

WELCOME TO St. Augustine Catholic Church

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PASTOR: Reverend Jerry Schetter

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 6:00 p.m.
during the school year
- **Edge** (6th - 8th grade) meets bi-weekly on Wednesdays,
7:00-8:00 p.m. during the school year
- **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.

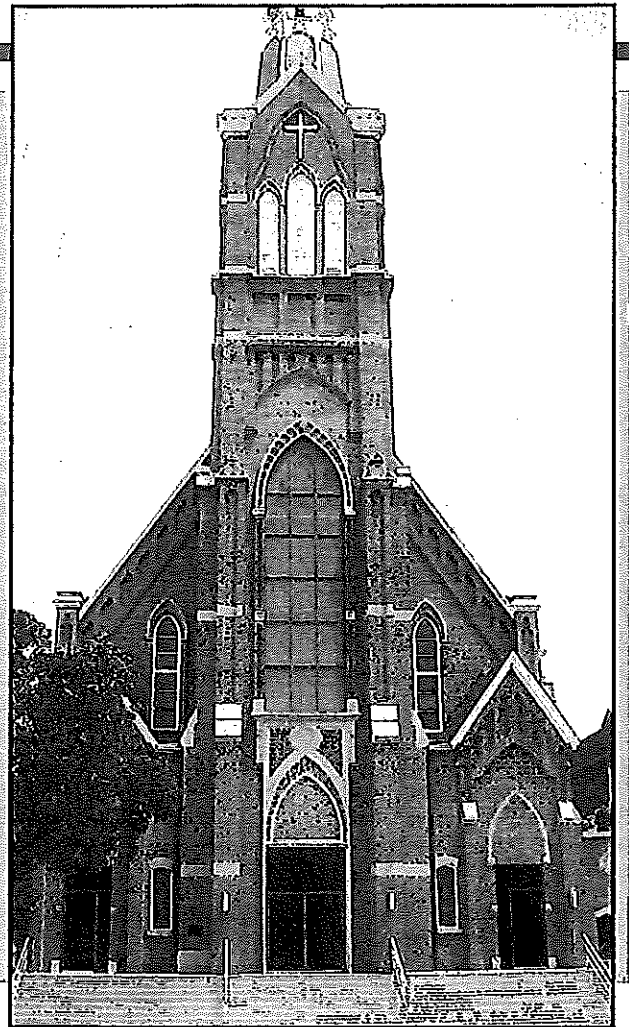
ADULT INITIATION/FULL COMMUNION - RCIA Anyone interested in joining or learning more about the Catholic Church is invited to be a part of this formation process. Call the Parish Office for details.

HOLY ORDERS/VOCATIONS Contact the Parish Office.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Please arrange to register at the Parish Office

BULLETIN DEADLINE - Tuesday noon



REGULAR OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday * 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Closed Mondays and Weekends

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PRAYER CHAIN ~ Please contact the parish office

The Gospel of Matthew...

The Third Sunday of Ordinary Time we enter into what is referred as the “**Word of God Sunday**” or also **Ecumenical Sunday**. Ecumenical Sunday is when we celebrate what God is doing through the many ecumenical agencies—local, regional, national and international—that make up the modern ecumenical movement. Our prayer is... *“that all may be one... that the world may believe”* (John 17:21), we take time to familiarize ourselves with the work that Matthew’s Gospel gives and does to promote understanding and cooperation among Christians and others in our community. Today’s Gospel is from Matthew, he presents Jesus as the fulfillment of Isaiah’s prophecy: *Jesus is the Light that comes into darkness. Jesus’ command, “Repent”, challenges us to turn from darkness to light.* To walk in the light is to hear the call and follow Jesus.

We take light for granted; it is way too easy and available with just a flick of a switch we turn it off, we can even turn God’s Word off. Heaven forbid. Yes, walking in the Light of Christ we come to know that it may not always be so easy. But, don’t just flick the switch off.

