

WELCOME TO  
**St. Augustine Catholic Church**

MONROE & EAST CLINTON STREETS, NAPOLEON, OHIO 43545

PASTOR: Very Reverend J. Douglas Garand, V.F.

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 (PRP)** (1-8)  
Sunday morning, 9:00 - 10:15 a.m. during school year  
Catholic Education for Parish children attending public school
- **Life Teen** (High School Youth) meets every 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 office at 419-592-7656 before your child is born for directions to complete online classes.

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

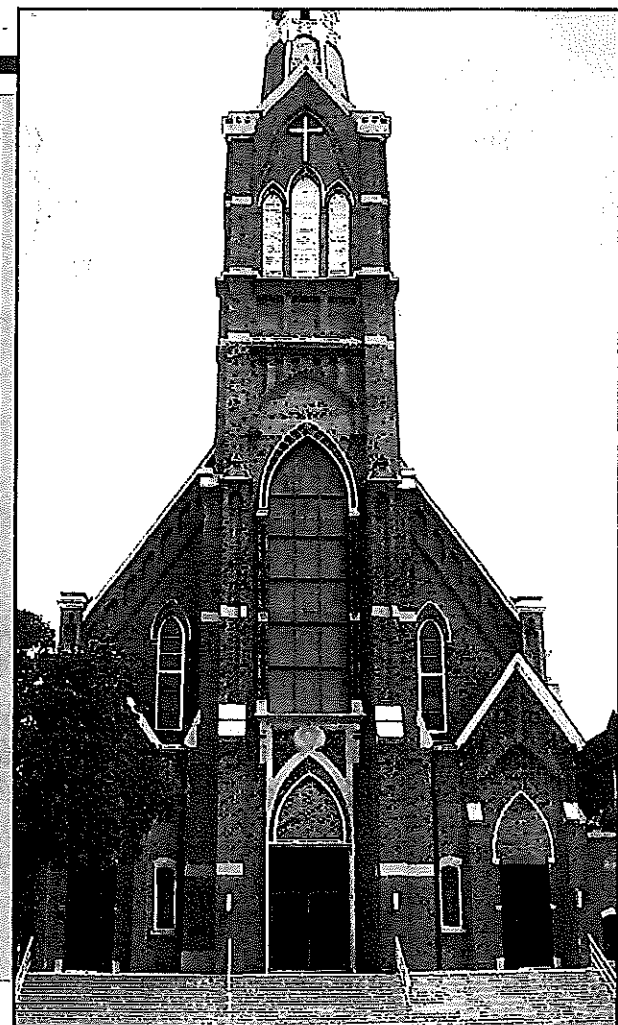
**ANOINTING OF THE SICK** The Parish Office should be notified whenever any parishioner is suffering from severe or prolonged illness. The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be administered by request.

**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.

Please arrange to register at 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 Website: www.staugie.net

Deacon Jon Gottron ..... 419-966-7106

School: 722 Monroe St. .... 419-592-3641

School Email: ginny.minnick@augustinenapoleon.com

Youth Director - Regina Proshok

Email: regina.proshok@augustinenapoleon.com

St. Vincent de Paul Society ..... 419-592-0438

**NEW PARISHIONERS**

**PRAYER CHAIN** ~ Contact Janet Creager at 419-966-6662

BULLETIN DEADLINE - Tuesday noon

Dear Parishioners:

As we celebrate this great Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, we come to the end of the Christmas Season and on Monday will begin Ordinary Time. As we have celebrated the Incarnation of Jesus who came to be with us as a man, we recognize that his birth has brought all people to a higher level with the cleansing gift of the Spirit.

**The Baptism of Jesus does a lot to show us the importance of our own Baptism.** At times, we may find it hard to understand why Jesus accepted John's Baptism of repentance. Jesus did not need to repent for His sins since he was free of sin. Jesus chose baptism as someone wrote "to be immersed in our reality... because the Jordan is muddied by our sins."

I am a fan of the work of the early Church Fathers on this topic and many of them believed that **Jesus went into the waters of the Jordan**, not in order to be made holy, but to make the water holy so that all the waters of the world would become life giving through the Sacrament of Baptism.

We also need to remember that his baptism brought down the Spirit for all people to see which in turn makes us God's beloved children. Baptism was obviously important to Jesus because his last words before he ascended were: **"All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you..."** Even though most of us cannot remember our own baptism, let us thank God for this great gift and remember that at our Baptism the Spirit descended upon us as well.

