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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
3:00 to 3:45 pm

BAPTISMS
First Sunday of the month.
Please call the Rectory
to make arrangements.

MARRIAGE
Please call the Rectory
one year in advance.

DEVOTIONS
Perpetual Novena of Our Lady
of the Miraculous Medal,
Fridays immediately following
the 7:00 am Mass

May & October
Rosary & Latin Benediction
Mondays at 7:00 pm

INTERCESSORY PRAYER
staug4prayer@gmail.com

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
Fridays 12 Noon to 5 pm

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Mass Intentions

Saturday Vigil-The Second Sunday of Lent

4:00 PM - William and Antonette Menna-Memorial

Sunday, March 16-The Second Sunday of Lent

7:30 AM - The People of Saint Augustine Parish

9:30 AM - Amedeo Paci-Birthday Memorial

11:30 AM - Nicola and Francesca Gizzarelli-Memorial

Monday, March 17-Lenten Weekday

7:00 AM - The People of Saint Augustine Parish

Tuesday, March 18-Lenten Weekday

7:00 AM - Hugh Sr., Hugh Jr., and Ann Morris Memorial

Wednesday, March 19-Lenten Weekday

7:00 AM - Edward V. Chavez-Memorial

Thursday, March 20-Lenten Weekday

7:00 AM - Anne Morrisroe-2nd Anniversary

Friday, March 21–Lenten Weekday

7:00 AM - Dorothy Sormanti-15th Anniversary

Saturday Vigil-The Third Sunday of Lent

4:00 PM - William and Antonette Menna-Memorial

Sunday, March 23-The Third Sunday of Lent

7:30 AM - The People of Saint Augustine Parish

9:30 AM - Amedeo Paci-Birthday Memorial

11:30 AM - Nicola and Francesca Gizzarelli-Memorial

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HELP US TO UPDATE OUR PARISH RECORDS

If you have moved or changed your phone number please call 831-3503 or email staugprov@verizon.net.

March 8-9, 2025 Collection	
Sunday Collection	$.....9,915.19
Electronic Giving	$.....2,834.11
TOTAL	$.....12,749.30
Poor Box.....	$.....467.00

A Letter From Our Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

Having grown up and lived most of my life here in New England, I am more than familiar with the storms that come with regular frequency. It is for good reason that the weather services call the severe storms that happen here in winter "Nor' Easters." We had a fairly serious storm back in December, with heavy rain and severe high winds. One particularly strong gust of wind took down the statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary that stands in the middle of our parking lot! Our school principal and several students helped bring Our Lady, who was a little broken up by the fall, into safe shelter. From there we began the necessary steps towards restoration and the time when we could return Our Lady to her proper pedestal.

As you can clearly see, Our Lady is back in her place and she looks better than ever! I am very grateful to the parishioner who helped restore the statue, Catholic Mutual who insures us, and a very thoughtful and generous parishioner who covered the deductible. Teamwork makes the dream work!

Maybe this Lent you or your family are experiencing one of those storms of life that happen to us all from time to time. It might not be a "Nor' Easter," but chances are that if you have experienced one of those unexpected setbacks or challenges then you might feel like the statue of Our Lady back in December: shaken up, fallen and a bit broken. One of the classic lines that counselors say we should never use is the platitude "I know how you feel." We never really know exactly what another person is feeling, especially when they are experiencing the storms of life. But Mary does. She who was so closely united with her Son and stood by Him at the foot of the cross knows what it is like to suffer and to struggle, and she can also teach us how to have hope.

I have heard from several people at the school and the parish that have been moved to tears at seeing the statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary restored and placed back in our parking lot. In truth, Our Lady never leaves us and she is always standing by the side of her Son, interceding for us. Entrust yourself and your family to her, knowing that she loves us very much and will always be our Mother.

