  
Sunday each month*)

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)**

By appointment—(773) 624-5375  
Saturday 3:00 - 3:45 p.m.

### **Contact Us**

Phone: 773-624-5375

Email: [ourladyofafricachicago@gmail.com](mailto:ourladyofafricachicago@gmail.com)

### **Church Address**

615 East Oakwood Boulevard  
Chicago, IL 60653

### **Office Hours**

Monday - Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.  
Parish Administrator: Ms. Shirley McKinney





## This Week at OLA

### Sunday, November 6

- Blessed Sacrament Society Meeting and Election After the 9 a.m. Mass

### Tuesday, November 8

- Election Day - Please Vote!!
- Phone-in Bible Study - 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.
- Catechists Meeting Online - 7:15 p.m.

### Wednesday, November 9

- Mass at Holy Angels School - 10 a.m.
- In-Person Bible Study - 11 a.m. | Parish Hall

### Saturday, November 12

- Men's Coalition HACs Clean-up 9 a.m.
- Coalition for Spiritual Public Leadership Meeting - 10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. | Parish Hall
- Choir Rehearsal - 1 p.m. | Sanctuary
- Altar Servers Training - 2 p.m. | Sanctuary

### Sunday, November 13

- KPCLA Meeting  
Meeting after the 9 a.m. Mass  
| Hall Meeting Room
- Confirmation Classes - 1:30 p.m.  
| Tolton Center

## Mass Intentions

### Sunday 9 a.m. - November 6

- +Tamara Hudson & Arthemise Washington  
Requested by Taliva Tillman

### Saturday Vigil Mass - November 12

- +Bruce Slade - Brother-in-law of Deborah Powell

### Sunday 11:30 a.m. - November 13

- +William Carlton Banks - Friend of Deborah Powell

## Ministry List for Next Weekend

### Saturday Vigil Mass - November 12

- Lectors: Art Reliford & Eileen Foggie

### Sunday 9 a.m. - November 13

- Lectors: Sr. Janet Ryan & Normal Walton
- Eucharistic Minister: Sonja Davis

### Sunday 11:30 a.m. - November 13

- Lectors: Vita Faulkner & Silmon Reed
- Eucharistic Minister: Shawnece Wilson

## Announcements

- The Women's restroom is temporarily closed due to remodeling. Please use the Men's restroom. Please read the signs posted.
- 2nd Collection for Asylum Seekers to extend our help to families and individuals who have come to Chicago seeking legal asylum in our nation.
- Discover the Joy of Angel Tree Christmas. We are asking for gifts for children between November 6 and December 15th.
- RCIA will have their first meeting on November 16th at 6:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. There is still time to sign-up and attend. The first few meetings are an introduction to the Faith. Please come and see if the Catholic Faith is for you! For more information, please contact Ms. Kimberly Brooks  
- [brookskimberly@sbcglobal.net](mailto:brookskimberly@sbcglobal.net)  
or Ms. Velma Barker-Hill -  
[vbarker-hill@sbcglobal.net](mailto:vbarker-hill@sbcglobal.net)

## Donations

Your continued donations to support Our Lady of Africa Parish can be given by going to the following links: <https://donate.holyangelschicago.com/give>

Or Scan this QR Code



Please mail your donations to the following address:  
Our Lady of Africa Parish  
615 E Oakwood Blvd  
Chicago, IL 60653

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## Black Catholic History Month



Meeting in Fordham University in New York, the National Black Catholic Clergy Caucus of the United States voted on Tuesday, July 24, 1990 to designate November as Black Catholic History Month. November marks a time when the Church prays for all saints and souls in loving remembrance, as well as a time to recall the saints and souls of Africa and the African Diaspora. The decision to designate November as Black Catholic History Month, also depended on the fact that a number of important dates to Catholics of African descent fell within this month.

