# THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF

# St. Augustine

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May 19, 2024

**Pentecost** 

"But when he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth."

John 16:12

#### **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.

# 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**

#### Administrator/Chaplain to the Blind Community

Rev. William O'Donnell, C.PP.S | WilliamODonnell49@gmail.com

#### Parochial Vicar/Chaplain to the Deaf Community

Rev. Ben Jimenez, SJ | Bjimenez@StAugustineClevleland.org

#### **Permanent Deacon**

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#### **Our Staff**

#### **Pastoral Associate**

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#### **Director of Music and Liturgy**

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Kim Ambro | KAmbro@StAugustineCleveland.org Debbie Sollars

# **Support Ministries**

#### **Blind Ministry**

Ministry@StAugustineCleveland.org

#### **Deaf Ministry**

Ministry@StAugustineCleveland.org

#### **Mental Health Ministry**

Ministry@StAugustineCleveland.org

#### **Outreach Ministry**

Outreach@StAugustineCleveland.org

# **Stay Connected**

Email: Info@StAugustineCleveland.org

Facebook: @ St Augustine Roman Catholic Church Clevel and

YouTube: @staugustinechurch9835

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 loved, And all are welcome!

Amen

### **Scripture Readings for the Week**

#### Sunday | Pentecost

Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a,16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5; Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27, 28, 29, 30; Rom 8:22-27;

Jn 7:37-39

Day: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34;

1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13

Monday | Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church

Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14; Ps 87:1b- 3, 5-7; Jn 19:25-34

# Tuesday | St. Christopher Magallanes, Priest and Companions, Martyrs

Jas 4:1-10; Ps 55:7-11, 23; Mk 9:30-37

#### Wednesday | St. Rita of Cascia, Religious

Jas 4:13-17; Ps 49:2-3, 6-11; Mk 9:38-40

#### **Thursday**

Jas 5:9-12; Ps 103:1-4, 8-9, 11-12; Mk 10:1-12

#### **Friday**

Jas 5:9-12; Ps 103:1-4, 8-9, 11-2; Mk 10:1-12

Saturday | St. Gregory VII, Pope

St. Mary Magdalene de'Pazzi, Virgin St. Bede the Venerable, Priest and Doctor of the Church

Jas 5:13-20; Ps 141:1-3, 8; Mk 10:13-16

#### **Sunday | Trinity Sunday**

 $Dt\ 4:32\text{-}34,\ 39\text{-}40;\ Ps\ 33:4\text{-}5,\ 6,\ 9,\ 18\text{-}19,\ 20,\ 22;\ Rom\ 8:14\text{-}17;$ 

Mt 28:16-20

# **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.

Pat Abraham Char Augustine Dorothy Barr Patti Cook Ilona Cykman Ellen Ferrari Mike Furey John Garneau Susan Grieken Michael Hogan Nora Orozco **Bridget Patton** Debbi Kasper Ella McGowan Fr. Joe McNulty Mike Perciado Andrea Slosar Richard Slosar Sharon Rivera Sheila Rock Norma Turner Mary Smith Mary Solderitsch Nora Thomas Nancy Van Gieson

Millie Vargas Carl Zelinski, Sr. Tammy Zubek

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

#### **Mass Intentions**

#### Saturday, May 18

4:15 pm + Jack McMarlin

#### Sunday, May 19

8:30 am NO MASS DUE TO MARATHON

11:00 am † Phil Ferguson

#### Monday, May 13

5:30 PM † Nancy Torres

#### Tuesday, May 14

5:30 pm + Bill Clements

#### Wednesday, May 15

5:30 pm † Laura DeLury

#### Thursday, May 16

5:30 pm † Herbert Sponholtz

#### Friday, May 17

5:30 pm + Charles Johnson

#### Saturday, May 18

4:15 pm † Paul and Ann Dylyn

#### Sunday, May 19

8:30 am St. Augustine Parishioners

11:00 am † Bob Kopcak

† Deceased

#### Offertory— May 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>

Regular Collection \$2,402.00
Other: \$53.00
E-Giving \$220.00

Total Collection \$2,675.00

# Pope Francis' May Prayer Intention

For the Formation of Religious and Seminarians



We pray that religious women and men, and seminarians grow in their own vocations through their human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, leading them to be credible witnesses to the Gospel.

