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

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7:00 am
(Monday - Friday)

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Saturday from
3:00 to 3:45 pm

### BAPTISMS
First Sunday of the month.
Please call the Rectory
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### MARRIAGE
Please call the Rectory
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### DEVOTIONS
Perpetual Novena of Our Lady
of the Miraculous Medal,
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### INTERCESSORY PRAYER
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# THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER– MAY 18, 2025

## Mass Intentions

**Saturday Vigil-The Fifth Sunday of Easter**
4:00 PM - Joseph Lezon, Jr.-18th Anniversary
Patricia Lezon-1st Anniversary

**Sunday, May 18-The Fifth Sunday of Easter**
7:30 AM - Anthony J. Petisce, Sr.-Memorial
9:30 AM - Joseph and Germaine Aguilera-Memorial
11:30 AM - Anthony Joseph, Jr.-2nd Anniversary

**Monday, May 19-Easter Weekday**
7:00 AM - Isaiais Couto-Memorial

**Tuesday, May 20-Easter Weekday**
7:00 AM - Anthony Joseph, Jr.-2nd Anniversary

**Wednesday, May 21-Easter Weekday**
7:00 AM - The People of Saint Augustine Parish

**Thursday, May 22-Easter Weekday**
7:00 AM - Patricia Caparco-3rd Anniversary

**Friday, May 23-Easter Weekday**
7:00 AM - A Special Intention

**Saturday Vigil-The Sixth Sunday of Easter**
4:00 PM - A Special Intention

**Sunday, May 25-The Sixth Sunday of Easter**
7:30 AM - Angela Fanelli-Memorial
9:30 AM - Albert Lupo-26th Anniversary
Eva Lupo-30th Anniversary
11:30 AM - Amani Chambe-Birthday Memorial

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**May 10-11, 2025 Collection**

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| Sunday Collection ..... | $.....9,081.68 |
| Electronic Giving ..... | $.....2,394.42 |
| TOTAL | $.....11,476.10 |
| Poor Box..... | $.....386.00 |

## *Dear Parishioners,*

*Habemus Papem!* We have a Pope! I was in the rectory on May 8 when I saw the white smoke pouring out of the chimney of the Sistine Chapel. Earlier that day I had met with the 8th Graders to discuss the Conclave, and so I made my way back to the classroom to watch the announcement with them. Like so many others, I was stunned when the Cardinal Dean announced that the newly elected Vicar of Christ was an American! I would like to point out just a few ways that I believe we are blessed to be connected to Leo XIV as a parish community.

Firstly, Pope Leo XIV is an American who grew up in a parish like ours in the city of Chicago. He attended Mass at St. Mary of the Assumption and went to the parish school there. He sang in the choir and served as an altar boy, just like so many of our own students here at St. Augustine's. Our new Pope also studied at an American university, Villanova. He later taught physics and math at St. Rita of Cascia High School in Chicago.

Discerning a call to the priesthood at a young age, Robert Prevost joined the Order of St. Augustine and was ordained a Catholic priest for the Augustinians. The teachings of our parish patron are dear to him. He quoted one of St. Augustine's famous homilies from the balcony of St. Peter's on the day of his election to the See of Peter: ***"With you I am a Christian, for you I am a bishop."*** On Pope Leo's coat of arms is the image of a heart on fire, pierced with an arrow, resting on a closed book. It symbolizes the theology and conversion of our parish patron, St. Augustine.

Fr. Prevost went on to serve as a missionary in Peru, later returning there to serve as a bishop before Pope Francis called him back to Rome to become the Prefect for the Dicastery for Bishops. This is one of the most important Vatican offices, and the prefect is charged with the responsibility of choosing and appointing bishops for the dioceses around the world. ***One of his last decisions would have been the assignment Bishop Bruce Lewandowski to the Diocese of Providence as our new Ordinary!***

The choosing of a name is a very significant decision for a new Pope, and our new Holy Father has chosen to align himself with Pope Leo the Great and Pope Leo XIII, both courageous pontiffs who knew how to hold their own in dialogue with the world they lived in. Leo XIII is known especially for his Encyclical Letter, Rerum Novarum, in which he confronted the challenges of the Industrial Revolution and championed the rights of workers. We can and should expect great things from our new Holy Father. Let us thank God for him, and offer our prayerful and wholehearted support for Pope Leo XIV!

***Sincerely in Christ,***
***Fr. Mahar***

## Marian Devotions

Join us in the Church
May 19 and May 26
7:00pm
Exposition of the
Blessed Sacrament
Rosary
Benediction

## UNDER CONSTRUCTION

After many months of preparation and planning we are finally ready to break ground and begin our project for the parking lot and the elevator! ***The construction company will begin on <u>MAY 19</u> by fencing off the entire front section of our back parking lot, from the statue of Our Lady to the back door of the Church***. This will block roughly 40 parking spaces in our parking lot, so we will have to plan accordingly. ***The parking spaces at the rear of the parking lot, beyond the statue of Our Lady, are available***. You may walk around the school or around the rectory and enter the Church in the front while construction continues. ***Due to the fencing and ongoing construction, the back entrance of the Church will not be accessible for several months***. We will continue to keep you updated here on a regular basis as the project progresses.

