

WELCOME TO
St. Augustine Catholic Church

MONROE & EAST CLINTON STREETS, NAPOLEON, OHIO 43545

PASTOR: Fr. J. Douglas Garand

DEACON: Jon Gottron

PARISH MANAGER: Laurie Brubaker • SCHOOL PRINCIPAL: Ginny Minnick

Join us for worship

Saturday: 4:30 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. - school year
8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. - summer

Spanish Mass - 2nd Sunday each month, 1:00 p.m.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION / FORMATION

*Educating all our children for lifelong, faithful,
participating membership in St. Augustine Parish*

- **ST. AUGUSTINE SCHOOL** (Pre K-8)
Ginny Minnick, Principal, 419-592-3641
- **PARISH RELIGION PROGRAM** (1-8)
Sunday morning, 9:00 - 10:15 a.m. during school year
Catholic Education for Parish children attending public school
- **LIFETEEN** (High School Youth)
Every other Sunday at 5:30 p.m.
- **PRE-SCHOOL** during Sunday 10:30 Mass



SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM To schedule instructions for the Sacrament of Baptism: contact the church at 419-592-7656 before your child is born. Classes are held once every two months.

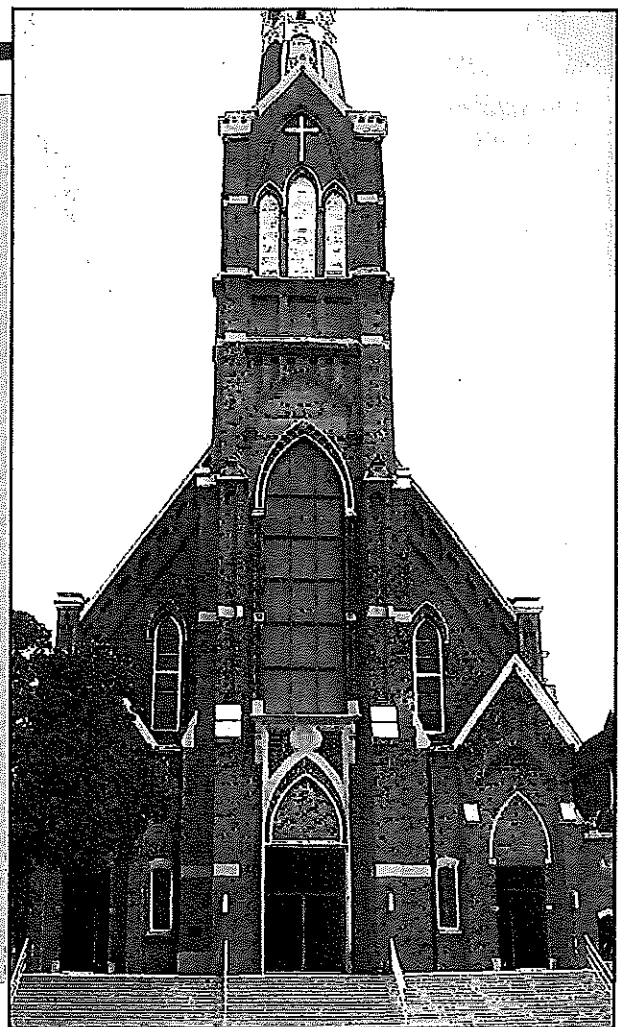
RECONCILIATION Saturday at 3:30 p.m. and by appointment.

ANOIDING OF THE SICK The Parish Office should be notified whenever any parishioner is suffering from severe or prolonged illness. The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be administered by request.

MARRIAGE "As soon as a couple makes a decision to marry and at least six months before the anticipated wedding date they are to make contact with the priest/deacons in order to begin the various steps of the Marriage Preparation Program" (Diocese of Toledo Directive). Official dates for wedding celebrations at St. Augustine Parish must be approved by the Pastor or Parish Deacons.

ADULT INITIATION / FULL COMMUNION - RCIA Anyone interested in joining or learning more about the Catholic Church is invited to be a part of this formation process. Call the Parish Office for details.

HOLY ORDERS / VOCATIONS Contact the Parish Office.



