

WELCOME TO  
**St. Augustine Catholic Church**

MONROE & EAST CLINTON STREETS, NAPOLEON, OHIO 43545

PASTOR: Reverend Jerry Schetter      DEACON: Jon Gottron

COORDINATOR OF PARISH MINISTRIES: Laurie Brubaker

SCHOOL PRINCIPAL: Ginny Minnick      CATECHESIS CO-DIRECTORS: Jen Roth & Regina Proshek

*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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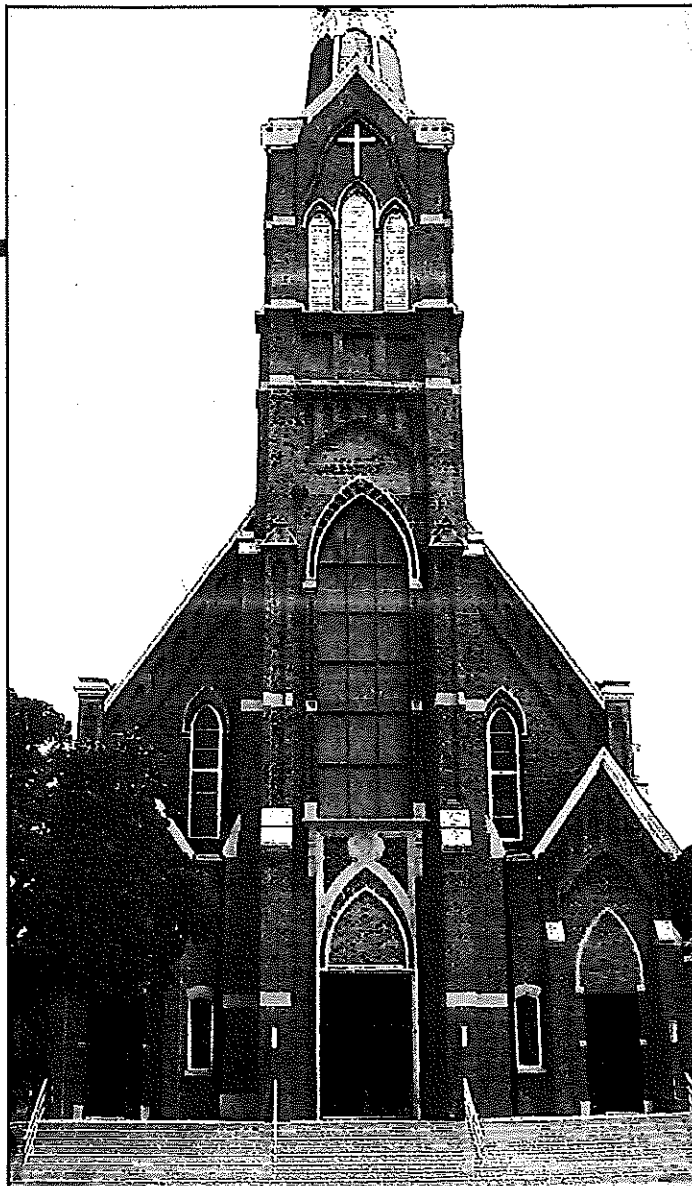
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**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION / FORMATION**

*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

## A Strong Start in the Faith... The Catholic RCIA Process

Thinking of joining the Roman Catholic Church? Have questions about the faith? Want to explore the faith more deeply. The full content of the Catholic faith can be organized into four categories: Basic beliefs (the faith itself) - How to live (morality) - How Catholics worship (liturgy) and Prayer. In exploring the truth of our faith we go to the very essence of it through the Catechism of the Catholic Church, which contains the hidden energy of the Good News. When we have become convinced... we are able to convince others. Growing in faith is an understanding of the truth. A golden opportunity awaits all through this process.