***We have artist renderings on display in the Foyer of the finished project for both the parking lot and elevator***. Please take a moment to look over these drawings, which reveal the conclusion of this beautiful project. I would also invite you to please pray for the success of this construction project and for all the many people who will benefit.

As a final note, ***please be patient with this work as it will constitute a disruption from our normal routine here at St. Augustine for several months***. Handicap access and a new elevator will be a great blessing for us here, but it will take time and sacrifice to make that happen. I would like to thank you in advance for your patience and support.

***In Christ,***

***Fr. Mahar***

*Please pray for our First Communicants who will be receiving the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Christ for the first time this Sunday, May 18 at 1:00pm.*

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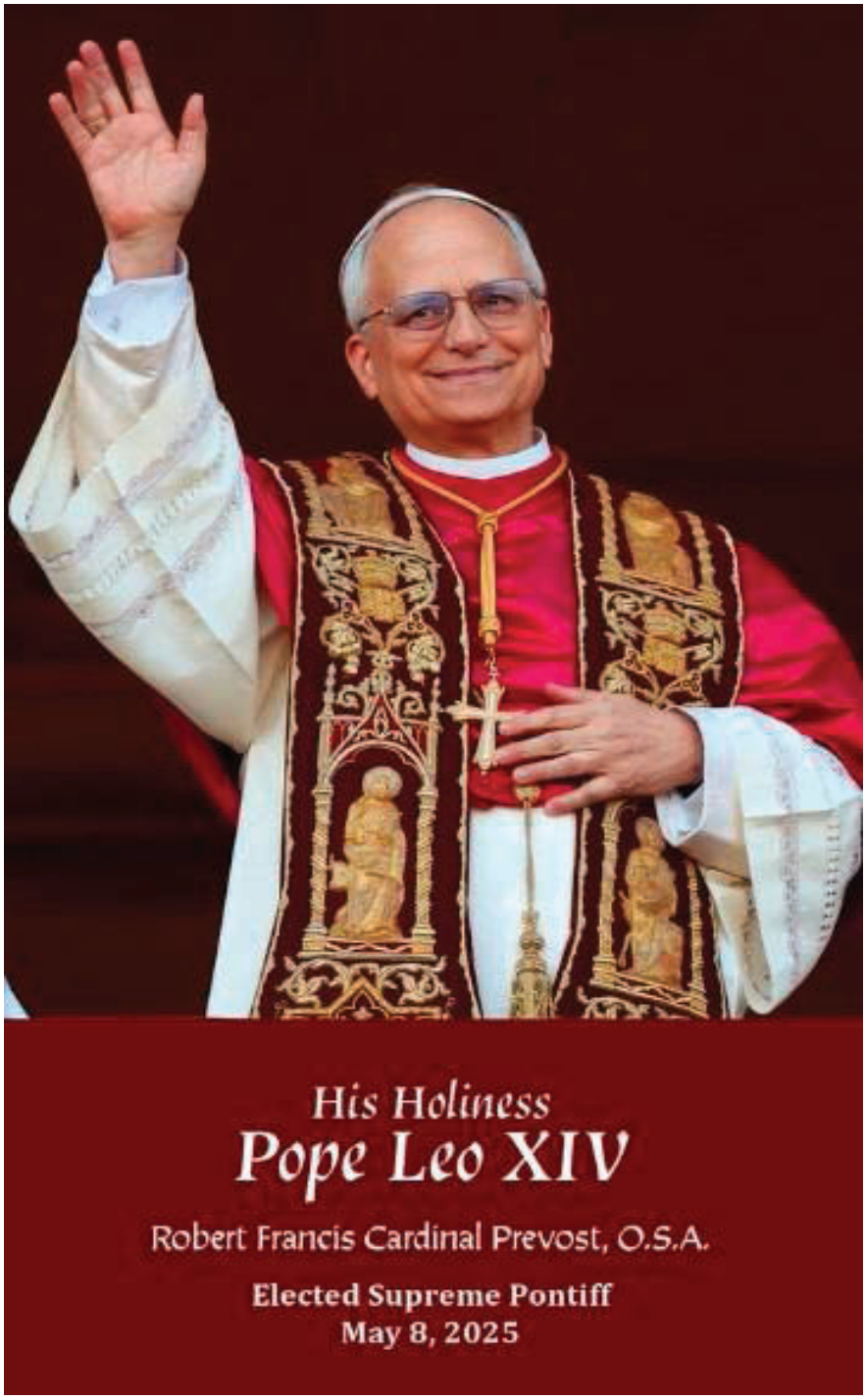
| Brayden Adams | Adrian Elsner |
| Rosalina Bernal | Beckham Lepore |
| Bryan Caceres | Ava McLynch |
| Jackson Corey | Angelina Mello |
| Joseph Corey | Ahrel Messon |
| Antonio DaSilva | Magda Rojas |
| Adriano De Leon Severino | Isabella Santagata |
| Giovanni DiGregorio | Isaac Santana |
| Nicholas Discullio | Lincoln Wilczewski |

