

WELCOME TO
St. Augustine Catholic Church

MONROE & EAST CLINTON STREETS, NAPOLEON, OHIO 43545

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.

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

REGULAR OFFICE HOURS

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

Closed Mondays and Weekends

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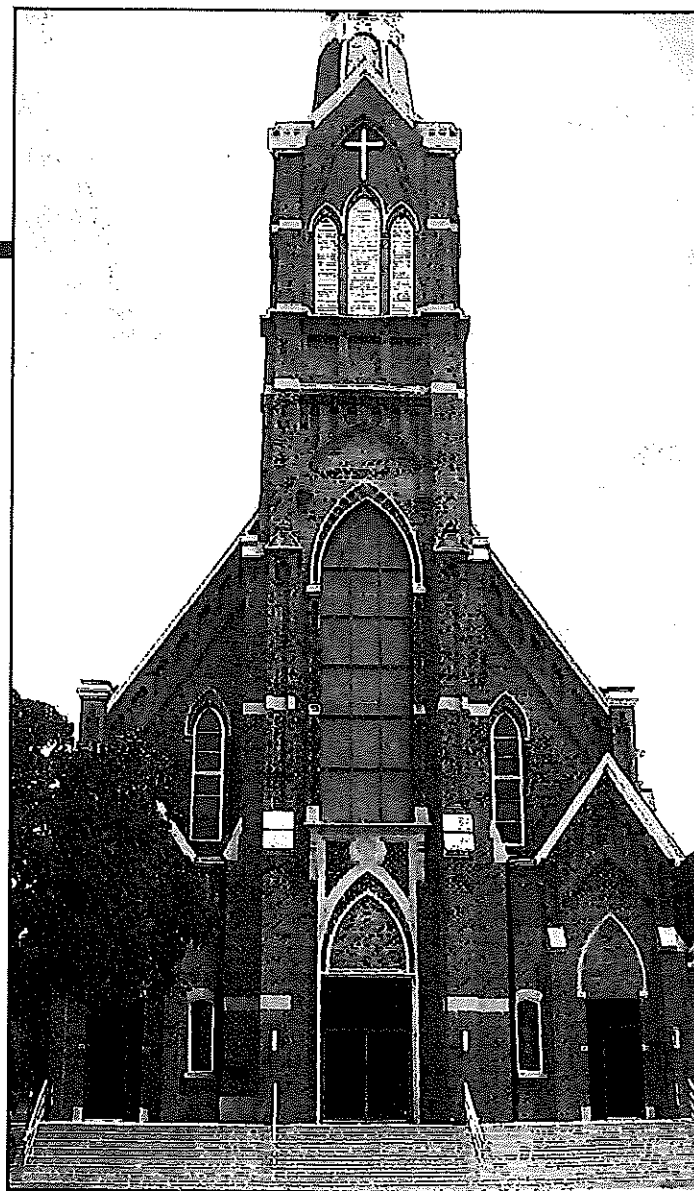
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St. Vincent de Paul Society 419-592-0438

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



NEW PARISHIONERS

Please arrange to register at the Parish Office

PRAYER CHAIN ~ Please contact the parish office

BULLETIN DEADLINE - Tuesday noon

How often must I FORGIVE???

Yes, that is Peter's question, and in a sense it was an understandable question. Is there a limit or is there not a limit? One... is as good as it is meant to be. While more than one takes the point to a greater level. Limits are important, especially when they are addressed for our good; like advising one to only have one drink. So, in the issue of "*how often should I forgive*" is not really a numbers game here. Jesus says there is not a number with limits, there is no issue to how often. He says this not as to tell us there is a number, but more to help us see there should never be a limit. Yes, God is always ready to forgive... again, and again; he doesn't hold our sins against us... that is, unless we fail in seeking his mercy and forgiveness, he only wants us to change and seek forgiveness. The Gospel speaks of it this way... *his (the debtor) entire debt was wiped away*. If and when we seek God out... he is always ready to forgive our entire debt, we only have to express our sorrow, and not hold back, like some in the debtor story. Laws and Commandments are a reality of just doing what is right. Today's reading, however, stress the continuity of Jesus' teaching with the early Scripture. Remember this statement of his... "*Do not think that I have come to abolish the law and the prophets; I have come to fulfill them...*" (my translation)

So, how much should I forgive... No number is needed but the phrase UNLIMITED, that is how much God is ready to forgive if and when we are ready to seek him out. To the point; The servant who had been forgiven by the master fails in two ways; not only does he fail to deal compassionately with his fellow servant, but in so doing he betrays his master's standard of conduct. Similarly, life in the Church demands that we forgive not only because it is the compassionate thing to do, but because this is how God acts and expects us to act... so, we too must be quick and unstinting in offering forgiveness. - Fr. Jerry

Eucharistic Thought...

