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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

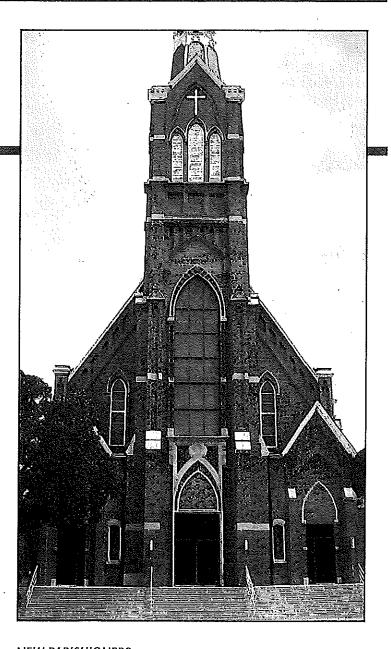
Tuesday - Friday * 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Closed Mondays and Weekends

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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

Where is God?

After something terrible happens in our lives, we may conclude that God doesn't care, that God has abandoned us, or that there is no God. This is natural, for we cannot see our world as God sees our world.

But, God is with us in our work, our worship, our celebrations, and our shared sorrows. How different our experiences with one another might be if we imagined Jesus Christ as a guest at every meal, a trusted colleague in every endeavor, a co-celebrant in every glad gathering. But, we don't think of him in that way.

In today's first reading Isaiah tries to impress upon his listeners that God's thought and actions are so far above our own that we will never understand them. The presence of God is spoken about throughout the Bible, both in the Old & New Testaments. In the Old Testament, the most common Hebrew term for the word "presence" is panim, which may also be translated as "face", which implies a personal, close encounter with God. Perhaps one of the most well-known and soul-touching verses that gives us a glimpse of how personal God's presence is meant to be is the one quoted about from Isaiah 7. It says "...She will give birth to a son and will call him Immanuel (which means 'God is with us')." The very name of God's son — Emmanuel — means God is with us.

It's something we often think about, read about, and even sing about as we come closer to Christmas. Jesus. Emmanuel. God with us. It's easy to simply let the words roll off our tongue without fully comprehending how powerful the promise of God's presence is in our lives. We often take it for granted and underestimate its power to transform our lives. There is no great place to seek his very presence then in the Eucharist and at adoration. This year we celebrate a "Eucharistic Revival", the intent is of bringing Jesus presence to us and reminding us he will never let us alone.

Pope John Paul II expressed the importance of the Eucharist saying: the worship of the Eucharist is of inestimable value for the life of the Church. There is a great distinguished feeling being in His presence in the Eucharist, may we come to feel that presence. He'll never let us alone. —Fr. Jerry

Ministries for the Liturgies

Saturday, September 30, 2023 4:30 p.m.

Lector: Karen Westhoven
Servers: Evan and Owen Storch

Extraordinary Deacon Jon Gottron, Ginny Bauer, Min. of Com.: William Lytle, Mary Steingass,

Volunteer

Ushers: Kevin Glanz, Paul Martin

Sunday, October 1, 2023 8:00 a.m.

Lector Gwen Howe-Gebers
Servers: Reese and Cole Wagner
Extraordinary Rick Hoffman, Patrick Mauk,

Min. of Com.: Shari Smith, Judy Wiles, Volunteer

Ushers: John and Jan Stover

Sunday, October 1, 2023 10:30 a.m.

Lector: Suzanne Badenhop

Servers: Faith and Megan Meyer, Ashlyne

Minnick

Extraordinary Doug Burgei, Sandra Martinez, Min. of Com.: Mark Meyer, Lindsay and Nanci

Westhoven

Ushers: Jeff Burkhart, Chad Roth

Eucharistic Ministers: Week of October 2, 2023

Nursing Home: Volunteer Homebound: Volunteer

Mass Intentions for the Week

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

Monday, September 25, 2023

No Communion Service

Tuesday, September 26, 2023

8:45 a.m. - Mass

Wednesday, September 27, 2023

6:00 p.m. - Tom Grabowski

Thursday, September 28, 2023

8:45 a.m. - Mass

Friday, September 29, 2023

8:45 a.m. - Mass

2:00 p.m. - School Mass

Saturday, September 30, 2023

4:30 p.m. - Carolyn Schwab

Sunday, October 1, 2023

8:00 a.m. - Lili Toj

10:30 a.m. - Earl and Victoria Austermiller

Tellers: October 2, 2023 - Chris Peddicord, Jan Stover,
Dorothy Walker

Save the Date

September

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

<u>October</u>

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

FORMED Family Focus

Read: Angels (& Demons): What Do We Know

About Them?