"Jesus knows we are sinners; he knows we make many mistakes, but he does not give up on joining his life to ours. He knows that we need the Eucharist, because the Eucharist is not the reward of saints, but the bread of sinners. This is why exhorts us:

"Do not be afraid! Take and eat."

~Pope Francis

#### **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.StAugsutineCleveland.org and click donate.

Thank you for your financial support.



Counter Team C is scheduled for Monday

# Love Without Measure...

Today's gospel in which Jesus appears to his disciples on the evening of the Resurrection is one of the most famous passages in the New Testament. Jesus greets his disciples with peace, shows them his hands and his side, and then sends them out to continue his work. But what is often overlooked in this passage is the work that Jesus sends his disciples to do. He does not send them out to preach, or heal or teach. He sends them out to forgive. And there is a very specific way of forgiveness that Jesus has in mind.

God is always working in our lives, but in most things human effort is necessary. I don't say always but most of the time. This is close to Jesus' understanding of forgiveness in today's gospel. He first of all gives the Holy Spirit to his disciples, because he knows that true forgiveness is only possible through God's grace. But he then places the work of forgiveness into our hands: "Whose sins you forgive will be forgiveness. Jesus understands that forgiveness involves human action.

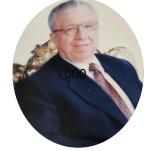
Forgiveness is a collaborative effort, an action in which the Spirit and we work together. We need the Spirit because the Spirit has the power to soften our hearts, change our minds, and empower us with love. But along with the Spirit we must take up the hard work of forgiving.

Who is it in your life and mine that we need to forgive. Do we need to forgive a family member, who has let us down repeatedly, made promises they have never kept, made judgments that create enduring wounds? A friend who has betrayed you? A coworker who has insulted you? A spouse who has rejected you? We all can find ourselves somewhere in this litany. The Risen Christ challenges us to take up the hard work of admitting that we have been hurt but refusing to allow that hurt to determine our future. Jesus calls us to recognize that we have pain but not play that pain over and over again in our minds so that healing is impossible. The hard work of forgiveness is knowing that the hurt which attacked us is real but insisting that the pain will not rule our lives.

Forgiveness is letting go of the past; letting go of things we cannot change. That is hard work. But when we become exhausted with the hard work of forgiving, it is then that we cant trust upon God's Spirit to revive us and lead us forward. Forgiveness is a work that the Spirit and we do together

Fr. Bill

#### **Eternal Rest Grant Unto Him, O Lord**



**Curt Treska**Longtime Parishioner

# Pray the Rosary

We invite you to join us **every Monday through Friday** at **6 PM** (Monday through
Thursday during Lent) 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.

# Faith and Opportunities



# Vacation Bible Schools

As we close out the year for PSR, we are looking forward to Vacation Bible School this summer! We will be hosting Vacation Bible School the week of June 10-14, 2024, and are looking for volunteers to help facilitate!

Please scan the QR code below to register your child(ren) for VBS.

We are seeking volunteers to help lead activities and assist with crafts.

Please contact Jessica Neuhart at JNeuhart@staugustinecleveland.org for more information.





"Spots are filling up quickly at
Rainbow Camp for summer 2024!

Be sure to register your camper ASAP by visiting our website, www,StAugustineCleveland.org, to ensure their spot!

ARC is also seeking staff members, ages 16+, with proficiency in American Sign Language. Contact ARC@staugustinecleveland.org for more information on how to apply.

Camp begins Monday, June 24<sup>th</sup> and ends on Friday, July 26<sup>th</sup> Monday-Friday

10 am – 3 pm





Cursillistas gather for Ultreya on Saturday, June 8<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 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.

#### **Bible Study**

Our weekly group Bible Study will continue this Wednesday in Walsh Hall from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm led by Pat Takacs and Andrea Whinnery Erman.

This will be a ten week session focusing on the source and summit of our Catholic faith, The Eucharist, using course materials from the Augustine Institute. It is a time to come together and connect while being intentional about deepening our understanding of the richness of our tradition and growing in faith together.

