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SUNDAY MASSES
Saturday at 4:00
Sunday at 7:30,
9:30 & 11:30 am

DAILY MASSES
7:00 am
(Monday - Friday)

CONFESSIONS
Saturday from
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BAPTISMS
First Sunday of the month.
Please call the Rectory
three months prior to
the birth of your child.

MARRIAGE
Please call the Rectory
one year in advance.

DEVOTIONS
Perpetual Novena of Our Lady
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Fridays immediately following
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May & October
Rosary & Latin Benediction
Mondays at 7:00 pm

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THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD– JANUARY 12, 2025

Mass Intentions

Saturday Vigil-The Baptism of the Lord
4:00 PM - 1st Anniversary-Thomas Riley

Sunday, January 12-The Baptism of the Lord
7:30 AM - 21st Anniversary-Dennis J. O'Connor
9:30 AM - 14th Anniversary-John R. Cosentino, Esq.
11:30 AM - Birthday Remembrance-Alfred Feole

Monday, January 13-Weekday
7:00 AM - 49th Anniversary-Anna Rosa

Tuesday, January 14-Weekday
7:00 AM - The People of Saint Augustine Parish

Wednesday, January 15-Weekday
7:00AM - Memorial-Joshua Camara

Thursday, January 16-Weekday
7:00 AM - Memorial-Kevin T. Desrochers

Friday, January 17–Weekday
7:00 AM - Memorial-Margaret Martinelli

Saturday Vigil-The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:00 PM - 2nd Anniversary-Ellie O. Aloia

Sunday, January 19-The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30 AM - 29th Anniversary-Theresa Catoni
9:30 AM - Memorial-Edwin R. Durango
11:30 AM - Memorial-Attilio and Adele Gizzarelli

Parish Giving

Parish Giving is an opportunity to make budget contributions from your bank account or credit/debit card directly to Saint Augustine Church. Go to www.parishgiving.org - click on new member sign up tab and follow the easy instructions. Or use the Giving tab on our new website.

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR PARISH

December 29, 2024 Collection	
Sunday Collection	$.....10,763.30
Electronic Giving	$.....2749.71
TOTAL	$.....13,513.01
Poor Box.....	$.....690.00
Annual Collection.....	$ 2975.00

January 5, 2025 Collection	
Sunday Collection	$.....8,558.52
Electronic Giving	$.....3,178.64
TOTAL	$.....11,737.16
Poor Box.....	$.....870.00
Annual Collection.....	$ 300.00

Dear Parishioners,

This Sunday we culminate the Christmas Season with the celebration of the ***Baptism of the Lord***. Jesus' baptism by St. John the Baptist represents the sanctification of our humanity as the mystery of our redemption in Christ unfolds. His baptism reminds us of the primacy of our own baptism, when we were cleansed of original sin and received new life in the Holy Spirit. Do you know the exact day that you were baptized? It is relatively easy to discover. In an age where looking up one's family ancestry has become more and more common, it is worth looking into, to find out that day in which you became a baptized member of the Body of Christ!

Immediately after the Feats of the Baptism of the Lord we move right into ***Ordinary Time***. It is fitting that we meditate on the extraordinary moments of Christ's life in Ordinary Time and seek to live out more fully our baptismal call to holiness. Seeking to walk with Christ anew as He begins His public ministry, where do we find our Lord calling *us* to follow Him more closely here at St. Augustine's Church? The Church reminds the faithful in every age that we are not merely spectators in the Christian life, but that we participate intimately in the life and ministry of Jesus Christ our Lord.

One area that I would like to personally invite you to participate in is ***Eucharistic Adoration***. Since this past September we have offered ***Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 12:00PM every Friday***. ***The Eucharist remains exposed in the monstrance on the altar until the Benediction or blessing at 5:00pm***. Some Fridays there are many people who come to adore our Lord and pray in sacred silence; they may bring a book or pray the rosary, or simply spend a few minutes in prayer with Jesus. Other times and at certain intervals of those Fridays, we scarcely maintain the two-person minimum necessary to continue this wonderful and amazing devotion. I am convinced that this age-old spiritual practice of Eucharistic Adoration holds the key to parish renewal and personal growth in Christ. Perhaps you would consider "scheduling" a little time to be with Jesus for ½ hour or an hour on Fridays here at St. Augustine Church? It just might be the most significant and transforming decision you will make this year.

Sincerely in Christ,
Fr. Mahar

Be sure to tune in to
Father Mahar's weekly sermons at
www.churchofsaintaugustineprov.org on the
Living Sacrifice podcasts
and share with family and friends!

Religious Education

CCD classes for grades one through six will meet Sunday, January 12 at 10:30am-11:30am in the school cafeteria. Classes for grades one through six will be cancelled Sunday, January 19 in observance of the Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday

Bible Readings for the Week

The Baptism of the Lord
Sunday
Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 40:1-5, 9-11 Ps 29:1-4, 9-10 Acts 10:34-38 or Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7 Lk 3:15-16, 21-22
Monday
Heb 1:1-6 Ps 97:1-2, 6-7, 9 Mk 1:14-20
Tuesday
Heb 2:5-12 Ps 8:2, 5-9 Mk 1:21-28
Wednesday
Heb 2:14-18 Ps 105:1-4, 6-9 Mk 1:29-39
Thursday
Heb 3:7-14 Ps 95:6-11 Mk 1:40-45
Friday
Memorial of Saint Anthony, Abbot
Heb 4:1-5, 11 Ps 78:3-4, 6-8 Mk 2:1-12
Saturday
Heb 4:12-16 Ps 19:8-10, 15 Mk 2:13-17
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Is 62: 1-5 Ps 96:1-3, 7-10 1Cor 12:4-11 Jn 2:1-11

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS

BLOOD DRIVE

St. Augustine Parish

Sunday, February 2, 2025

9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

O'Brien Hall

635 Mt. Pleasant Ave, Providence

In Memory of Victoria Rashid

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Every Friday
Exposition at 12 Noon
Closing Benediction at 5 PM
You are welcome to stop in anytime to visit with Jesus.

