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PASTOR: Reverend Jerry Schetter

DEACON: Ion 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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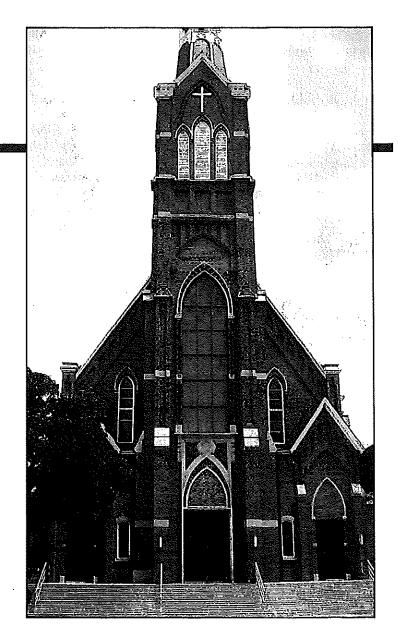
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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION / FORMATION

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

Hear Ye, Hear Ye...

In the call of Samuel and of the first Apostles, we hear in today's readings; they shed light on our own calling to be followers of Christ. Being a follower is each of our vocation calling. Notice in the Gospel today that John's disciples are prepared to hear God's call. They are already looking for the Messiah, so they trust in John's word and follow when he points out the Lamb of God walking by. Look, look, there he is, see he's the one. Samuel is also waiting on the Lord, while sleeping near the Ark of the Covenant where God's glory dwells, taking instruction from Eli, the high priest. We too hear and strive to follow God's will in all that we do.

Samuel listened to God's word and the Lord was with him. And Samuel, through his word, turned all Israel to the Lord. The disciples too heard and followed... those were the words we hear repeatedly in today's Gospel. They stayed with the Lord and by their testimony brought others to the Lord. These scenes from salvation history should give us strength to embrace God's will and to follow His call in our lives. When we undertake any calling we are placing our trust in doing his Holy will. God is constantly calling to each of us... personally, by name. He wants us to seek Him in love. So, we must desire always, as the apostles did, to stay where the Lord stays, to constantly seek His face. For we are not our own, but we belong to the Lord, as St. Paul says in today's Epistle. We must have ears open to obedience, and write His word within our hearts. We must trust in the Lord's promise—that if we come to Him in faith, He will abide with us, and raise us by His power. And we must reflect in our lives the love He has shown us, so that others too may find the Messiah... Christ Saves! As we renew our vows of discipleship in this Eucharist, let us approach the altar singing the new song of today's Psalm: "Behold I come... to do your will O God." - Fr. Jerry

Attention All Parishioners...

I am formally apologizing for any action that has occurred during this restoration project for St. Augustine Church this past year 2023. I'm sure what was done was for the betterment of our St. Augustine Church. If I offend anyone, again I apologize. During this project I failed in getting proper and timely consultation, consent, or permission during this project from the diocese. As always, I will continue to meet, and work with our parish finance council on any capital projects above the norm that they deem necessary.

- Rev. Jerry A. Schetter

Ministries for the Sunday Liturgies

Saturday, January 20, 2024 4:30 p.m.

Volunteer

Lector: Volunteer
Servers: Evan and Owen Storch

Extraordinary Deacon Jon Gottron, Volunteers (4)

Min. of Com.:

Ushers: Ruth Like, Will Wagner

Sunday, January 21, 2024 8:00 a.m.

Lector: Mike Weber

Servers: Cole and Reese Wagner

Extraordinary Deacon Jon Gottron, Gwen Howe-Gebers

Min. of Com.: Patrick Mauk, Volunteers (2)
Ushers: Kevin Glanz, Doug Monnin

Sunday, January 21, 2024 10:30 a.m.

Lector: Suzanne Badenhop

Servers: Megan and Faith Meyer, Jackson Ward
Extraordinary Deacon Jon Gottron, Mary Hoops,
Min. of Com.: Mark Meyer, Lindsay and Nanci

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Ushers: Volunteers (2)

Eucharistic Ministers: Week of January 22, 2024

Nursing Home: Volunteer Homebound: Nelda Irving Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, January 13, 2024

4:30 p.m. - Marian Parsons

Sunday, January 14, 2024

8:00 a.m. - For the Parish 10:30 a.m. - Chery Weideman 1:00 p.m. - Spanish Mass

Monday, January 15, 2024

No Communion Service

Tuesday, January 16, 2024 8:45 a.m. - Mass

Wednesday, January 17, 2024

6:00 p.m. - Peggy Jo Buckmaster

Thursday, January 18, 2024

8:45 a.m. - Mass

Friday, January 19, 2024

8:45 a.m. - Mass

2:00 p.m. - School Mass

Saturday, January 20, 2024

4:30 p.m. - Stephen Schwiebert

Sunday, January 21, 2024

8:00 a.m. - For the Parish

10:30 a.m. - Mass

Tellers: January 22, 2024 - Chris Peddicord, Jan Stover, Dorothy Walker

Save the Date

March

St. Patrick's Day Auction - 9th

FORMED Family Focus

Read: Sacraments in Scripture

Watch: Reborn

Listen: Changed Forever

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 87%. Thank you!

