

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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Youth Minister - Regina Proshek

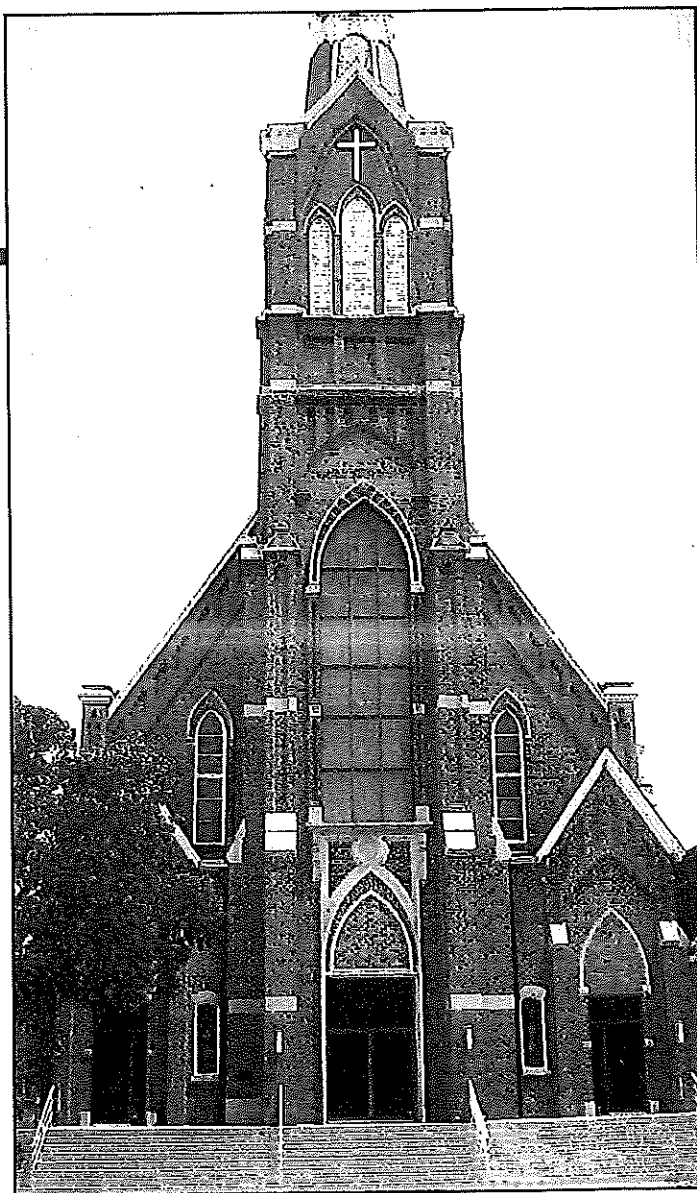
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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION / FORMATION

*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

We're in Lent, but drawing closer too Christmas...

When we hear God's Word... How does it affect us? Imagine if the Angel Gabriel, the glorious Archangel who stands before the Most Holy Trinity, were to come to you and announce to you that you were "full of grace" and that "*The Lord is with you.*" What an indescribable and awe-inspiring experience that would be! And yet this is exactly what happened to this young teenager, the Blessed Virgin Mary. This past Tuesday March 25th we celebrated this amazing event that took place, marking the moment when God took on human flesh within her blessed womb. Note also that the day is nine months before Christmas. The Church gives us this Solemnity to invite us to walk with Mary over these coming nine months so as to join her in her rejoicing over the birth of her divine Son.