If, in the presence of this mystery, reason experiences its limits, the heart, enlightened by the grace of the Holy Spirit, clearly sees the response that is demanded, and bows low in adoration and unbounded love.
Pope St. John Paul II

VOLUNTEER PROJECTIONIST NEEDED

The parish is looking for individuals who can volunteer to be a projectionist for one Mass per month. We are in particular need of projectionists for the 7:30 and 11:30 Masses on Sunday. This is a great way to be involved in the celebration of the Mass and to serve your parish community. Training is available.
For more information, please contact Mr. McGinn at timmcginn66@gmail.com or call 831-3503.

ChristLife

The next segment of the ChristLife series **"Sharing Christ"** will help prepare us to share Jesus Christ with others and invite them to become part of the Church. We will meet on Wednesday, January 15 at 6:30 pm in O'Brien Hall.

"The world needs Christ more than ever, His Salvation, His Merciful Love"
Pope Francis

Right to Life
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Rhode Island Right to Life Pro-Life Team
is seeking Prayer Warriors to pray the Rosary
on Tuesday and Friday mornings 8:30-11:00 am
on site of the Ultrasound Van parked near
Planned Parenthood 175 Broad Street Providence.
Nursing services are provided and nursing volunteers are
always welcomed to assist.

For more information, please contact
Mr. Barth Bracy, Executive Director at (401) 521-1860.

DIOCESE of PROVIDENCE

Roman Catholic Counselors Needed

A growing number of Catholics are asking for counseling that reflects Catholic values and spirituality in addressing their needs and concerns. The Diocese of Providence is hoping to add to our referral list of Catholic-oriented counselors. Those interested should be a practicing Catholic, embrace the teachings of the Catholic Church and have a valid license to practice counseling.
For further information, please contact Peter Magnotta at 401-278-2517 or pmagnotta@dpvd.org.

The Visitation of the Missionary Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe

Friday, January 10 through Friday, January 31, 2025

The Missionary Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe will be visiting our diocese in various parishes throughout Rhode Island from Friday, January 10 through Friday, January 31, 2025. The image is an exact replica of the original image of Our Lady which She left on the Tilma of Saint Juan Diego in December 1531. The image is among four blessed at the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico by the Rector of the Basilica, Msgr. Monroy, to bring conversions, reverence for life, sanctity of the family and solidarity of the Church in America. The Missionary Images are known to have been associated with many miracles and healings.

The schedule and locations are available at the beginning of January by contacting the Diocesan Office of Life and Family Ministry at (401) 278-2518/ LCooey@dpdv.org and by visiting the Diocesan website www.dioceseofprovidence.org/

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This diocesan program helps struggling families who have exhausted all other public and private means to keep their families warm during the Rhode Island winter. If you would like to help families this winter, please send tax-deductible donations to: Keep the Heat On, One Cathedral Square, Providence, RI 02903 or www.heatRI.com to donate online.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
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The Saint Augustine Knights of Columbus will host a coffee hour this Sunday, January 12 after the 9:30AM Mass in O'Brien Hall. Get to know the people you attend Mass with! Parents of CCD students - enjoy a cup of coffee while the kids are in class.

To find out more about becoming a Knight email Mike Geraghty at mjg1geraghty@hotmail.com

COR CHRISTI

The Knights of Columbus Council No. 10557 in conjunction with the Men of St. Joseph are excited to share the implementation of ***Cor***, a new formation and fraternal opportunity for the men of St. Augustine parish. ***Cor*** exists to form and strengthen Catholic men in faith and virtue as missionary disciples by drawing them into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ through prayer, formation and fraternity. Gatherings will be held on the fourth Saturday of each month in the Sheridan room. Next gathering is **January 25th** at 8:30 am. For more information email John Olobri at jolobri2@verizon.net or call 401-338-6534.

MOSJI

Men of St. Joseph

The Saint Augustine chapter of the Men of Saint Joseph will meet Saturday, January 25th at 8:30 am in the Sheridan Room. Join us to strengthen your relationship with the Blessed Trinity through the study of the scriptures & fellowship with other Catholic men.

We always welcome new members.

Please join the St. Augustine Council of the Knights of Columbus, Men of St. Joseph, and our friends at Relevant Radio for the

Five First Saturday Devotions

On the first Saturday of each month from January – May

The Next Devotion will be on Saturday, February 1, 2025

Beginning with Confessions at 3:00 PM – (continuing until 3:45), the Rosary in music & song at 3:00 PM,
15 Minutes of Private Meditation on the Mysteries of the Rosary at 3:30 PM, and
Holy Mass with reception of the Holy Eucharist at 4:00 PM.
This is an opportunity to fulfill the requests of Our Lady of the Rosary at Fatima and obtain all the benefits promised to those who do.

The remaining First Saturday Devotions will be on March 1, April 5, and May 3.

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Knights of Columbus Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest Grade 8 Regional Winner is Juliana Gutkoski. Next up...International Competition!

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