

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF

St. Augustine

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January 14, 2024 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

John was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he said, "behold, the Lamb of God." The two disciples heard what he said and followed Jesus.

Jn 1:35-36

SUNDAY WORSHIP

Saturday Vigil: 4:15 pm

Sunday: 8:30 am and 11:00 am

All Masses are Interpreted for the Deaf

DAILY MASS

Monday - Friday: 5:30 pm

Check Bulletin for Civic Holidays

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:30 pm - 4:00 pm
or by appointment

PARISH OFFICE

Monday - Saturday: 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

SACRAMENTS

Call the parish office to prepare for sacraments such as baptisms, weddings, first communion and confirmation.

Prayers and Offertory

If you or a family member are sick, please call the Parish Office or email ministry@StAugustineCleveland.org to add the name to this list. Names will be listed in the bulletin for 6 weeks. Please let us know if this time period needs to be extended. We want to know how you are doing and want to offer you the support of our prayers.

Dorothy Barr
Ella McGowan
Richard Slosar
Syl Vargas

Patti Cook
Fr. Joe McNulty
Sheila Rock.

JoAnn Fisher
Nora Orozco
Mary Smith

Mike Furey
Bridget Patton
Mary Solderitsch

Susan Grieken
Andrea Slosar
Millie Vargas

And for all those who are ill, homebound, elderly, in nursing care, living with a chronic illness, or living on the margins, we pray.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 13

4:15 pm † Shirley Edna Emond

Sunday, January 14

8:30 am † Henry Senyak

11:00 am † Emil Solderitsch and
Lorette Treska

Monday, January 15

5:30 PM † Burt and Anne Ody

Tuesday, January 16

5:30 pm † Margaret Schmidt

Wednesday, January 17

5:30 pm † Stephen Dulik

Thursday, January 18

5:30 pm † Mary Ashdown

Friday, January 19

5:30 pm † Tom and Loretta Dulik

Saturday, January 20

4:15 pm † Jack McMarlin
† Gary Emond and
Michelle Estvanko

Sunday, January 21

8:30 am † St. Augustine Parishioners

11:00 am † Raymond Rogalski

† **Deceased**

Offertory—

January 6th and 7th

Regular Collection	\$1,836.79
Other Collections	\$23.00
Total Collection	\$1,859.79

Counter Team A is scheduled for Tuesday

Pope Francis'

January Prayer Intention

For the Gift of Diversity in the Church



Let us pray that the Holy Spirit helps us to recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community, and to discover the richness of different ritual traditions in the heart of the Catholic Church.

Second Collection this Weekend

THE CATHOLIC
UNIVERSITY
OF AMERICA



This annual special collection to support the Catholic University of America will be taken this weekend, January 13th and 14th. Catholic University in Washington D.C.,

is the distinguished national university of the Catholic Church in the United States. The University's Schools of Religious Studies and Philosophy are recognized internationally and are where many dioceses and religious orders send students for further studies. Your generosity in this yearly special collection will be appreciated greatly.

Donate online

We are deeply grateful for your generosity in your weekly contribution to St. Augustine Parish. Your kindness and support enable us to provide for the needs of our parish and community.

Please consider our Parish's E-giving option through PayPal. It is easy and secure. Visit our parish website, www.StAugustineCleveland.org and click donate.

Thank you for your financial support.



Welcome!

We are “A Samaritan Church with a Missionary Heart”



Welcome to St. Augustine!

No matter what your present status is in the Catholic Church, no matter your personal history, age, income, background, gender, disability, sexual orientation, race, ethnicity, or spirituality, or marital situation. No matter your own self-image or holiness or virtue. You are invited, accepted, and respected here at St. Augustine Parish.

Our Clergy

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*Loving God,
For all who feel on the margins,
But who are at the center of your heart,
We ask you to open our hearts.*

Help us to become a church and a nation where:

All lives have dignity,

All people are love,

And all are welcome!

