

# Welcome To St. Augustine Catholic Church

ON THE CORNER OF MONROE & E. CLINTON STREETS, NAPOLEON, OHIO 43545

PASTOR: Reverend Jerry Schetter DEACON: Jon Gottron

COORDINATOR OF PARISH MINISTRIES: Laurie Brubaker

## Join us for worship ...

### New Parishioners

Please arrange to register at the Parish Office

**Saturday:** 4:30 p.m. **Sunday:** 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

**Spanish Mass** - On the 1st Sunday of 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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St. Vincent de Paul Society 419-592-0438



## 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



### FAMILY CATECHESIS PROGRAM (FCP) (1-8)

Sunday morning, 9:00 - 10:15 a.m. during school year.

**CO-DIRECTORS** Jen Roth & Regina Fritsch

### ST. Augies Youth (SAY)

High School Youth Group - meets every Sunday at 6:00 p.m. during the school year.

### ST. Augustine Sainthood Seeker (SASS)

Middle School Youth Group - meets on the 2nd Sunday of the month at 5-7pm, and in small groups during the school year.



**PRAYER CHAIN** - Please contact the Parish Office

**BULLETIN DEADLINE** - Tuesday noon

## SACRAMENTS

**BAPTISM** - Schedule instructions, contact Parish Office

**RECONCILIATION** - Saturday at 3:30 p.m. and by appointment Parish Office

**ANointing OF THE SICK** - Notify Parish Office. Sacrament of Anointing will be administered by request along with other sacraments.

**MARRIAGE** - Contact Parish Office to plan for your wedding day at least six months in anticipation. No wedding can take place unless approved by the Pastor.

**OCIA** - For one coming into full communion within the Church call the Parish Office.

**HOLY ORDERS/VOCATIONS** - Contact Parish Office/Pastor

"Saints in the Making" ★★★★★ "Living and Sharing our Faith"

## ***The DEVIL'S BEATITUDES...***

We ALL know the Beatitudes so well... because of them being so highly spoken of in the Gospels by our Lord. But here is a version you may not have heard of...

*"The Devil's Beatitudes"* it has made it's rounds, trust me. It reads as follows:

*Blessed are those who are too tired, too busy, too distracted to spend an hour once a week with their fellow parishioners in Church... for they are my best workers. Blessed are those who wait to be asked and expect to be thanked... for I can use them in my business. Blessed are those who are touchy. Soon they will stop going to church... for they will be my missionaries. Blessed are those who sow gossip and trouble... for they are my beloved children. Blessed are those who have no time to pray... for they are my prey. Blessed are those who when they see evil being done, do nothing... for they are my secret agents. Blessed are you when you think these beatitudes have everything to do with other people and nothing to do with you... I've got room for you in my garden.*

Ah, ah, the devil's beatitudes are certainly not blessing as are *the true beatitudes* that mark the opening of the **Sermon on the Mount** in the Gospels. Rather, these *Devils Beatitudes* are character statements about those who are welcomed guests in the garden of evil.

Yes, children of God should never entertain those statements of godlessness. Also, we should never assume the devil has no interest in us or that we are out of the devil's grasp. Sorry, wherever a human person exists, the devil is surly close by, waiting to lure that person (you and I) away from God. — Fr. Jerry

### **Ministries for the Sunday Liturgies**

**Saturday, February 7, 2026 4:30 p.m.**

Lector: Becky Hilvers  
Servers: Ben and Kate Irving  
Extraordinary: **Volunteers (5)**  
Min. of Com.:

Ushers: Larry Hilvers, Ruth Like

**Sunday, February 8, 2026 8:00 a.m.**

Lector: Jan Neiling  
Servers: Emmett and Cora Coolman  
Extraordinary: Rick Hoffman, Joe Krueger,  
Min. of Com.: Patrick Mauk, Judy Wiles, Volunteer  
Ushers: **Volunteers (2)**

**Sunday, February 8, 2026 10:30 a.m.**

Lector: Regina Fritsch  
Servers: Henry Dotson, Henry and Will Roth  
Extraordinary: Deacon Jon Gottron, Vivian Dominique,  
Min. of Com.: Mary Hoops, Mark Meyer,  
Brenda Piasecki  
Ushers: Chad Roth, Volunteer