- **Nov. 1 All Saints Day:** an opportunity to review the lives of the hundreds of Saints of African descent in the first 300 years of the Church.
- **Nov. 2 All Souls Day:** a time to remember all those African lost to cruel treatment in the Middle Passage crossing of the Atlantic Ocean.
- **Nov. 3 Martin de Porres** became the first black American saint. He was canonized by Pope John XXIII on May 16, 1962. Throughout his life, St. Martin de Porres exemplified God's love for all people, regardless of their level in society.
- **Nov. 13 The birth of St. Augustine** in 354 A.D., the first Doctor of the Church from North Africa.
- **Nov. 20 The death of Zumbi of Palmares** in Brazil, South American founder of a free state for Blacks.

According to the Pew Research Center, of the 200 million people of African descent in the Roman Catholic Church throughout the world, over 173 million of them live in the African continent. The largest percentage of growth in the Catholic population over the last 100 years, occurred in sub-Saharan Africa.

According to the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, there are over 3 million African American Catholics in the U.S. Today, there are 250 African American priests, 437 deacons, and 75 men of African descent in seminary formation for the priesthood in the United States. There are 5 living African American bishops, of who two head U.S. dioceses. One of them, the Archbishop of Washington, will be elevated to the College of Cardinals on November 28, 2020. There are also 400 African American religious sisters and 50 religious brothers in the United States.

<https://cultural.catholic.edu/resources/bchm.html>

## Parish Directory

### Baptisms

**Tina Carter**  
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### Blessed Sacrament Society

**Linda Broadnax - President**

### Confirmation

**Tina Carter, Stephanie Gado**  
**Theresa Rhea**

### Clergy

**Fr. Bob Kelly, SVD - Pastor**  
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**Fr. Tracy O'Sullivan, Carm.**  
**Dcn. Michael Foggie**  
**Dcn. Ivan Lazcano**  
**Dcn. Merv Johnson**  
**Dcn. Manie Manuel, SVD**

### Events Committee

**Keisha Chavers - Chairperson**

### Food Pantry

**Ladell Johnson**

### Funerals

**Katie Jordan**  
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### Knights of Peter Claver

**Thomas Rich - Grand Knight**

### Knights of Peter Claver Lady's Auxiliary

**Lena Young - Grand Lady**

### Maintenance

**Bobby Malone**  
**Tyrone Smith**

### Men's Coalition

**Michael Morman - President**

### Music Ministry

**Tyrone Pittman**

### Parish Administrator

**Shirley McKinney**  
773-624-5375

### Religious Missionary

**Brother Alu Aisi, SVD**

### School and Church Liaison

**LaTanya Berry-Johnson**

### Seminarian

**Frazer Zachary Smith, SVD**

### Sunday School

**Eileen Foggie**

### Tolton Heritage Center

**Regina Cook**  
773-268-1518

### Ushers and Greeters

**Jackson Lucas**



## Please Remember Those on Our Sick and Shut-In List in your Prayers

Ophelia Adams  
Curtis Albright  
Dorla Allen  
Patrice Anderson  
Jessie Andrews  
James Barker  
Donald Barner  
Louise Bates  
Myra Baugh  
David Berry  
Mary Berry  
Helen Brooms  
Christine Brown  
Barbara McGee-Berry  
Arthur Brooks  
Patricia Brown  
Roscoe Burns  
Michael Burt  
Dean Brazier  
James Brazier  
Marilyn Campbell  
Esperanza Carr  
Russell Carter  
Lillian Cherry  
Michael A. Clark  
Lydia Clark  
Willie B. Clay  
Catherine Crosby  
Mary Crawford  
Sr. Eleanor Doidge  
Cecelia Douglas  
Judith Easter  
Elsie Freeman  
Wanda Finney  
Ola Mae Forde  
Nazaree Fuller  
Tyrone Fuller  
Rosemary Gardner  
Frederick Gibson  
Florence Glenn  
Andre D. Golden  
Mable Gray