Sincerely in Christ,

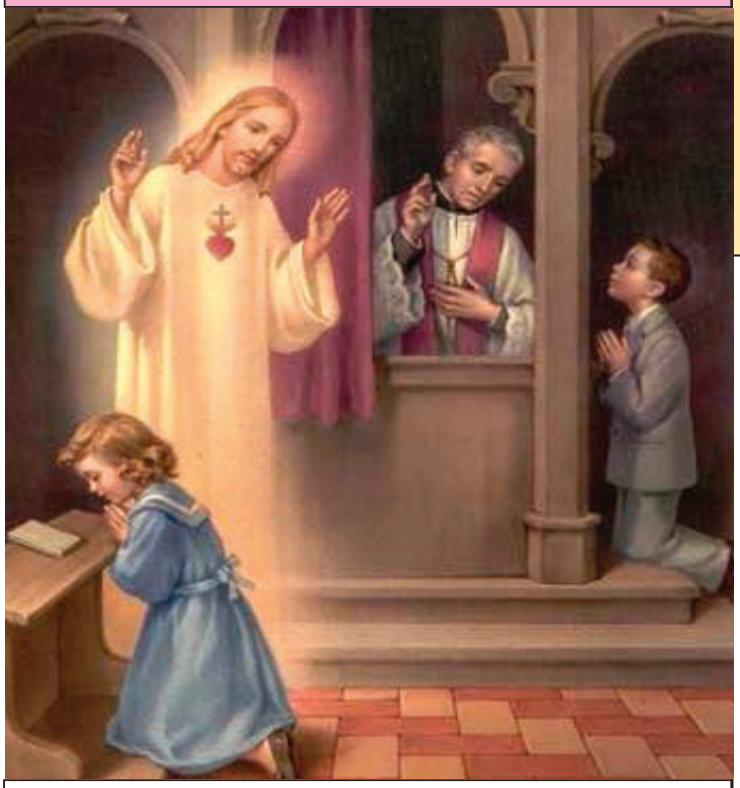
Fr. Mahar

Be sure to tune in to
Father Mahar's weekly sermons at
www.churchofsaintaugustineprov.org on the
Living Sacrifice podcasts

Faith Formation

CCD Classes for grades one through six will meet this Sunday, March 16 from 10:30am to 11:30am in the school cafeteria.

Please keep our First Communicants in your prayers to encounter the mercy and love of Christ during the celebration of their First Penance on Sunday March 16



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 Saturday Vigil at 4:00pm and 11:30am Mass 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 Faith Sharing

Wednesdays 6:30-7:30pm
March 19, April 16, May 21 and June 18
O'Brien Hall

ChristLife has not been a "once and done program" but rather a change in mindset for the New Evangelization.
Come and spur one another on "to love and good works". Hebrews 10:24

Stations of the Cross

Fridays of Lent 7:00 PM

"We adore You, O Christ, and we praise You. Because by Your Holy Cross You have redeemed the world"

Dive into this ancient and powerful meditation on the sacrifice of Jesus and it will change your life.

Readings for the Week of March 16

The Second Sunday of Lent
Gn 15:5-12, 17-18 Ps 27: 1, 7-9,13-14 Phil 3: 17-4: 1 Lk 9: 28-36

Monday of the Second Week of Lent
Dan 9: 4-10 Ps79: 8-9, 11, 13 Lk 6: 36-38

Tuesday of the Second Week of Lent
Is 1: 10, 16-20 Ps 50: 8-9, 16-17, 21, 23 Mt 23: 1-12

Solemnity of Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary
2Sam 7: 4-5, 12-14, 16 Ps 89: 2-5, 27, 29 Rom 4: 13. 16 -18, 22 Mt 1: 16, 18-21, 24

Thursday of the Second Week of Lent
Jer 17: 5-10 Ps 1: 1-4, 6 Lk 16: 19-31

Friday of the Second Week of Lent
Gn 37: 3-4, 12-13, 17-28 Ps 105: 16-21 Mt 21: 33-43, 45-46

Saturday of the Second Week of Lent
Mi 7: 14-15, 18-20 Ps 103: 1-4, 9-12 Lk 15: 1-3, 11-32

The Third Sunday of Lent
Ex 3: 1-8, 13-15 Ps 103: 1-4, 6-8, 11 1Cor 10: 1-6, 10-12 Lk 13: 1-9

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

If you have a prayer request
Email - **staug4prayer@gmail.com**

Your intention will not be published but will be prayed for by the St. Augustine intercessors. If you would like to become an intercessor, email Kathy Hollenbeck at the above email for more information.