Peace,

Fr. Doug

#### Ministries for the Liturgies

**Saturday, January 15, 2022** 4:30 p.m.  
Lector: Becky Hilvers  
Servers: Nick Nahrwold, Volunteer  
Extraordinary Deacon Jon Gottron, Maureen Lammy,  
Min. of Com.: Volunteer  
Ushers: Larry Hilvers, William Lytle  
**Sunday, January 16, 2022** 8:00 a.m.  
Lector: Jan Neiling  
Servers: Volunteers (2)  
Extraordinary Deacon Jon Gottron,  
Min. of Com.: Gwen Howe-Gebers, Shari Smith  
Ushers: Jeff and Jodi Stover  
**Sunday, January 16, 2022** 10:30 a.m.  
Lector: Mark Morman  
Servers: Ruby Morman, Aiden and Sophia Pullen  
Extraordinary Deacon Jon Gottron, Amy Morman,  
Min. of Com.: Cheri Schuette  
Ushers: Jeff Burkhart, Richard Fisher

**Eucharistic Ministers: Week of January 9, 2022**

Nursing Home: Jean Small  
Homebound: Volunteer

#### Mass Intentions for the Week

**Saturday, January 8, 2022**  
4:30 p.m. - Ken Kryling  
**Sunday, January 9, 2022**  
8:00 a.m. - For the Parish  
10:30 a.m. - Kenneth Gunter  
1:00 p.m. - Spanish Mass  
**Monday, January 10, 2022**  
No Communion Service  
**Tuesday, January 11, 2022**  
8:45 a.m. - Mass  
**Wednesday, January 12, 2022**  
6:00 p.m. - Mass  
**Thursday, January 13, 2022**  
8:45 a.m. - Mass  
**Friday, January 14, 2022**  
8:45 a.m. - Mass  
**Saturday, January 15, 2022**  
4:30 p.m. - Lynn Speiser  
**Sunday, January 16, 2022**  
8:00 a.m. - Mass  
10:30 a.m. - For the Parish

**Tellers: January 18, 2022 - Phil and Marian Parsons,  
Andy Driskel, Joanne Westhoven**

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

- Sun., Jan. 9 PRP 9:00 a.m.  
Life Teen 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.
- Wed., Jan. 12 RCIA 6:30 p.m.
- Sat., Jan. 15 Confessions 3:30 p.m.  
Rosary 3:55 p.m.  
St. Vincent de Paul Collection
- Sun., Jan. 16 PRP 9:00 a.m.  
Life Teen 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.  
St. Vincent de Paul Collection

**STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE  
PARISH OFFERTORY**

Sunday Collection	\$	4,321.36
On-Line Giving	\$	3,214.00
Dropped Off/Mailed In	\$	620.00
Christmas (to date)	\$	18,594.25
Holy Day	\$	500.00
School	\$	630.00
Sunday collection year-to-date	\$	230,938.48

To use the convenient online giving option, please visit:  
[www.staugie.net](http://www.staugie.net) and select online giving from the side menu.

**MAY THEY REST IN PEACE**

- James T. Small (83) - 1/10/11
- Antonio E. Sandoval (68) - 1/11/21
- Arlene M. Herge (91) - 1/12/01
- Rita J. (Fortner) McMenamin (83) - 1/15/01
- Norma Fisher (84) - 1/15/10
- Laura J. Mossing (95) - 1/16/18

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 parishoner listed who passed away longer than 25 years ago, please contact the office.

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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** - Janet Creager will be celebrating her 90th birthday with an open house on Sunday, January 9th, 2022 from 2 - 4 p.m. at the Legion Post 300 Annex, 500 Glenwood, Napoleon, OH. Cards may also be sent to: Alpine Village, 1032 S. Perry St., Napoleon, OH 43545 (Room 305).

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**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL** - If choosing St. Vincent de Paul when considering a donation, please write your check to St. Vincent de Paul Society as we are a separate entity from St. Augustine Catholic Church. Thank you! - Virgil Bohls

**FROM THE SCHOOL**

I welcomed our faculty, staff and students back to school this week after breaking to celebrate the Christmas and New Year holidays. It was such a pleasure to see so many children returning with smiling faces, eager to be at school! We hope the children have now settled back into to a regular routine. We had a fantastic first half of the year and look forward to a successful second half. May the closeness of family and friends renew your spirits and strength to carry you through the New Year!