Please feel free to come to any of the Wednesday sessions you can make. We will give you the web site to view the previous videos already covered. We find the sharing with each other about our perspective provides a sense of togetherness and joy.

Sign language Interpreter will be present and videos have closed captions. Pizza and refreshments will be provided.

#### ALL ARE WELCOME!

#### 9 Nights of Prayer

9 Nights of Night Prayer returns to the Diocese of Cleveland beginning Thursday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, and ending Friday, May 31<sup>st</sup>. This is an opportunity to pray Night Prayer, the short, ancient prayer of the Catholic Church in nine beautiful churches of our Diocese. Every night, all nine of the churches listed below will be open at 8pm with Night Prayer starting at 8:15pm

Invite a friend and come join us! Visit the iBreviary Web Site or download the iBreviary App to your smartphone for daily Liturgy of the Hours/Night Prayer.

- St. Anthony of Padua, Parma
- St. Agnes, Orrville
- St. Anthony of Padua, Akron
- St. Colette, Brunswick
- St. James, Lakewood
- St. Mary, Painesville (Spanish)
- St. Vincent de Paul, Elyria

Mother of Sorrows, Peninsula

Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist, Cleveland

# Around the Parish

#### Say It In Sign

Sign language class for beginners will continue this Wednesday from 12:30 pm until 2 pm in Walsh Hall. For more information, please contact Robin McMarlin at (216)781-5530 ext. 29 or at RMcMarlin@StAugustineCleveland.org. To register please visit, www.StAugustineCleveland.org.

#### St. Augustine Signing Choir

The St. Augustine Signing Choir will be taking a short break. Practices will resume during the summer so be sure to keep an eye out for a start date.

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

#### St. Augustine Buckeye Deaf Seniors

St. Augustine Buckeye Deaf Seniors will gather in the Deaf Center on Tuesday, May 28<sup>th</sup> at 10 AM. New members are always welcome.Cleveland

#### **Catholic Deaf Center**

Don't forget, there is a CCDC General Membership Meeting on June 2, 2024, at 12:30 pm.

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**

Members of the Blind Community invite you to their next gathering on Wednesday, June 12, 2024 at 12 Noon in Walsh Hall.

The VIPs (Visually Impaired Persons) welcome those with and without visual impairments to participate in their activities. 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. LINKS members gather on Wednesdays and Fridays at 3 PM in Walsh Hall.

For more information on our Links program please contact Bob at (216) 781-5530 or Bduda@StAugsutineCleveland.org.

#### St. Augustine Seniors (50 and over)

The St. Augustine Seniors invite you to their next gathering on Thursday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 12 noon in Walsh Hall.



Many thanks to the members of the St. Augustine Bell Choir! Our next rehearsals will be in July, so stay tuned to the bulletin for specific

rehearsal days and times. You do not have to read music to play with us, and we are open to everyone, ages 8-80. Both hearing and deaf persons are invited to join. Contact Bill Shaffer (BShaffer@StAugustineCleveland.org) for more details.

For comments or questions, please email Bill Shaffer at Bshaffer@StAugustineCleveland.org or contact him at (216) 781-5530.



St. Augustine
Community Cupboard
and Closet provides nonperishable 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.** 

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 Anthony Camino at (216) 781-5530 or email, ACamino@StaugustineCleveland.org

We have also created an Amazon Wish List which can be found on our parish website, www.StAugustineCleveland.org.

Community Closet and Cupboard Highlights by the Numbers

- ♦ Served 950 in the month of February, 1,192 in the month of March, and 1,074 in the month of April.
- ♦ In the month of February we helped 193 new families, 201 during the month of March and in April 175 new friends came to us in need.



# Faith in Action and Reflections

#### St. Augustine Parishioner Lay Missionary Update



Mark McGraw is a parishioner who embarked on a missionary journey with Lay Mission-Helper in 2022. He is currently assigned to serve as a Facilities Manager in the Diocese

of Damongo, Ghana.

To read more on Mark's missionary journey please visit his blog at

https://mmcgrawinghana.blogspot.com.