There are a number of times during the Mass when our posture indicates that we hold another in high honor. With respect to God, for example, we genuflect to the Blessed Sacrament or bow to the altar. You will see Fr. Jerry do both, depending on where my posture has me. I come out of the sacristy and genuflect to the tabernacle, where Jesus is truly present. You see me then as I come down the isle and bow to the altar before entering the sanctuary. Before I receive Jesus in Holy Communion I will genuflect. Bowing and or genuflecting is a jester of giving honor to one we receive, knowing we are not truly worthy, so, we do it out of total respect to, whom we know is truly present in the Most Holy Eucharist.

Ministries for the Liturgies

Saturday, September 23, 2023 4:30 p.m.
Lector: Nelda Irving
Servers: Molly Huddle, Ella Irving
Extraordinary Steven Reiser, **Volunteers (4)**
Min. of Com.:
Ushers: Ruth Like, Will Wagner
Sunday, September 24, 2023 8:00 a.m.
Lector: Mike Weber
Servers: Kendall Miller, Bennett Westhoven
Extraordinary Deacon Jon Gottron, **Volunteers (4)**
Min. of Com.:
Ushers: Doug Monnin, **Volunteer**
Sunday, September 24, 2023 10:30 a.m.
Lector: Mark Morman
Servers: Taylor Glanz, Blake and Isaac Westhoven
Extraordinary Vicky Delventhal, Mary Hoops,
Min. of Com.: Amy Morman, Brenda Piasecki,
Cheri Schuette
Ushers: Larry Hilvers, **Volunteer**

Eucharistic Ministers: Week of September 25, 2023

Nursing Home: Volunteer
Homebound: Nelda Irving

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, September 16, 2023
4:30 p.m. - Carolyn Schwab
Sunday, September 17, 2023
8:00 a.m. - For the Parish
10:30 a.m. - James Gagnon
Monday, September 18, 2023
No Communion Service
Tuesday, September 19, 2023
8:45 a.m. - Mass
Wednesday, September 20, 2023
10:00 a.m. - Mass at Genacross Lutheran Home
6:00 p.m. - Mass
Thursday, September 21, 2023
8:45 a.m. - Mass
Friday, September 22, 2023
8:45 a.m. - Mass
2:00 p.m. - School Mass
Saturday, September 23, 2023
4:30 p.m. - For the Parish
Sunday, September 24, 2023
8:00 a.m. - Elizabeth Jackson
10:30 a.m. - Fausto Somoza

**Tellers: September 25, 2023 - Andy Driskel, Phil Parsons,
Chris Peddicord, Joanne Westhoven**

Save the Date

September

Bible Study Video Series "Eucharist in Scripture" - 24, 26, 28

October

Bible Study Video Series "Eucharist in Scripture" - 1, 3, 5, 8, 10, 12, 15, 22, 29

FORMED Family Focus

Read: *Mystery of the Kingdom: On the Gospel Of Matthew*

Watch: *The Reluctant Saint*

Listen: *The Idea of a University*

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL - *This Is The Day!* Through our contributions, we can assure the continued existence of many important programs that help tens of thousands in our diocese each year, including supporting the education of our seminarians, caring for the sick and needy, and providing faith formation for our youth. We ask you once again for your help. Please respond generously. For more information, visit acatoledo.org. We are currently at 77%. Thank you!

