THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF

# St. Augustine

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### 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

March 24, 2024



"Blessed is he who comes In the name of the Lord!"

Mk 11:9

## **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.

- Pat Abraham Mike Furey Ella McGowan Richard Slosar Nora Thomas
- Dorothy Barr John Garneau Fr. Joe McNulty Sharon Rivera Norma Turner
- Israel Caminero Susan Grieken Nora Orozco Sheila Rock Nancy Van Gieson
- Patti Cook Michael Hogan Bridget Patton Mary Smith Millie Vargas
- JoAnn Fisher Debbi Kasper Andrea Slosar Mary Solderitsch

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, March 23** 4:15 pm † Petro and Kataryna Duda

- Sunday, March 24
- 8:30 am † Jack McMarlin 11:00 am † Frank, Sr. and Martha Kisiel

Monday, March 255:30 PMRosemary Moon

Tuesday, March 265:30 pmCarol Oden

Wednesday,March 275:30 pmSilverio Vargas

Thursday, March 28 7:00 pm

Friday, March 29 7:00 pm

### Saturday, March 30

8:30 pm Living and Deceased Members of St. Augustine Parish

### Sunday, March 31

8:30 am † Helen McKenna
11:00 am Living and Deceased Members of St. Augustine Parish

*†* Deceased

# Offertory—

## March 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>

Regular Collection	\$2,082.00
E-Giving	\$200.00
Other Collections	\$82.00
<b>Total Collection</b>	\$2,364.00



For the new martyrs

We pray for those who risk Their lives for the Gospel In various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.

"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

**Pope Francis'** 

**March Prayer Intention** 

**Collection for the Holy Land** 

Few places in the world are as precious to Catholics as those where Jesus Christ, Our Savior, walked and talked, lived and died. Your generosity can help keep alive those Holy Places and the Franciscan Missioners who serve the people there. *The annual Good Friday Collection for the Holy land will be collected on March 29<sup>th</sup>.* 

# **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

# 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** Chris DePenti | CdePenti@DioceseofCleveland.org

# **Our Staff**

### Pastoral Associate of Administration Bob Duda | BDuda@StAugustineCleveland.org Pastoral Associate of Outreach Anthony Camino | ACamino@StAugustineCleveland.org Director of Music and Liturgy Bill Shaffer | BShaffer@StAugustineCleveland.org Director of Religious Education and Rainbow Camp Jessica Neuhart | JNeuhart@StAugustineCleveland.org Coordinator of Deaf Access Robin McMarlin | RMcMarlin@StAugustineCleveland.org Finance Manager Aldo Fierro | AFierro@StAugustineCleveland.org Office Support Kim Ambro | KAmbro@StAugustineCleveland.org

# **Support Ministries**

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**Debbie Sollars** 

Ministry@StAugustineCleveland.org

Mental Health Ministry Ministry@StAugustineCleveland.org

### Outreach Ministry Outreach@StAugustineCleveland.org

# **Stay Connected**

Email: Info@StAugustineCleveland.org Facebook: @StAugustineRomanCatholicChurchCleveland 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 | Palm Sunday

Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16; Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 9-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Mk 14:1 — 15:47 or Mk 15:1-39

### Monday

Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11

### Tuesday

Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday

Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 3334; Mt 26:14-25

### Thursday | Holy Thursday | The Lord's Supper

Chrism Mass: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9; Ps 89:21-22, 25, 27; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21 Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116:12-13, 1516bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15

### Friday | Good Friday | Passion of the Lord

Is 52:13 — 53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 — 19:42

### Saturday | Easter Vigil in the Holy Night

a) Gn 1:1 — 2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a; Ps 104:12, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35; or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 1213, 20, 22; b) Gn 22:1-18 or Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11; c) Ex 14:15 — 15:1; Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18; d) Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13; e) Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6; f) Bar 3:9-15, 32 — 4:4; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; g) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3-4 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19; h) Rom 6:3-11) Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Mk 16:1-7

### Sunday | Easter Sunday | Resurrection of the Lord

Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 2223; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7

# Love Without Measure...

This is a reflection on the twelfth station, <u>The Death of Jesus on the Cross</u>, written by Reverend Joseph Nassal, C.PP.S. It is part of the text for the Stations of the Cross, written by Father Joe at the request of Precious Blood Parish in Dayton following a Lenten Mission several years ago.