Please keep Mark and all missionaries in your thoughts and prayers.

# L.E.A.F. (Listening, Encouraging and Assisting Families of the Incarcerated)

LEAF Ministry offers support by bringing together families and friends of the incarcerated to share experiences, network resources, and help deal with the difficulties involved. Meetings are confidential and members of all religious affiliations or no affiliation are welcome.

- Church of the Resurrection, Solon,
   2nd Monday of each month, 7:00-9:00 pm.
   Email Bernie Nagle: blues1619@aol.com
- Communion of Saints, Cleveland Heights as needed,

Contact Deacon Ray Daul at 216-321-0024.

- St. Charles Borromeo, Parma,
   3rd Thursday of the month, 6:30-8:30 pm.
   Contact Cathy Kohut at 440-227-0836.
- St. Noel, Willoughby,
   3rd Monday of the month, 7:00-9:00 pm.
   Contact the Parish Office at 440-946-0887.

#### "Did you ever get into any fights?"

#### "It was the Holy Spirit!"

Fr. Bob Spitzer, a Jesuit priest who was the president of Gonzaga University for 12 years tells about a powerful prayer to the Holy Spirit. It involves asking for the healing of hurts and memories, not just for own self, but for those one has harmed, always seeking forgiveness. He tells the story of making an offhand comment that afterwards he regretted. Unable to call the man, he went to the chapel and asked the Holy Spirit to heal any harm he had done. A few days later, something extraordinary happened. Fr. Spitzer ran into the man walking on the campus, and the man said, "You know Father, I've been thinking about what you told me. At first I was kind of angry, but the more I thought about it, the more I realized what you were getting at. You actually helped me a great deal." As Fr. Spitzer remarked later: "It was the Holy Spirit." Pentecost invites us to cultivate the spirit of forgiveness. This great feast offers us the chance to look at the role which forgiveness should play in our dealings with others. Thus, we are challenged to examine our sense of compassion, patience, tolerance and magnanimity. Learning to forgive is a lifelong task, but the Holy Spirit is with us to make us agents of forgiveness. If we are prepared on this day of Pentecost to receive the Holy Spirit into our lives, we can have confidence that our lives will be marked by the Spirit of forgiveness.

#### Are you a Spirit-filled Christian?

Spirit-filled people acknowledge their weaknesses, ask for the strengthening, anointing and guidance of the Holy Spirit every morning, ask for His forgiveness every evening and pass on that forgiveness to those who sin against them. Spirit-filled people are praying people. Paul encourages us, "Pray on every occasion as the Spirit leads. For this reason keep alert and never give up; pray for all God's people" (Eph 6:18). They are praying and worshipping God in their families and parishes. They try to grow continually in their Faith, and they seek out every opportunity to discover Christ and what it means to be children of God. Spirit-filled people are people who allow the Spirit to change their lives through their daily reading of the Bible and the frequenting of the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Eucharist. Spirit-filled people speak words that heal, restore, make people happy and build people up instead of tearing them down. Spirit-filled people pass on the love of God to the people living around them by their acts of kindness, mercy and charity. Hence, let us pray for a spirit of love instead of hate, a spirit of helpfulness instead of non-cooperation, a spirit of generosity instead of greed and a spirit of gentleness instead of ruthlessness.

A little girl asked her grandfather, "Did you and grandma ever get into any fights?" The grandfather replied: "We don't talk about it very often, but there was a time when we were not getting along very well. We seemed to be picking on each a lot and finding all kinds of things to argue about and really getting on one another's nerves. Well, one day I came in from the garden and I heard a voice upstairs. I went to the stairs and heard your grandmother telling God what she could not bring herself to tell me." "Well, what did you do?" asked the grand-daughter. "I quietly walked up the stairs," he replied, "and knelt down beside her and told God my side of the story. And from that day to this, we have never had a problem which we couldn't resolve by talking it over with each other and with God."

Do you think the Holy Spirit was active in that couples' marriage? There can be no doubt. Conflict will always remain part of every relationship. The fruits of the Spirit – love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, gentleness, faithfulness, and self-control – will always remain critical for happy relationships with others.

