

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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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



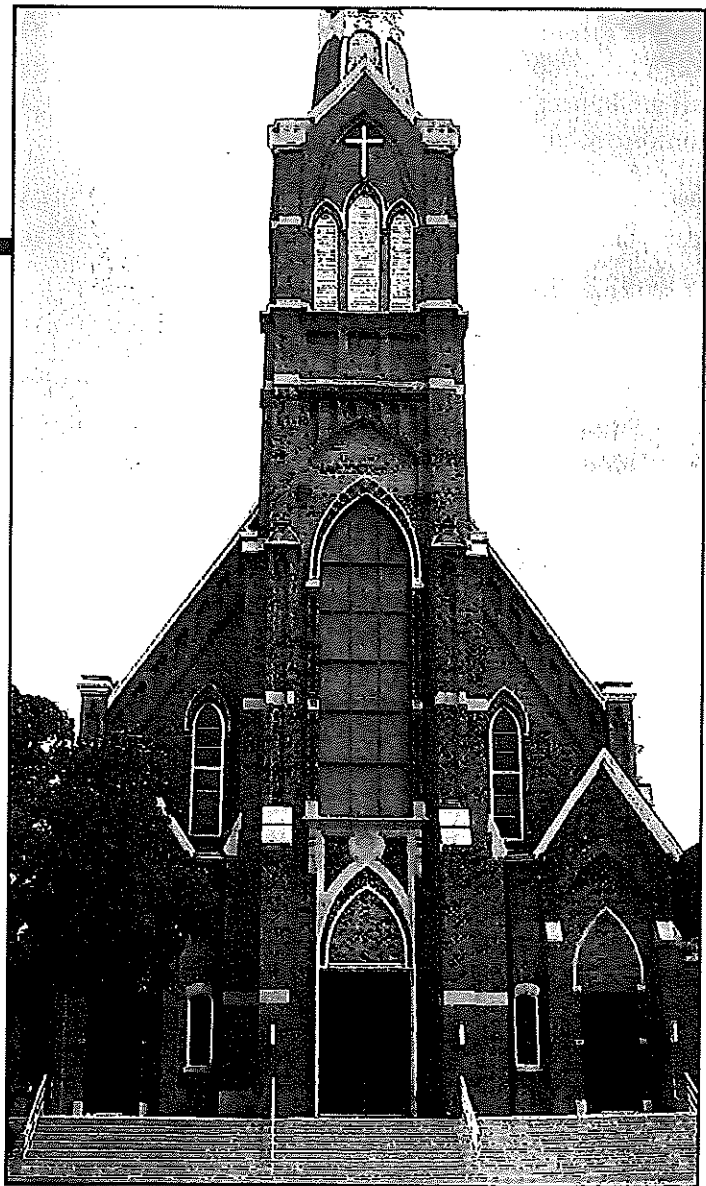
- PARISH RELIGION PROGRAM (PRP) (1-8)

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

Ordinary Time... Planning for what is not ordinary!

We have a number of words in the English language that come from the Greek word for time... "Chronos". One word is chronic which refers to something that lasts a long time. It tells us what time it is. It is e.g. January 21, 2024 at 9:15 a.m. The Greek also had a second word for time which was Kairos. Kairos meant another kind of time which we might call occasion. It tells us what it is time for. Like what a mother may say when she tells her child "it's time for you to get working on your homework."

Today in our first reading, it was time for the people of Nineveh to reform their lives and do penance. St. Paul tells us in our second reading "time is running out." He was encouraging the community to be detached from the things of this world. St. Paul's basic idea is absolutely true we must not get so preoccupied with everyday concerns that we forget about what is to come.

Sorry, salvation is not automatic, and we don't have forever... the one thing that is true, we all will die... sorry. The only thing that we can build our lives on that is reliable and permanent is the life we hope to enjoy with God in eternity. The kingdom of God is at hand... "Repent and believe in the gospel." Jesus used the Kairos when he said this is the time. Thank God now is the time, the opportunity for grace. Now is the season to open ourselves to God's life. Jesus calls for conversion, and is not just a message for the few, but for all. Conversion is ongoing. We all are in need of some form of conversion. Opportunities, as we all know, do not hang around forever. It's not tomorrow but now, just plain "Ordinary Time."

