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**MONROE & EAST CLINTON STREETS, NAPOLEON, OHIO 43545**

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Dear Parishioners:

The Catechism of the Catholic Church says: "The union of man and woman that establishes family life is a sacred reality at the very foundation of the social order. Bonded in love and in obedience to the Lord of life, the family reflects the holiness of the Holy Family, centered on Jesus. By the grace of union with Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, family life – with its challenges and its joys – becomes a path to holiness (CCC 2205)..."

*"O God, who in the Holy Family left us a perfect model of family life lived in faith and obedience to your will, help us to be examples of faith and love for your commandments."*

**On this feast of the Holy Family, let us recommit ourselves to building up the human family, to strengthening and enshrining marriage, to blessing and nurturing children, and to making our homes, families and parish holy, welcoming places for men and women of every race, language, orientation and way of life. Everyone needs a Savior!**

**"The future of humanity passes through the family," as Pope Saint John Paul II would say so often. Today's Feast reminds us that the family has an essential impact on society.**

**I am full of gratitude and would like to express my thanks for your kind Christmas Cards and gifts! I want to say a special thank you to the staff, teachers, and students of St. Augustine School for their generous Christmas gifts and all they do for our Parish Family.**

May God continue to bless our families and strengthen us all to live following the example of the Holy Family!

Peace,

Fr. Doug

#### Ministries for the Liturgies

**Saturday, January 1, 2022** 9:30 a.m.

Lector: Nelda Irving  
Servers: Nick Nahrwold, Volunteer  
Extraordinary Deacon Jon Gottron,  
Min. of Com.: Ginny Bauer, Maureen Lammy  
Ushers: Kevin Glanz, William Lytle

**Sunday, January 2, 2022** 8:00 a.m.

Lector: Jan Neiling  
Servers: Volunteers (2)  
Extraordinary Bob Neiling, Shari Smith, Volunteer  
Min. of Com.:

Ushers: Doug Monnin, Volunteer

**Sunday, January 2, 2022** 10:30 a.m.

Lector: Suzanne Badenhop  
Servers: Ty Siclair, Kalista and Michael Zapata  
Extraordinary Lori Siclair, Nancy and Lindsay  
Min. of Com.: Westhoven  
Ushers: Doug Burgei, Chad Roth

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*"In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way, we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.' " Acts 20:35*

#### Mass Intentions for the Week

**Saturday, December 25, 2021 (Christmas)**

9:30 a.m. - For the Parish

**Sunday, December 26, 2021**

10:30 a.m. - Jeanne Lytle

**Monday, December 27, 2021**

No Communion Service

**Tuesday, December 28, 2021**

8:45 a.m. - Mass

**Wednesday, December 29, 2021**

6:00 p.m. - Mass

**Thursday, December 30, 2021**

8:45 a.m. - Mass

**Friday, December 31, 2021**

6:30 p.m. - Mass

**Saturday, January 1, 2022**

9:30 a.m. - For the Parish

**Sunday, January 2, 2022**

8:00 a.m. - David Donnelly

10:30 a.m. - Soriano/Camacho Family

**Tellers: January 3, 2022 - Mary Hoover, Bill Lytle,  
Jan Westhoven**

**Eucharistic Ministers: Week of December 26, 2021**

**Nursing Home: Terri Franz**

**Homebound: Mary Gunter**

Save the Date

March

19th - St. Patrick's Auction

**FORMED Family Focus**

Watch: *The Story of the Nativity*

Listen: *Glory to the Newborn King*

Read: *The Strangers at the Manger*

**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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**MASS OF REMEMBRANCE WITH BISHOP DANIEL E. THOMAS** - to take place at 7 p.m. on Fri., Jan. 7, at St. Rose Church, 215 E. Front St., Perrysburg. The Mass is for any mother, father or family member who has lost a child to miscarriage, still birth or abortion. Confessions will be heard prior to Mass. Then join us for a coffee/cookie meet and greet in the church basement following Mass hosted by Catholic Charities Project Rachel and the St. Rose Respect Life Committee. For more event information, contact Kerstin Pakka, Project Rachel Coordinator at 419.260.5811 or email [kpakka@toledodiocese.org](mailto:kpakka@toledodiocese.org).

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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.

**LIFE TEEN** - Welcome all high school students! Life Teen meets every Sunday, 5:30 - 7:30. Dinner included. Text @bible to 81010 to sign up for text updates. Find us on Instagram @st.augustinelifeteen.