PRAYING AND FASTING for an increase in vocations to the priesthood. Bishop Daniel A. Thomas is asking for the faithful to add a Hail Mary to their daily prayers and fasting or penance or some other small sacrifice. Learn more at toledopriesthood.com

CEMETERY COMMITTEE NEWS - We will have fall clean-up at 9 a.m. on Sat., Nov. 4. Please have all spring/summer items removed from graves. Also, please note that absolutely no gravel/stones/edging or plantings are permissible at grave sites. Unfortunately this has been happening and it causes problems with mowing and causes more weeds to get started.

EXTRAORDINARY EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - To ensure that all our disabled parishioners receive Communion, please go down one side aisle, up to the choir and return back to the altar using the other side aisle. Also make sure to observe anyone in the middle aisles who is wanting Communion.



LIFE TEEN

Leading Teens Closer to Christ

Life Teen - Our mission is to create an environment that facilitates an encounter with Christ. Grades 9-12.

Upcoming Events:

- 9/17 - No Life Teen! I hope you had fun at Turtle Fest!
- 9/24 - Game Night & Scripture at the Ministry Center
- 10/1 - Life Night

We are switching to Flocknotes for communication for ministry groups! Text "STAUGIE" to 84576, complete registration with a few clicks, and then select the groups that you would like to receive announcements for!



EDGE

Edge - Edge is our youth group for grades 6-8. Edge will be from 6:30-8pm on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of every month. Text "STAUGIE" to 84576 to keep up to date!



MASS FOR DIOCESAN CELEBRATION OF WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES FOR 2023 - the diocese will honor couples celebrating 25, 40, 50, 60 and 60+ years of marriage for 2023 at a Mass celebrated by Bishop Daniel E. Thomas on Sun., Oct. 22 at 3:00 p.m. at Our Lady, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral, 2535 Collingwood Blvd., Toledo. Following Mass, there will be a reception in the gym with light appetizers. Couples may pick up their certificate and take a photo at the reception. If you are interested in attending, please contact the parish office to register.

CALLING ALL GARDENERS - Do you like to work with flowers? Looking for volunteers to help keep our parish flower beds looking beautiful. Gardeners of all levels and ages are welcome. Please call Kevin Glanz at 419-966-9250.

CATHOLIC BUSINESS NETWORK presents **Having Courage to Discuss Moral Issues in the Workplace** by Bishop Daniel A. Thomas on Thurs., Oct. 5 at St. John XXIII, Roncalli Hall, 24250 N. Dixie Highway, Perrysburg, OH 43551. Doors open at 7:00 a.m., Complimentary Breakfast at 7:30 a.m., Program at 8:00 a.m. and Mass at 9:00 a.m. (optional) Register online at <https://CatholicBusinessNetwork.eventbrite.com>. Questions? Call Paula at 419-214-4898.



Crafting was a success! We would love more people to *join us* for Christmas crafting for the **2023 St. Augustine Christmas House.**

Meet September 21st at 9:30am in the parish hall (church basement)

Text/call Laurie Nahrwold at 309-361-1594 to notify that you can make it.

COME ONE, COME ALL, WE NEED YOU!

We are in **great** need of more Extraordinary Ministers (communion distributors), Ushers, and Lectors (Mass readers) at Mass. **Please** call the office at 419-592-7656 to help us out with these ministries.

Soon we will have a designated Sunday to instruct and commission you.

Thank you for stepping forward in helping us to share Christ with others through these ministries.

RIGHT TO LIFE UPCOMING EVENTS

TRUTH & LIGHT PRO-LIFE TOWN HALL - Come **Sept. 20 to the Ottawa K of C**, 10760 Road H, Ottawa at 6:30 p.m. There are 3 sessions of 30 minutes each with Q & A. You will learn about the wording of the terrible pro-abortion and anti-parent amendment on the upcoming Nov. 7 ballot. Also, you will hear about abortion procedures that the desired result is the death of an unborn baby, and how we can help to stop this amendment. This is not a Democrat issue, not a Republican issue, nor is it a union issue. It is a moral issue! It is about the sanctity of every human life. It is about protecting our children from abortion and the transgender movement. It is about the possibility of losing our current laws protecting life. And it is about keeping our parental rights. Come learn and join in to band together in both action and prayer to help defeat this terrible amendment coming up Nov. 7. Sponsored by Henry Co. and Putnam Co. Right to Life and presented by Right to Life Action Coalition of Ohio.

