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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
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EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
Fridays 12 Noon to 5 pm

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Mass Intentions

Saturday Vigil-The Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM - Memorial-Bud and Helen Reilly

Sunday, August 31-The Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM - Memorial-Michael Cimini

9:30 AM - Birthday Memorial-Hobie Shackford

11:30 AM - Memorial-William and Angelina Ruggerio and Deceased Members of the Ruggerio Family

Monday, September 1-Weekday

7:00 AM - 5th Anniversary-Louise Antonelli

Tuesday, September 2-Weekday

7:00 AM - The People of Saint Augustine Parish

Wednesday, September 3-Memorial of Saint Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

7:00 AM - Memorial-Deceased Members of the Antonelli and Pitochelli Families

Thursday, September 4-Weekday

7:00 AM - 1st Anniversary-Joshua Camara

Friday, September 5-Memorial of Saint Teresa of Calcutta, Virgin

7:00 AM - Memorial-Edward V. Chavez

Saturday Vigil-The Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM - Memorial-Joseph and Pasqualina Scorpio and Silvio and Justine DelMastro

Sunday, September 7-The Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM - Birthday Memorial-Aristedes Magallanes

9:30 AM - 8th Anniversary-Robert Mann, Jr.

11:30 AM - Memorial-Luigi and Marguerite Giorgi and Month's Mind-Thomas A. Papa

The Office will be closed on Monday, September 1 in observance of the Labor Day holiday.

August 23-24, 2025 Collection	
Budget Envelopes	$.....4,045.63
Electronic Giving	$.....2,532.75
TOTAL	$.....6,578.38
Poor Box.....	$.....398.00

Dear Parishioners,

This Friday we celebrate the Feast Day of one of the greatest saints in modern times, ***St. Teresa of Calcutta.*** Born in Skopje (Northern Macedonia) in 1910, she joined the Sisters of Loreto in Ireland at the age of 18. Within a year she went on her first missionary trip to India, arriving in Calcutta for the first time. She could not have imagined then how that city would change her life, nor how her life would change that city. In 1931 she made her First Profession of Vows and was subsequently assigned to teach at St. Mary's School for girls. In 1937 she made her Final Profession of Vows and from that moment became known as Mother Teresa. In 1944 she became the principal of the school for girls where she was teaching, but in 1946 she had an experience that changed her life forever. She was riding on a train from Calcutta to Darjeeling to make her annual retreat. It was then that she heard the voice of God calling out to her, *"Come, be my light."* She would later write, *"God gave me the 'call within a call' to satiate the thirst of Jesus by serving Him in the poorest of the poor."*

St. Mother Teresa went on to found the ***Missionaries of Charity***, an international religious order that serves the poorest of the poor across the globe. She was fond of saying that the sick and the suffering, those with diseases and afflictions of a thousand kinds, are simply "Jesus in a distressing disguise." One of my favorite stories about St. Teresa tells of how she was once visited by a wealthy donor in Calcutta. When he saw her caring for the sick covered in disease and decay, he said, "Mother, I wouldn't do the work that you do for a million dollars." She smiled at him and replied, "Neither would I."

In my time serving at the Vatican, I had the privilege of celebrating Mass for the Missionaries of Charity (affectionately known as the MCs) in Rome once a week. I was Father Thursday! The convent where I celebrated Mass was part of a larger house for unwed mothers and women in distress. I learned so much from those holy MCs and miss them dearly. This Friday, when we celebrate the Feast Day of their Mother Foundress, do keep them in your prayers and know that they are doing great work among God's people.

St. Teresa of Calcutta was once challenged for her insistence on having the sisters spend one hour minimum before the Blessed Sacrament in Adoration before they began their daily ministry. She was asked, "Why not use that hour in service of Jesus instead of wasting it in prayer?" Her response: *"Unless my sisters come to recognize Jesus here in the Blessed Sacrament, they will never truly recognize Him in the poorest of the poor."* May we also come to see Jesus in Adoration, and then come to recognize Him everywhere!

Sincerely in Christ,
Fr. Mahar

The future of our Church lies in the catechesis of our children today. The Religious Education Office is in need of a teacher who is willing to share their love of the faith with our fourth and sixth grade CCD children. Please prayerfully consider if the Lord is calling you to this crucial ministry.
For more information, contact Mr. McGinn at 831-3503 or email **timmcginn66@gmail.com**.

CCD classes for all public school students in grades one through nine will begin Sunday, September 21 at 10:30am.
Online registration is now available.
Please contact the Religious Education Office at 831-3503
Or email **timmcginn66@gmail.com** to register.
In-person registration will be available Sunday, September 7 after the 9:30 and 11:30am Masses only.
In-person registration will be available Saturday, September 13 after the 4:00pm Mass and Sunday, September 14 after the 9:30 and 11:30am Masses only.