REGULAR OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday * 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Closed Mondays and Weekends

Parish Office: 210 E. Clinton St. 419-592-7656
Parish Email: saintaugustineoffice@gmail.com
Parish Fax: 419-592-6316
Parish Website: www.staugie.net
Deacon Jon Gottron 419-966-7106
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School: 722 Monroe St. 419-592-3641
School Email: ginny.minnick@augustinenapoleon.com
St. Vincent de Paul Society 419-592-0438

NEW PARISHIONERS

Please arrange to register at the Parish Office

PRAYER CHAIN ~ Contact Janet Creager at 419-592-5799

Dear Parishioners:

Our Gospel begins with the Pharisees asking if it is lawful for a husband to divorce his wife. This was a trap and Jesus knew what they were up to. If one is married or single there are challenges. Today Jesus talks to us of marriage and some of its challenges.

It is clear that Moses made certain rules on divorce once it occurred. By the time of Jesus, however, divorce among Jews was lawful, but not frequent. The question in our Gospel is more specific with the Pharisees asking if a man could divorce his wife for any cause. Some rabbis would allow divorce only in a serious case while others allowed divorce if the wife burned dinner or the man found himself attracted to another woman

Jesus did not get pulled into their question of what was lawful or unlawful. He simply said there should be no divorce at all. Then he refers to the story of creation (from our first reading) helping then to understand God's intention that he made man and woman to become one flesh. Jesus knew, however, that people would need to separate if they were in a toxic or even lethal relationship so he adds that such people should remain unmarried. Those who would seek to get re-married have the opportunity to pursue an annulment in the Church and I would like to offer my encouragement.

About three hundred years before Christ, Aristotle, the philosopher said: "divorce is to family life what civil war is to the state." Divorce is often painful, so it is helpful to remember that Jesus intends not to cause pain, but to set a clear vision of marriage as a covenant of personal love between a man and a woman which reflects the covenant relationship with God and his people. Let us pray for all who suffer in their relationships; particularly those carry the wounds of divorce.

This Thursday is the Patronal Feast of our Diocese – Our Lady of the Rosary. It originated in 1571 when an invading Muslim army was defeated in Greece when St. Pius V called on people to pray the Rosary for the protection of Europe. When we pray the Rosary, we are immersed in the lives of Jesus and Mary and have a powerful weapon in the spiritual warfare faced by every Christian.

Peace,

Fr. Doug

Ministries for the Liturgies

Saturday, October 9, 2021 4:30 p.m.
Lector: Rick Hoffman
Servers: Evan and Owen Storch
Extraordinary Ginny Bauer, Jo Schwaiger, Volunteer
Min. of Com.:
Ushers: William Lytle, Paul Martin
Sunday, October 10, 2021 8:00 a.m.
Lector: Gene Grime
Servers: Alyssa Sifuentes, Volunteer
Extraordinary Deacon Jon Gottron, Ann Grime,
Min. of Com.: Shari Smith, Judy Wiles
Ushers: John and Jan Stover
Sunday, October 10, 2021 10:30 a.m.
Lector: Joel Miller
Servers: Isaac and Eli Herman, Josie Smith
Extraordinary Deacon Jon Gottron, Mary Hoops,
Min. of Com.: Sandra Martinez
Ushers: Ty Siclair, Volunteer

Eucharistic Ministers: Week of October 3, 2021

Nursing Home: Jean Small
Homebound: Volunteer

"For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." (Matthew 6:21)

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, October 2, 2021
4:30 p.m. - James David Morris
Sunday, October 3, 2021
8:00 a.m. - Anthony Westhoven
10:30 a.m. - For the Parish
Monday, October 4, 2021
No Communion Service
Tuesday, October 5, 2021
8:45 a.m. - Mass
Wednesday, October 6, 2021
6:00 p.m. Mass
Thursday, October 7, 2021
8:45 a.m. - Mass
Friday, October 8, 2021
8:45 a.m. - Mass
Saturday, October 9, 2021
4:30 p.m. - Mass
Sunday, October 10, 2021
8:00 a.m. - Paul Westhoven
10:30 a.m. - For the Parish
1:00 p.m. - Spanish Mass