The Catholic RCIA process is a good model of basic faith development. New classes will begin this Fall in September on Wednesday nights. If you have questions please call the parish office or speak to one of the faith team members. **Strong start in the Faith... The Journey of Faith...**

Oh, God, where are you? That's what someone may have typed into the search engine on Google. Millions of others have wondered the same thing. Why does God seem hard to find? What do we need to do to find Him? It's a common question, a great question, one many people ask for many different reasons. It's a search often triggered by times of trouble, when we are looking for help or encouragement. Sometimes it springs from doubt, when we feel needing assurance that God really exists, really cares. It may come from intellectual curiosity, trying to comprehend big questions, such as the purpose for our existence. Even unbelievers and cynics pose the question, where is God when there is so much evil and suffering? Yes, we often are trying to cast doubt on whether He exists or cares. The truth is He Does! The Bible reveals the mystery of who God is: God is love. God created us out of love, died for us out of love, and invites us on a journey of faith in which we live in his love. Religion is often perceived as humanity's search for God, but Christianity is more about God's search for us. God "unveils" himself to us and reveals his plan for our lives.

The question is often where is God? Here's a better question. Who hid first? Look at it from God's point of view. A consistent lesson in the Bible is the dismal track record we humans have in our relationship with Him. You can understand if God is more than a little skeptical when it comes to our saying we want to know Him more. Or we wonder where he's at? It started with Adam and Eve. God created them, communicated with them, taught them, loved them, warned them about the danger of taking of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil... yet they coldly ignored Him and followed after Satan. And what did they do when... they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden? Adam and his wife *hid themselves* from the presence of the LORD God. So, who hid first? Not God!

In exploring and searching we must be the first to step out from behind the bushes... then our searching becomes our finding. Discover more about our journey in faith through RCIA or another parish study program. You will find opportunities coming up in the next few months to do just that; to learn together, discover together, join together in social fun and learning experiences. Stay tuned... much more is on the rise. -- Fr. Jerry

### Ministries for the Sunday Liturgies

**Saturday, August 24, 2024** 4:30 p.m.

Lector: Nelda Irving  
Servers: Molly Huddle, Ella Irving  
Extraordinary Deacon Jon Gottron, Ginny Bauer,  
Min. of Com.: Steven Reiser, Mary Steingass,  
**Volunteer**  
Ushers: Sue Urban, Will Wagner

**Sunday, August 25, 2024** 8:00 a.m.

Lector: Gene Grime  
Servers: Cole and Reese Wagner  
Extraordinary Deacon Jon Gottron, Katie Collins,  
Min. of Com.: Ann Grime, Patrick Mauk, Judy Wiles  
Ushers: John and Jan Stover

**Sunday, August 25, 2024** 10:30 a.m.

Lector: Becky Hilvers  
Servers: Henry Dotson, Charles Pollock,  
Isaac Westhoven  
Extraordinary Deacon Jon Gottron, Mary Hoops,  
Min. of Com.: Brenda Piasecki, Lori Siclair,  
Jim Wulf  
Ushers: Jeff Burkhart, Larry Hilvers

**Eucharistic Ministers: Week of August 26, 2024**

**Nursing Home: Volunteer**  
**Homebound: Nelda Irving**

### Mass Intentions for the Week

**Saturday, August 17, 2024**

4:30 p.m. - Stephen Schwiebert

**Sunday, August 18, 2024**

8:00 a.m. - Becky Schindler

10:30 a.m. - Richard Thayer

**Monday, August 19, 2024**

No Communion Service

**Tuesday, August 20, 2024**

8:45 a.m. - Mass

**Wednesday, August 21, 2024**

10:00 a.m. - Mass at Genacross Lutheran Home

6:00 p.m. - Stephen Schwiebert

**Thursday, August 22, 2024**

8:45 a.m. - Mass

**Friday, August 23, 2024**

8:45 a.m. - Mass

2:20 p.m. - School Mass

**Saturday, August 24, 2024**

4:30 p.m. - Carolyn Schwab

**Sunday, August 25, 2024**

8:00 a.m. - Dick Denny

10:30 a.m. - Deceased Members of the Feffer Family  
and William Hoeffel

**Tellers: August 26, 2024 - Andy Driskel, Phil Parsons,  
Chris Peddicord, Joanne Westhoven**

Save the Date

September

TurtleFest 20th - 21st



**Life Teen** - For all high school students on Sundays at 6-8 pm at the Ministry Center. If you would like to keep up to date on all events, sign up for text reminders on Flocknotes by texting "STAUGIE210" to 84576.