In Christ and through his blood we have been redeemed and our sins are forgiven. Making peace through the blood of his cross.

### Philippians 2:5-8

Your attitude must be that of Christ. Though he was in the form of God, he did not deem equality with God something to be grasped at. Rather, he emptied himself and took the form of a slave, being born in our likeness. He was known to be of human estate, and it was thus that he humbled himself, obediently accepting even death, death on a cross!

### Reflection

The testimony John renders in his telling of this scene is gruesome to hear: "One of the soldiers thrust a lance into his side, and immediately blood and water flowed out." Like the light streaming from the broken body of that young man, so love and life stream forth from the body of Christ. We know that our own experiences of pain and loss, of bruised hopes and broken hearts, that this testimony is true. It is in those places where we have experienced brokenness that we grow strongest.

This is one we can cling to, a view we can look to, in those moments of our lives when anger, resentment, and bitterness take hold of us when we have experienced injustice, unfairness, violence, brokenness. Where else can we look when physical illness slows us down or keeps us low to the ground: "They shall look to him whom they have pierced."

Where else can you look when life seems so unfair, or people seem not care, when love seems distant and we teeter on the brink of despair; when the world seems harsh or decisions by church authorities seem cruel, where else can we look? They shall look on him who they have pierced."

### Prayer

Compassionate and Loving God, As we take a long, loving look at the one who is pierced, May we come to see how through the cracks and crevices of our own broken and bruised hearts, Your grace flows and your light glows. When we look at the Precious Blood, symbol of love, Flowing from the opening side of the one who gave his life, We come to know there is no greater love than this. When we look at the water, symbol of life, Pouring out upon the ground, Making streams that refresh soul, renews Faith, wash wounds, and bathe the world in the beauty of new life, We see the redeeming grace that renews the faith of the earth. Through the water and blood of his cross, O God, Change our attitude to reflect the presence of Christ in our world.



### Monday: March 25<sup>th</sup>

5:30 pm: Daily Mass in Church

7 pm: Tenebrae Service at St. Wendelin Church (2281 Columbus Rd.) Tenebrae is a Holy Week devotion which dates back to the 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> century and is characterized by scripture, hymns, and the successive extinguishing of candles as the service progresses. This beautiful prayer has become a longstanding collaboration of the Catholic churches of our Central West District.

#### Tuesday: March 26th

5:30 pm: Daily Mass in Church

7 pm: Chrism Mass at Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist (1007 Superior Avenue)

Bishop Edward Malesic will celebrate the Chrism Mass with the priests of the Diocese. At the Mass, all priests make a Renewal of Commitment to Priestly Service, recommitting themselves to their Bishop and to their ministry to God and His people; the Bishop and all the Priests then ask the people for a pledge of their prayerful support.

Bishop Malesic will also bless and consecrate the Holy Oiils, which each parish receives for the rites of anointing.

St. Augustine Church will provide sign language interpreters. We will have reserved seating in the Sacred Heart Transept of the Cathedral.

### Wednesday: March 27th

5:30 pm: Daily Mass in Church

6:00 pm: 25<sup>th</sup> Interfaith Seder Meal

We are once again blessed to have members of the Jewish community join us for our annual Interfaith Seder Meal. Herb Ascherman Jr., and cantor emeritus, Gary Paller, guide us through the Seder with historical context and song. Please call the parish to RSVP.

#### Thursday: March 28th

7 pm: Mass of the Lords Supper

followed by our Parish Fellowship Dinner.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will continue in church until 11 pm

#### Friday: March 29th

9:30 am: Matthew 25 Pilgriamage

Join us as we travel together by bus on Good Friday, March 29<sup>th</sup> to reflect and pray at six different sculptures representing the areas called out in the Gospel of Matthew to care for the least of our brothers and sisters in need. The bus will leave the parish at 9:30 am and return around 12 Noon. Please call the Parish Office at (216) 781-5530 to sign up.

