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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-Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

4:00 PM - 29th Anniversary-Robert Scotto

Sunday, November 23-Solemnity of our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

7:30 AM - 7th Anniversary-Rev. Thomas Ertle, OP
11th Anniversary-Virginia Smolley

9:30 AM - 4th Anniversary-Louis Soares

11:30 AM - Memorial-Stephen M. Giannini

Monday, November 24-Memorial of Saint Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest and Companions, Martyrs

7:00 AM - The People of Saint Augustine Parish

Tuesday, November 25–Weekday

7:00 AM - Birthday Memorial-Manuel Victorino

Wednesday, November 26-Weekday

7:00 AM - Memorial-Innocenzio DiLibero

Thursday, November 27-Thanksgiving Day

9:00 AM - The People of Saint Augustine Parish

Friday, November 28-Weekday

7:00 AM - Memorial-Gene A. and Beverly G. Rossi, Sr.

Saturday Vigil-The First Sunday of Advent

4:00 PM - Birthday Memorial-Raymond J. McGarty, Jr.

Sunday, November 30-The First Sunday of Advent

7:30 AM - 20th Anniversary-Joseph G. McDonald

9:30 AM - Memorial-Deceased Members of the Cavalloro, Doti and Ung Families

11:30 AM - Memorial-Michael and James O'Sullivan

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November 15-16, 2025 Collection		
Sunday Collection	$	6,939.90
Electronic Giving	$	2,131.15
TOTAL	$	9,071.05
Thanksgiving Collection	$	2,780.00
Poor Box	$	178.00

Dear Parishioners,

This Thursday we celebrate THANKSGIVING once again, one of my favorite holidays of the year! All of us have rich memories of precious time with family and friends on Thanksgiving. Of course, when we picture the first Thanksgiving we think of the pilgrims in Plymouth, Massachusetts, not far at all from where we are. But did you know that the first Thanksgiving was not actually celebrated in Plymouth? **The first Thanksgiving was a Catholic Mass celebrated in 1565 in what is today St. Augustine, Florida!**

It was all the way back in the 16th Century that Pedro Menéndez de Avilés and 800 Spanish settlers founded the city of St. Augustine in Spanish La Florida. Immediately upon landing ashore, they celebrated a Catholic Mass, grateful to God for their safe arrival. Father Francisco Lopez de Mendoza Grajales, St. Augustine's first Pastor, was the main celebrant and the Seloy natives were invited to the Mass. After that, a great feast ensued in which the Spanish settlers and the Seloy natives shared a meal and offered thanks. It would be over 50 years later that the pilgrims in Plymouth celebrated their own Thanksgiving, minus the celebration of the Holy Mass!

Our celebration of Thanksgiving at St. Augustine's in Providence does not go back to the 16th Century, but it is a wonderful and beautiful tradition that centers us on what matters most in life: God, family, friendship and a really awesome meal! You probably already know this, but ***the word "Eucharist" in Greek means "thanksgiving".*** In that sense, Thanksgiving goes all the way back to the Last Supper, and that Passover meal in which our Lord shared His body and blood with the first disciples.

Each year here at St. Augustine's I have made a heartfelt appeal for all of our parishioners to join us at the Eucharistic table for Thanksgiving. ***I truly hope that you will consider attending this beautiful Mass this year. As always, we begin our celebration at 9:00am and you will be back home with plenty of time to check on that turkey!*** Like my first two years here at St. Augustine, I will bless any and all food and drink that you bring with you that morning. We all certainly have much to be thankful for this year; why not come to Mass this Thursday morning and allow God to continue those blessings in your life? Happy Thanksgiving!

Sincerely in Christ,
Fr. Mahar

CCD classes for grades one through six will meet this Sunday, November 23 from 10:30 am to 11:30 am in the school cafeteria.
All CCD classes will be cancelled next Sunday, November 30 in observance of the Thanksgiving Day holiday.