Amen

Scripture Readings for the Week

Sunday | Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10; 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20; Jn 1:35-42

Monday

1 Sm 15:16-23; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23; Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday

1 Sm 16:1-13; Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28; Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday } St. Anthony, Abbot

1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Mk 3:1-6

Thursday

1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13; Mk 3:7-12

Friday

1 Sm 24:3-21; Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11; Mk 3:13-19

Saturday | Memorial of St. Hilary

2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27; Ps 80:2-3, 5-7; Mk 3:20-21

Sunday | Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jon 3:1-5, 10; Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 1; Cor 7:29-31; Mk 1:14-20

Love Without Measure...

During one of the worst snowstorms of the season a small business owner, who owned his own bakery, decided to close early. "I am not going to get any customers tonight." He thought, "in this kind of weather," But just as he was about to lock the door, a man came in, shivering and covered with snow.

"I'd like two sweet rolls" he said,

Now the owner was shocked that anyone would brave such bad weather for two sweat rolls. "Friend," he said, "I don't recognize your face. Are you from around here?"

Yes, the man said, "I moved into the old Wagner place around two weeks ago."

"Well welcome," said the bakery owner, handing him his sweet rolls.

"Are you married?"

"Of course I am, said the man. "Do you think my mother would send me out on a night like this?"

Ah family! Who cares more for us? Who demands more from us? It is the people in our families who love us the most and also hurt us the most. This truth should not surprise us, because with little reflection it is clear that love and hurt are connected.

C. S. Lewis, in a famous essay on love, says that if you want to protect your heart from pain, you must give it to no one. You must not enter into any serious relationships, not even with an animal. If you can isolate yourself from all relationships, your heart will not feel pain. In time, however, it will become incapable of feeling anything. If we choose to withdraw ourselves from relationships, we also choose to isolate ourselves from love and from life. What C.S. Lewis makes clear is that the movement by which we open ourselves to love is the same movement by which we open ourselves to pain. You cannot have one without the other. Both thrive in family.

Mary discovered this in the gospel read on the Feast of the Holy Family. She and Joseph bring the child Jesus to the temple and Simeon rejoices that he sees the Lord's Messiah. He then says to Mary, "A sword will pierce your own soul. Simeon is telling Mary, "This child will hurt you." Why? Because Mary was a mother and the same movement that opened her to a mother's love, opened her to a mother's pain.

Every deep relationship, every family relationship, has these two essential components: love and hurt. Although this is a sobering thought, it is also a freeing thought. It frees us from unrealistic expectations. If we think we can love our parents, our spouses or our children, or anyone in our family and never be hurt, we are deluding ourselves. The only way we can save ourselves from hurt is to never love. I am not saying that we should accept destructive behavior or abuse. We have every right and responsibility to decide against, to decide against, to protect ourselves from those who would continually manipulate us and harm us. God does not expect us to remain in relationships that would destroy us. But given that, if we somehow expect to love the people in our family without any hurt, we are kidding ourselves. Love and pain come together.

So then how do we live family? How do we make our way through these essential human relationships; only with realistic generosity? Because we are all flawed, because hurt will come, we need to be realistically generous. We need to make allowances. Happiness in families depends upon our ability to overlook: to overcome some of the insensitivities, to overlook some of the hurt. It is only with this realistic generosity that we can move beyond the hurt and enjoy the real blessings of family life.

The word "family" comes from the Latin word *famulus*, which means slave or servant. This word tells us that in our successful families each member must assume an attitude of service toward the other. Each must be generous enough to move beyond the pain that can and will come. Every happy family understands that, if we can be generous enough to push beyond the hurt, family remains the primary place to experience love and to celebrate life.

Fr. Bill

Around the Parish & Events



Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them, O Lord



Bonnie Jean Bobel

Member of our Parish and Deaf Community



Robert Bueno, Sr.

Member of our Parish



Patricia Gabel

Member of our Parish and Deaf Community

Handbell Choir



The Handbell Choir is looking for a few more members! If you like to have some fun and meet some new people, this is for you!