**Tellers: October 12, 2021 - Mary Hoover, Bill Lytle,
Jan Westhoven**

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Sun., Oct. 3** PRP 9:00 a.m.
Confirmation Retreat
Life Teen 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.
(Ministry Center)
- Wed., Oct. 6** Administrative Mtg. 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.
(St. Ambrose Room)
Parents Club 5:00 p.m.
Rosary 5:30 p.m.-*America Needs Fatima*
RCIA 6:45 p.m.
- Sat., Oct. 9** Confessions 3:30 p.m.
Rosary 3:55 p.m.
Hawks Community Days 10:30 a.m. -
9:00 p.m.
- Sun., Oct. 10** PRP 9:00 a.m.
Life Teen 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.
(Ministry Center)

**STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE
PARISH OFFERTORY**

Sunday Collection	\$	5,368.00
On-Line Giving	\$	1,882.00
Mailed In/Dropped Off	\$	795.00
School	\$	365.00
Sunday collection year-to-date	\$	98,056.51

To use the convenient online giving option, please visit:
www.staugie.net and select online giving from the side menu.

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

- William L. "Will" Yeager (62) - 10/4/06
- Debbie Creager (20) - 10/6/71
- Floyd F. Dominique (82) - 10/7/16
- Maria F. Guibord Timbs (69) - 10/8/14

Remember those who have gone before us, please pray for them. Due to space we are listing only the past 25 years. If you would like a parishioner listed who passed away longer than 25 years ago, please contact the office.

FRIDAY ADORATION will take place each First Friday of the month after 8:45 a.m. Mass until 5:30 p.m. We will have a sign-up sheet in the back of the church and would appreciate folks filling the day so that our Lord is not exposed on the altar without anyone present. If you are not able to come for your hour of adoration, please call Jane Recker at 419-508-0711. The day will end with Benediction at 5:30 p.m.

AMERICA NEEDS FATIMA - Please join us in praying a community Rosary as we pray for our country. We will join together on the front steps of St. Augustine Church on Wed., Oct. 6 at 5:30 p.m. You are welcome to join us for the Holy Mass immediately after the Rosary recitation.

FROM THE SCHOOL

St. Augustine Catholic School has secured a spot to sell food and drinks during the Applebutter Fest in Grand Rapids, OH on Sunday, October 10, 2021, from 7:00am to 5:00pm. In order for this fundraiser to be successful, we need your help! If you are able to work a 2-hour shift, donate bottled water, cases of canned pop, or money to purchase other products, please visit the St. Augustine Catholic Church Facebook page for the link to sign-up. If you prefer to call the school office to sign up, please do - 419.592.3641. Thank you for your generosity and support!

I would like to say "Thank you" to Father Doug for blessing our family pets after school on Friday, in celebration of St. Francis of Assisi's Feast day. Our students look forward to this every year!

Blessings to your family,
Ginny Minnick, Principal

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- 10/4 - Janette Carpenter, Ruger Healy, Anna Mack, Zaia Steiner
- 10/5 - Ruth Beltran, Martin Irving, Carol Nagy, Robert Sanchez, Robert Small
- 10/6 - Eldon Bostelman, Brian Brown, Janice Stover
- 10/7 - Alice Kleman, Evan Vocke
- 10/8 - Loxi Siclair, Colt Smith
- 10/9 - Reina Arreguin, Bianca Briones, Kathryn Johnson, McKenna Meyers
- 10/10 - Grace Crossland, Alex Guerrero, Kaytlyn Hill, Suzanna Hoffman, Tim Spurgeon

DISCIPLES LIVING AND SHARING OUR FAITH PROGRAM

- Over the next few weeks, you will be hearing about our upcoming renewal program "Disciples Living and Sharing our Faith." This effort continues to be very important as we move forward with the mission and vision of St. Augustine Catholic Church. We, as a parish family, have changed so many lives in our community! In order to continue our mission and ministries, we encourage all parishioners to spend time in prayer and discussion with your family reflecting on the work we do. Our special Commitment Weekend will be celebrated on October 30 and 31. If you have any questions regarding the "Disciples Living and Sharing Our Faith" Program, please feel free to contact the parish office.