Adoration and Faith Sharing

Fridays beginning March 21
3:30 - 4:15pm in O'Brien Hall

33 Days to Eucharistic Glory by Matthew Kelly is an invitation to participate in a sacred journey -a spiritual pilgrimage - the first Eucharistic Consecration. And what pilgrimage is complete without companions? Share this life-changing experience with others and together you will form a very special bond. There's no better way to encourage and challenge one another to walk toward Eucharistic Glory –toward Heaven.

Join us every Friday beginning March 21.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
30 Minute Meditation
Benediction

March 17: Fr. Christopher Mahar
"Saint Patrick and the Light of Hope"

March 24: Fr. Patrick Ryan
"The Necessary Virtue of Hope"

Parish Mission with Fr. Nathan Ricci

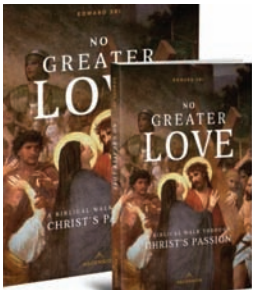
"Seeking Virtue with Saint Joseph our Guide"

March 31: "Joseph, the Saint of Fortitude"
April 1: "Joseph, the Saint of Humility"
April 2: "Joseph, the Saint of Chastity"

April 7: Fr. Yacob Raju Garikimukkula

No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion

Filmed on location in the Holy Land, ***No Greater Love*** is a biblical pilgrimage that reveals Christ's amazing love for us. Dr. Edward Sri guides us through the last hours of Jesus' life, from the Garden of Gethsemane to Mount Calvary. Every step of the way, Old Testament prophecies, messianic expectations, biblical symbolism, and historical context shed light on the mystery of Christ's suffering and death.
Experience a deeper understanding and appreciation of God's immeasurable and unconditional love for you. Grow closer to Jesus than you ever have before.



O'Brien Hall
Tuesdays 6:30-8:00pm
March 18, March 25, April 8 and April 15

"No Greater Love" Study Set available for purchase at ascensionpress.com/collections/no-greater-love
Parish assistance is available for this purchase.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
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The Saint Augustine Knights of Columbus will host a coffee hour Sunday, March 23 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. The next gathering will be announced soon.

For more information email John Olobri at jolobri2@verizon.net or call 401-338-6534.

Men of St. Joseph

MOSJI

The Saint Augustine chapter of the Men of Saint Joseph would like to invite new members to join us to strengthen our relationship with the Blessed Trinity through the study of the scriptures & fellowship with other Catholic men. The next meeting is Saturday, March 29 at 8:30am in the Sheridan Room.

We always welcome new members.

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MOSJI

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 Fourth Devotion will be on Saturday, April 5, 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.

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It's time to order your St. Augustine 2025 Yearbook!

Orders are placed online only.
The deadline is Monday, March 31.
Grade 8 students do not need to purchase a yearbook, as it's been ordered for them.

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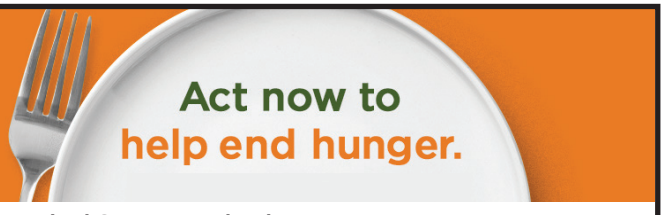

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