We ponder the very words spoken by the Archangel. We could ponder the mystery surrounding everything that God chose to set into motion. Let's focus upon the reaction of this young woman to the angelic announcement. She was "greatly troubled" and "pondered" these words spoken by the Archangel. Being troubled reveals that Mary did not have full knowledge of what the Archangel was revealing. But the fact that she pondered the words also reveals her openness to a fuller understanding. "*How can this be, since I have no relations with a man?*" This response is first an assent of belief in faith followed by a request for a deeper understanding of this revelation. Faith is the ability to assent to that, which we do not fully understand, but true faith always seeks a deeper understanding—and this is what Mary did. Mary fully accepts what was revealed and trusts that what she was told was all she needed to know at that time. And then she offers what has come to be known as her "*fiat.*" She says, "*Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word.*" This fiat of Mary is her perfect prayer of surrender to the will of God, and it is also the perfect model for how we all must respond to the will of God. This Lenten journey we must see ourselves as true servants of His will, and we must fully embrace whatsoever God asks of us, completely uniting our wills to His.

Reflect, today, upon these words of our Blessed Mother: Behold, I am the handmaid (or hand-person) of the Lord. May it be done to me according to His Holy word. This Lent, how is God asking you to make this your prayer also?

- Fr. Jerry

Ministries for the Sunday Liturgies

Saturday, April 5, 2025 4:30 p.m.
Lector: Karen Westhoven
Servers: Lucy and Chloe Brink
Extraordinary Deacon Jon Gottron, Volunteers (4)
Min. of Com.:
Ushers: Kevin Glanz, Brad Westhoven
Sunday, April 6, 2025 8:00 a.m.
Lector: Rita Small
Servers: Cora Coolman, Bennett Westhoven
Extraordinary Shari Smith, Mike, Morgan, Miya and
Min. of Com.: Noah Weber
Ushers: Volunteers (2)
Sunday, April 6, 2025 10:30 a.m.
Lector: Will Roth
Servers: Allyssa Borck, Ashlyne Minnick,
Jillian Richard
Extraordinary Mary Hoops, Cheri Schuette,
Min. of Com.: Lindsay & Nanci Westhoven, Volunteer
Ushers: Jeff Burkhardt, Chad Roth

Eucharistic Ministers: Week of April 7, 2025

Nursing Home: Volunteer
Homebound: Volunteer

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

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, March 29, 2025
4:30 p.m. - Elaine Lauf
Sunday, March 30, 2025
8:00 a.m. - Jeanne Lytle
10:30 a.m. - Stephen Thayer
Monday, March 31, 2025
No Communion Service
Tuesday, April 1, 2025
8:45 a.m. - Marion Barry
Wednesday, April 2, 2025
6:00 p.m. - Ronald Fisher
Thursday, April 3, 2025
8:45 a.m. - Carol Hoeffel
Friday, April 4, 2025
8:45 a.m. - Graetz and Recker Families
2:20 p.m. - School Mass - Bob Small
Saturday, April 5, 2025
4:30 p.m. - Ken Kryling
Sunday, April 6, 2025
8:00 a.m. - Dick Denny
10:30 a.m. - Tom Grabowski
Tellers: April 7, 2025 – Andy Driskel, Phil Parsons,
Chris Peddicord, Joanne Westhoven

Remember St. Augustine Parish in your estate planning

Save the Date
 September 2025
 TurtleFest - 19th, 20th

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 - We will soon be working on the next ministry schedule which will be for June through September, including August 15th, the Assumption, before April 25th, and mark any dates you are not available to be scheduled.


40 DAYS FOR LIFE - From March 5 - April 13, you're invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life - 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You're also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside the Toledo Women's Center at 1160 Sylvania Ave., Toledo, OH 43612, and also to help spread the word about this important community outreach. If you'd like more information - and especially if you'd like to volunteer to help, please contact Kevin Jorrey at kjorrey@toledodiocese.org or go to www.40DaysForLife.com/Toledo to sign up to pray.

St. Augustine's
 Monthly on the last Sunday

No April Donut Sunday because of Divine Mercy Sunday

DONUT SUNDAY

MARCH 30TH
 After the 10:30 Mass
 in Parish Hall



Youth Ministry

Providing a space for our youth to encounter and grow in relationship with our Lord and Christ centered friendships



LIFE TEEN

Sundays 6-8pm
 Grades 9-12
 At the Ministry Center



EDGE

1st & 3rd Wed 6:30-8pm
 Grades 6-8
 At the School

Life Teen Upcoming Events

- 8th graders are officially invited to the highschool youth group!
- March 30th - Culture Project missionaries will be visiting again to chat with us about Sexual Integrity. Do you know what God's plan is for love and relationships?