Save the Date

December

3rd, 4th & 5th - Christmas House

FORMED Family Focus

Watch: *Consoling the Heart of Jesus*

Listen: *Walking with Jesus*

Read: *The Joyful Beggar*

Pray: *The Seven Sorrows of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

SNACKS NEEDED FOR CONFIRMATION RETREAT - On Sunday, October 3, we will be hosting the Confirmation Retreat that we join with Defiance St. John and St. Mary. Along with the Net retreat leaders, we will be hosting about 65 people. We are looking for donations of snacks and drinks (no pop). These items can be dropped off at the Ministry Center. Jen Roth, Director of Religious Education, will have the Ministry Center open to drop off on Saturday, October 2, after Mass. ~ Thank you in advance for your donation to our young confir-mants. ~

CATHOLIC APPEAL - Justin Wharton, Annual Catholic Appeal Manager, has reached out to us this week congratulating us on our progress thus far. It is his hope that we can still make our goal of \$26,004. We have only \$2,179.25 to go!!! If you haven't yet considered your gift, please take the time to do so soon so that we can reach 100%. Currently, we are at 91.62%. We are so close!! Bishop Thomas would like to extend his thank you to all who have taken the time to pledge money to the Annual Catholic Appeal. Your generosity is a blessing. We are 99.85% of the way to our goal of \$3 million. Thank you again for your attention. Thank you for considering a gift to this Appeal. And most of all, thank you for being for my parish family.

DISCERNMENT GROUPS FOR YOUNG WOMEN will be meeting throughout the 2021-2022 school year. There are young women who are interested in learning more about the vocation to which God is calling them, with a particular focus on religious life. There are two groups available: one for young women in high school and one for those in college or beyond. The groups meet in Toledo, but are open to all. For details regarding meeting dates/location or other information, please contact Sister Rose Marie Timmer, RSM (rmtimmer@toledodiocese.org).

GOING ON VACATION - Please use Online Giving to catch up on offertory contributions. Go to www.stangie.net and click on the Online Giving link, it's quick and easy.

LIFE TEEN - Welcome all high school students! Life Teen is officially meeting every Sunday, 5:30 - 7:30. Dinner included. Come together with your friends to grow in community and to further explore your faith.

- **October 3rd** is Life Teen's Kickoff event. Please join us in celebrating the beginning of a great year and kicking it off with a bang!

- **October 10th** we will be exploring downtown Napoleon on a photo scavenger hunt!

We are still in need of people to sign up to bring food to our weekly Life Nights. There is a sign up sheet in the vestibule of church. Or just shoot me an email with your contact info.

We are also looking for adults that are passionate about serving teens on our core team! Please reach out to me and I would love to talk with you more about this mission within our parish.

To get connected and keep up to date on announcements, follow us on Instagram @st.augustinelifeteen, on Snapchat at staugustine_yg, or joining us on Remind by texting @b1b1e to 81010

PARISHIONERS IN NEED - Two meal trains have been set up as follows: the Maria Pullen Meal Train can be accessed by going to <https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/26k878>

Joe and Dora Hunyor delivered their baby via emergency c-section on Aug. 2. The baby weighed 2.5 lbs. and was 2 months early. Friends of the family have set up a meal train as they have 3 small children at home. It can be accessed by going to <https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/g2gw7o/updates/>.

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY - Kindly join Bishop Daniel Thomas in welcoming Cardinal Daniel N. DiNardo, Archbishop of Galveston-Houston, as principal celebrant and homilist. Join in celebration at Our Lady, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral, 2535 Collingwood Blvd., Toledo, on Thurs., Oct. 7 with the Rosary at 6:30 p.m. Holy Mass will be offered at 7:00 p.m. Join in preparation by praying a Rosary Novena from Sept. 28 - Oct. 6. To register for the Novena, visit www.toledoprays.org.

2021 DIOCESAN CELEBRATION OF WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES - to take place at Our Lady, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral, 2535 Collingwood Blvd., Toledo, on Sun., Oct. 24 at 3:00 p.m. If you are celebrating a milestone wedding anniversary in 2021 - 25, 40, 50, 60, or 60+ years, there will be a mass honoring you celebrated by Bishop Daniel E. Thomas. Every registering couple is guaranteed an anniversary certificate. To register go to [HTTPS://WWW.EVENTBRITE.COM/E/MASS-ON-THE-ANNIVERSARIES-OF-MARRIAGE-2021-REGISTRATION-153512543149](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/mass-on-the-anniversaries-of-marriage-2021-registration-153512543149). For questions please contact Alice Jacobs at 419-214-4978 or ajacobs@toledodiocese.org.