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

THE BISHOP'S CORNER - Do you watch or listen to The Bishop's Corner? Don't miss the weekly show where Bishop Thomas answers questions from the Faithful, gives a gospel reflection, and talks about the upcoming events on his calendar and around the diocese.

Listen: Annunciation Radio, Thursdays at 4:30pm Holy Family Radio, Thursdays at 3:30pm

Watch: <u>youtube.com/ToledoDiocese</u> or <u>facebook.com/bishopdethomas</u>. Send in your questions on the Catholic faith, diocesan news and events or anything you'd like to ask Bishop Thomas. Visit <u>annunciationradio.com/bishops-corner.html</u> or email <u>bishop@annunciationradio.com</u>

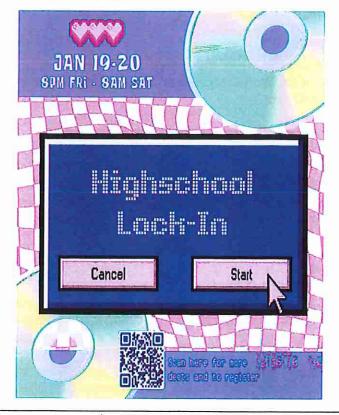
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Life Teen - Join us every Sunday 6-8pm, starting with dinner. Grades 9-12. Text "STAUGIE210" to 84576 to keep up to date!

Upcoming Events:

- 1/14 Life Night
- 1/19-20 We have our Lock-In! This overnight adventure is open to all high school students plus 8th graders! RSVP using the QR codebelow by 1/18.
- 1/21 No Life Teen





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 "STAUGIE210" to 84576 to keep up to date!

Upcoming Events:

- 1/17 Why should I live a good life?
- 2/7 Where am I going?

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 1344 FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIP - open to all boys and girls, ages 9 - 14 at St. Augustine gym, on Wed., Jan. 17. Registration is at 7:45 p.m. and starts at 8:00 p.m. after Edge meets.

MARCH FOR LIFE IN DEFIANCE - The annual March for Life will be held on Mon., Jan. 22 at noon at the Defiance County Courthouse. The purpose of the March for Life is to stand up for unborn children who cannot speak for themselves. Mother Teresa Respect for Life sponsors the march. The march will start with a prayer by Fr. David Cirata, pastor of St. John/St. Mary parishes. 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 St. John's Church basement. A number of speakers will share their thoughts. Hot chocolate will be offered. Also, Mass will be celebrated at St. Mary's Catholic Church at 8:00 a.m. After Mass there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament ending with Benediction at 10:45 a.m.

Diocese of Toledo Compliance Report - Each year the Diocese of Toledo is required to undergo an audit to ensure that it is in compliance with the articles of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People. Bishop Daniel Thomas is pleased to announce that the Diocese was found to be in full compliance with the requirements in the Charter following the audit for fiscal year 2019-2020.

The Diocese of Toledo remains committed to ensuring the protection of children and providing a safe environment for all young people. If you have any knowledge of abuse that has been committed by a cleric or by any personnel of the Catholic Church, you are urged to report the abuse to your local police department, Children Services, and to contact the Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator at (419) 214-4880, or to write to the Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator at 1933 Spielbusch Avenue, Toledo, Ohio 43604.

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.

Are you still traveling? If so, please pick up a bulletin from a church you visit and drop it off in the office. We are always looking for new ideas!

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.

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

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. PARISHIONERS - If you wish to receive Communion in your pew, please raise your hand.

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.

Diocese of Toledo Snow Emergency Policy

With the winter season upon us, please keep in mind the policy for Level 3 Snow Emergencies, established in 2014: "Whenever a county/city within the Diocese of Toledo is placed under a Level 3 Snow Emergency, during which all roadways are closed to non-emergency personnel, the Catholic Churches within that geographic region will cancel the scheduled Saturday Vigil, Sunday, or Holy Day Masses. Roman Catholics in that region, therefore, are dispensed from the obligation to attend Mass. If Masses are cancelled, Catholics are encouraged to participate in Holy Mass via television, radio, or internet, making a spiritual Communion. When Mass is cancelled, all other diocesan, parish, or school events in that geographic region are also cancelled."