Bettie Green  
Eleanor Griffin  
Barbara Golden  
Anna Marie Hampton  
Exie Haralson  
Catherine Harper  
Marjorie Heard  
Lorraine Henderson  
Justine Henderson  
Jim Henkel  
Kelly Robin Hill  
Velma Hill  
Hugh Hodges  
Rita Holland  
Sandra Houston  
Doris Humphries  
Nolan Humphries  
George James  
Janet James  
Leslie Jackson  
Mildred Jackson  
Majorbelle James  
Therese Jessie  
Cindy Jirsa  
Annette Lee  
Susan Larry McKeever  
Denise Lawson  
Gloria Leonard  
Lugenia Lewis  
Jan Johnson  
Pamela Jones  
Betty Lumpkins  
Lenda Mason  
Gail McGruder  
McShan Family  
Bernadine McNeal  
Anastacia Mebane  
Judy Michaelis  
Deborah Mitchell  
Argentry Mitchell  
Geraldine Moore  
Jeff Moore

Michael Moore  
Euphrasia Mutinda  
Maria Jossey Owen  
Gregory Papesh  
Minnette Penman  
Allen Peoples  
Sr. Jamie Phelps, O.P.  
Marionette Phelps  
Jean Porter  
Louise Ray  
Clara Reisner  
Tyna Rule  
Phyllis Shackelford  
Alfrances Sharpe  
Beverly Sims  
Shirley Simmons  
Emma Stewart  
Margaret Stewart  
Alonzo Studstill  
Janice Taylor  
Alice Thompson  
Cynthia Thompson  
Renee Trotter  
Audrey Tuggle  
Joanne Wallace  
Joyce Wallace  
Todd Washington  
Tandra Watson  
Rachel Watson  
Doris Whitaker  
Eryn Whitaker  
Rita White  
Yvonne Whitenier  
Arlene G. Williams  
Dorothy Williams  
Evelyn Williams  
Naiya Williams  
Michael Williams  
Patricia Williams  
Sheila Williams  
Sunnette Varnado Smith

## Announcements for the Bulletin

Please send all announcements and flyers to the parish office's email no later than Tuesday at the close of business hours. For more information, please contact the Parish Administrator.







Come Join  
Men's  
Coalition  
of  
Our Lady of  
Africa Parish

# CLEAN UP DAY

Holy Angels School Lot  
750 E. 40TH ST. Chicago, IL  
**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12TH**  
**9 AM - NOON**

**Volunteers are needed**





# Discover the Joy of Angel Tree Christmas

Share the hope of Jesus with a child in your community as you deliver a Christmas present and a personal message of love on behalf of their parent in prison. **It starts with a gift and opens the door for year-round ministry opportunities.**

## For more information contact:

NAME: Debra Crosby

PHONE: 773 624-5375

## You can select an Angel Tree® child:

WHERE: Our Lady of Africa Parish

WHEN: November 1st - Dec 15th 2022







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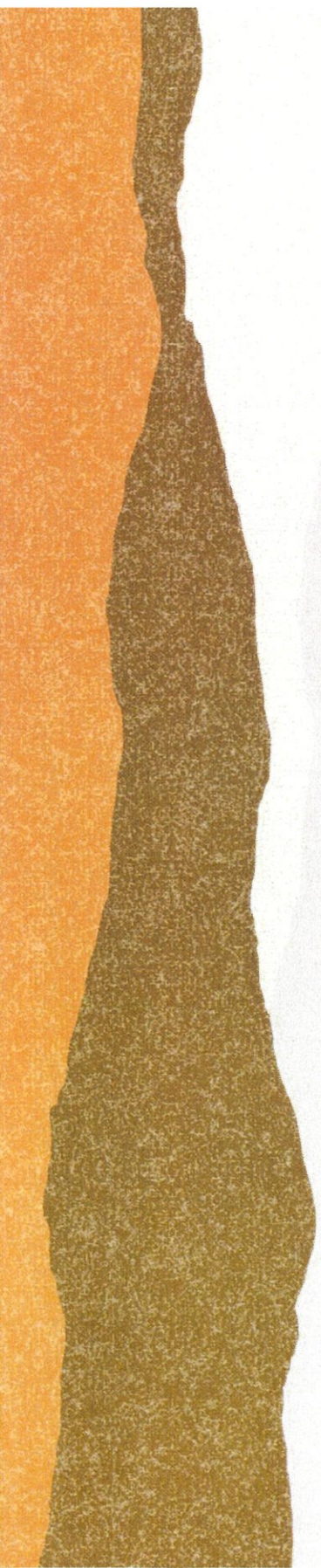
**Inaugural**

