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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.

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

Gossip is a Sickness... Prophecy is the Cure!

Have you ever heard something? Well, if so let it die with you... be brave, let it stay within you, it will not make you burst!

Scriptures tell us... *"I tell you, on the day-of-judgment men will render account for every careless word they utter; for by your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned"*. (Mt 12:37) Yes, scriptures have strong words regarding the sin of gossip... an offense in speech against the reputation of another. It becomes a habit that is often taken too lightly and not regularly preached about. I think it's because just about everyone would feel a certain guilt. Living in a culture of gossip destroys trust and therefore undermines the Church's evangelization efforts.

Reaching out to be disciples of Jesus Christ means making a conscious commitment of reordering our lives accordingly. It's no secret that corruption among the people not only leads to a loss of faith and trust in God, but also a mistrust among others. When we gossip about others, we act as the mouthpiece of the enemy. Our words, then, cause injury to another person's name... Thou shall not kill! Words are meant to dignify one's being. One thing I like to encourage and practice is not tearing down others, but more so building up one. God wants to come to men only through other men... Be the right person!

Prophecy is the cure. The motivation for change isn't primarily about the goals, outcomes, or systems that change a person's behavior. Real behavioral change is ultimately inspired by one thing: **IDENTITY!** In other words, we change how we behave based on how we view ourselves. Our Christian identity.

St. Paul writes that he earnestly desires for us to have all the gifts of the Holy Spirit but especially that you may prophesy. Because he who prophesies speaks to others for their up-building and encouragement and consolation... he who prophesies edifies the church. Therefore we become one who uses their words to build each other up in their identity, as sons and daughters of God.

We are meant for prophecy, not for gossip. Where gossip tears down someone's dignity, prophecy builds it up and releases the grace of becoming more of who God has destined us to be through words of motivation and encouragement. Yes, a Church that has a prophetic vision! - Fr. Jerry

Ministries for the Sunday Liturgies

Saturday, May 4, 2024 4:30 p.m.

Lector: Nelda Irving
Servers: Kelsi Eicher, Emily Flowers
Extraordinary Deacon Jon Gottron, Ginny Bauer,
Min. of Com.: William Lytle, Mary Steingass,
Volunteer

Ushers: Ruth Like, Will Wagner

Sunday, May 5, 2024 8:00 a.m.

Lector: Mike Weber
Servers: Jacob, Noah, Jeremy and Miya Weber
Extraordinary Gwen Howe-Gebers, Patrick Mauk,
Min. of Com.: **Volunteers (3)**
Ushers: Jeff and Jodi Stover

Sunday, May 5, 2024 10:30 a.m.

Lector: First Communion Families
Servers: First Communion Families
Extraordinary First Communion Families
Min. of Com.:
Ushers: Doug Burgei, Chad Roth

Eucharistic Ministers: Week of April 29, 2024

Nursing Home: Volunteer
Homebound: Volunteer

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, April 27, 2024

4:30 p.m. - Michael Cochran, Rich Baker,
Jeff Diemer, Dave Lankenau

Sunday, April 28, 2024

8:00 a.m. - Hector Sifuentes
10:30 a.m. - Mary Hoffman

Monday, April 29, 2024

No Communion Service

Tuesday, April 30, 2024

8:45 a.m. - Dennis and David Donnelly

Wednesday, May 1, 2024

6:00 p.m. - Kenneth Gunter

Thursday, May 2, 2024

8:45 a.m. - Michael Cochran, Rich Baker,
Jeff Diemer, Dave Lankenau

Friday, May 3, 2024

8:45 a.m. - Mass
2:00 p.m. - School Mass

Saturday, May 4, 2024

4:30 p.m. - Ken Kryling

Sunday, May 5, 2024

8:00 a.m. - For the Parish
10:30 a.m. - Janet Creager

*As God's steward, you are called to take an active role
in your church - Volunteer*

Tellers: May 6, 2024 - Andy Driskel, Phil Parsons,
Chris Peddicord, Joanne Westhoven

Save the Date

September

Turtle Fest 20th - 21st



LIFE TEEN

Leading Teens Closer to Christ

FORMED Family Focus

Read: *Prayer for Beginners*

Watch: *War of Vendee*

Listen: *The 3 Stages of Internal Life*

2025 MASS INTENTIONS: Our 2025 Mass intention book has just arrived. Mass intentions can be made for **deceased** loved one or ones in your family. The Mass intentions are said for your loved one/ones as well as for others. They are \$10.00 per Mass. The intention can be scheduled for every third week, not each or every other week to allow for as many parishioners as possible to schedule for the Mass that they are accustomed to attending. Please remember that we can schedule also for the daily Masses as well as the 2:00 Friday afternoon school Mass during the school year. You can drop your request in the collection with your suggested dates, your name & your phone number and the office will contact you with the availability of your requested dates. You can also call in or stop in the office to schedule your Masses. ~Thank you for your understanding.~

POP TAB COLLECTION - We ask that any pop tabs that you have been collecting be turned in to the church office before May 3rd. Thank you for helping the Ronald McDonald House!