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.
The Children's Liturgy of the Word will be celebrated Sunday, December 7

Thanksgiving Day Mass

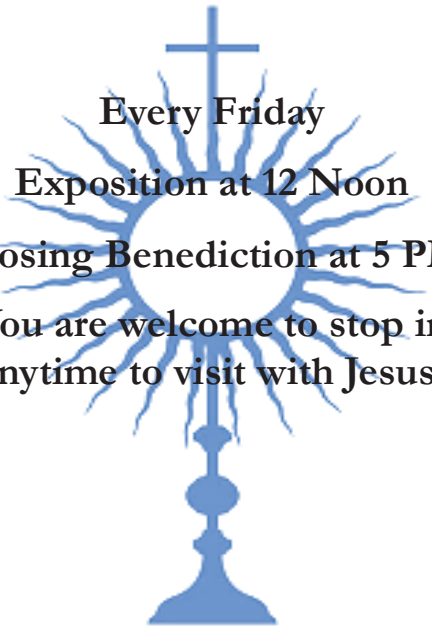
Thursday November 27
Saint Augustine Church
9: 00 am
with
Blessing of the Bread

Thanksgiving Poor Boxes

Boxes will be located at all the entrances of the church to collect money to help our less fortunate brothers and sisters this Thanksgiving.

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.

"O Thou, our reminder of the Crucified,
Living Bread, the life of us for whom he died,
Lend this life to me, then; feed and feast my mind,
There be thou the sweetness man was meant to find."

from Adore Te Devote by Saint Thomas Aquinas
translated by Gerard Manley Hopkins

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

Readings for the Week of November 23

Sunday
Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
2 Sam 5:1-3 Ps 122:1-5 Col 1:12-20 Lk 23:35-43
Monday
Memorial of Saint Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest and Companions, Martyrs
Dan 1:1-6, 8-20 Dan 3:52-56 Lk 21:1-4
Tuesday
Dan 2:31-45 Dan 3:57-61 Lk 21:5-11
Wednesday
Dan 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28 Dan 3:62-67 Lk 21:12-19
Thursday
Thanksgiving Day
Dan 6:12-28 Dan 3:68-74 Lk 21:20-28
Friday
Dan 7:2-14 Dan 3:75-81 Lk 21:29-33
Saturday
Dan 7:15-27 Dan 3:82-87 Lk 21:34-36
Sunday
The First Sunday of Advent
Is 2:1-5 Ps 122:1-9 Rom 13:11-14 Mt 24:37-44

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The Parish Mission concludes with a special Votive Mass of St. Jude on the final night of the mission, Wednesday December 3.

Priests available for confessions each night starting at 6:30PM.

www.spvchurch.org
Office: 401-751-4871

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Winter Clothing Drive

Sunday, November 23
1:00 to 4:00pm

We will be hosting a winter clothing drive
at St. Augustine Church (side parking lot)
to collect donations for St. Patrick's Church
supporting those experiencing homelessness.
We are accepting gently used coats, sweaters, hats,
gloves, socks, and other warm clothing.
Your kindness and generosity will help bring warmth
and hope to those in need this winter.
Thank you for your support!

Catholic Women's Conference

Saturday, December 6 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul, Providence

To register visit
https://evangelizeri.org/womens-conference

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
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The Saint Augustine Knights of Columbus will host a coffee hour Sunday, **November 30** 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 on **Saturday, December 27** at 8:45am in the Sheridan Room.

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

We are grateful to all our faithful parishioners for their generosity to those in need this winter.

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If you haven't started your Christmas Shopping – here is the place to order timeless keepsakes to cherish for years to come.

You can order online with the unique code, and the orders will be delivered directly to you!

You can do your Christmas shopping, Help benefit the school and CELEBRATE your child's artistic achievement!

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!

Orders must be made ONLINE by 12/1/25 to receive by Christmas!

Thanking Our Veterans!

Pre K—8 created over 200 cards for veterans, thanking them for their service. Mrs. Vescera delivered them to the VA Hospital.

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