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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
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one year in advance.

DEVOTIONS
Perpetual Novena of Our Lady
of the Miraculous Medal,
Fridays immediately following
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May & October
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Mondays at 7:00 pm

INTERCESSORY PRAYER
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Fridays 12 Noon to 5 pm

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Mass Intentions

Saturday Vigil-The Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:00 PM - Memorial-Richard and Joyce Brassard

Sunday, October 19-The Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30 AM - Memorial-William and Marie Lonardo
9:30 AM - 4th Anniversary-Hobie Shackford
11:30 AM - 11th Anniversary-Viola E. DiMeglio

Monday, October 20-Weekday
7:00 AM - The People of Saint Augustine Parish

Tuesday, October 21-Weekday
7:00 AM - Memorial-Alice and Virginia Herchen

Wednesday, October 22-Weekday
7:00 AM - Memorial-Rocco Doti, Jr.

Thursday, October 23-Weekday
7:00 AM - A Special Intention

Friday, October 24-Weekday
7:00 AM - 1st Anniversary-Alex DeLeon

Saturday Vigil-Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:00 PM - Memorial-Gaetano Proto and Viola Proto

Sunday, October 26-Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30 AM - 4th Anniversary-Barbara V. Primeau
9:30 AM - Memorial-Domenic and Rose Gazzero
11:30 AM - Birthday Memorial-Christina Zannelli

Annual Collection 2025

This year's Annual Collection will be taken up at all Masses on the weekend of October 25 and 26. All donations will fund the replacement of our Air Conditioning System. You may also mail your gift to the rectory using the ANNUAL COLLECTION envelope bearing your name and budget number to ensure proper credit. With gratitude for your generosity to Saint Augustine Church.

October 11-12, 2025 Collection

Sunday Collection	$..... 7,548.98
Electronic Giving	$.....2,292.14
TOTAL	$..... 9,841.12
Building and Maintenance	$.....2,507.00
Poor Box	$..... 288.00

Dear Parishioners,

It was just around this time two years ago that my book, ***"Finding God in Suffering,"*** was released by *Pauline Books and Media*. Writing the book was an amazing journey and it has been equally rewarding to hear back from so many people who have found it helpful for their spiritual lives. At some point I think that exploring ***"Finding God in Suffering"*** in a Book Club here at St. Augustine's would be helpful, and the chapters of the book already have their own reflection questions. We'll see!

I am excited to share with you two new developments that have come from ***"Finding God in Suffering"*** only recently. Several months ago, *Pauline Books and Media* contacted me with the idea of filming a video series on redemptive suffering in order to promote the book and help people who struggle with the question of evil. I worked with a team from *Pauline Books and Media* for several days last week and the week before in Boston and the series is now being edited. It should be available for release just in time for Lent in February of 2026. Another surprise happened only last week. I received the news that my publisher has decided to release an Audiobook of ***"Finding God in Suffering,"*** and that it would also be ready for Lent 2026. Some of you know that my nephew, Devin, is blind; he comes to Mass here frequently with my sister. He will finally be able to listen to the book and I very much look forward to his feedback. Devin always has something interesting to say!

For all of us the mystery of redemptive suffering is more than just a book or a topic to discuss. It can be a painful and challenging reality that leaves us with more questions than answers. The Catechism of the Catholic Church #309 offers an answer that is both difficult and consoling at the same time:

"If God the Father almighty, the Creator of the ordered and good world, cares for all his creatures, why does evil exist? To this question, as pressing as it is unavoidable and as painful as it is mysterious, no quick answer will suffice. Only Christian faith as a whole constitutes the answer to this question."

In other words, there are no easy answers but we do have the entirety of our Christian faith to help us navigate the mystery of the cross: God, the Church, the Sacraments. We are not alone and God always listens to us when we cry out to Him with the question of "Why?" I pray that God's consoling grace and the abundance of His mercy will bring you the hope that we all need when it comes to the mystery of suffering and the peace we long for.

Sincerely in Christ,
Fr. Mahar

CCD classes for grades one through six will meet this Sunday, October 19 from 10:30am to 11:30am in the school cafeteria.

Children's Liturgy of the Word will be offered alternate Sundays during the 9:30am Mass. This is an opportunity for the Word of God to be addressed to children in grades K through Six as an age-appropriate and personal invitation to participate in the Mass.
Children's Liturgy of the Word will be celebrated This Sunday, October 19 during the 9:30am Mass.

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 on October 7. For more information, contact Mr. Tim McGinn at 831-3503 or email **timmcginn66@gmail.com.**

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.

Through adoration, the Christian mysteriously contributes to the radical transformation of the world and to the sowing of the Gospel. Anyone who prays to the Savior draws the whole world with him and raises it to God

Pope Saint John Paul II

Join us for Adoration and Faith Sharing
Every Friday
3:30pm - 4:15pm
O'Brien Hall

Readings for the Week of October 19

Sunday
The Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Ex17:8-13 Ps 121:1-8 2 Tim 3:14-4:2 Lk 18:1-8
Monday
Rom 4:20-25 Lk 1:69-75 Lk 12:13-21
Tuesday
Rom 5:12, 15, 17-21 Ps 40:7-10, 17 Lk 12:35-38
Wednesday
Rom 6:12-18 Ps 124:1-8 Lk 12:39-48
Thursday
Rom 6:19-23 Ps 1:1-4, 6 Lk 12:49-53
Friday
Rom 7:18-25 Ps 119:66, 68, 76-77, 93-94 Lk 12:54-59
Saturday
Rom 8:1-11 Ps 24:1-6 Lk 13:1-9
Sunday
The Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sir 35:12-14, 16-18 Ps 34:2-3, 17-19, 23 2Tim 4:6-8, 16-18 Lk 18:9-14

October Devotions
Saint Augustine Church
Monday Evenings
7:00pm
Pray the Rosary with us
followed by Benediction

Welcome our newest Parishioners

Amanda Arrowsmith
Ellen Beauvais
Marco and Jessica Capaldi
John and Marie Federici
Michael Giocastro
Angela Langley
Steven Lee
Justin Marsh
Leah Montagano
Jason and Christina O'Hare
Paul Romanelli
Karen Sullivan
Diana Villanueva

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The Saint Augustine Knights of Columbus will host a coffee hour this Sunday, **October 19** 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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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, October 25** 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

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 and fellowship with other Catholic men. The next gathering will be on **Saturday, October 25** at 8:45am in the Sheridan Room.

We always welcome new members!

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