Anyone from ages 8-80 are welcome to join. No experience necessary, and no music reading ability necessary either. The choir is open to both hearing and deaf individuals.

For comments or questions, please email Bill at BShaffer@StAugustineCleveland.org or call at (216) 781-5530

Say It In Sign

Another sign language class for beginners is being planned for the spring of 2024. For more information, please contact Robin McMarlin at (216)781-5530 ext. 29 or at RMcMarlin@StAugustineCleveland.org

St. Augustine Signing Choir

Practice for the upcoming spring performances will continue this Thursday at 6:30 PM in Walsh Hall. This would be the perfect time for new members (with or without knowledge of sign language) to join.

For more information on joining the Signing Choir, please contact the parish office at (216) 781-5530.

Mary's Rosary Guild of the Deaf

Mary's Rosary Guild of the Deaf will host their annual Welcome 2024 Lunch on Sunday January 28th from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. Tickets are \$5 for 2023 members and \$10 for non-members. Please RSVP before January 21st by contacting Maria Rivera either in person or at (216) 370-7141.

St. Augustine Buckeye Deaf Seniors

St. Augustine Buckeye Deaf Seniors will gather in the Deaf Center on Tuesday, January 23rd at 10 AM. New members are always welcome.

Cleveland Catholic Deaf Center

Please join us every Sunday after 8:30 am and 11 am masses in the Cleveland Catholic Deaf Center. Coffee, donuts and goodies are available for purchase.

Blind Community Gathering

Members of the leadership committee will gather this Wednesday, January 17th at 12 noon to plan the 2024 schedule.

A new information line for the visually impaired has been established. Members of the Blind Community are invited to stay up-to-date with Blind Community and Parish events by calling (216) 635-9215.

LINKS Community for Mental Health

LINKS is a social, recreational and educational ministry of St. Augustine's for persons with Mental Health conditions. They currently gather on Wednesdays and Fridays at 3 PM in Walsh Hall. Due to the Christmas holiday LINKS will not gather this week.

St. Augustine Seniors (50 and over)

The St. Augustine Seniors invite you to their next gathering on Thursday, January 25th at 12 noon in Walsh Hall.

For more information on joining the Seniors please contact the parish office at (216) 781-5530.

Around the Parish & Events

FREE Poinsettia



We still have some poinsettias looking for a home. If you would like a poinsettia, please feel free to take one located along the south wall of the church by the ramp.

Congratulations Renee!

This past Thursday, the St. Edward High School Community recognized our own Renee Zorger with the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Award for her work with the St. Andre Scholars Program at St. Edward High School.



St. Augustine Community Cupboard

and Closet provides non-perishable food items, personal hygiene, cleaning, pet food, and clothing items to those in need. The Cupboard and Closet is open **open** on **Saturdays** from **11 AM - 3 PM**.

We are currently in need of winter coats, boots and clothing for men, women, and children.

Volunteers are greatly needed while we are open and during our closed hours to help sort and stock and help shoppers on Saturdays.

For more information or to volunteer please contact the Parish Office at (216) 781-5530 or email, outreach@staugustinecleveland.org

We have also created an **Amazon Wish List** which can be found on our parish website.

Community Closet and Cupboard Highlights by the Numbers

- ◆ Served 826 in the month of October, 858 in the month of November, **and 1040 in the month of December.**
- ◆ In the month of October we helped 162 new families, 168 during the month of November **and in December 210 new customers came to us in need.**
- ◆ It takes at least 12-14 volunteers just to open the doors.



On the Lighter Side



A little boy was listening to a long and excessively boring sermon in Church on vocation to priesthood and religious life. Suddenly the red sanctuary lamp caught his eye. Tugging his father's sleeve, he said, "Daddy, when the light turns green can we go home?"

I went down the street to a 24-hour grocery store. When I got there, the guy was locking the front door. I said, "Hey! The sign says you're open 24 hours." He Said, "Yes, but not in a row!"