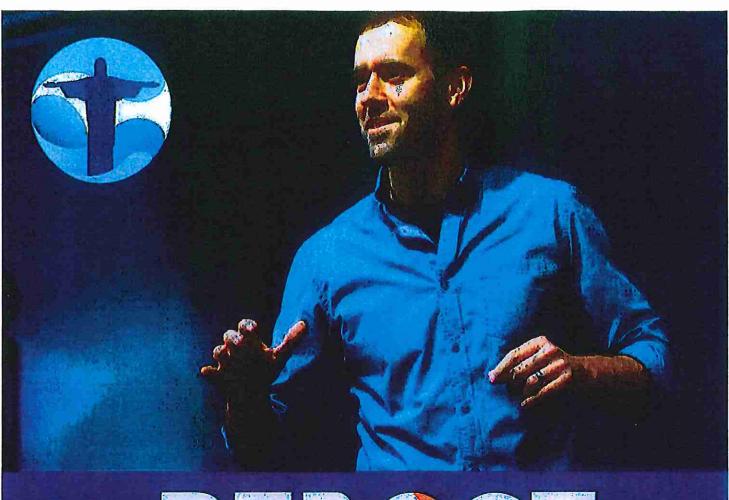
People should always use prudential judgment when traveling. Stay safe and warm.

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

Pray as though everything depended on God. Work as though everything depended on you. St. Augustine of Hippo



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sun., Jan. 14	PRP 9:00 10:15 a.m.
	Life Teen 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Wed., Jan. 17	K of C and Auxiliary 6:30 p.m.
	Edge 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.
Thur., Jan. 18	School Advisory 6:30 p.m.
Fri., Jan. 19	Life Teen Lock-In
Sat., Jan. 20	Confessions 3:30 p.m.
	Rosary 3:55 p.m.
	St. Vincent de Paul Collection

Life Teen Lock-In Sun., Jan. 21 PRP 9:00 - 10:15 a.m.

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STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE PARISH OFFERTORY

Sunday Collection	\$	5,040.00	
On-Line Giving	\$	1,692.00	
Christmas (to date)	\$	16,440.00	
Holy Day	\$	82.00	
Dropped Off/Mailed In	\$	160,00	
School	\$	270.00	
Sunday collection year-to-date	\$	232,175.33	
To use the convenient online giving option, please visit:			

www.staugie.net and select online giving from the side menu.

MAY THEY REST IN DEACE

Rita J. (Fortner) McMenamin (83) - 1/15/01 Norma Fisher (84) - 1/15/10 Ronald M. Bohmler (33) - 1/16/22 Laura J. Mossing (95) - 1/16/18 Clela R. Herman (86) - 1/17/99 Mary Agnes Auman (91) - 1/19/01 Marcella "Sally" Osborn (91) - 1/20/10 Gavin M. Turski (5) - 1/21/11

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.

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.

FROM THE SCHOOL

This month's "Partners in Faith" article reminds us that parenting involves shaping the hearts of our children as well as managing their behavior. One way to do this is offering opportunities to grow in virtue. The main article on page one names four virtues to teach children to help them become holier — and happier! The main article on page two asks us to imagine if the saints had access to social media, how might a "holy" online user behave, post, and respond? How can we help our children imitate the saints on social media? Also on page two, we are reminded that although God intended the Sabbath to be a day of much needed rest, weekends can get so busy that time for God and family can be neglected. Read one mother's solution to reclaim weekends for God and family in Parent Talk.

It is time to start thinking about registering for the upcoming 2024-25 school year! We will begin our official registration process in early February; but if you or someone you know, would like information about St. Augustine Catholic School, please have them contact the school office @ 419-592-3641 or email ginny.minnick@augustinenapoleon.com.

Did you know a Catholic Education is affordable for everyone? The EdChoice Expansion Scholarship is open for all families to apply! The window will open on February 1st, 2024 for the 2024-25 school year for children entering Kindergarten through 8th Grade. The application form and additional information will be updated in the scholarship system website in late January. Please call the school office if you have any questions.

Blessings to your family, Ginny Minnick, Principal

HADDY BIRTHDAY

- 1/15 Gary Hoffman, Crystal Mendoza
- 1/16 James Hunyor, Ashley Rieger, Raymond Rondini, Nicholas Siclair, Karen Von Deylen
- 1/17 Tiffany Fellers, Gavin Podach
- 1/18 Mary Jane Kline, Jaxson Medina-Von Deylen, Tonya Richard, Judy Ritter, Nicholas Saul
- 1/19 Laurie Brubaker, Andrew Steffel, Ann Thayer
- 1/20 Rachael Pfund, Ellen Rohrs, Kaitlyn Spurgeon, Michael Weber
- 1/21 Maria Alegria, Leslie Cashman, Jake Creager,
 Kathleen Gerken, Robert Neiling, Mario Rivera,
 Michael Vary, David Westhoven, Kalista Zapata

RECENT BAPTISMS – Welcome to Patrick Barrett Hunyor, son of Joseph and Dorothea and to James Joseph Milius, grandson of Kevin and Pat, who were baptized here recently.

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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.