PARKING ISSUES - Due to Liberty Center's prom being held at the Armory on Sat., May 4, the city will close off Monroe Street from Shelby Street to East Washington Street and East Clinton Street in front of the Armory at 5:30 p.m. After Mass, if you park in the public parking lot, you will need to go east (turn left) and if you park behind the church, you will need to go east (turn right) off of Clinton Street.

FUNERAL LUNCHEON VOLUNTEERS - Jan Neiling will be taking over the calling of volunteers asking if you would be willing to make a dessert or salad for a funeral. Please note that her cell phone number is out of our area code and you may think that it is a robo call. How about adding her as a new contact in your cell phone directory? Her number is (803) 367-7041. ~ Thank you ~ Funeral Committee

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

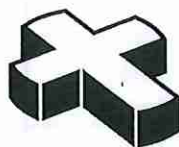
Upcoming Events:

- April 28th - Senior Swap Night. Upperclassmen will be running and planning the youth night. Be sure to dress in white, bring a towel, and get ready to get messy! Please note that this Sunday Life Teen will be at 4:30-6:30 instead of our usual time.
- May 5th - Culture Project will be coming back to present on Sexual Integrity

Defiance YES Project

The YES Project is a unique opportunity for high school students and young adults from the greater Defiance area to come together to do as Jesus did: love and serve those who are most in need. We will paint, clean, landscape, and perform other tasks that may be needed to improve the living situation of those we are helping. The ultimate goal is to spread the love of Christ and His message of hope to those who need it most.

YES Project will be June 13-15 and is open to 8th graders, high school students, young adults, and adults. Teens please register here:



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 "STAUGIE210" to 84576 to keep up to date!

5th graders are officially invited through the rest of the semester!

Upcoming Events:

- May 1st - Edge night on Mary
- May 15th - End of the year party

From the Parish Gardens . . .

It is spring and we have started back in the gardens, pulling weeds, tidying up, and assessing what needs to be done this growing season. We hope those who purchased irises and lambs ears from our gardens via the Country Store at last year's Turtle Fest are excited to see their plants coming up at home. We think they should bloom this year.

We are again happy to welcome gardeners of all levels of expertise who want to volunteer their time, energy, and knowledge in our parish gardens at St. Augustine. Give us a call if you'd like to help out! (We find the weeds are just as happy to flourish as desired flowers and shrubs.) We normally work in the gardens every Friday from 9 - 11 a.m., weather permitting. There is also the possibility one can volunteer/work in the gardens outside of our Friday 9-11 a.m. time if one still works.

We welcome any plant donations parishioners might be considering donating to the gardens. But we ask that you please contact us first to discuss your possible donation before any digging or planting is done. We want to insure any flowers or shrubs are placed in the best location where they'll thrive and be in harmony with everything else in the gardens. We want happy plants!

Thank you so much for the kind comments, help and support that have been shared with us in our efforts to beautify our parish grounds. We particularly enjoy it when we hear about our past garden workers and contributions made to our gardens, the history of the gardens. We thank Betty Lemon who planted our beautiful irises a number of years ago! We didn't know this until last year and we thank her for her service.

Kevin Glanz (419) 966-9250
Mary Gunter (419) 260-4368

HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS - the number of religious people has declined in the U.S. What better way to implore God for an increase in vocations than directly before Him in the Eucharist? On Tues., Apr. 30 at 7:00pm, there will be an opportunity with a "Holy Hour for Vocations" at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 104 W. Broadway St., Maumee. Fr. Joseph Mominee will lead us in prayer and reflect on his own calling to the priesthood and the young adult choir "Ecce" will provide sacred music. Please join us.

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

The following are the names of our Council members that care for our parish:

Finance Council
Gwen Howe-Gebers
Carolyn Heinrichs
Becky Hilvers
Martin Irving, President
Dr. Joe Krueger

Parish Council
Dr. Mike Carpenter, President
Rick Hoffman
Joe Hunyor
Dawn Lane
Mark Meyer
Gabe Pollock
Chad Roth
Joanne Westhoven

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.

NEW MINISTRY SCHEDULE will be from June through September. We will also be scheduling for the Assumption on August 15th. Please log onto the Ministry Scheduler Pro website and update your profile with any dates you will not be available to serve in this period before April 30th.