# Parish Calendar and Events

#### Classical Guitar Recital



Chris McGee, a member of our music ministry, will have a classical guitar recital **this Sunday, May 19, 2024** beginning at 3 pm in St. Augustine Church. For more information please contact the parish office.

#### **Tremont Arts Festival- Help Needed**

The popular arts festival is scheduled on the weekend of September 21-22, and St. Augustine will have a presence. For many years, we've operated a food booth on Lincoln Park, and we're looking for additional people to staff our booth. Can you help anytime that weekend? Please contact Anthony Camino at acamino@staugustinecleveland.org or 216-781-5530 ext. 13 to learn more.



#### On the Lighter Side



Four-year-old Amanda was taken to the doctor's office with a fever. The doctor looked in her ears and asked, "Who's in there? Donald Duck?" She said, "No." He looked in her open mouth, "Who's in there? Mickey Mouse?" Again she said, "No." He put his stethoscope on her heart and asked, "Who's in there? Barney?" Amanda replied, "No, Jesus is in my heart. Barney is in the pocket of my underwear."

#### This week at St. Augustine

#### Monday, May 20, 2024

2:30 pm: Guiding Point After School Program (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)

5:30 pm: Mass (Church) 6:00 pm: Rosary (Church)

6:00 pm: Lincoln Heights Block Club (Walsh Hall)

7:30 pm: AA Meeting (Mylott Hall)

#### Tuesday, May 21, 2024

9:30 am: AA Meeting (Walsh)

2:30 pm: Guiding Point After School Program (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)

5:30 pm: Mass (Church) 6:00 pm: Rosary (Church)

7:30 pm: AA Meeting (Mylott Hall)

#### Wednesday, May 22, 2024

12:30 pm: Sign Class for Beginners (Walsh Hall)

2:30 pm: Guiding Point After School Program (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)

3:00 pm: Links 5:30 pm: Mass

6:00 pm: AA Meeting (Mylott Hall)

6:30 pm: Signing Hands

6:30 pm: Bible Study (Walsh Hall)

#### Thursday, May 23, 2024

12:00 pm: St. Augustine Seniors (Walsh Hall)

2:30 pm: Guiding Point After School Program (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)

5:30 pm: Mass (Church) 6:00 pm: Rosary (Church) 7:00 pm: Boy Scouts (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)

7:30 pm: AA Meeting (Mylott Hall)

#### Friday, May 24, 2024

3:00 pm: Links

5:30 pm: Mass (Church)

6:00 pm: Rosary (Church)

7:30 pm: AA Meeting (Mylott Hall)

#### Saturday, May 25, 2024

11:00 am – 3:00 pm: Community Cupboard and Closet

4:15 pm: Mass (Church) *Sunday, May 26, 2024* 8:30 am: Mass (Church) 11:00 am: Mass (Church)

May 18 <sup>th</sup> and 19 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday: 4:15 PM	Sunday: 8:30 AM	Sunday: 11 AM
Priest Deacon	Fr. Bill O'Donnell, C.PP.S (H) Deacon Chris DePenti	No Mass Due to Marathon	Fr. Ben Jimenez, SJ (H)
Lectors	Migdalia Santiago-White	No Mass Due to Marathon	Tom Smith Rachel Smith
Extraordinary Ministers of the Blessed Sacrament	Magdaleno Rivera Bonnie Robertson	No Mass Due to Marathon	Dawn Dingledein Sr. Regina Fierman, CSA Lin Janson
May 25 <sup>th</sup> and 26 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday: 4:15 PM	Sunday: 8:30 AM	Sunday: 11 AM
Priest Deacon	Fr. Ben Jimenez, SJ (H)	Fr. Ben Jimenez, SJ (H)	Fr. Bill O'Donnell, C.PP.S (H) Deacon Chris DePenti
Lectors	Steve Slywczuk	Ed Zubek	Karen Halupnik Alana Ortiz
Extraordinary Ministers of the Blessed Sacrament	Helen Bencic Theresa Fallon Calvin White	Bob Duda Lin Janson Joe Lewandowski	Nora Kowalchik Frank Scialabba