## Readings for the Week of May 18

**Saturday-Easter Weekday**
Acts 13:44-52 Ps 98:1-4 Jn 14:7-14
**Sunday-The Fifth Sunday of Easter**
Acts 14:21-27 Ps 145:8-13 Rev 21:1-5 Jn 13:31-35
**Monday-Easter Weekday**
Acts 14: 5-18 Ps 115:1-4, 15-16 Jn 14:21-26
**Tuesday-Easter Weekday**
Acts 14:19-28 Ps 145:10-13, 21 Jn 14:27-31
**Wednesday-Easter Weekday**
Acts 15:1-6 Ps 122:1-5 Jn 15:1-8
**Thursday-Easter Weekday**
Acts 15:7-21 Ps 96:1-3, 10 Jn 15:9-11
**Friday-Easter Weekday**
Acts 15: 22-31 Ps 57:8-10, 12 Jn 15:12-17
**Saturday-Easter Weekday**
Acts 16: 1-10 Ps 100:1-3, 5 Jn 15: 18-21
**Sunday-The Sixth Sunday of Easter**
Acts 15: 1-2, 22-29 Ps 67: 2-3, 5-6, 8 Rev 21:10-14, 22-23 Jn 14:23-29

# “Peace Be With You”




**“Dearest Brothers and Sisters,**
**This is the first greeting of the Resurrected Christ,**
**the Good Shepherd who has given up His life for God. And I should also like this greeting of Peace to enter our hearts and families and all peoples, wherever they are throughout the world. Peace be with you.**
**This is the Peace of the Resurrected Christ…a humble and perseverant peace which comes from God who loves us all unconditionally.”**

# 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 on **Saturday, May 24** at 8:45am in the Sheridan Room.

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

## Men of St. Joseph

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, May 24** at 8:45am in the Sheridan Room.

**We always welcome new members!**

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
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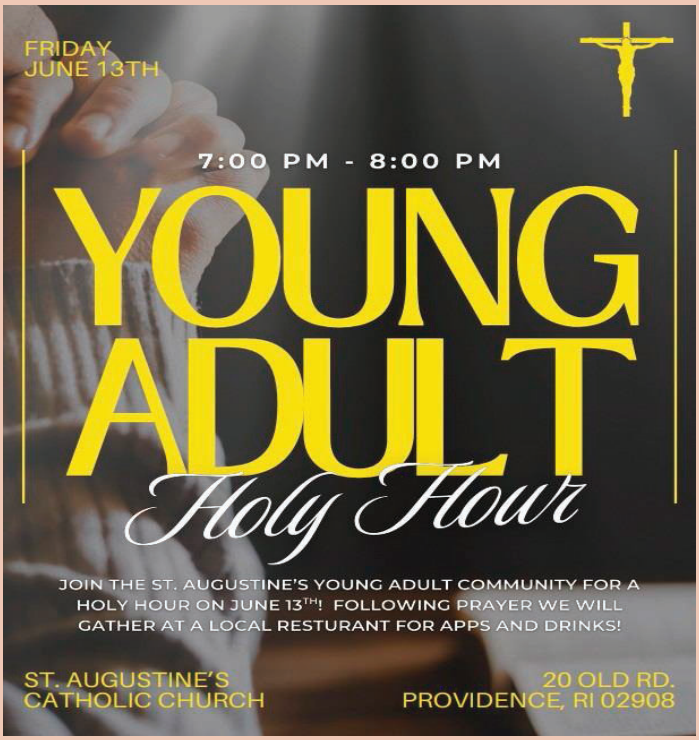
The Saint Augustine Knights of Columbus will host a coffee hour **Sunday, May 18** after the 9:30AM Mass in O'Brien Hall. Get to know the people you attend Mass with! Parents of CCD students - enjoy a cup of coffee while the kids are in class.

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

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## Father Mahar visits Grade 8

### He taught us everything we needed to know about the Conclave

### ...and that very afternoon... Habemus Papam!!!

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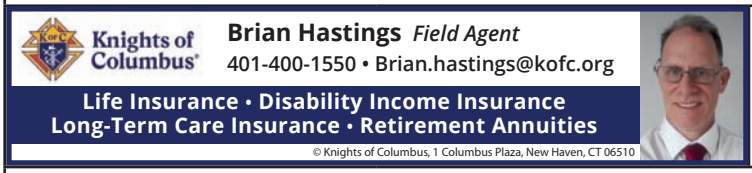


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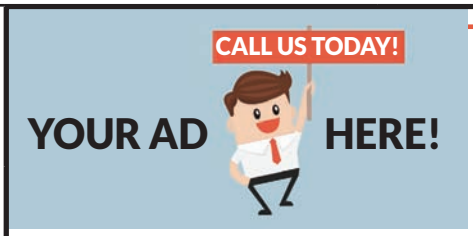


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