So the next time you look at your watch, don't just see what time it is, but thank God for the precious gift of time and ask yourselves... are you using it as best you can? There is an old saying "we couldn't do better than what we're doing right now." - Fr. Jerry

Ministries for the Sunday Liturgies

Saturday, January 27, 2024 4:30 p.m.

Lector: Becky Hilvers
Servers: Kelsi Eicher, Mackenzie Keller
Extraordinary: Ginny Bauer, William Lytle,
Min. of Com.: Steven Reiser, Mary Steingass,
Karen Westhoven

Ushers: Larry Hilvers, Sue Urban

Sunday, January 28, 2024 8:00 a.m.

Lector: Volunteer
Servers: Brady McKenzie, Bennett Westhoven
Extraordinary: Deacon Jon Gottron, Rick Hoffman,
Min. of Com.: Shari Smith, Judy Wiles, Volunteer
Ushers: Jeff and Jodi Stover

Sunday, January 28, 2024 10:30 a.m.

Lector: Mark Morman
Servers: Isaac and Eli Herman, Ty Siclair
Extraordinary: Doug Burgei, Vicky Delventhal,
Min. of Com.: Amy Morman, Lori Siclair, Volunteer
Ushers: Jeff Burkhart, Chad Roth

Eucharistic Ministers: Week of January 29, 2024

Nursing Home: Volunteer

Homebound: Volunteer

Mass Intentions for the Week

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

Monday, January 22, 2024

No Communion Service

Tuesday, January 23, 2024

8:45 a.m. - Mass

Wednesday, January 24, 2024

6:00 p.m. - Mass

Thursday, January 25, 2024

8:45 a.m. - Mass

Friday, January 26, 2024

8:45 a.m. - Janet Zygmuntowicz

2:00 p.m. - School Mass

Saturday, January 27, 2024

4:30 p.m. - Living and Deceased Members of the
Graetz and Recker Families

Sunday, January 28, 2024

8:00 a.m. - Dick Denny

10:30 a.m. - Carolyn Schwab

Tellers: January 29, 2024 - Viv Dominique, Mary Hoover,
Bill Lytle, Jan Westhoven

Save the Date

March

St. Patrick's Day Auction - 9th

FORMED Family Focus

Read: *Redeemed by Grace*

Watch: *Protecting the Vulnerable Unborn*

Listen: *There is Life in the Womb*

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 88%. Thank you!

When sending in your **LIVING CHRIST** payments, you can send them directly to: Pastoral Center, Diocese of Toledo, ATTN: Living Christ Campaign, 1933 Spielbusch Ave., Toledo, OH 43604 or directly to the Processing Company: Living Christ Campaign, Diocese of Toledo, P.O. Box 7293, Kensington, CT 06037.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER AND AUCTION

At St. Augustine Catholic School, we focus on providing students with the best Catholic education possible. We strive to equip our students with the tools and resources they need to prepare them for higher education. To continue offering our students an outstanding education, we hold our annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner Auction to help raise the funds necessary to meet the expenses of running our school. Please consider attending or donating to our 25th annual St. Pats Auction on March 9, 2024. For more information, please call the school office at 419-592-341.

DIOCESAN WEBSITE - Have you had the chance to visit www.toledodiocese.org recently? Visit our site and sign up for our e-newsletter. The diocese is on Facebook at Diocese of Toledo, on Twitter @DioceseToledo and Instagram at DioceseToledo.

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



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:

- 1/21 - No Life Teen
- 1/28 - 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:

2/7 - Where am I going?

Become a Saint!