Watch: Network of Freedom Listen: Winning the Cultural War

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 MINIS-

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

Upcoming Events:

- 9/24 Game Night & Scripture at the Ministry Center
- 10/1 Verified Necessity of Scripture
- 10/8 Verified History, Science & the Bible

Our next LT series - "Verified"

The Bible is the living Word of God inspired by the Holy Spirit. It has been handed down to us so that we may know God's love and the story of our salvation. When we take the time to learn about the Bible and how to read it, we will understand — as we come to know God and ourselves — both the necessity and the power of Scripture in our lives. "Verified" is a Life Night series that addresses common objections to the relevancy of Scripture and leads teens to trust and rely on what Scripture teaches us about who we are and who God is.



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!

Our Kickoff this past week was an absolute blast! It was great seeing so many new faces and so many returning ones! Our next event will be Oct.4th with Among Us!

<u>Flocknotes</u> - 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!

TURTLEFEST THANK YOUS - On behalf of the TurtleFest Committee, we want to send a huge thank you to everyone who came out to support the St. Augustine Turtle Festival! To all those who came out and volunteered their time Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, we truly could not do Turtle Fest without each of you, thank you! To all of those involved in kindly donating items, and goodies, we know it took a lot of time to make. Thank you! To all of those on the TurtleFest Committee, truly a huge thank you! We truly could not put on TurtleFest without each and every single one of you. If you have any suggestions moving forward, we always welcome them for the future! If you would like to be more involved with the church and are wondering how or what would be right for you, please reach out to the church office. There is always something we can get you involved in, big or

Thank you to everyone who donated to the country store. You are the reason that we are a successful part of the Turtle Fest. - Robin Patton

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. Ouestions? Call Paula at 419-214-4898.

Use your abilities and talents to serve God

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.

PRO LIFE EVENTS

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/

40 DAYS FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN KICK-OFF PRAYER RALLY - to take place on Mon., Sept. 25 at 5:40 p.m. with a Rosary and a rally to begin at 6:00 p.m. at the Foundation for Life parking lot across from the Toledo Women's Center at 1160 W. Sylvania Ave., Toledo. Our main speaker will be Ramona Trevino, a former Planned Parenthood manager who is now a spokesman for 40 Days for Life. Join the Toledo campaign for a time of peaceful prayer to bring an end to abortion in Northwest Ohio.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE FALL CAMPAIGN is an internationally coordinated 40-day campaign that aims to end abortion locally through prayer and fasting, community outreach, and a peaceful all-day vigil in front of abortion businesses. To join the Toledo campaign, sign up for an hour of prayer by visiting www.40daysforlife.com/toledo The campaign begins on Wed., Sept. 27 at 7:00 a.m. at the Toledo Women's Center, 1160 W. Sylvania Ave., Toledo. The campaign is every day from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.

ST. JOHN'S PARISH, DEFIANCE is hosting Kevin McCann, a local physical therapist, and his wife, who will be speaking about how the Lord has better formed their understanding of pro-life through their children guiding them personally and professionally. The date is Tues., Sept. 26 at 7:00 p.m.

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.

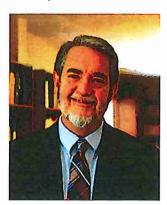
Bible Study Video Series... "Eucharist in Scripture"

There's a saying... Bibles that are falling apart usually belong to people who <u>aren't</u>. Makes sense, they have to be used to look worn, and being worn they become useful. Yes, to get worn they have to be used. I feel it's extremely important for one to find some time to read the bible daily; to take time to understand and study it more fully. What we read gives us a lot of what we need to know to live our daily lives the way Christ wants of us. It truly just makes us feel a whole lot better.

We have been clearly taught that the Eucharist is "the source and summit of the Catholic Christian life." Many pew studies have shown that the vast majority of our own Catholic people did not understand this central and crucial reality. We will be having a Fall Video Study Sessions offered at two different times for us to have a great opportunity to study and learn together. The study is made up of a 1/2 hour video series on the "Eucharist in Scripture" presented by Dr. Scott Hahn followed by discussion and questions. These sessions are based on scripture. Each study group session will be for 6 sessions each lasting about an hour in the Ministry Center, snacks and beverages will be provided. Please pray and think about which time period works in your schedules (you can intermix times and dates to meet your needs).