**Eucharistic Ministers: Week of February 2, 2026**

**Nursing Home/Homebound: Judy Wiles**

### **Mass Intentions for the Week**

**Saturday, January 31, 2026**

4:30 p.m. - Carolyn Schwab

**Sunday, February 1, 2026**

8:00 a.m. - Lynn Speiser

10:30 a.m. - James and Elizabeth Jackson

1:00 p.m. - Spanish Mass

**Monday, February 2, 2026**

No Service

**Tuesday, February 3, 2026**

8:45 a.m. - Paul Westhoven

**Wednesday, February 4, 2026**

6:00 p.m. - Daniel Mack

**Thursday, February 5, 2026**

8:45 a.m. - Janet Creager

**Friday, February 6, 2026**

8:45 a.m. - Bebe Falgout

**Saturday, February 7, 2026**

4:30 p.m. - Ken Kryling

**Sunday, February 8, 2026**

8:00 a.m. - Dick Denny

10:30 a.m. - Carol Hoeffel

**Tellers: February 9, 2026** — Andy Driskel, Phil Parsons,  
Chris Peddicord, Joanne Westhoven

*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!*

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



## Save the Date

February 2026

Ash Wednesday - 18th

Parish Lenten Mission - 25th

March 2026

St. Pat's Auction - 14th

## Youth Ministry

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



High School Youth Group



Middle School Youth Group

## How Fast Can an Angel Fly?

This is a trick question. After all, we are talking about pure spirits who are without bodies and therefore do not have the limitations that we have. Angels do not move like we do. They aren't bogged down by a sandy beach or bullied by strong winds or even blocked by a wall. Instead of physically running from place to place, as we must, they are present wherever they choose to be, or in other words, wherever their will is acting. Their presence, then, can be instantaneous. St. Thomas Aquinas says, *"An angel can be in one place in one instant and in another place in the next instant, without any time intervening."* So, according to our understanding of *"fast"*—that is, moving from one place to another as quickly as possible... the angels are indeed *fast*. We all believe in the angels, but how much do we really rely on them? That's the most important question!

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## 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](http://www.millionsofmonicas.com)

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## 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.

## St. Augie's Youth (SAY) High School Youth Group

### Upcoming Events:

- Join us for our next series starting this Sunday! This series is called "Set Apart" and we will be diving into the Saints, who they are, and how we might become one.
- Feb 1st - Set Apart pt 3 - Is Sainthood actually possible?
- Feb 8th - Set Apart pt 4 - What does Sainthood look like today?

## St. Augustine Sainthood Seekers (SASS) Middle School Youth Group

Now starting large group events on the 2nd Sunday of the month at 5-7pm! Join us for fun games and faith opportunities. We will end the night with prayer and dinner with SAY. Please gather at the Ministry Center. Open to kids grades 6-8.

### Upcoming Events:

- February 8th - Play & Pray - Among Us & Adoration

## Keep in touch with us!

Text STAUGIE to 84576

or connect with us online at:

[stauginenapoleon.flocknote.com](http://stauginenapoleon.flocknote.com)

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**K OF C FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIP** - The Knights of Columbus Council 1344 will hold its annual Free Throw Championship on Sat., Jan. 31st in the St. Augustine gym. Registration is at 5:45 pm and competition starts after. The contest is open to all boys and girls in the community, ages 9 - 14.

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

**HEALING FOR A CAREGIVER'S HEART** - a retreat designed to bring hope and healing to caregivers. The date is Sat., Feb. 21, 2026 from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. at St. Joseph Parish Ministry Center, 204 W. Wayne St., Maumee, OH 43537. Lunch is included. Register at <https://toledodiocese.regfox.com/caretakers-retreat>. Supported by the Annual Catholic Appeal in partnership with the Diocese of Toledo Accessibility Ministries. Those attending will have an opportunity for Adoration and the Sacrament of Reconciliation. In the event of weather cancellation, make up date is Mar. 28.

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## **WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER**

**WEEKENDS** - As you prepare your hearts for Jesus, consider enriching the gift of your marriage. Apply today at [wwme.org](http://wwme.org) to attend a Catholic Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience at one of these locations: Feb. 6-8 - Procter Camp & Conference Center, London, OH

Feb. 13-15 - Mar Eliya Retreat Center, Oxford, MI

Mar. 13-15 - Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Center, Cincinnati, OH

For more info, contact Amy and Joe at 517-667-0433.

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## **CATHOLIC BUSINESS NETWORK BREAK-FAST: The Power of the Spirit-Led Workplace**

Please join the Catholic Business Network for our next free-will offering breakfast event on Thurs., Feb. 5 at St. John XXIII Parish Life Center Roncalli Hall, Perrysburg. Our speaker is Brad Pierron, Director of Mission Awareness at Damascus, presenting "The Power of the Spirit-Led Workplace." Invite a friend, business associate or family member and register at

<https://CBNBradPierron.eventbrite.com> Optional Masses at St. John XXIII, 24250 N. Dixie Hwy., Perrysburg at 6:30 & 9 am. Doors open at Roncalli Hall at 7:30 am, Breakfast and Networking at 8 am and Program at 9 am. Questions, call Marla at 419-214-4898.

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## **COLLECTION FOR THE CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA**

Thank you for your generous support for last week's Collection for the Church in Latin America. The funds we collected will help share the faith with our brothers and sisters in Latin America and the Caribbean, so they in turn can share the Good News in their communities. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give! Visit [usccb.org/latin-america](http://usccb.org/latin-america). iGive Catholic also accepts funds for this collection if you prefer to donate online.

