

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.

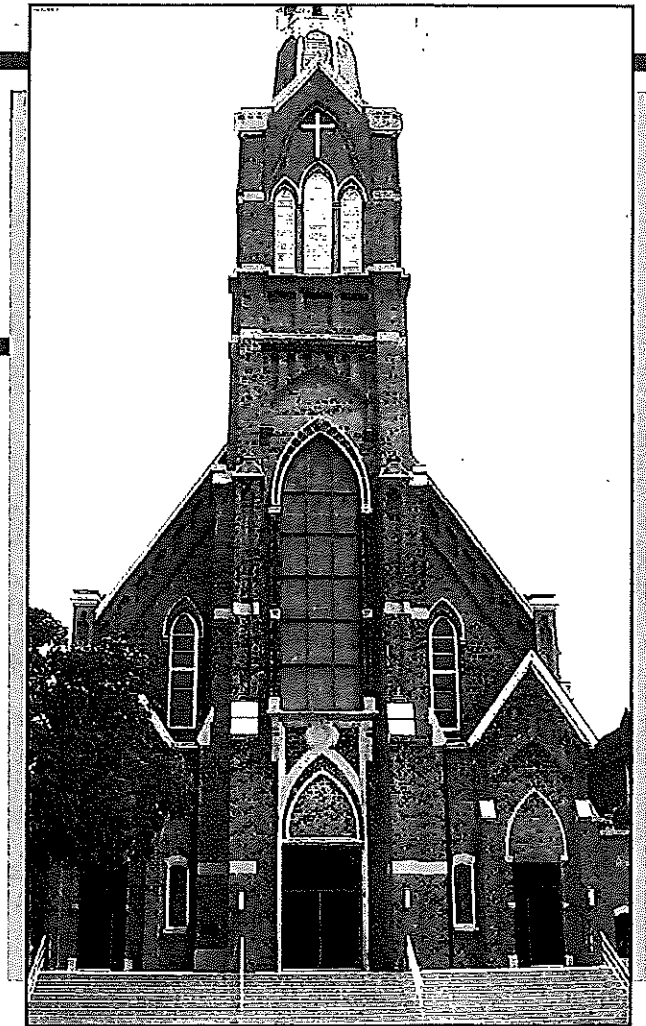
ANOINTING OF THE SICK The Parish Office should be notified whenever any parishioner is suffering from severe or prolonged illness. The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be administered by request.

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

Dear Parishioners:

God forgives “the reproach” of the generations who grumbled against Him after the Exodus. On the threshold of the promised land, Israel can with a clean heart celebrate the Passover, the feast of God’s firstborn son (see Joshua 5:6–7; Exodus 4:22; 12:12–13).

Jesus tells in today’s Gospel. The story of the Prodigal Son is the story of Israel and of the human race. But it is also the story of every believer. Reconciliation is at the heart of the story! In 1984 Pope John Paul II wrote: “**The parable of the prodigal son is above all the story of the inexpressible love of a Father-God** — who offers to his son when he comes back to him the gift of full reconciliation...”

At different times in our lives, most of us have played each of these roles: that of the devoted, loving, apparently overindulgent parent; that of the younger son who experiences being brought down by sinfulness and pride, and urgently in need of mercy; the older son, who is responsible and above reproach, and who is frustrated by the generosity and leniency with which the sins of others are dealt with. There is some of each of these characters in each one of us.

Today’s second reading from St. Paul (2 Corinthians 5:17-21) summarizes Luke’s Gospel parable of the Prodigal Son. Paul attempts to explain the meaning of God’s reconciling action. **Just as God took the initiative in sending his Son to reconcile the world, in turn he expects us to take the initiative to restore harmony to a broken world,** to wounded families, and an often-divided Church.

On this fourth Sunday of Lent, **may we, who have been forgiven so much,** embrace as brothers and sisters every sinner who joins us in the feast of forgiveness we celebrate in the Eucharist. Let us also prepare for Easter by the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession).