Jesus is the fulfillment of Scripture... Scholars tell us that Matthew does not write his gospel to convince or persuade non-believers that Jesus is the Messiah. Rather, he writes to help those (US) who already believe in Jesus to better understand more clearly who Jesus is and, in the strength of their understanding, to profess what they believe. Jesus fulfills by coming to understand. To understand is to understand that... “It was written”.

At the main entrance in the back of the church there are FREE copies for you to pick up of Matthew’s Gospel, for spiritual growing and understanding. It’s to be used within the family, pass it on. Take advantage of the opportunity.

Matthew’s use of scripture masterfully accomplishes two objectives; that Jesus’ ministry is among the people, particularly the Gentiles in Galilee and he emphasizes his theological conviction of Jesus fulfilling Scripture in its entirety. Join the club, pick up a copy to read, study and reflect on. May his word breathe new life into us? – Fr. Jerry

Ministries for the Liturgies

Saturday, January 28, 2023 4:30 p.m.
Lector: Nelda Irving
Servers: Jacob and John Morris
Extraordinary Maureen Lammy, Mary Steingass,
Min. of Com.: Karen Westhoven
Ushers: William Lytle, Paul Martin
Sunday, January 29, 2023 8:00 a.m.
Lector: Rita Small
Servers: Cole and Reese Wagner
Extraordinary Deacon Jon Gottron, Mike and Morgan
Min. of Com.: Weber
Ushers: Miya and Noah Weber
Sunday, January 29, 2023 10:30 a.m.
Lector: Suzanne Badenhop
Servers: Luke Hardy, Isaac and Eli Herman
Extraordinary Deacon Jon Gottron, Lindsay and
Min. of Com.: Nanci Westhoven
Ushers: Jeff Burkhart, Chad Roth

Eucharistic Ministers: Week of January 23, 2023

Nursing Home: Terri Franz
Homebound: Nelda Irving

Children’s Liturgy: January 29, 2023 - Susie Wagner

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, January 21, 2023
4:30 p.m. - Michael and Sherlene Hoffman
Sunday, January 22, 2023
8:00 a.m. - For the Parish
10:30 a.m. - George Nicely
Monday, January 23, 2023
No Communion Service
Tuesday, January 24, 2023
8:45 a.m. - Mass
Wednesday, January 25, 2023
6:00 p.m. - Mass
Thursday, January 26, 2023
8:45 a.m. - Janet Zygmuntowicz
Friday, January 27, 2023
8:45 a.m. - Mass
2:00 p.m. - School Mass
Saturday, January 28, 2023
4:30 p.m. - Carolyn Schwab
Sunday, January 29, 2023
8:00 a.m. - For the Parish
10:30 a.m. - Mass

Tellers: January 30, 2023 - Mary Hoover, Jan Westhoven

Save the Date

February

24th - Fish Fry

March

3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th, 31st - Fish Frys

18th - St. Patrick's Day Auction

FORMED Family Focus

Read: *Redeemed by Grace*

Watch: *The Values of Life*

Listen: *There is Life in the Womb*

RETROUVAILLE is a program of the Catholic Church for married couples facing difficult challenges in their relationship. A weekend has been scheduled for the Northwest Ohio chapter January 27 - 29 at St. Francis Spirituality Center, 200 St. Francis Ave., Tiffin, OH 44883. Register at <https://helpourmarriage.com>. Contact email: NWO-hio@helpourmarriage.org or call 419-481-1116.

K OF C FREE THROW CONTEST - to take place on Wed., Jan. 25 at 6:30 p.m. in the gym. The contest is open to all boys and girls, age 9 - 14.

MARCH FOR LIFE IN DEFIANCE - The 15th annual March for Life will be held Monday, January 23rd at noon at the Defiance County Courthouse. The march is sponsored by Mother Teresa Respect for Life. A police escort will lead participants from the Courthouse to the Monument of the Unborn at St. John's Catholic Church. From there the event moves to the church basement at St. John's. A number of speakers will share their thoughts. Hot chocolate will be offered. Also, Mass will be celebrated at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Defiance at 8:00 a.m. After Mass there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament ending with Benediction at 10:45 a.m.

