



# ST. AUGUSTINE CATHOLIC SCHOOL PARENT BULLETIN

February 20, 2026

St. Augustine Catholic School nurtures children in their God-centered faith journey, while promoting academic excellence, individual growth, and life-long service inspired by the Gospel.

St. Augustine does not discriminate on the basis of gender, race, ethnicity, religious affiliation, English proficiency or disability.

## MINNICK'S

The St. Augustine School Spelling Bee was held this week. Our school champions are Ashlyne Minnick and Delaney Black! Both students will participate in the Henry County Spelling Bee, which will be held on March 12th at 7:00 pm. Holgate Local Schools has been chosen as the site for this year's County Spelling Bee, sponsored by the Northwest Signal. Good luck to both of our finalists!

Lent is a sacred season of repentance, renewal, and growth in holiness as we prepare our hearts for the celebration of Christ's Death and Resurrection at Easter. This journey invites us to turn away from sin and draw closer to Christ and to one another. During Lent, our students will participate in the Stations of the Cross each week during the school day. Beginning next week, our entire school community will gather to pray this beautiful devotion. The Stations of the Cross are one of the most meaningful spiritual gifts our students experience at St. Augustine Catholic School, helping them reflect deeply on Christ's love and sacrifice. I feel truly blessed to walk this Lenten journey alongside our students and staff as we grow in faith together!

## ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER & AUCTION

Our 27th Annual St. Pat's Auction will be held this year on Saturday, March 14th, beginning at 5:30 p.m. in the Napoleon American Legion Hall. Not only is it a good time, but it is an awesome event to raise money for our school. If you or your business would like to make a monetary donation or donate an item, please contact the school office. **This year, the Auction Committee is offering tickets at half price to our current parents!** Take advantage of this great opportunity! You can contact the school office to purchase tickets. All reservations are due by March 1, 2026.

## MINUTE

## MIDTERM REPORTS

Your child(ren)'s third-quarter midterm report for grades 1-8 was sent home last week. Please review it with your child, sign it, and return it to the school office.

## 2026-27 SCHOOL REGISTRATION

We have begun our registration for the 2026-27 school year. **Current school families will have priority 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. Registration is being held exclusively on Digital Academy. If you are having trouble logging in or with the registration process, please call the office.

Students entering Kindergarten - 8th Grade are eligible to receive an EdChoice Scholarship. Scholarship forms were sent home. If your student received an EdChoice Expansion Scholarship in our current school year, you are only required to fill out the EdChoice Scholarship Program Renewal Form and supply a current utility or gas bill that includes both the Mailing Address and Service Address. Income verification is not required to renew the EdChoice Scholarship. Families may qualify for low-income status if they choose to have their income verified. Please contact Mrs. Minnick with any questions.

## SCHOLARSHIP DONATION/TAX CREDIT

If you pay Ohio State income taxes, you have a wonderful opportunity to choose where a portion of those dollars goes. Rather than sending your tax dollars to the State of Ohio, the state allows eligible taxpayers to direct some of that money to support St. Augustine Catholic School, helping to provide scholarships that directly benefit our students. Ohio taxpayers may receive a tax credit of up to \$750 for

individuals or \$1,500 for married couples filing jointly. Any qualifying donation, up to these limits, can be credited against the amount you owe the State of Ohio this year when you donate before filing your taxes on April 15, 2026. Please call Mrs. Minnick at the school office with questions. Thank you for your generosity and support!

### **STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

During Lent, our school will celebrate Stations of the Cross every Wednesday. Parents are welcome to join us in the church on the following dates:

Wednesday, February 25, 2026 at 1:40 pm  
Wednesday, March 4, 2026 at 1:00 pm  
Wednesday, March 11, 2026 at 9:10 am  
Wednesday, March 25, 2026 at 12:20 pm  
Wednesday, April 1, 2026 at 9:50 am

### **ATTENDANCE NOTE REMINDER**

We truly appreciate your help in keeping our attendance records up to date! If your child will be absent, please give the office a quick call that morning. When your child returns, send a short note to let us know the reason for the absence. Thank you so much for your cooperation and support!

### **PAYMENTS MADE TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE**

When making payments to the school office, in cash or check, please be aware that the cafeteria account is completely separate from the school account. Therefore, please do not combine these payments. We appreciate your understanding. Also, it is helpful to place the payment in an envelope or a Ziploc bag with your name on it. This ensures that we credit your account accurately.

### **RICE BOWLS**

This year, instead of sending these rice bowls home, we have chosen to collect money in each classroom. As faith communities are gathering across the globe to receive ashes and commit to “turn away from sin and be faithful to the Gospel,” we are reminded that we do not walk our Lenten journey alone. We are meant to live in community, to lift up and support one another—including our sisters and brothers most in need around the world. Visit [crsricebowl.org/join](http://crsricebowl.org/join) to learn more.

### **ST. PATRICK'S DAY APPAREL**

Beginning next week, until St. Patrick's Day, students may wear St. Patrick's Day shirts with their dress code pants. Please refrain from wearing these on Mass days.



### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

- 2/20 Parish Fish Fry 5-6:30 pm
- 2/22 Donut Sunday after 10:30 mass
- 2/23 Optional Parent/Teacher Conferences
- 2/24 9:00 am Author Visit (Kin. - 6th Grade)
- 2/25 1:40 pm Stations of the Cross
- 2/27 8:45 am School Mass  
Parish Fish Fry 5-6:30 pm
- 2/28 First Communion Retreat in Bryan
- 3/1 Confirmation Retreat in Bryan
- 3/2 Second Camp payment due
- 3/3 7:00 pm St. Patrick's Day Auction Meeting
- 3/4 1:00 pm Stations of the Cross  
Parish Lenten Mission 6:00-8:00 pm
- 3/6 8:45 am School Mass (First Friday)  
Parish Fish Fry 5-6:30 pm

### **MENU FOR THE WEEK OF**

**February 23, 2026**

**\*Students have the option to replace the main entree for a peanut butter and jelly sandwich\***

MONDAY - Hot dog/Corn

TUESDAY - Beef enchilada/Spanish rice/Carrots

WEDNESDAY - Hamburger/Baked beans/Carrots

THURSDAY - Chicken nuggets/Green beans

FRIDAY - Tano's cheese pizza/carrots & celery