Did you know Catholic Education is affordable for everyone? The EdChoice Expansion Scholarship window will open on February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021 for the 2022-23 school year for children entering Kindergarten through 8th Grade. The application form, income verification form and additional information will be updated in the scholarship system website in late January. The scholarship application system is expecting to be open from February 1<sup>st</sup> to April 15<sup>th</sup>. Please call me if you have questions.

Blessings to your family,  
Ginny Minnick, Principal

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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

- 1/10 - Samuel Campos, James Jenkins, Jarid Jenkins, Josie Morales-Renteria, Emma Schwaiger
- 1/12 - Jasmine Corbitt, Marian Parsons, Brenda Piasecki
- 1/13 - Tom Fahy, Khloe Fields, Selena Hernandez, Melody Hoffman, Cooper Small, Craig Wilson
- 1/14 - John Bustos, Susan Gray, Brittni Lather, Terry Osborn, Frank Rosiak
- 1/15 - Crystal Garcia, Gary Hoffman
- 1/16 - James Hunyor, Ashley Rieger, Raymond Rondini, Nicholas Siclair, Karen Von Deylen

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**DEFIANCE COUNTY MARCH FOR LIFE** - to be held on Fri., Jan. 21 at noon at the Courthouse. The march will start with a prayer by Father David Cirata, pastor of St. John's Catholic Church, and proceed to the Monument of the Unborn at St. John's Catholic Church. There will be several pro-life speakers at the church. The event will close with a prayer by Father Cirata. Earlier in the day at 8:00 a.m., there will be a Mass celebrated at St. Mary's Catholic Church, followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and ending with Benediction at 11:00 a.m.

Save the Date

March

19th - St. Patrick's Auction

**FORMED Family Focus**

Watch: *Reborn*

Listen: *Changed Forever*

Read: *Sacraments in Scripture*

**RIGHT TO LIFE 2022 SIGNATURE AD CAMPAIGN**

- Following the masses the weekend of January 8 and 9, the Henry County Right to Life will be collecting signatures and donations to support the gift of life. A \$3.00 or more donation is suggested.

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**DISCIPLES LIVING AND SHARING OUR FAITH PROGRAM - THANK YOU**

for your response to our recent renewal program "Disciples Living and Sharing Our Faith"! I am humbled and grateful for your continued commitment to St. Augustine Catholic Church. Our parish remains vibrant, engaged, and Christ-centered in the Eucharist and in serving one another because of your generosity. God's work is never done! Your prayerful response both materially and spiritually is setting the groundwork as we advance our plan for the future and continue our critical ministries and service programs. St. Augustine Catholic Church continues to grow as a strong, faith-filled stewardship community because of parishioners like you!

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**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](mailto:kpakka@toledodiocese.org) -

[www.hopeafterabortion.com](http://www.hopeafterabortion.com) Or call 419-260-5811.

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**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.

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**FOLLOW BISHOP THOMAS** on Facebook at Bishop Daniel E. Thomas, on Twitter @BishopDEThomas and on Instagram at Bishop DEThomas.

**LIFE TEEN** - Welcome to all high school students! Life Teen meets every Sunday, 5:30 - 7:30. Dinner included. Text @b1b1e (bible but with ones instead of the I and L) to 81010 to sign up for text updates. Find us on Instagram @st.augustinelifeteen.

Upcoming Events:

- Life Teen is picking back up after break this Sunday evening!
- January 16th the Culture Project will be our guest speakers on Human Dignity
- January 20-22nd St. Augustine's will be joining St. Joseph's in Maumee for the March for Life trip to DC

Life Teen ministries offer many opportunities to serve. If you enjoy working with kids and teens, consider joining our core teams for Edge (grades 6-8) or Life Teen (high school). If you enjoy cooking and hosting for others, please reach out and sign up to bring a meal. If you are crafty and can help create a fun and welcoming environment for ministry events, let me know! I am still new to your parish and community and would love to learn more about you and your gifts.

Peace! ~ Regina

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**BAKED STEAK/CHICKEN DINNER** - event to take place at St. Louis Catholic School, Custar on Sat., Jan. 15 from 4:30 - 6:00 (Drive Thru Only). Free will donation. All proceeds benefit St. Louis School Tuition Assistance Fund.

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**GOING ON VACATION** - Please use Online Giving to catch up on offertory contributions. Go to [www.staugie.net](http://www.staugie.net) and click on the Online Giving link, it's quick and easy.