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL - We want to thank all of our Parishioners who joined together in pledging their gift to the 2024 Annual Catholic Appeal. If you have not made your commitment, today would be a convenient opportunity to do so. Pledge cards and envelopes are available in the back of church. Every gift is so significant. Thank you for your generosity. Our goal is \$29,882. We are currently at 59%.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL NEWS - St. Vincent de Paul needs Spanish speaking volunteers to help with the Food Pantry. Please call 419-966-8174 if you can help.
SAVE THE DATE - If you have helped St. Vincent de Paul minister to the needy in our area, you are invited to our Volunteer Appreciation Dinner on Thurs., May 16 at 6:30 p.m. in the Ministry Center. Hope to see you there.

CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL - Support the Catholic Home Missions Appeal today! Nearly 40% of dioceses in the United States and its territories are considered mission territories because they are unable to fund essential pastoral activities in their communities. Your support funds religious education, seminary formation, lay ministry training, and other programs that build vibrant faith communities right here in the United States. Please be generous. More information can be found at www.usccb.org/home-missions

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Sun., Apr. 28** PRP 9:00 - 10:15 a.m.
Life Teen 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.
- Tues., Apr. 30** Finance Council 6:30 p.m.
Men's Holy Hour 8:30 p.m.
- Wed., May 1** Parents Club 5:00 p.m.
Edge 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.
- Fri., May 3** First Friday Adoration 9:15 a.m.
Benediction 5:30 p.m.
Pre-K Open House 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.
- Sat., May 4** First Communion Practice 9:30 a.m.
Confessions 3:30 p.m.
Rosary 3:55 p.m.
- Sun., May 5** PRP 9:00 - 10:15 p.m.
First Communion (10:30 Mass)
Life Teen 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

**STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE
PARISH OFFERTORY**

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| Sunday Collection | \$ | 4,387.40 |
| On-Line | \$ | 3,993.00 |
| Dropped Off/Mailed In | \$ | 469.40 |
| School | \$ | 78.00 |
| Sunday collection year-to-date | \$ | 364,300.76 |

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

- Renelda Yarnell (97) - 4/29/08
- Thomas J. Erman (62) - 4/29/11
- David Donnelly (0) - 4/30/83
- Dennis Donnelly (0) - 4/30/83
- Michael Cochran (17) - 5/1/82
- Mary Frances Hoffman (62) - 5/1/03
- Betty A. Kolbe (87) - 5/1/14
- Janet A. Creager (91) - 5/5/23

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 extend our heartfelt sympathy to Denise Short and her family following the death of her mother, Betty Lemon. May Betty now be at peace with our Heavenly Father.

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!

FROM THE SCHOOL

During the month of May, we honor Mary who was dedicated to bringing the Savior to humanity. Now that she is in Heaven, she continues to bring our concerns to her Son. Catholics over the centuries have turned to the Rosary for miraculous help in seemingly impossible situations. I feel very blessed to share this Catholic devotion and powerful lifelong prayer tradition with our students, weekly, during the month of May.

Become a Saint!

St. Augustine educates children from Preschool through 8th Grade with small class sizes and dedicated, licensed teachers providing a wonderful faith-based academic experience. We offer affordable onsite Before-care beginning at 7:00am and After-care until 6:00pm. Our Full Day Preschool Program has openings in the 3-year-old class (Tuesday & Thursday) and our 4 or 5-year-old class (Monday's, Wednesday, & Friday) or Monday through Friday. If your child was born before September 30, 2019, he/she is eligible to enroll in our Kindergarten program. We offer scholarships to every student and have multiple financial aid opportunities. If you have any questions or would like to set up a family tour, please call the St. Augustine School office @419-592-3641. Thank you for considering this important investment in your children's future!

Blessings to your family,
Ginny Minnick, Principal

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- 4/29 - Ever Arrazola-Robles, Andrew Ham, Ila Pullen, Adela Renteria
- 4/30 - Laura Ash, Bailey Barton, Erica Grieser, Larry Irving III, Brian Lautar, Jacob Moll, Erica Monnin, Steven Reiser
- 5/1 - Blake Fisher, Isaac Westhoven
- 5/2 - Chelsey Buenger, Lisette Bustos, Barbara Cochran, Mary Hoops, John Speiser, Karen Westhoven
- 5/3 - Camryn Cotter, Jude Davis, Bryan Garcia, Amy Hoffman, Brandon Moll
- 5/5 - Jeff Burkhart, Dawn Lane

CONFIRMATION - Last Saturday the following students were confirmed at the Cathedral: Abigail Baker, Hayden Dotson, Henry Fitzenreiter, Alessandra Hernandez, Molly Huddle, Mackenzie Keller, Faith Meyer, Makenzie Meyer, Brooklyn Mohler, Nery Morales, John Morris, and Jeremy Weber. We ask God's blessings on them.

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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.