**FORMED Family Focus**

Read: *The World's First Love*

Watch: *Mary of Nazareth*

Listen: *The World's First Love*

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**2025 MASS INTENTIONS** : Our 2025 Mass intentions book is here. 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 2:20 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.~*

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**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](mailto:kpakka@toledodiocese.org) - [www.hopeafterabortion.com](http://www.hopeafterabortion.com) or call 419-260-5811.

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**TURTLEFEST NEWS** - Plans are in full swing for our 24th annual TurtleFest on September 20 and 21 We are in need of someone to head up the casino games. If you don't come forward, unfortunately we won't be able to have them at our festival this year. Please contact Jess Green at 419.371.5607 for more information.

**JEWELRY FOR TURTLEFEST** - St. Augustine is again collecting costume jewelry no longer worn or wanted for the annual TurtleFest. Please drop off jewelry at the Ministry Center as soon as possible to give us time to clean and prepare the jewelry for resale at the festival. Check with your family, friends, co-workers, and neighbors to see if they have jewelry to donate. Let's make this the best sale ever! Thank you.



**Edge** - Edge is our youth group for incoming grades 6-8. Events will be on the first and third Wednesday of the month at 6:30-8pm. Parents, if you would like to keep up to date on all events, sign up for text reminders on Flocknotes by texting "STAUGIE210" to

**Edge**  
Grades 6-8  
1st & 3rd Wednesdays  
6:30-8pm  
**Starting Sept 18th!!**

**Youth Group**  
St. Augustine  
**KICK-OFFS!**

**Life Teen**  
Grades 9-12  
Sundays  
6-8pm  
**Starting Sept 15th!!**

**HELP NEEDED** - We are in need of more Eucharistic Ministers to bring Jesus to our Homebound and Nursing Home residents. Prayerfully consider this need for our Parishioners. Please call the office at 419-592-7656 if you have questions. *Thank you for your consideration.*

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**REBOOT WITH CHRIS STEFANICK** - Join Chris Stefanick, author, speaker and TV host for a life-changing evening. Hear the Good News that the Lord has for ALL of us and learn how to live out the JOY in your life. This event will take place on Wed., Sept. 11 at 7:00 p.m. at St. John XXIII Catholic Church, 24250 N. Dixie Hwy, Perrysburg, Ohio. Tickets are \$33 - \$39. Early bird pricing until Aug. 21. Register at <https://reallifecatholics.give>.

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**SPECIAL PROGRAM** - come and hear Joe Kieffer, local businessman, speak about the impact Christ has had on his life. Program will be at St. John's Catholic Church, Defiance (downstairs) on Tues., Aug. 27 after the 6:30 p.m. Mass (around 7:00 p.m.)

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**DIOCESE OF TOLEDO COMPLIANCE REPORT**  
The Diocese of Toledo is in compliance with the articles of the *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People* of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB).

Every year, the Diocese dutifully submits the necessary documentation required by the USCCB for a diocese to be in compliance.

Every three years an on-site audit is conducted, when not only all necessary documentation is dutifully submitted, but in addition, Pastoral Center, parish and diocesan school employees are interviewed concerning practices and protocols related to creating and maintaining a safe environment for our children and youth.

The last 3-year audit was conducted in October of 2021. The next on-site audit will be conducted in September of 2024.

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 the Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator at 419-214-4880; or by mail at 1933 Spielbusch Avenue, Toledo, Ohio 43604.

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

**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 66%.

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**VOLUNTEERS TO CLEAN THE CHURCH** - We are looking for volunteers to clean and sweep the church. What a privilege it is to clean Our Lord's Home. Please contact the parish office at 419-592-7656.

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**HELP US TIDY UP OUR PEWS** - At the end of every Mass you attend, please take a moment to put your pew back into proper order. Kneelers should be placed in the upright position, and return your missalette to the book rack. Please remove any personal items or trash including children's snacks. *Thank you!*

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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.

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**WOMEN'S GROUP BIBLE STUDY** - We are bringing back the monthly holy hour on the last Wednesday of the month at 6:30! Join us on August 28th for adoration and a rosary after the 6pm Mass.