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**NORTHWEST OHIO SCHOLARSHIP FUND GIVING** The 2021-2022 school year will be the Northwest Ohio Scholarship Fund's 23rd year of awarding need-based scholarships. Since 1999, NOSF has awarded over 16,000 need-based scholarships worth over \$13.8 million for students to attend Catholic schools in the Catholic Diocese of Toledo as well as other private schools. NOSF is a privately funded scholarship program. Your gift to NOSF will assist a family by providing a Catholic education for their children. It is an investment that will last a life time. To learn more about the Northwest Ohio Scholarship Fund or to make a gift, visit [www.nosf.org](http://www.nosf.org) or call 419-720-7048.

*Stewardship is a way to thank God for blessing you with special gifts*

## CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

We appreciate the donations from these individuals and families who remembered their loved ones by donating flowers to beautify our sanctuary during the Christmas season.

- Mr. & Mrs. Donald Batt  
Mrs. Sheila Beals  
Mr. & Mrs. Eldon Bostelman  
Dr. & Mrs. Philip Cochran  
Mr. & Mrs. Len Coleman  
Mrs. Estela De La Roca  
Rev. J. Douglas Garand  
Mr. Pete Garcia  
Mr. & Mrs. William Gilson  
Mr. & Mrs. Gene Grime  
Mrs. Karen Groll  
Mrs. Mary Gunter  
Mr. & Mrs. Shannon Healy  
Mr. & Mrs. Larry Hilvers  
Mr. & Mrs. John Hoeffel  
Mr. & Mrs. Gary Hoffman  
Mr. & Mrs. George Hoffman  
Mr. & Mrs. Rick Hoffman  
Mr. & Mrs. Jim Hoops  
Mrs. Mary Hoover  
Mrs. Wilma Keller  
Mr. & Mrs. Mel Kleman  
Mrs. Ruth Like  
Mr. Bill Lytle  
Ms. Phyllis McCauley  
Mr. & Mrs. Kevin Milius  
Mr. & Mrs. Amador Molina  
Mrs. Alice Moriarty  
Mr. Simon Pedraza  
Mr. & Mrs. Steven Reiser  
Mr. & Mrs. Cletus Schindler  
Mr. & Mrs. Randall Schuette  
Mr. & Mrs. Clarence Schwab Jr.  
Mrs. Judy Siclair  
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Small  
Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Smith  
Mr. & Mrs. Jeff Stover  
Mr. & Mrs. Michael Thourot  
Tovar Family  
Mr. & Mrs. Kevin Yarnell
- In Memory of Patricia Krauss, Frank & Luella Barrett  
In Memory of Donald Beals
- In Honor of Cochran & Wendt Families  
In Memory of Our Families
- In Memory of John & Sharon Garand  
In Memory of Alicia Garcia  
In Memory of Don, Bill & Louise  
In Memory of The Downey & Grime Families  
In Memory of Victoria & Earl Austermilller  
In Memory / Honor of Kenneth Gunter, Peter Gunter & Suzanne Walker
- In Memory / Honor of All Covid Victims  
In Memory of Hoeffel & Osborn Families  
In Memory of Mary Hoffman, Ester Hoffman, Kati Hoffman, Rosie Dulle & Brenda Dulle  
In Memory of Mary Hoffman & Leonard French  
In Memory of Katherine Hoffman  
In Memory of Family  
In Memory of Hoover/Bailey Families  
In Memory of Floyd Keller, Mr. & Mrs. Isadore Keller, Harold Keller  
In Memory of Gerdeman/Kleman Deceased  
In Memory of Alice & Lee Wentworth Family
- In Memory of Patricia Briggs  
In Memory of Joe & Bonnie Milius, Steve Milius, Richard Bell  
In Memory of Molina, Campos, Ramirez & Hernandez Families  
In Memory of Dr. Tom Moriarty, Thomas Sr. & Julia Moriarty, Deceased of Herman Family
- In Memory of Katherine Hoffman, Elliot Lee Reiser
- In Memory of Hendricks & Schwab Families  
In Memory of Larry Siclair  
In Memory of Elizabeth Anne Small
- In Memory of Balas & Stover Families  
In Memory of Our Parents  
In Memory of Tovar & Eureste Families  
In Memory of Robert C. Yarnell & Jane Yarnell, Robert C. Yarnell Jr.