COLLECTION FOR THE CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA - This weekend we take up the Collection for the Church in Latin America! Many people in Latin America and the Caribbean do not have access to church programs and ministries because of a rising secular culture, rugged rural terrain, and a shortage of ministers. Your generosity enables our brothers and sisters in Latin America and the Caribbean to share in the life of the Church and grow closer to Christ. Please be generous in the special collection! To learn more, please visit www.usccb.org/latin-america.



LIFE TEEN
Leading Teens Closer to Christ

Life Teen - Our mission is to create an environment that facilitates an encounter with Christ. A typical youth night for us includes sharing a meal together, a lively game, a short lesson or testimony, and a chance to grow and pray together. Everyone grades 9-12 is welcome.

Life Teen meets every Sunday 6-8pm at the Ministry Center. Text **@b1b1e** (ones for the Ls) to 81010 for event updates and with any questions.

Upcoming Events:

- **Jan. 22nd** - No Life Teen due to the March for Life Trip to DC.
- **Jan. 29th** - Life Night on the Sacraments of Vocation!
- Save the date for our overnight Lock-In on **February 4 - 5!** The youth group from St. Aloysius in BG will also be joining for a night filled with friends and fun!



EDGE

Edge - Take St. Augustine's religious formation opportunities for your middle schoolers a step further by sending them to Edge! Edge is our youth group for grades 6-8 and is a great chance for your kids to put what they know about their faith into practice and to have fun while doing it!

Edge meets every other Wednesday 7-8:30pm in the school gym. Text **@st-augie** to 81010 to stay in the loop.

Upcoming Events:

- **Feb. 1st** - Join us as we dive into a new series!

Remember St. Augustine Parish in your estate planning



Support the Collection for the Church in Latin America

Have you ever wondered how Eucharistic hosts for Mass are made, and who makes them? Orders of religious sisters and nuns commonly manufacture hosts as a means of supporting the work of their communities. Not only does this work offer a means of self-support for those communities, but it also forges a tangible, physical connection between the sisters and the parishes and other diocesan ministries that use the hosts at Mass and bring the Blessed Sacrament to prisoners, seniors, and others who cannot attend Mass.

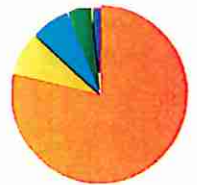
The Conceptionist Sisters of Fortaleza, Brazil, is one community that makes the hosts used at Masses in the diocese. After years of manufacturing hosts, the sisters needed new, more reliable, modern equipment for baking and cutting the hosts. With the assistance of a grant from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' Church in Latin America program, the sisters purchased new machinery that allows them to continue this work of service and unity for the local Church now and for years to come. Your generous donations to the Collection for the Church in Latin America are your way of participating in the sisters' work and that of communities throughout Latin America and the Caribbean.

For more information about the Collection for the Church in Latin America, visit www.usccb.org/latin-america.

2021 CLA Financials

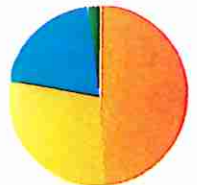
Expenses

- Grants and Donations: **78.67%**
 - Program Costs: **8.25%**
 - Allocations—Internal Grants: **7.22%**
 - Promotions and Fundraising Expenses: **4.25%**
 - Administrative Expenses: **1.61%**
- Total Expenses: \$5,556,692**



Total Number of Grants Approved: 281
Total Amount Approved: \$6,112,536

- General Pastoral*: **49%**
- Emergency Disaster Funds: **29%**
- Formation of Clergy and Religious, and Vocations: **20%**
- Child Protection: **2%**



*includes evangelization, religious education, family and other pastoral ministries



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Sun., Jan. 22 PRP 9:00 - 10:15 a.m.
St. Vincent de Paul Collection
- Wed., Jan. 25 K of C Free Throw Contest 6:30 p.m.
(Gym)
RCIA 6:45 p.m.
K of C (No Auxiliary) 7:30 p.m.
- Sat., Jan. 28 Confessions 3:30 p.m.
Rosary 3:55 p.m.
- Sun., Jan. 29 PRP 9:00 - 10:15 a.m.
Life Teen 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

**STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE
PARISH OFFERTORY**

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| Sunday Collection | \$ | 5,517.00 |
| On-Line Giving | \$ | 1,691.00 |
| Christmas (to date) | \$ | 11,200.00 |
| Holy Day | \$ | 20.00 |
| Dropped Off/Mailed In | \$ | 955.00 |
| School | \$ | 282.00 |
| Sunday collection year-to-date | \$ | 250,858.82 |

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

- Norman V. Burill (71) - 1/23/98
- Bonita L. Kuhlman (86) - 1/23/15
- Earl E. Shasteen (86) - 1/24/02
- David Skilling (74) - 1/24/15
- John P. Lymanstall (63) - 1/24/17
- George W. Nicely (78) - 1/24/20
- Loretta Hoover (86) - 1/25/00
- Catherine E. Lautar (21) - 1/25/15
- Madonna S. (Tonjes) Sines (80) - 1/26/03
- Eugene L. Wurm (92) - 1/26/14
- Donald E. Beals (76) - 1/27/18
- Paula J. Saneholtz (84) - 1/28/13
- Rosemary Small (75) - 1/29/03

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.

NORTHWEST OHIO MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

BREAKFAST - to be held on Sat., Jan. 28, at St. John Catholic Church, Defiance. Guest speaker will be Stacie Fedderke of the Ft. Defiance Humane Society. Coffee and fellowship at 7:30 followed by breakfast and speaker at 8:00. For more information call George Westrick at 419-784-3975.

FROM THE SCHOOL

We are gearing up for the 2023 Catholic Schools Week (CSW) beginning with Mass on Sunday, January 29th at 10:30am. Please join us in the school gym after Mass for coffee, doughnuts and Open House. The CSW theme is "Catholic Schools: Faith. Excellence. Service." Catholic schools have a specific purpose to form students to be good citizens of the world, love God and neighbor and enrich society by example of faith. Academic excellence is the hallmark of Catholic education intentionally directed to the growth of the whole person -- mind, body and spirit. Service is fundamental to Catholic education and the core of Catholic discipleship. I am excited to share more about this week with you soon!

The St. Augustine Parents Club will be sponsoring the "Wall of Intentions" again during Catholic Schools Week. This year will include a NEW envelope challenge. The Parents Club has generously offered to donate 50% of all monies collected to the 7th/8th grade trip to Washington D.C.! The "Wall of Intentions" will be positioned at the back of the church during all Masses through February 12th.

Did you know Catholic Education is affordable for everyone? The EdChoice Expansion Scholarship window will open on February 1st, 2023 for the 2023-24 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. Please call me if you have questions.

Blessings to your family,
Ginny Minnick, Principal

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- 1/23 - Isaac Mendoza, Princesa Morales-Renteria, Rebekah Schindler, Mary Steingass
- 1/24 - Peggy Arroyo, Jacob Hoyt, Adalyn Kuhn, Julie Saputo, Joshua Seedorf
- 1/25 - Karen Leal
- 1/26 - Mike Fellers, Rosalie Sauber, Bryan Ward
- 1/27 - Angelita Callo, Chad Cramer, Melissa Gilson, Deborah Hoops
- 1/28 - Andrea Elizabeth Heinrichs, Laurie Meyer
- 1/29 - Timothy Downey, David Mulllholand

BECOMING EUCHARIST MEN. . . Calling one - calling all men to gather for a Eucharistic Holy Hour with the opportunity for reconciliation and social gathering afterwards. Few of us think about it, but the parish we belong to possess cultures. Culture is a view that of a reality. . . and practices what it means to be a Catholic "Men of Prayer - Real Men Pray". We can't just talk the talk. . . we have to walk the talk. Join us for a Catholic Men's Eucharistic Holy Hour on Tues., Jan. 31st at 8:30 in church with Jesus. Hope to see as many as can make it for prayer, reflection, and social time.
- Fr. Jerry

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