The lessons will unlock the meaning of covenant, sacrifice, and sacrament as understood in the Bible, from Genesis through Revelation. The video is based on Dr. Hahn's books; "The Lamb's Supper," "The Fourth Cup," and "Consuming the Word."

The "The Eucharist in Scripture" is part of Promise & Fulfillment, a series designed to grow in faith and love of the Eucharist designed to help us grow in knowledge, and of the riches of our Catholic faith.



Studying and Learning together, in Christ

Video	Tues/Thur Group 9:30-10:30 am (after morning Mass)	Sunday Group 11:30-12:30 pm (after 10:30 Mass) Sept 24th	
The Lamb's Supper Pt 1	Tues - Sept 26th		
The Lamb's supper Pt 2	Thur - Sept 28th	Oct 1st	
The Fourth Cup Pt 1	Tues - Oct 3rd	Oct 8th	
The Fourth Cup Pt 2	Thur - Oct 5th	Oct 15th	
Consuming the Word Pt 1	Tues - Oct 10th	Oct 22nd	
Consuming the Word Pt 2	Thur - Oct 12th	Oct 29th	

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sun., Sept. 24 PRP 9:00 - 10:15 a.m.

Life Teen 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Tues., Sept. 26 Finance Council 6:30 p.m.

Men's Holy Hour 8:30 p.m.

Wed., Sept. 27 Women's Night 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Sat., Sept. 30 Confessions 3:30 p.m.

Rosary 3:55 p.m. **Sun., Oct. 1** PRP 9:00 - 10:15 a.m.

Eucharist in Scripture Bible Study Sessions this week: Sun., Sept. 24 - 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Tues., Sept. 26 - 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Thurs., Sept. 28 - 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Sun., Oct. 1 - 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

All Sessions will be held in the Ministry Center.

Life Teen 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

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MAY THEY REST IN DEACE

LaVon T. Gwin (84) - 9/25/03 James C. Reese (65) - 9/25/04 Terry L. McBroom (81) - 9/25/19 Wayman W. Steed, Jr. (80) - 9/26/09 James C. Miller (72) - 9/27/98 Stephen D. Baughman (68) - 9/27/15 Manuel Sifuentes (87) - 9/28/98 Dorothy A. Panning (77) - 9/29/03 John "Jack" Koehler (83) - 9/30/03

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.

TURTLE FEST RAFFLE WINNERS

1st Prize - \$1,000 - Andy Driskel 2nd Prize - \$500 - Bill Lytle 3rd Prize - 80 Quart Cooler - Pete Garcia 4th Prize - Auto Detailing - Ken Palmer

5th Prize - \$150 Sattler Meat - Jeff Burkhart

FROM THE SCHOOL

I'd like to say a very special "Thank You" to everyone who helped set-up, tear down, volunteered their time, treasure or talents, worked a shift and supported the 23rdAnnual TurtleFest!! We absolutely could not have this festival without the help from our church and school families, and we appreciate you very much.

St. Augustine Catholic School is seeking a Kitchen Aide to assist in our cafeteria experience. The hours are Monday through Friday from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm. Qualifications include passing a required background check and completing the Toledo Diocese VIRTUS program, prior to employment. All applicants must be at least 18 years old. Please email Principal Ginny Minnick @

ginny.minnick@augustinenapoleon.com.

St. Augustine Catholic School is also seeking candidates to teach in our Extended Day program. The hours are from 3:15pm-6:00pm. Candidates will be responsible for planning activities and providing structure for children in our Extended Day program. Qualifications include passing a required background check and completing the Toledo Diocese VIRTUS program, prior to employment. All applicants must be at least 18 years old. Prior experience with children is preferred. Interested applicants should contact Principal, Ginny Minnick @ 419-592-3641 or email ginny.minnick@augustinenapoleon.com.

Blessings to your family, Ginny Minnick, Principal

HADDY BIRTHDAY

9/25 - Nicole Sonnenberg, John Stover

9/26 - Dave Alvarez, Kelly Campos, Carolyn Heinrichs,
 Christine Peddicord, Robert Tejkl

9/27 - Sara Downey, Ashlee Groll, Dana Hilfinger, Devin Meyer

9/28 - Thomas Carpenter, Vivian Dominique, Rheba Falgout, Laurie Gilson, Juanita Karabin, Cindy Pain

9/29 - Reyna Ham, Alexzander Rosebrook

9/30 - Andrew Downey, Sharon Fellers, Patti Finn, Shari Smith, Crystal Westhoven

10/1 - Joshua Brickel, Cindy Mulholland, Kaiden Pringle

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.

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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.