St. Augustine educates children from Preschool through 8th Grade with small class sizes and dedicated teachers providing a wonderful faith-based academic experience. We offer affordable onsite Before-care beginning at 7:00am and After-care until 6:00pm. We have a Full Day Preschool Program with limited openings available for the 2024-25 school year. Our Kindergarten is currently enrolling if your child was born before September 30, 2018. We offer scholarships to every student and have multiple financial aid opportunities. The Ed-Choice Expansion Scholarship and Northwest Ohio Scholarship Fund application windows are now open. We also offer Tuition Assistance for children entering Preschool through 8th Grade. If you are interested in more information, please call the office at 419-592-3641. Thank you for considering this important investment in your children's future!

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

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.

Parishioners . . .

I am formally apologizing for any action that has occurred during this restoration project for St. Augustine Church this past year 2023. I apologize for the offenses I have made. If I offended anyone, again I apologize. During this project I failed in getting proper and timely consultation, consent, or permission before and during the project from the diocese. From this point forward, I will meet, and work with our parish finance council and Diocesan Offices on any capital projects above the limits and secure other permissions required by the Diocesan policies. Additionally, I recognize that I failed to honor the intention of the donors who make financial contributions to the parish and for this I apologize. In the future, I will diligently uphold the rights of all donors and seek consultation from them prior to making changes to proposed projects. - Rev. Jerry A. Schetter

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.

CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA COLLECTION

Next week we will take up this collection. For many in Latin America and the Caribbean, a rising secular culture, difficult rural terrain, and a shortage of ministers all present obstacles to practicing the faith. Your support for the collection provides lay leadership training, catechesis, priestly and religious formation, and other programs to share our Catholic faith with those who long to hear the Good News of Christ. To learn more about how your gifts make a difference, visit www.usccb.org/latin-america.

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

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!



Dear Parishioners, Alumni and Friends:

Please join us to celebrate Catholic Schools Week, our annual celebration of what makes education at St. Augustine Catholic School outstanding! **We will kick off the week during 10:30 AM Mass on Sunday, January 28th, followed by coffee and doughnuts with an Open House in the school.**

Now entering its 50th Anniversary year, this year's theme is "Catholic Schools: United in Faith and Community". Catholic Schools have a specific purpose to form students to be good citizens of the world, love God and neighbor and enrich society through service as a core of discipleship. As communities of faith, Catholic Schools instill in students their destiny to become saints. Academic excellence is the hallmark of Catholic education intentionally directed to the growth of the whole person – mind, body and spirit.

I am grateful every day for the teachers, staff, council members, parents, alumni, volunteers and supporters who make our school a success. We could not fulfill our mission without each one of you! Thank you for your dedication and service to Catholic education.

Blessings to your Family,

Ginny Minnick, Principal

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

We appreciate the donations from these individuals and families who remembered their loved ones by donating flowers to beautify our sanctuary during the Christmas season.