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**HOMEBOUND VACCINE SERVICE** - Need help to leave your house? Don't let that stop you from staying healthy! The Henry County Health Department can provide in-home vaccinations to you! We have vaccines available for Flu, COVID, Pneumonia, Shingles, and RSV. Call 419-599-5545 or email [www.henrycohd.org](http://www.henrycohd.org)

## **O, Lord...Teach me to Pray!**

How can we help our kids have confidence in approaching God, and assure them they are heard in this conversation with God? While almost every child is comfortable in a conversation with a loving, concerning parent, but then they might feel like they don't have the right words to talk to God. They might feel like they don't have a close enough relationship with God to be able to have a conversation with Him. Possibly because it's the invisible aspect of God. So, first we need to teach them to know how much God loves them.

They may have an unhealthy fear of God or just be afraid that they might say the wrong thing. A child may not understand that prayer is simply a conversation with God...just like that daily conversation with a parent. God wants the same thing...to be close to them and have an intimate and safe, trust-based relationship with them!

That's why teaching children in ways they learn is so important. We both listen and talk when we have a conversation. Prayer starts with the basics...Our Father & Hail Mary prayers. Taking time to both listen to God and talking to God is important too.

Talking to God reminds us that He is in control, He loves us, and He wants to be close to us. It's all part of us having a relationship with Him. Most kids who struggle with prayer question if they are being heard or if they have anything worth saying...of course they do. Jesus reminds us all..."Let the children come to me."

1 John 5:14 says, "This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us." So, helping is teaching, and teaching becomes beneficial.

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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** - Curt Moser will be celebrating his 100th birthday on Feb. 10. If you would like, you can send him a card at 1470 Pray Blvd., Apt. 1, Waterville, Ohio 43566.

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

- Sun., Feb. 1 Family Catechesis Parent and Children Classes 9:00 - 10:15 a.m.  
Blessing of Throats after Masses  
Donut Sunday (Rescheduled from last week) after 10:30 Mass, Gym  
SAY (High School) 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
- Wed., Feb. 4 Parents Club 6:30 p.m.  
OCIA 6:45 p.m.
- Fri., Feb. 6 First Friday Adoration 9:15 a.m.  
Benediction 5:30 p.m.
- Sat., Feb. 7 Confessions 3:30 p.m.  
Rosary 3:55 p.m.
- Sun., Feb. 8 Family Catechesis Sacrament Class 9:00 - 10:15 a.m.  
SASS (Middle School) 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.  
SAY (High School) 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

**STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE  
PARISH OFFERTORY**

Sunday Collection	\$	2,187.00
On-Line	\$	2,087.00
Dropped Off/Mailed In	\$	75.00
School	\$	68.00
Sunday collection year-to-date	\$	233,587.35

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**

Mary Lucille Sherman (89) - 2/2/03

Lillian R. Clark (89) - 2/3/13

Mary Ann Funchion (79) - 2/4/12

Justin S. Reinbolt (28) - 2/5/08

Mary Margaret Allen (92) - 2/7/19

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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**HENRY COUNTY RIGHT TO LIFE MEETING** - the next meeting will be on Mon., Feb. 2, 2026 at St. Paul's Catholic Church basement, Hamler at 7 p.m. Enter at north door. All pro-lifers are encouraged to attend.

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If you have changed your address in the past year, we ask that you notify the parish office with your current mailing address. This will help ensure that your end-of-year tax statement is sent to the correct address. Thank you for your cooperation.

*Serve God with your time, talents and treasures*

**FROM THE SCHOOL**

Please join us in the school gym immediately following the 10:30 a.m. Mass this Sunday, February 1, 2026, for Donut Sunday and an Open House in celebration of Catholic Schools Week! This year's theme, "Catholic Schools: United in Faith and Community," highlights our shared mission of forming students who love God and neighbor, serve others, and grow as responsible citizens of the world. Catholic schools are known for academic excellence intentionally directed toward the growth of the whole child—mind, body, and spirit. Rooted in faith and service, Catholic education enriches society by forming disciples who live out their faith through learning, leadership, and service to others.

Registration for the 2026-27 school year will begin on Monday, February 2, 2026! Current school families will have priority in registration in Preschool through 8<sup>th</sup> grade until Friday, February 27, 2026. Registration will open to St. Augustine Parishioners on Monday, March 2nd, 2026, and will then open to the community on Monday, April 6, 2026. If you know someone who would like information about St. Augustine Catholic School, please have them contact the school office @ 419-592-3641. Thank you!

Blessings to your family,  
Ginny Minnick, Principal

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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

- 2/2 - Danielle Cramer, Juan Garcia, Alberto Mireles, Jodi Stover
- 2/3 - Benigno Briones, Jr., Sage Siclair
- 2/4 - Konnor Gerdeman, Pamela Riedeman
- 2/5 - Kayla Kretz, Derek Vocke, Paige Weirich
- 2/6 - Virgil Bohls, III, Diane Keller, Cesar Martinez, Julio Martinez
- 2/7 - Rozzilynn Lawrence, Rachel Moll, Carmen Rios
- 2/8 - Luke Hardy, Crystal Kretz, Denise Short

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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 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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**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** - The Knights of Columbus are men of action, dedicated to living out their Catholic faith through charity and service. If you're ready to make a positive impact on your parish community, learn more about the Knights of Columbus! Visit [kofc1344nap.com](http://kofc1344nap.com) or contact D.J. Batt. Text 419-769-0176.

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