**Social Justice Committee Meeting**

**607 E Oakwood Blvd, Chicago, IL 60653**

**11.12.2022 | 10AM - 11:30AM**

**Breakfast included**





## ***Celebrating Black Catholic History Month:***

***Authentically Black, Truly Catholic***

### ***Getting to Know Virginia Coleman***



Baptized at 3 months old Virginia Coleman's roots run deep within her Catholic faith. Her mother and great-aunts migrated to Chicago in the 1940s from Louisiana. Corpus Christi was Virginia's spiritual home from her baptism to her wedding in the 1970s.

Virginia recalls Corpus Christi grammar school, St. Elizabeth, and then Loretto High Schools fondly as she developed and maintained lifelong friendships with her classmates and teachers. As a kindergartener, Virginia had Sr. Mary Martin de Porres, later named Sr. Lucy Williams, the first African American Franciscan sister at Corpus Christi, as her teacher. Virginia's 7th-grade teacher Sr. Veronica, later named Sr. Marilyn was so giving and caring that when Virginia became an adult, Sr. Marilyn helped Virginia find a nursing home for her great aunt and provided Holy Communion. It is these fond memories and relationships that helped

shape Virginia's kind and giving spirit. She passed on these values to her own sons, sending them to Holy Angels grammar school, and Leo High School for her older son and serving on the parents' club at Quigley North High School, where her younger son attended school.

Her hope for the future is that we give one another a chance to grow together as a spiritual family, communicate with one another with love, kindness, and gentleness, and be more supportive and less critical as we come together as one.

For over 30 years, Virginia has served on the usher and bereavement ministries for Holy Angels and now Our Lady of Africa. May Virginia continue to be blessed in all her endeavors as she has blessed us with her time, talents, and treasures.

-Tina L Carter



## Thirty Second Sunday of Ordinary Time-C

Lk 20:27-38

Dear Parishioners,

In today's Gospel story the Sadducees challenge Jesus with a simplistic and absurd story about seven brothers marrying the same woman. Jesus turns the story into a profound truth that we profess in the Apostles' Creed: the resurrection of the body. But before we enter the new life where, in the coming age, we neither marry nor are given in marriage, we must face death.

We are in the final weeks of the Church year. The liturgy weaves a very fascinating story of the end and the beginning. In the process it invites us into the mystery of time.

Today we are confronted with the reality of our corporal death. Next week we are challenged with the end of the total historical venture that we call the end times. Then the first three weeks of the new year give us the Advent message. It expresses a longing for the new reality that leads us to cry out, **"Come, Lord Jesus"!**

In between the message of the ending and the entreaty for the new beginning we celebrate Christ the King. This is a bridge that connects the transiency of our human condition, ***our mortality***, with our ultimate purpose and goal in life: to be in the eternal embrace of our loving Lord, ***our immortality***.

These are fascinating times. We are ending one year and beginning a new year. We are on the path of salvation with Jesus our Crucified and Risen Savior. We are asked to ponder the Christian perspective on time. We learn that time is relentless. It waits for no one. We learn that it is pregnant with life and hope. Ultimately, it unveils a gracious and life-giving mystery in the victory of Christ. It is urgent, yet calling us to be patient in a trusting longing for the coming of the Lord. The final two verses of the Book of Revelation, and the final verses of the Bible, say, ***"The one who gives this testimony says, 'Yes, I am coming soon'. Amen. Come, Lord Jesus! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all". (Rev 22:20-21)*** It is, indeed, calling us into a merciful and compassionate future of new life even in the face of death that is the passageway to new life.





# *Paving The Way Project Inc.*

## *7th Annual Breakfast with Santa Grab & Go*

**December 17, 2022 10:00 am - 1:00pm**

**Our Lady of Africa - St. Elizabeth Site  
44 E. 41st St, Chicago, IL**

**Register at: <https://santa-grab-go.eventbrite.com>**

Registered Children Up to 16 Years Old Must Be Present To Receive Gift  
Covid-19 Guidelines will be followed and **EVERYONE** must wear masks