Upcoming Events:

- Merry Christmas! We had our party this past Wednesday and it was a blast. Life Teen will pick back up on January 9th. Enjoy your Christmas break!

The **March for Life** trip to DC is January 20-23rd. Registration is due to Regina or Fr. Doug by December 30th! The flyer and registration package are in the narthex. Trip cost is \$175.

If you support the pro-life movement but aren't able to attend the March for Life this year, consider sponsoring one of our teens to help send them on the trip! Donations can be made out to St. Augustine parish, just write March for Life sponsorship in the memo line.

We are getting the food roster ready for next semester and we could use your help! We still have plenty of empty slots open for needed meals. If you are able to contribute to a meal or are interested in learning more, then please contact me at [regina.proshek@augustinenapoleon.com](mailto:regina.proshek@augustinenapoleon.com) or sign up at the sheet in the narthex. Meals need to be dropped off by 5:15 p.m. on Sunday evenings.

God bless! ~ Regina

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**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 \$289.25 to go!!! If you haven't yet considered your gift, please take the time to do so soon so that we can reach 100%. WE ARE SO CLOSE!! We have ONE week left. We can reach our goal with your help! 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.

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**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL** - If choosing St. Vincent de Paul when considering a donation this holiday season, 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

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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.

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

- n., Dec. 26 No PRP  
No Life Teen
- ed., Dec. 29 No RCIA

ish Office Closed for the Holidays on Mon., 12/27,  
i., 12/31

**STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE  
PARISH OFFERTORY**

unday Collection	\$	3,849.89
n-Line Giving	\$	3,566.00
ropped Off/Mailed In	\$	516.51
hristmas (to date)	\$	2,237.00
oly Day	\$	25.00
chool	\$	240.25
unday collection year-to-date	\$	211,279.22

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[www.staugie.net](http://www.staugie.net) and select online giving from the side menu.

**MAY THEY REST IN PEACE**

- Helen Leona Swordon (86) - 12/28/05
- Rita C. Behrens (76) - 12/29/13
- Martin Hoeffel (93) - 12/30/96
- Larry "Moe" Brubaker (75) - 12/30/13
- Laura Margaret Davis (94) - 12/31/99
- Augusta Marie Keller (99) - 12/31/02
- Florence Junk (85) - 1/1/97
- Mary M. (Riebesel) Elling (75) - 1/1/02
- M. Wilma Sohn (90) - 1/1/03
- Patricia Joseph (80) - 1/2/18

remember those who have gone before us, Please pray for them. Due  
o space we are listing only the past 25 years. If you would like a pa-  
ashioner listed who passed away longer than 25 years ago, please  
ontact the office.

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**IN MEMORIAM**

We would like to extend our heartfelt sympathy to  
abe, Trang Pollock and family following the death of  
abe's grandmother, Marilyn J. (Foust) McCracken.  
ay Marilyn now be at peace with our Heavenly Fa-  
her.

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*"The measure you give will be the measure you  
et back." (Luke 6:38)*

**FROM THE SCHOOL**

We can all certainly get caught up in purchasing gifts  
and planning parties while preparing for Christmas.  
We tend to forget "the reason for the season". Please  
take time to attend Mass with your family and pray  
daily with your children. It is so important to remember  
to focus on the birth of Jesus Christ and to be thankful  
for what we have in our lives. I am very thankful and  
feel very blessed to be working with our students and  
staff at St. Augustine Catholic School!  
I want to wish you and yours a very Happy Advent  
and Merry Christmas. I pray this time with your family  
and friends is abundant and very joyous.

Blessings to your family,  
Ginny Minnick, Principal

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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

- 12/27 - Isaac Herman, Matthew Huber, Brady Meyers,  
Matthew Reiser
- 12/28 - Candace Bruback, Allissa Hunter, Michael Lavin
- 12/29 - Olivia Brink, Daniel Garcia, Jacob Gebers,  
Maria Howell, Grace Sonnenberg
- 12/30 - Kalena Coolman, Victoria Fellers, Tim Hunter,  
Dennis Michaelis
- 12/31 - Libby Hill, Nicol Mendizabal
- 1/1 - Jevin Armbruster, Jodi Irving, John Kearney,  
Marsha Yarnell
- 1/2 - Cecily Healy, Maria Mireles, Austin Monnin,  
Daphne Torres

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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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**BIRTHDAY WISHES** - Laura Burken turned 93 on  
12/23!! Birthday wishes can be sent to : 1011 S. Cypress  
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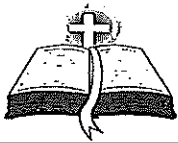
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