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults is the process through which those adults seeking to enter fully into the Catholic Church may do so. If you have not been baptized or have been baptized into a non-Catholic faith and have yet to receive the sacraments of Holy Communion or Confirmation, then OCIA is the path to continue this journey into the Catholic faith. Classes begin in early October. For more information, contact Mr. Tim McGinn at 831-3503 or email **timmcginn66@gmail.com.**

VOLUNTEER PROJECTIONIST NEEDED

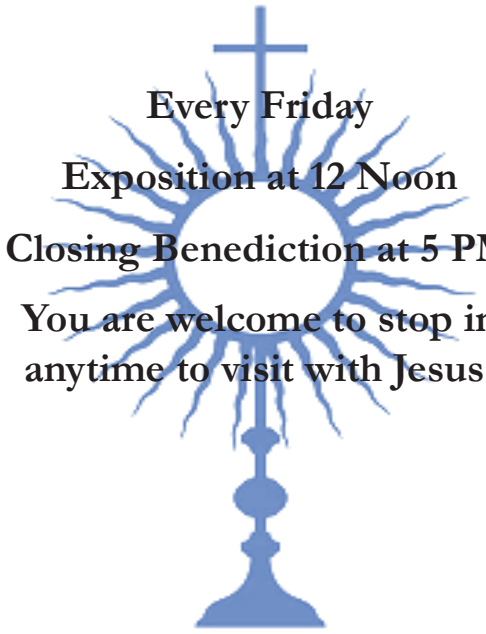
The parish is looking for individuals who can volunteer to be a projectionist for one Mass per month. We are in particular need of projectionists for the Saturday Vigil at 4:00pm and 11:30am Mass on Sunday. This is a great way to be involved in the celebration of the Mass and to serve your parish community. Training is available.
For more information, please contact Mr. McGinn at timmcginn66@gmail.com or call 831-3503.

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, contact Kathy Hollenbeck at the above email for more information.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION



Every Friday

Exposition at 12 Noon

Closing Benediction at 5 PM

You are welcome to stop in anytime to visit with Jesus.

Let Jesus, present in the Blessed Sacrament,
speak to your hearts.
It is He who is the true answer of life that you seek.

Pope Saint John Paul II

Readings for the Week of August 31

Sunday
The Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29 Ps 68:4-7, 10-11
Heb 12:18-19, 22-24 Lk 14:1, 7-14
Monday
1 Thess 4:13-18 Ps 96:1, 3-5, 11-13 Lk 4:16-30
Tuesday
1 Thess 5:1-6, 9-11 Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday
Memorial of Saint Gregory the Great,
Pope and Doctor of the Church
Col 1:1-8 Ps 52:10-11 Lk 4:38-44
Thursday
Col 1:9-14 Ps 98:2-6 Lk 5:1-11
Friday
Memorial of Saint Teresa of Calcutta, Virgin
Is 58:6-11 Ps 34:2-11 Mt 25:31-46
Saturday
Col 1:21-23 Ps 54:3-4, 6, 8 Lk 6:1-5
Sunday
The Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Wis 9:13-18 Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17 Phil 9-10, 12-17
Lk 14:25-33

Saturday, August 30-Sunday, August 31

At the request of Bishop Bruce Lewandowski
a Special Collection will be taken
at all Masses this weekend
to provide humanitarian relief and pastoral support
for our affected brothers and sisters in Gaza
and surrounding areas in the Middle East.

This is a voluntary collection, but please prayerfully consider the seriousness of this crisis.

Our Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV, continues to call for a cease fire and for aid, noting with great sorrow that "Gaza is starving".

"May Mary, Queen of Peace, intercede so that people may find the path of peace."

2026 MASS INTENTIONS

MAY BE SCHEDULED
STARTING SEPTEMBER 2

Guidelines for Scheduling Masses

A Mass may be scheduled in memory of
a person who is living or deceased or a special intention
appropriate to the celebration of the Eucharist.
There are a limited number of Masses available each year,
so each household may request a maximum of 8 Masses-
3 weekend Masses and 5 weekday Masses.
Mass Cards are also available at the parish office.
While the intention is not announced, the Holy Sacrifice of
the Mass is still being offered for your intention.
Please call the Office at 831-3503.

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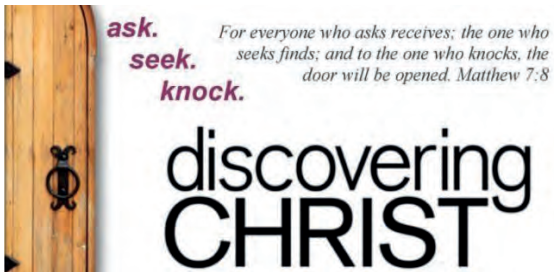
The Saint Augustine Knights of Columbus will host a coffee hour Sunday, **September 21** after the 9:30am Mass in O'Brien Hall. Get to know the people you attend Mass with! Parents of CCD students - enjoy a cup of coffee while the kids are in class.

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

For those who have registered,
the first session of



will meet in O'Brien Hall
September 18, 2025
6:30pm - 8:00pm

Refreshments served!

See you there!
It's not too late to register.

Call the office at 831-3503.

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, September 27** 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 International

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 and fellowship with other Catholic men. The next gathering will be on **Saturday, September 27** at 8:45am in the Sheridan Room.

We always welcome new members!

Saint Augustine/ Saint Monica Celebration!

CHOIR REHEARSALS RESUME WED SEPT 17

7PM – 830PM

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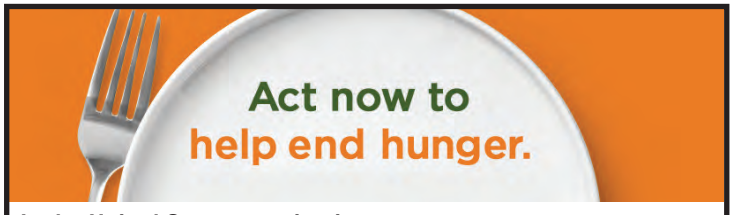

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