Edge Upcoming Events

- April 2nd - Edge Night on Lent
- April 16th - Edge Night

Keep in touch with us!

TEXT STAUGIE TO 84576

OR CONNECT WITH US ONLINE AT:
stauginenapoleon.flocknote.com

RECEIVE TEXT MESSAGE UPDATES FOR GROUPS SUCH AS...

Family Catechesis Edge Bible Studies
 Life Teen Women's Group



WOMEN'S GROUP

Bible Study

We are hosting a Lenten Bible Study at the Ministry Center on Matthew Chapters 26-28. It will be weekly on Thursdays at 6:30 - 7:30pm with the last one on April 10th. All women are welcome to join us. Feel free to come for just one session or all of them.

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 office at 419-592-7656 if you have questions. *Thank you for your consideration.*

2025 Annual Catholic Appeal - "**Together For Good**" - We would like to thank all of our Parishioners who have joined together in pledging their gift to this year's Annual Catholic Appeal. If you have not made your commitment, today would be a convenient opportunity to do so. Pledge cards, envelopes, and pencils are available in the pews. Once completed, kindly place your pledge card in the offertory basket. Every gift is so significant. Our parish goal is \$30,090.74. We are encouraging 100% participation! Thank you for your generosity! We are currently at 30%.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL APPRECIATION DINNER - will be held on May 15th at 6 p.m. in the Ministry Center. All who help with this ministry are cordially invited.

DO NOT BE AFRAID: CONCERT OF SACRED MUSIC featuring Ecce Young Adult Choir will be at two local parishes: St. Rose, Perrysburg on Sat., May 3 at 7:00 p.m. and St. Aloysius, Bowling Green on Sun., May 4 at 4:30 p.m. Concert is free and open to the public, no reservations needed. For more information, contact Jessica Schuster at jessica.schuster.155@gmail.com

COLLECTION FOR THE CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES - This week we take up the Catholic Relief Services Collection to **reveal Christ's love** to our brothers and sisters in need. This collection makes grants to six Catholic agencies that provide relief and support for struggling communities and work for peace and reconciliation among our marginalized brothers and sisters, both here and around the world. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.

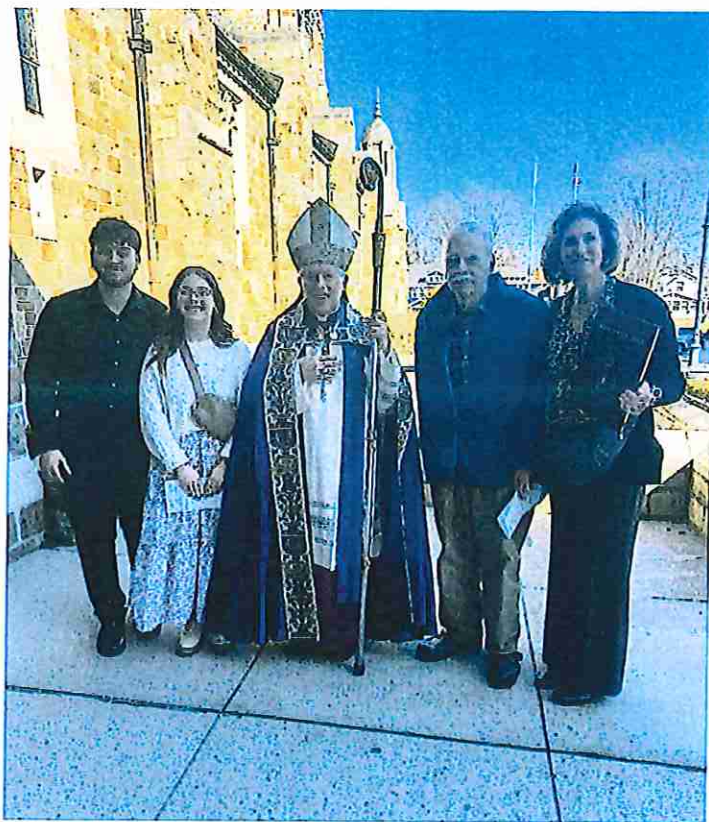
HELP US TIDY UP OUR PEWS - At the end of every Mass you attend, please take a moment to put your pew back into proper order. Kneelers should be placed in the upright position, and return your missalette to the book rack. Please remove any personal items or trash including children's snacks. **Please dispose of your gum properly and do not stick it to our brand new pews.** *Thank you!*