- 2 pm: Stations of the Cross
- 4 pm to 6:30 pm: Parish Fish Fry
- 7 pm: Passion of the Lord

#### Saturday: March 30th

2 pm: Blessing of Easter Food

8:30 pm: Easter Vigil

#### Sunday: March 31<sup>st</sup>

8:30 am: Mass

11 am: Mass

# Around the Parish

### Say It In Sign

Another sign language class for beginners will begin on Wednesday, April 10<sup>th</sup> from 12:30 pm until 2 pm. 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

Practice for the upcoming spring performances will continue on Thursday, April 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM in Walsh Hall.

The choir will be performing at the Cleveland Hearing and Speech Center's Donor Appreciation Dinner on April 3<sup>rd</sup>.

### **Save the date for the** *Spring Concert in Church on May* 4<sup>th</sup> **beginning at 2:30 PM**

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, March 26<sup>th</sup> at 10 AM. New members are always welcome.Cleveland

### **Catholic Deaf Center**



The CCDC Retreat was held last weekend on March 15-16, 2024. We were honored to host Monsignor Glenn Nelson from the Archdiocese of Rockford, Illinois, who graced us with his spiritual teachings. Monsignor Nelson conducted the Stations of the

Cross and Eucharist in American Sign Language (ASL), providing a truly meaningful experience for all attendees. His words connected with us deeply and personally, inspiring and grounding us in our faith. The camaraderie amongst the participants was visible and we all were captivated by the Monsignor's wisdom and wit. He is truly a blessing to our Deaf community. We give thanks to him and to all who attended the retreat.

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**

The VIPs 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, April 11<sup>tht</sup> at 12 noon in Walsh Hall.

For more information on joining the Seniors please contact the parish office 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 1040 in the month of December, 923 in the month of January, and 950 in the month of February.

♦ In the month of December we helped 210 new families, 177 during the month of January and in February 193 new neighbors came to us in need.



The six-year-old came home from Palm Sunday services proudly carrying his palm. Mom and Dad quizzed him on his Sunday school lesson for the day. He responded enthusiastically, "Jesus came to Jerusalem on a donkey. And the happy people waved their palm branches and sang, "O Susanna..."

# Faith and Reflections



Our Parish School of Religion for children in Pre-K thru 8<sup>th</sup> will be on break until April 7<sup>th</sup>

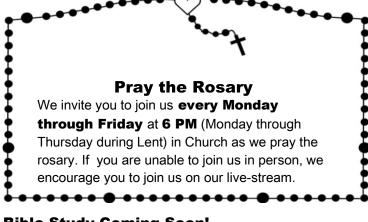
If you are new to St. Augustine or the area and

would like more information on our program, please contact Jessica Neuhart at (216) 781-5530 or JNeuhart@StAugustineCleveland.org



Cursillistas gather for Ultreya on Saturday, April 13<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 Coming Soon!**

We are excited to announce that we will be having weekly group Bible Study beginning on Wednesday April 3<sup>rd</sup> 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.

You are encouraged to register and to commit to attending all sessions, as they do build on one another.

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

### ALL ARE WELCOME!

To register please contact the parish office at (216) 781-5530 or register online at www.StAugustineCleveland.org.



The Handbell Choir will hold our next rehearsal on Monday evening, April 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm in the church. 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.

The newly formed Handbell Choir (see picture below) will have their next performance on Sunday, May  $5^{th}$  at the 11 am Mass.

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

### Silent Protest!

Henri Nouwen tells a disturbing story about a family he knew in Paraguay. The father, a doctor, was active in protests against the military. He spoke out repeatedly against its abuses of human rights. Local police took their revenge by arresting his teenage son and torturing him until he was dead. It was a horrible crime. Townsfolk wanted to turn the funeral into a huge protest march. But the doctor chose another means of protest. The father displayed his son's body in the local church. However, he was not dressed in a fine suit. And the funeral director applied no make-up. The father displayed his son as he had found him in the jail. The son was naked, his body marked with scars from the electric shocks and cigarette burns and beatings. It did not lie in a coffin but on the blood-soaked mattress from the jail. It was the strongest protest imaginable, for it put injustice on grotesque display.

