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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)

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

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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 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

Monday, December 1-Advent Weekday

7:00 AM - The People of Saint Augustine Parish

Tuesday, December 2-Advent Weekday

7:00 AM - 60th Anniversary-William A. DeLuca

Wednesday, December 3-Memorial of Saint Francis Xavier, Priest

7:00 AM - Memorial-Edward V. Chavez

Thursday, December 4-Advent Weekday

9:00 AM - 13th Anniversary-Ralph A. Calise

Friday, December 5-Advent Weekday

7:00 AM - Birthday Memorial-Josephine Imondi

Saturday Vigil-The Second Sunday of Advent

4:00 PM - 59th Anniversary-Domenic T. Rianna
18th Anniversary-Iolanda Rianna
1st Anniversary-Charlene Barron

Sunday, December 7-The Second Sunday of Advent

7:30 AM - Memorial-Robert and Jennivive Whalen & Deceased Members of the Whalen Family

9:30 AM - Memorial-Edmund Calcagni

11:30 AM - 5th Anniversary-Paul Pagano & Deceased Members of the Pagano, Esposito and Smith Families

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Due to the Thanksgiving holiday

the November 22-23, 2025 collections

will be published next weekend.

Dear Parishioners,

The Church's teaching on the Sacred Liturgy is nothing short of breathtaking. What we celebrate is the amazing love of God who came to dwell among us and who saved us from our sins by his death on the cross. The Catechism of the Catholic Church states that ***"It is this mystery of Christ that the Church proclaims and celebrates in her liturgy so that the faithful may live from it and bear witness to it in the world"*** (CCC, #1068). This weekend we enter into the holy season of Advent and the beginning of the Church's liturgical year. The Church describes the Advent Season in this way:

"Advent has a twofold character, for it is a time of preparation for the Solemnities of Christmas, in which the First Coming of the Son of God to humanity is remembered, and likewise a time when, by remembrance of this, minds and hearts are led to look forward to Christ's Second Coming at the end of time. For these two reasons, Advent is a period of devout and expectant delight." ***—Universal Norms on the Liturgical Year, #39***

Expectant delight! What a wonderful and pregnant phrase! Expectant delight is what a child experiences in the first moments of waking on Christmas morning. Expectant delight is what every couple embraces when they discover that the fruit of their love is about to enter the world as a newborn baby. Expectant delight is what we should all feel when we come to discover that there is hope for a new beginning and that sin and death does not have the final word in our lives anymore. Expectant delight! That is what the Lord offers us this Advent and it is nothing less than this for which we have been created.

Have you ever lost that expectant delight? It can happen and, sadly, does happen for a lot of people. Advent is a time to discover once again the reason why God made us. It is a time for listening to readings that celebrate the way the arid, parched earth receives a new and fertile beginning; how the lion and the lamb become friends; how a child is to be born in an obscure and forgotten place to give sight to the blind, liberty to the captives and to announce a year of God's favor to people everywhere. Expectant delight is not for a select few who somehow wind up on life's favored list. No, expectant delight is for you. God offers Advent for you.

This Advent come to discover once again this expectant delight that has the power to change everything. It is waiting for you and I in the Sacred Liturgy, in the Word of God proclaimed and in the Sacrament of the Eucharist. It is waiting for us in a thousand different ways that God announces, "Here I am" in every facet of our lives. But, this Advent, are *we* waiting for *Him*?

Sincerely in Christ,
Fr. Mahar

All CCD classes are cancelled this Sunday, November 30th in observance of the Thanksgiving Day holiday. All CCD classes will resume their normal schedule on Sunday, December 7

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

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 30

The First Sunday of Advent
Is 2:1-5 Ps 122:1-9 Rom 13:11-14 Mt 24:37-44

Monday of the First Week of Advent
Is 4:2-6 Ps 122:1-9 Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday of the First Week of Advent
Is 11:1-10 Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday
Memorial of Saint Francis Xavier, Priest
Is 25:6-10 Ps 23:1-6 Mt 15:29-37

Thursday of the First Week of Advent
Is 26:1-6 Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27 Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday of the First Week of Advent
Is 29:17-24 Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 Mt 9:27-31

Saturday of the First Week of Advent
Is 30:19-21, 23-26 Ps 147:1-6 Mt 9:35-10:1, 5, 6-8

The Second Sunday of Advent
IIs 11:1-10 Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 Rom 15:4-9 Mt 3:1-12

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

A Holy Day of Obligation
Monday, December 8
Masses at 7:00 am and 6:00 pm

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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.

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The Saint Augustine Knights of Columbus will host a coffee hour this 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

The Saint Augustine Knights of Columbus invite you for Christmas Caroling!

Wednesday, December 10 at 5:00 pm

We'll assemble in the Sheridan Room
and be led by choir maestro Stephen Romano.
We will provide battery-operated candles and caroling booklets, but suggest bringing flashlights.
Afterwards, we'll return to the Sheridan Room
for hot and cold apple cider and seasonal goodies.

Come join us for fellowship and holiday cheer!
Bring the whole family!

Remember Our Veterans At Christmas

Saturday, December 13
9:00am to 12:00pm

The Saint Augustine Knights of Columbus will be collecting personal items:
underwear and shirts, toothbrushes and paste, deodorant, shaving cream (no razors) and soap for the veterans at Bristol Veterans Home.
Items can be dropped off in the lower parking lot.

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, December 27** at 8:45am in the Sheridan Room.

We always welcome new members!

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