HELP WANTED - We are desperately in need of new ushers. If you would like to be a part of this ministry, please contact the parish office.

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.

JOIN FR. DOUGLAS GARAND FOR A EUROPEAN PILGRIMAGE - Visit the cities of Paris, Zurich, Lucerne, Lake Como, Assisi, Vatican City and Rome from September 28 to October 10, 2025 (13 Days and 12 Nights). For more information, there are flyers available in the back of church.

RCIA...to...OCIA - The main difference...RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is that OCIA is the **NEW** more accurate English translation of the Latin term "*Ordo initiationis christianae adultorum*" The change was approved by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops a few years ago so to reflect the idea that the Catholic journey is a lifelong commitment and journey, not just a one-time event. Below is our parish candidates coming into the Church this Easter Vigil; please keep them in your prayers.



Left to right - Catechumen Elizabeth Ogan and sponsor Joseph Morris. Elizabeth is a senior at Patrick Henry High School and plans to attend Xavier University majoring in Management. Candidate Chris Conner and sponsor Dawn Lane. Missing is his wife, Diana, Catechumen. They married 17 years ago and moved to rural Liberty Center which led them to St. Augustine Parish.

ST. AUGUSTINE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

FULL DAY PRESCHOOL & KINDERGARTEN



Experience our safe environment that emphasizes Christian values while providing a learning environment preparing your child for academic excellence.



FAITH BASED EARLY EDUCATION

PRESCHOOL

- 3-year-old: 2 Full Days a week
- 4-year-old: 3 or 5 Full Days a week
- 5-year-old: 5 Full Days a week
- Learn a letter a week through games and activities
- Daily calendar learning numbers, months, days
- Faith formation weekly Mass
- Specials Classes for Gym, Art and Music
- Fine motor skill activities (gluing, cutting, lacing)
- Weekly visit to School Library

KINDERGARTEN

- 5 Full Days a week
- Daily use of Clevertouch Technology to teach days, months, patterns, and coins
- Phonics Dance program for letter sound development
- Faith formation weekly Mass
- Story time focusing on comprehension
- Motor skill development
- Specials Classes for Gym, Art and Music
- Weekly visit to School Library

Special Education Services available (Intervention, Speech, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy) ~ Affordable onsite Before-care services beginning at 7:00 am & After-care available from 3:15 pm until 6:00 pm ~ Full Tuition Scholarship opportunity beginning in Kindergarten through 8th Grade ~ Strong parent support & involvement ~ Family activities including Spring Musical, Christmas Program, Book Fair & Field Trips!

Call to secure a spot today!

419-592-3641

722 Monroe Street, Napoleon, OH



A GREAT PLACE TO GROW





Join us at the **BOOK FAIR!**

WHEN: APRIL 5 AND 6, 2025

AFTER ALL MASSES

WHERE: ST. AUGUSTINE PARISH

MINISTRY CENTER

We are excited to invite you to our upcoming Scholastic Book Fair! Hosted by our Parents' Club, this event is an opportunity for parishioners of all ages to build their home libraries and further their love of reading. As always, all purchases directly benefit our school, as we receive credit for each purchase to expand our school and classroom libraries.