See Christ hanging on the cross, showing all marks of cruel torture. Are we willing to follow him, not just to Church but in our daily life? Are we willing to entrust ourselves to Him even when the future is frightening or confusing, believing God has a plan? Are we willing to serve Him until that day when His plan for us on earth is fulfilled? Does his death on the cross matter to us? These are the questions of Palm Sunday. Let us take a fresh look at this familiar event. We might be surprised at what we see. It could change us forever.

Are You New to St. Augustine? Have You Been Away from Church for a While?

Welcome to our parish community! Please know that no matter where you find yourself on your life's journey, here at St. Augustine all are welcome! We invite you to join our parish by registering at:

www.staugustinecleveland.org/parish-registration

We hope to see you again soon!

# **Parish Calendar and Events**



Good Friday from 4 pm to 6:30 pm in Walsh Hall. (4 pm to 6:30 pm on Good Friday)

Battered Fried Cod Dinner \$11 Includes: French Fries, Cole Slaw, and Roll

Baked Lemon Pepper Cod Dinner: \$11 Includes: French Fries, Cole Slaw, and Roll

> Pierogi Dinner: \$8 Includes: Applesauce, and Roll

Macaroni and Cheese (side): \$3

To-Go and Dine-In Available. Cash, Check, Credit Card Accepted

### **Forty Days – Forty Items**

During Lent we have challenged you to remove one item from your closet that you no longer wear or need and put it into a bag. These items will be used by those in need that come to our Community Closet. You are invited to bring your bags to the Community Closet (located in the school building) during the week or at Mass on the weekend. Thank you for helping those in need.

### This week at St. Augustine

*Monday, March 25, 2024* 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: Tenebrae Service (St. Wendelin Church) 7:30 pm: AA Meeting (Mylott Hall)

*Tuesday, March 26, 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) 7:00 pm: Chrism Mass (Cathedral of St. John the (Evangelist) 7:30 pm: AA Meeting (Mylott Hall)

*Wednesday, March 27, 2024* 2:30 pm: Guiding Point After School Program (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor) 5:30 pm: Mass 6:00 pm: 25<sup>th</sup> Interfaith Seder Meal (Walsh Hall) 6:00 pm: AA Meeting (Mylott Hall)

*Thursday, March 28, 2024* 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, March 29, 2024* 9:30 am: Matthew 25 Pilgrimage 2:00 pm: Stations of the Cross (Church) 4:00 pm – 6:30 pm: Fish Fry (Walsh Hall) 7:00 pm: Mass of the Lord's Passion (Church) 7:30 pm: AA Meeting (Mylott Hall)

*Saturday, March 30, 2024* 11:00 am – 3:00 pm: Community Cupboard and Closet 2:00 pm: Blessing of Food (Church) 8:30 pm: Mass (Church)

Sunday, March 31, 2024 Easter Sunday 8:30 am: Mass (Church) 11:00 am: Mass (Church)

MARCH 23rd and 24th	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	Michelle Rivera	Debbie Sollars	Kate Slosar Mary Pelley
Extraordinary Ministers of the Blessed Sacrament	Bonnie Robertson Migdalia Santiago-White Calvin White	Pat Abraham Maria Boyer Kathy Yarmock	John Kowalchik Nora Kowalchik
MARCH 30 <sup>th</sup> and 31 <sup>st</sup>	Saturday: 8:30 PM	Sunday: 8:30 AM	Sunday: 11 AM
Priest Deacon	Fr. Bill O'Donnell, C.PP.S (H) Deacon Chris DePenti	Fr. Ben Jimenez, SJ (H)	Fr. Ben Jimenez, SJ (H)i
Lectors	Dawn Dingledein Dave Dylyn Theresa Fallon Migdalia Santiago-White Pat Takacs Rick Toth	Matthew Cook	Karen Halupnik John Kowalchik
Extraordinary Ministers of the Blessed Sacrament	Bob Duda	Marissa Davilla Joe Lewandowski David Murray	Aaron Calton Alana Ortiz Kate Slosar