Peace,
Fr. Doug

Ministries for the Liturgies

Saturday, April 2, 2022 4:30 p.m.
Lector: Volunteer
Servers: Molly and Hannah Huddle
Extraordinary William Lytle, Steven Reiser,
Min. of Com.: Jo Schwaiger
Ushers: Brad and Karen Westhoven
Sunday, April 3, 2022 8:00 a.m.
Lector: Jan Neiling
Servers: Diego Garcia, Bennett Westhoven
Extraordinary Deacon Jon Gottron, Mike and Morgan
Min. of Com.: Weber
Ushers: Miya and Noah Weber
Sunday, April 3, 2022 10:30 a.m.
Lector: Suzanne Badenhop
Servers: Macy and Kelsi Eicher, Jackson Ward
Extraordinary Deacon Jon Gottron, Vicky Delventhal,
Min. of Com.: Lori Siclair
Ushers: Jeff Burkhart, Ty Siclair

Eucharistic Ministers: Week of March 27, 2022

Nursing Home: Volunteer
Homebound: Volunteer

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, March 26, 2022
11:00 a.m. - Confirmation Mass
4:30 p.m. - For the Parish
Sunday, March 27, 2022
8:00 a.m. - Carolyn Moser
10:30 a.m. - Dr. Rey Soriano
Monday, March 28, 2022
No Communion Service
Tuesday, March 29, 2022
8:45 a.m. - Fr. Robert Holden
Wednesday, March 30, 2022
6:00 p.m. - Jeanne Lytle
Thursday, March 31, 2022
8:45 a.m. - Illa Fry
Friday, April 1, 2022
8:45 a.m. - Andres and Isidra Garcia
Saturday, April 2, 2022
4:30 p.m. - Lynn Speiser
Sunday, April 3, 2022
8:00 a.m. - Mary Jo Bohls
10:30 a.m. - For the Parish

Tellers: April 4, 2022 - Phil & Ginny Bauer, Kevin Milius, Jean Miller

Save the Date

April

1st, 8th - Fish Frys

September

Turtle Fest

FORMED Family Focus

Study: *33 Days to Morning Glory*

Read: *Mary: The Church at the Source*

Listen: *Gangland to Promised Land*

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.

BELIEF & BEVERAGE NIGHTS: "KNOW THE KING, LIVE THE KINGDOM" - Join us for a warm evening of great beverages, appetizers, prayer, presentation and conversation on the third Thursdays of the month at 6:30 p.m. at Cronin's GMC of Perrysburg (showroom). Fr. Mike Dandurand will be presenting "*Courage & Civil Disobedience*" on Thurs., Apr. 21. Registration is free, but there is a limit of 100. Donation of any amount appreciated (recommended minimal \$10). GO: MassImpact.us/BNB. Sponsored by Mass Impact | Image Trinity, a movement uniting families in discovering, proclaiming, living, and building the Kingdom. GO: ILoveMyFamily.us

40 DAYS FOR LIFE SPRING CAMPAIGN - to take place Wed., Mar. 2 - Mon., Apr. 11. The campaign is built on prayer and fasting, peaceful witness and a public community outreach mission to end abortion in our community. You are invited to pray for an hour from 7 a.m. - 7 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 the upcoming events visit: www.40daysforlife.com/toledo.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL - Due to the third weekend of April being Easter, our collection will take place the second weekend (April 9 - 10).



Life Teen

Life Teen will be hosting bake sales at the Fish Fries! Teens (and 8th graders) are welcome to volunteer for baking and packaging on Thursdays (4pm this week, 7pm next week) in the parish hall, and/or to help sell on Fridays at the Fish Fry (show up at 4:30). We'll finish with the 7:15 Stations of the Cross. See the sign up sheet in the back of the church.

If you would like to donate unpackaged cookies or brownies for the bake sale you are more than welcome to! Drop offs can be made to the parish hall on Thursdays before 5pm so that we can package them. Email Regina with any questions at regina.proshek@augustinenapoleon.com

Events:

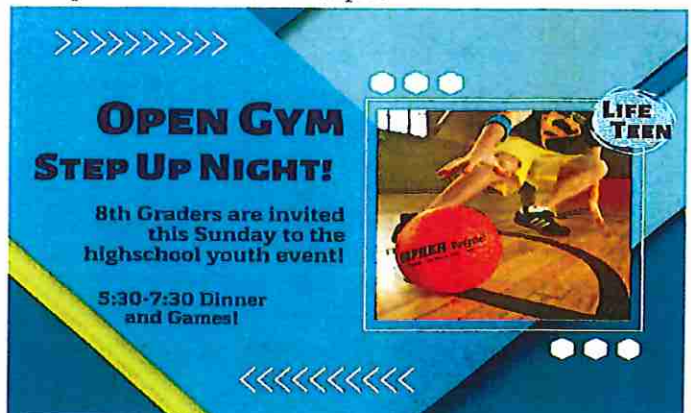
- Volunteering on Thursdays and Fridays for the Fish Fry Bake Sale
- March 27th is our open gym! Dinner at the Ministry Center and then we'll play some games in the school gym. This is a great opportunity to invite friends and share the fun of Life Teen with them!
- April 3rd Life Night

EDGE

Welcome all 6-8th graders! Every other Wednesday, 7-8:30.

Events:

- March 27th is our first Step Up Night! 8th graders will start being invited to a few of the high school life nights as they get ready to transition into the high school group.
- March 30th is another movie night! Black Widow! 7-9:15ish.
- April 6th is the next Edge night on Fortitude based upon Black Widow's example.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Sun., Mar. 27 PRP 9:00 a.m.
Life Teen 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.
- Tues., Mar. 29 Finance Council 6:30 p.m.
- Wed., Mar. 30 Confessions 5:00 p.m.
RCIA 6:30 p.m.
- Fri., Apr. 1 First Friday Adoration 9:15 a.m.
Benediction 5:30 p.m.
Fish Fry 5:00 p.m.
Stations of the Cross 7:15 p.m.
- Sat., Apr. 2 Women's Bible Group 11:00 a.m.
(Ministry Center)
Confessions 3:30 p.m.
Rosary 3:55 p.m.
- Sun., Apr. 3 PRP 9:00 a.m.
Life Teen 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

**STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE
PARISH OFFERTORY**

Sunday Collection	\$ 4,582.61
On-Line Giving	\$ 3,300.00
Easter (to date)	\$ 945.00
Dropped Off/Mailed In	\$ 606.62
School	\$ 120.00
Sunday collection year-to-date	\$ 332,892.61

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

- Georgieann C. Gibson (56) - 3/28/03
- Dr. Rey Soriano (73) - 4/1/00
- Dorothy Vocke (81) - 4/1/09

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.

FAST AND ABSTINENCE DURING LENT - Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence. For members of the Latin Catholic Church the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Latin Catholic Church from age 14 onwards.

FROM THE SCHOOL

The students and staff of St. Augustine Catholic School want to thank everyone who attended, donated, worked on the committee and prayed for our annual St. Patrick Day's Auction! We absolutely could not hold this event without your continued generosity to support our mission. A special thank you to Rick Small, our auctioneer and emcee for the 23rd straight year! I hope everyone enjoyed Bavarian Caterers amazing meal. The live and silent auctions had many, many generous bidders and everyone had a wonderful time.

I am extremely thankful to those who contributed to the Illa Fry Dessert Auction Scholarship. Illa Fry was incredibly important to St. Augustine Catholic School. She was a passionate baker known for creating some of the most amazing cookies, breads and cakes. Each year several of her baked items were auctioned off during the auction. After Illa passed away last October, I knew that her imprint on the school's success should continue. Since she was known for such wonderful goodies, the committee contacted area bakers requesting dessert donations. These desserts were placed on platters the St. Augustine students created. The funds received from the Illa Fry Dessert Auction will make Catholic Education accessible to students next year! Thank you to Ms. Sara Davis for your hard work designing and firing the amazing platters auctioned off in the dessert auction.

Blessings to your family,
Ginny Minnick, Principal

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- 3/28 - Robert Swank, Max Westhoven
- 3/29 - Paige Miller, Ailyn Morales, Ryan Sizemore II
- 3/30 - Robin Creager, Matthew Krueger, Madisyn Nye
- 3/31 - Morgan Irving
- 4/1 - Griffin Berg, Gene Grime, Mark Piasecki, Tim Speiser
- 4/2 - Mary Carpenter, Christina Corbitt, Donald Lammers, Randy Schwab, Ryan Stover, Brian Westhoven
- 4/3 - Christen Creager, Janet Feffer

IN MEMORIAM

We would like to extend our sincere sympathy to the family of Janice Rastocan who past away recently. May Janice now be at peace with our Heavenly Father.