Parenting Tune-Up



On January 15th we celebrate the contributions of Martin Luther King to racial equality and non-violence. Does your child have any friends from a different race? If not, why not? Talk, find ways to mix or read stories of a different ethnic group.

Relationship Tune-Up



Speak, for your servant is listening." (1 Samuel 3:18) A common complaint among couples is, "You're not listening to me." When is listening hard for you? If you're busy or tired, ask for a better time. Is there a conversation you've been avoiding?

Faith and Reflections



Our Parish School of Religion for children in Pre-K thru 8th will continue this Sunday, from 9:30 AM to 10:30 AM.

Please keep our First Communicants in prayer as they prepare for their First Reconciliation next Sunday.

If you are new to St. Augustine or the area and would like more information on our program, please contact Jessica at (216) 781-5530 or JNeuhart@StAugustineCleveland.org



Is God calling you to invite someone you know who is searching for a deeper faith in God to explore becoming Catholic?

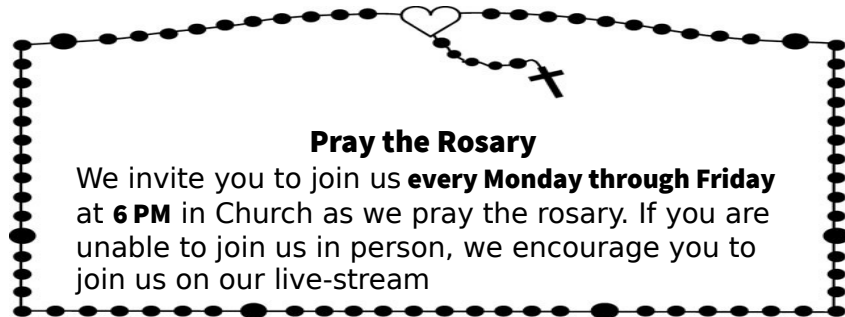
The Church prepares adults for Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist through a process called Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). The RCIA is designed to form the mind and heart in Christian discipleship through study of the basics of the Catholic faith, prayer and fellowship. If any of these are true for you or someone you know, then you are invited to contact the parish office to learn more and to register to join our RCIA group.



Cursillistas gather for Ultreya on Saturday, February 10th at 10 AM. Cursillistas are invited to gather, pray, and share personal stories about living a life in God's Grace on the second Saturday of every month.

Evangelization – The St. Francis of Assisi Style

One day Francis of Assisi invited one of the young friars to join him on a trip into town to preach. The young friar was so honored at receiving such an invitation from St. Francis that he quickly accepted. They paused beneath a tree and Francis stooped to return a young bird to its nest. They went on and stopped in a field crowded with reapers and Francis bent his back to help load the hay onto a cart. From there they went to the town square where Francis lifted a bucket of water from the well for an old woman and carried it home for her. All day long he and St. Francis walked through the streets and byways, alleys and suburbs, and they rubbed shoulders with hundreds of people. Each time they stopped, the young friar was sure that St. Francis would stop and preach. But no words of great truth or wise discourse issued from the saint's mouth. Finally, they went into the Church, but Francis only knelt silently to pray. At the end of the day, the two headed back home. Not once had St. Francis addressed a crowd, nor had he talked to anyone about the Gospel. The young monk was greatly disappointed, and he said to St. Francis, "I thought we were going into town to preach?" St. Francis responded, "My son, we have preached. We were preaching while we were walking and in everything we did. We were seen by many and our behavior was closely watched. It's of no use to walk anywhere to preach unless we preach everywhere as we walk! Preach the Gospel at all times. Use words only if necessary."



Pray the Rosary

We invite you to join us **every Monday through Friday** at **6 PM** in Church as we pray the rosary. If you are unable to join us in person, we encourage you to join us on our live-stream

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

As we honor the life and legacy of Rev. Doctor Martin Luther King Jr. let us focus on his call for racial equality and justice for all, while remembering his lessons of peace and non-violence. His message of peaceful resolution to conflict to conflict reflects the words of Jesus in the Beatitudes, for they will be called the children of God."