 **SCHOLASTIC**

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Sun., Mar. 30** Family Catechesis 9:00 - 10:15 a.m.
Venture Bible Study
Life Teen 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
- Tues., Apr. 1** Administrative Meeting 1:00 p.m.
- Wed., Apr. 2** Edge 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.
RCIA 6:30 p.m.
Parents Club 5:30 p.m.
- Thur., Apr. 3** Women's Group Bible Study
6:30 - 7:30 p.m.
- Fri., Apr. 4** First Friday Adoration 9:15 a.m.
Benediction 5:30 p.m.
Fish Fry 5:00 - 6:30 p.m.
Stations of the Cross 7:00 p.m.
- Sat., Apr. 5** Confessions 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Confessions 3:30 p.m.
Rosary 3:55 p.m.
- Sun., Apr. 6** 1st Communion & Confirmation
Classes 9:00 - 10:15 a.m.
Confessions 11:30 a.m.
Life Teen 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

**STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE
PARISH OFFERTORY**

Sunday Collection	\$	6,777.47
On-Line	\$	2,272.00
Easter (to date)	\$	312.00
Dropped Off/Mailed In	\$	508.87
School	\$	2,563.00
Sunday collection year-to-date	\$	304,432.16

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

- Dr. Reynaldo Soriano (73) - 4/1/00
- Dorothy Vocke (81) - 4/1/09
- Hilario "Eddie" Rodriguez (72) - 4/4/24
- Barbara S. Langenderfer (67) - 4/4/09
- Amira J. Gonzalez (0) - 4/4/12
- Natalie J. Gonzalez (0) - 4/4/12

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.

**BECOME ONE OF THE MILLIONS OF MONICAS -
One Hour, One Purpose, Our Children -**

Join with other mothers as we pray to grow in holiness and humility and for our children's faithful return to the Catholic Church. Join us at St. Patrick Catholic Church, Bryan from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. on the first and third Mondays of the month. For more information visit
www.millionsofmonicas.com

FROM THE SCHOOL

I hope you will join us on **Saturday, April 5th @ 7:00 PM** or **Sunday, April 6th @ 2:00 PM** as St. Augustine Catholic School presents, "Alice in Wonderland, Jr.", directed by Mrs. Alain Miller!

Most schools of our size stay away from a Jr. Musical, but we believe our young actors are amazing and very capable. I cannot say enough good things about their dedication to memorizing their lines and difficult songs, all while learning what it takes to be on stage!
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 on-site Before-care beginning at 7:00am and After-care until 6:00pm. We offer scholarships to every student and have multiple financial aid opportunities for all families.

Our Full Day Preschool Program has openings in the 3-year-old class (Tuesday & Thursday) and our 4 or 5-year-old class either Monday, Wednesday, & Friday's or Monday through Friday.

If your child was born before September 30, 2020, he/she is eligible to enroll in our Kindergarten program.

Our Kindergarten Screening is scheduled for April 9th from 9:00 am - 11:00 am.

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

- 3/31 - William Fitzenreiter, Morgan Irving
- 4/1 - Griffin Berg, Harvey Green, Gene Grime, Mark Piasecki, Timothy Speiser
- 4/2 - Mary Carpenter, Christina Corbitt, Aaron Letinski, Randy Schwab, Ryan Stover, Brian Westhoven
- 4/3 - Janet Feffer
- 4/4 - Peg Funchion, Brady Giesige, Jo Schwaiger, Alyssa Sifuentes, Hong Vu
- 4/5 - Erin Black, Dylan Brown, Doug Burgei, Christie Garcia, Curt Hogan
- 4/6 - Charles Behm, Brandon Cramer, Sherry Hogan, Rosella Nicely, Hector Sifuentes III, Matthew Soileau, Nannette Spurgeon

RECENT BAPTISM - Welcome to the newest member of our parish - Laena Luella Maree Gilliland, daughter of Michael and Allison.

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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.