WOMEN'S BIBLE DISCUSSION GROUP - We will be holding a bible discussion each Saturday during Lent for the women of St. Augustine Parish. Please join us in fellowship and conversation. We will meet at 11 a.m. in the St. Augustine Ministry Center. Please contact Dora Hunyor at 419-345-8070 for more information.

HOLY HOUR OF PRAYER - sponsored by Project Rachel, is typically held the last Monday of each month (Mar. 28) 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 information.

MIGRANT REST CENTER COMMUNITY DAY - Join the Pathstone group on Sat., Apr. 9 from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. as they are preparing the migrant rest center for the upcoming season. The center is located at 2453 Co. Rd. V, Liberty Center. Farm workers and their families sometimes have to stay at the center. The center is needing people to help clean. They also are in need of furniture, appliances, bedding, cooking utensils, cleaning supplies and toiletries. Lunch will be provided. For more information or to RSVP, contact Dora Cortes at 419-875-6654.

SURGE OF THE HEART PARISH MISSION - nationally known Catholic speaker and best selling author John Leonetti is the presenter. Mission will take place on Sun., Apr. 3 and Mon., Apr. 4 at 7:00 p.m. Mission will be held at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 550 Smith Road, Fremont, Ohio.

The Light is On - Wednesday, April 6, 2022

As we approach the midpoint of our Lenten journey we recall the admonition from Ash Wednesday to "repent, and believe in the Gospel". As has been our Lenten custom, the confessional lights will be on in parishes across the Diocese of Toledo on Wednesday, April 6, 2022 for the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Fr. Doug will be available to hear confessions at 5:00 PM on April 6th. We are deeply grateful to our priests who will avail themselves to hear confessions on this date.

Begun in the Archdiocese of Washington, DC as a means to encourage the Catholic faithful to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation, The Light is On is a collective diocesan-wide effort when confessions are scheduled at the same time at local parishes on a selected day.

THE 2022 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL CAMPAIGN - Results for the 2022 Annual Catholic Appeal, and we are off to a strong start. So far 8,083 people have donated and we have received \$1,391,516 in pledges and paid gifts. St. Augustine Parish has contributed \$15,895 so far, which is 54.2% of our goal. Our goal for this year is \$29,325. Thank you all for your tremendous commitment and hard work to the 2022 Annual Catholic Appeal.

UKRAINE HUMANITARIAN RELIEF COLLECTION - Our prayers go out to the people of Ukraine, those who have lost loved ones and millions of people who are suffering from the devastation wrought by the recent Russian military invasion. Catholic Relief Services (CRS) is helping Caritas teams respond to urgent humanitarian needs across the country, providing evacuation and transportation service, food and safe shelter, emergency supplies, and preparing medical and mental health teams for dispatch. Moreover, CRS is receiving and assisting Ukraine refugees fleeing to neighboring countries of Poland, Moldova and Romania. Catholic Charities Diocese of Toledo is collecting and forwarding donations dollar for dollar to Catholic Relief Services for this international humanitarian relief effort. You may donate on our secure website: www.catholiccharitiesnwo.org, noting **Ukraine Relief** as your donation designation. Please make checks out to Catholic Charities Diocese of Toledo, with a notation designating **Ukraine Relief**. Please mail checks to Catholic Charities Diocese of Toledo, 1933 Spielbusch Ave., Toledo, OH 43604. Thank you for your generosity.

SPECIAL COLLECTION - This week we take up the Catholic Relief Services Collection to reveal Christ's love to our brothers and sisters in need. This collection helps six Catholic agencies to provide relief and support for struggling communities and to work for peace and reconciliation among our marginalized brothers and sisters here and around the world. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.

CATHOLIC COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP - The Kline Family Catholic College Scholarship has funds available for this and next school year. A graduate of any of the four high schools of Henry County is eligible. Catholic college students enrolled in their second year or beyond are candidates. The student may contact the Henry County (Ohio) Community Foundation (application online), the high school guidance counselor, or call John/Mary Jane Kline directly for information (419) 592-5382.

Go with love and always go with God