As our nation and world struggle with conflict, division and injustice, let us also recall what Pope Francis said in his own Prayer for Peace: "Lord God of Abraham, God of the prophets, God of love, you created us and call us to live as brothers and sisters. Give us the strength daily to be instruments of peace; enable us to see everyone who crosses our path as our brother or sister."

Let us imitate Dr. King who courageously committed his life to forging peace and equality, and recommit ourselves to the gospel message of love, mutual respect and the dignity of human life.

Parish Calendar and Events

This week at St. Augustine

Martin Luther King Jr. Social

Immediately following the 5:30 PM Mass on Monday, January 15th, you are invited to a social in Walsh Hall.

Finance Council

The Parish Finance Council will meet this Monday, January 15th in the Parish Offices Conference Room.

Parish Breakfast

Whether you are a long-time parishioner, a new member of our parish family, or just visiting, you are invited to a complimentary parish breakfast next Sunday from 9 AM until 1 PM in Walsh Hall (basement of school building). We hope that you will be able to join us for food and fellowship.

Volunteers are always welcome to help set-up, serve, and clear tables.

Looking Ahead-Save the Dates

February 11th- World Day of the Sick
The Sacrament of the Sick will be distributed at all Masses

February 14th- Ash Wednesday
Ashes will be distributed at Mass and during the day at designated times.

March 12th, 13th, and 14th-Parish Mission
This Parish Mission will be a special time of grace. Save the dates for our evening Mission.

Monday, January 15, 2024

10:00 am: World African Drum Class
5:30 pm: Mass (Church)
6:00 pm: Rosary (Church)
6:00 pm: Martin Luther King Jr., Social (Walsh)
7:00 pm: Finance Council Meeting (Conference Room)
7:30 pm: AA Meeting (Mylott Hall)

Tuesday, January 16, 2024

9:30 am: AA Meeting (Walsh)
5:30 pm: Mass (Church)
6:00 pm: Rosary (Church)
7:30 pm: AA Meeting (Mylott Hall)

Wednesday, January 17, 2024

5:30 pm: Mass (Church)
6:00 pm: Rosary (Church)
6:00 pm: AA Meeting (Mylott Hall)
6:30 pm: Signing Hands (Walsh Hall)

Thursday, January 18, 2024

5:30 pm: Mass (Church)
6:00 pm: Rosary (Church)
6:30 pm: Signing Choir Practice (Walsh Hall)
7:00 pm: Boy Scouts (School Building)
7:30 pm: AA Meeting (Mylott Hall)

Friday, January 19, 2024

5:30 pm: Mass (Church)
6:00 pm: Rosary (Church)
7:30 pm: AA Meeting (Mylott Hall)

Saturday, January 20, 2024

11:00 am – 3:00 pm: Community Cupboard and Closet
4:15 pm: Mass (Church)

Sunday, January 21, 2024

8:30 am: Mass (Church)
9:00 am to 1:00 pm: Parish Breakfast (Walsh Hall)
9:30 am – 10:30 am: Parish School of Religion
11:00 am: Mass (Church)

January 13th and 14th

	<i>Saturday: 4:15 PM</i>	<i>Sunday: 8:30 AM</i>	<i>Sunday: 11 AM</i>
Priest Deacon	Fr. Ben Jimenez, SJ (H)	Fr. Ben Jimenez, SJ (H)	Fr. Bill O'Donnell, C.P.P.S (H) Deacon Chris DePenti
Lectors	Dave Dilyn	Fran DiDonato	Kate Slosar Sr. Regina Fierman, CSA
Extraordinary Ministers of the Blessed Sacrament	Bob Duda Theresa Fallon Bonnie Robertson	Pat Abraham Debbie Sollars	Molly Cassidy Jeannie Rawlings

January 20th and 21st

	<i>Saturday: 4:15 PM</i>	<i>Sunday: 8:30 AM</i>	<i>Sunday: 11 AM</i>
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