HOLY HOUR OF PRAYER FOR LIFE - sponsored by Project Rachel, will be held the last Monday of each month (Oct. 25) at 7 p.m. at St. Rose Church, 215 E. Front St., Perrysburg. Each month the hour will begin with a short reflection before we enter into silent prayer and adoration. Contact Kerstin Pakka, Project Rachel Coordinator at 419-260-5811 or kpakka@toledodiocese.org for more info.

PROJECT RACHEL - Are you or someone you know hurting from a past abortion? Contact Project Rachel for confidential help in starting your healing journey. God's mercy is abundant and waiting for you. Go to kpakka@toledodiocese.org - www.hopeafterabortion.com Or call 419-260-5811.

COMMUNITY HOUSING IMPACT & PRESERVATION (CHIP) PROGRAM is now accepting pre-applications for home repair and rehabilitation programs. Do you own and live in a home that needs repairs, have homeowners insurance, current on your property taxes, and household income below 80% of median income? Call Maumee Valley Planning at 419-784-3882 or visit www.mvpo.org for more information. Brochures are available in the back of church.

DIOCESAN WEBSITE - Have you had the chance to visit www.toledodiocese.org recently? Visit our site and sign up for our e-newsletter. The diocese is on Facebook at Diocese of Toledo, on Twitter @DioceseToledo and Instagram at DioceseToledo.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE FALL CAMPAIGN is built on prayer and fasting, peaceful witness and a public community outreach mission to end abortion in our community. We invite you to pray for an hour from 7 a.m. - 6 p.m. in front of Capital Care Network, the Toledo abortion clinic, located at 1160 W. Sylvania Ave. To learn more or to sign up for daily prayer intentions, hours of prayers and information on upcoming events, visit www.40daysforlife.com/toledo. Since 2007, over 19,198 lives have been saved, 221 abortion workers have quit their positions, and 112 abortion facilities have shut down! Questions? Email Peter Range, Office of Life and Justice Director, at 419-214-4933 or Veronica Leguire at vleguire@gmail.com. Join the movement, and help us end abortion in Northwest Ohio!

To show our faith and thanksgiving, we can return a part of God's gift to us to help the church carry out its work

The "**JOY-FILLED MARRIAGE**" WORKSHOP is an enjoyable, interactive and comprehensive program for engaged couples, which will delve into practical "life skills" and the sacramentality of marriage, guided by a dedicated and well-trained team of married couples and individuals.

Continental breakfast, lunch, materials and additional resources, each day, are included. This workshop for engaged couples is in two parts:

Living a Joy-Filled Marriage, which approaches "life skills" through an emphasis on virtue, and *God's Plan for a Joy-Filled Marriage*, which discusses the sacramentality of marriage.

Cost: \$185 per couple

Credit, Debit, and Checks are accepted

(a minimal processing fee will be applied, and will vary depending on form of payment)

*Scholarships are available for couples with financial hardship. Registration can be completed by logging on to ToledoMarriagePrep.org, which will lead you to the Eventbrite website. A workshop for 2021 in our area is St. Mary, Defiance - October 23-24.

HAITIAN HUMANITARIAN RELIEF DONATION -

Our prayers go out to the people of Haiti as they suffer from the recent earthquake. Catholic Relief Services (CRS) is reaching out to help. You may donate on our secure website: www.catholiccharitiesnwo.org, noting **Haitian Relief** as your donation designation. Please make checks out to Catholic Charities Diocese of Toledo, with a notation designating **Haitian Relief**. Please mail checks to Catholic Charities Diocese of Toledo, 1933 Spielbusch Ave., Toledo, OH 43604. Thank you for generously supporting those in need.

MASS FOR LIFE AND EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION WITH BISHOP DANIEL THOMAS -

will take place on Sat., Oct. 9 at 9 a.m. at St. Catherine of Siena Parish, 4555 N. Haven Ave., Toledo. Bishop Thomas will lead the procession after Mass at Capital Care abortion facility, where the participants will chant the Divine Mercy Chaplet, then process back to St. Catherine's. October is designated as "Respect Life Month." For more info, call Peter Range, Office of Life and Justice Director, at 419-214-4933, or email prange@toledodiocese.org.

MISCARRIAGE MINISTRY - the Zeliie Ministry is a miscarriage ministry sponsored by the Toledo Diocese. If you are interested we will send you a free care package of helpful resources. For more info, go to zelieministry@gmail.com or call 419-769-4427.