OHIO MARCH FOR LIFE RALLY - Oct. 6 at the Ohio Statehouse, 1 Capitol Square, Columbus. Rally begins at 11 a.m. March begins at noon. Henry Co. RTL has a bus reserved for the day. The cost is approximately \$30. (does not include meals - bring a sack lunch). We will leave Ottawa Walmart parking lot at 7 a.m. and return approximately 5 - 6 p.m. If you would like to reserve your seat, call, text, or voice mail to 419-231-2994 or email HCRTL@outlook.com. For additional information on this rally, go to www.marchforlife.org/ohio-march-for-life/

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.

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

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Sun., Sept. 17 PRP 9:00 - 10:15 a.m.
St. Vincent de Paul Collection
- Wed., Sept. 20 K of C and Auxiliary 6:30 p.m.
Edge 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.
St. Vincent de Paul 7:00 p.m.
- Thur., Sept. 21 School Advisory 6:30 p.m.
- Sat., Sept. 23 Confessions 3:30 p.m.
Rosary 3:55 p.m.
- Sun., Sept. 24 PRP 9:00 - 10:15 a.m.
Life Teen 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Eucharist in Scripture Bible Study
11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
(Ministry Center)

**STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE
PARISH OFFERTORY**

Sunday Collection	\$	5,490.20
On-Line Giving	\$	2,299.00
Dropped Off/Mailed In	\$	480.00
School	\$	517.00
Sunday collection year-to-date	\$	82,970.25

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

- Frances A. Arvidson (74) - 9/18/11
- Ann Hoover Schnitkey (79) - 9/18/15
- Josephine Wiles (108) - 9/18/19
- Patrick C. Borchardt (49) - 9/20/17
- Felipe Arroyo (77) - 9/21/00
- Lucille Martinez Simms (72) - 9/22/08

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.

IN MEMORIAM

We would like to offer our heartfelt sympathy to the following: to Richard Fisher and Brenda Flory and their families following the death of their brother, Stephen Fisher; to John Howe and Carolyn Schnitkey and their families following the death of their brother, Fr. Norb Howe; to Sue Kearney and Cathy Millen and their families following the death of Anne Millen, and to Bill and Michael Hesselschwardt and their families following the death of Barb Hesselschwardt. May Stephen, Fr. Norb, Anne, and Barb now be at peace with our Heavenly Father.

FROM THE SCHOOL

Please join us for the 23rd Annual St. Augustine Turtle Fest this Friday from 6:00pm to Midnight and Saturday from 5:30pm to Midnight. Friday features live music from "Exit 39" along with burgers, hotdogs, Hungarian sauce, egg rolls, famous French Fries, Mexican Food, plenty of beverages and don't forget about the Turtle Races! Saturday features live music from "Vinyl on Tap" along with more Turtle Races. Both nights include our Jewelry Sale, Sweet Treats, Country Store, Casino Games, Big Ticket Raffle, Silent Auction, Basket Raffle, bouncy houses and playground. Admission is free and everyone is welcome!

Blessings to your family,
Ginny Minnick, Principal

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- 9/18 - Jane Eis, Elias Frey, Doug Herman
- 9/19 - Frank Cashman, Brian Green, Darian Westhoven
- 9/22 - Charles Baker, Bradley Golembiewski, Hannah Miller, d'Artagnon Richards, Chelsea Skilliter, Thomas Tovar
- 9/23 - Lina Cruz, Sylvia Lecklider, Amanda Mazur, Ava Speiser, Stacy Steffel
- 9/24 - Phyllis McCauley, Tom Nahrwold, Alexandra Roth, Jesus Sifuentes, Jonathon Somoza

54 DAY ROSARY NOVENA - Join Ohio Catholics in praying a 54 day Rosary Novena which began on Fri., Sept. 15 for the defeat of the proposed state amendment that would threaten the health and safety of women, the rights of parents and the lives of pre-born babies up to 9 months. Sign up for a daily email reminder with novena prayers at pray54ohio.org

FRIDAY ADORATION will take place each First Friday of the month after 8:45 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.

TURTLE FEST EARLY BIRD WINNERS -

- Alyssa Sifuentes
- Lindsay Westhoven
- Linda Klamer

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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 Deacon.

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.