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**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:** [youtube.com/ToledoDiocese](https://youtube.com/ToledoDiocese) or [facebook.com/bishopdethomas](https://facebook.com/bishopdethomas). Send in your questions on the Catholic faith, diocesan news and events or anything you'd like to ask Bishop Thomas. Visit [annunciationradio.com/bishops-corner.html](https://annunciationradio.com/bishops-corner.html) or email [bishop@annunciationradio.com](mailto:bishop@annunciationradio.com)

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**GOING ON VACATION?** - Please use Online Giving to catch up on offertory contributions. Go to [www.staugie.net](https://www.staugie.net) and click on the Online Giving link, it's quick and easy.

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

- Sun., Aug. 18 St. Vincent de Paul Collection
- Tues., Aug. 20 Citizenship Class 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
- Wed., Aug. 21 Meet the Teacher 3:00 - 6:00 p.m.  
K of C Meeting 6:30 p.m.
- Thur., Aug. 22 1st Day of School (Tues/Thurs  
Pre-School - 8th Grade)
- Fri., Aug. 23 1st Day of School (Mon/Wed/Fri  
Pre-School)
- Sat., Aug. 24 Confessions 3:30 p.m.  
Rosary 3:55 p.m.

**STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE**

**PARISH OFFERTORY**

Sunday Collection	\$	5,011.00
On-Line	\$	1,822.00
Holy Day	\$	30.00
Dropped Off/Mailed In	\$	270.00
School	\$	938.00
Sunday collection year-to-date	\$	45,566.28

To use the convenient online giving option, please visit:  
[www.staugie.net](http://www.staugie.net) and select online giving from the side menu.

**MAY THEY REST IN PEACE**

- Marie C. Reichert (94) - 8/19/00
- William Frederic Mossing (82) - 8/19/05
- Paul B. Howe (82) - 8/19/15
- John A. "Rusty" Rastocan (76) - 8/20/99
- Faith B. Koch (50) - 8/21/07
- Juanita Kutzley (102) - 8/21/08
- Randy S. Rivera (40) - 8/25/07
- William L. Hoeffel (83) - 8/25/22

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.

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**IN MEMORIAM**

We would like to extend our heartfelt sympathy to Annette,illian and A.J. Richard and their family following the death of their husband and father, Ron Richard. May Ron now be at peace with our Heavenly Father.

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**FRIDAY ADORATION** will take place each First Friday of the month after 8:45 Mass until 5:30 p.m. We will have sign-up sheet in the back of the church and would appreciate folks filling the day so that our Lord is not exposed to the altar without anyone present. If you are not able to come for your hour of adoration, please call Jane Recker 419-508-0711. The day will end with Benediction at 30 p.m.

**FROM THE SCHOOL**

Dear St. Augustine families,  
I pray everyone is enjoying a wonderful summer break and preparing to head back to school! This summer has included some upgrades to our classrooms. Among the many projects, we replaced the flooring in the Preschool, Kindergarten, Fine Arts and Special Education rooms. Unfortunately, due to a delay in getting product, we have decided to move the start of school back one day to allow us time to make sure everything is up and running before the students return. Here is the updated calendar of events for next week:

**Wednesday, August 21<sup>st</sup>: Meet the Teacher from 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm**

**Thursday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>: First Student Day for Tuesday/Thursday Preschool – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade**

**Friday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>: First Student Day for Monday, Wednesday, Friday Preschool**

Thank you for your understanding! The rest of the calendar will remain the same. If anyone has any questions, please contact the school office.

Blessings to your family,  
Ginny Minnick, Principal

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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

- 8/19 - Glen Borck, Kylie Cramer, Ella Meyer, Brooke Sehlmeier, Kevin Steed
- 8/20 - Megan Burton, Hazel Martinez, Camden Sunderman, Gary Westhoven
- 8/21 - Wendy Borck, Masen Switzer
- 8/22 - David Gilson
- 8/23 - Collin Carl, Chastity Loomis-Kah, Eleanor Milius, Jennifer Roth
- 8/24 - Evelyn Austermler, Steven Creager, Amanda Flowers, Elijah Hill, Isaiah Irving, Mark Somoza
- 8/25 - Suzanne Badenhop, Samantha Bloom, Gwen Borck, Maricella Corona, Braxton Cramer, Brigida Somoza

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**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](http://toledopriesthood.com)

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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.