Ms. Vilma Aguiar	In Memory of Souls in Purgatory
Mrs. Lidia Arreguin	In Memory of Joseph Mike Arreguin
Mr. & Mrs. David Badenhop	In Memory of Donald & Delores Badenhop
Mr. & Mrs. Donald Batt	In Memory of Patricia Krauss, Frank & Luella Barrett
Mrs. Sheila Beals	In Memory of Donald Beals
Mr. & Mrs. Craig Bloesser	In Memory of Dick Denny
Mr. & Mrs. Eldon Bostelman	
Dr. & Mrs. Philip Cochran	In Honor of Cochran & Wendt Families
Mrs. Virginia Fetter	In Memory of Joe Schuster, Don Fetter
Mr. & Mrs. Darwin Gebers	
Mr. & Mrs. William Gilson	In Memory of Don, Bill & Louise
Dr. Drew Gombash	In Memory of Mr. & Mrs. Andy Gombash
Mrs. Karen Groll	In Memory of Victoria & Earl Austermiller
Mrs. Mary Gunter	In Memory / Honor of Kenneth Gunter, Peter Gunter & Suzanne Walker
Mr. & Mrs. Matthew Hill	
Mr. John Hoeffel	In Memory of Hoeffel & Osborn Families
Mr. & Mrs. George Hoffman	In Memory of Mary Hoffman & Leonard French
Mr. & Mrs. Rick Hoffman	In Memory of Katherine Hoffman, William Hoeffel
Mr. & Mrs. Jim Hoops	In Honor of Family
Mrs. Mary Hoover	In Memory of Hoover/Bailey Families
Mr. & Mrs. John Kearney	In Memory of Kearney/Millen Families
Mrs. Charles Klammer	
Mr. & Mrs. Mel Kleman	In Memory of Gerdeman/Kleman Deceased Family Members
Mrs. Ruth Like	In Memory of Alice & Lee Wentworth Family
Mr. Bill Lytle	In Memory of Jeanne Lytle
Mr. & Mrs. Paul Martin	In Memory of The Waisner & Martin Families
Mr. Patrick Mauk	In Memory of Kathy Scheele
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Moon	In Memory of Esther G. Pedraza
Mrs. Alice Moriarty	In Memory of The Moriarty Family
Mr. Simon Pedraza	In Memory of Esther Pedraza
Mr. and Mrs. Steve Reiser	In Memory of Katherine Hoffman, Elliot Lee Reiser
Mrs. Carolyn Schnitkey	In Memory of Howe & Schnitkey Families
Mr. and Mrs. Randall Schuette	
Mr. Clarence Schwab Jr.	In Memory of Family
Mr. & Mrs. Randy Schwaiger	In Memory of Moe & Judy Brubaker, Tom Schwaiger, Florence Conners
Mr. & Mrs. Jeff Stover	In Memory of Balas/Stover Deceased Family Members
Tovar Family	In Memory of Tovar & Euseste Families
Mr. & Mrs. Will Wagner	In Memory of All Living & Deceased Family Members of the Mumma/Wagner Families
Mr. & Mrs. Andrew Westhoven	In Memory of James E. Zdanczyk, Lawrence & Virginia Warner, Ray & Janice Daughenbaugh, John & Barb Westhoven

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Sun., Jan. 21 PRP 9:00 -10:15 a.m.
No Life Teen
St. Vincent de Paul Collection
- Tues., Jan. 23 Finance 6:30 p.m.
- Sat., Jan. 27 Confessions 3:30 p.m.
Rosary 3:55 p.m.
- Sun., Jan. 28 PRP 9:00 - 10:15 a.m.
Life Teen 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE**PARISH OFFERTORY**

Sunday Collection	\$	3,500.00
On-Line Giving	\$	2,479.00
Christmas (to date)	\$	16,465.00
Dropped Off/Mailed In	\$	190.00
School	\$	18.00
Sunday collection year-to-date	\$	238,154.33

To use the convenient online giving option, please visit:
www.staugie.net and select online giving from the side menu.

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

- 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

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 FELLOWSHIP BREAK-FAST Next meeting is Sat., Jan. 27 at St. John's Catholic Church, (downstairs in Emmaus Hall), Defiance. Speaker will be Steve Heilshorn, executive director of Children's Lantern. Steve brings to Children's Lantern a heart for kids and families in foster and adoptive care with the love of Christ. Coffee and Fellowship at 7:30 and 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 2024 Catholic Schools Week (CSW) beginning with Mass on Sunday, January 28th at 10:30am. Please join us in the school gym after Mass for coffee, doughnuts and an Open House. Now entering its 50th anniversary year, CSW will be celebrated from January 28 to February 2, 2024. This year's new theme is "Catholic Schools: United in Faith and Community" and will be used through 2026. 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!

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- 1/22 - Renee Freppel, Linda Hummer, Josalynn Smith
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 - R. Fellers, Rosalie Sauber, Bryan Ward
1/27 - Angelita Callo, Chad Cramer, Melissa Gilson, Deborah Hoops
1/28 - Andrea Elizabeth Heinrichs, Laurie Meyer

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.