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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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THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD–JANUARY 11, 2026

Mass Intentions

Saturday Vigil-The Baptism of the Lord

4:00 PM - 10th Anniversary-Thomas L. Dwyer

Sunday, January 11-The Baptism of the Lord

7:30 AM - 50th Anniversary-Anna Rosa

9:30 AM - 30th Anniversary-Teresa Catoni

11:30 AM - 15th Anniversary-John R. Cosentino, Esq.

Monday, January 12-Weekday

7:00 AM - The People of Saint Augustine Parish

Tuesday, January 13-Weekday

7:00 AM - A Special Intention

Wednesday, January 14-Weekday

7:00 AM - Memorial-Ruth Antonizio and Ingrid Benson

Thursday, January 15-Weekday

7:00 AM - Month's Mind-Joseph Devenish III

Friday, January 16-Weekday

7:00 AM - Memorial-Susan Vincent

Saturday Vigil-The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM - 7th Anniversary-Mary Fitzpatrick

Sunday, January 18-The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM - 22nd Anniversary-Dennis J. O'Connor

9:30 AM - 10th Anniversary-Mary Jayne Andreozzi

11:30 AM - 3rd Anniversary-Eleanor O. Aloia

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January 3-4, 2026 Collection

Budget Envelopes	$	6,829.90
Electronic Giving	$	2,739.78
TOTAL	$	9,569.68
Poor Box	$	409.80

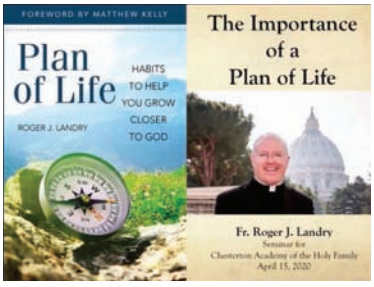
Dear Parishioners,

This weekend we conclude the Christmas Season with the ***Feast of the Baptism of the Lord***, a mystery that allows us to renew our own baptismal call to holiness. On Monday of this week, we enter, once again, into Ordinary Time. How can we capitalize on all that we have experienced this Christmas as we follow Christ in Ordinary Time?

I would strongly suggest forming a **Plan of Life**. What exactly is a "Plan of Life"? Basically, it is a set program of regular habits that help us follow Jesus in a very effective, faithful, fruitful and joyful way. My close friend, Monsignor Roger Landry, has written a book called ***"Plan of Life,"*** and in it he outlines some of the healthy spiritual practices that can make up our regular program of discipleship. Here are some of the specific things he mentions, taken from the lives of the saints and the beautiful tradition of our faith:

1. The Morning Offering: When we get out of bed in the morning, we immediately say a brief prayer consigning everything to God. My morning offering is simple: *"Lord, I offer you all my prayers, works and sacrifices of this day, that I may become a living sacrifice, acceptable to you, my spiritual worship."* ***2. Daily Prayer:*** We schedule a specific period of time each day to be alone and silent before God, speaking to Him and, above all, listening. It might be 10 minutes each day; it might be a half hour or longer. Give Him your best time and see what happens! ***3. Sacred Scripture:*** Try taking 5 minutes each day to read a little bit of the Bible. Start with the Gospels and discover anew how much God truly loves you! ***4. Sunday Mass:*** Make it a point to prepare well for Mass each week, have an intention you bring to the altar, make a brief thanksgiving prayer afterwards, before you head to your car. Let the Mass transform your life one week at a time. ***5. Frequent Confession:*** Allow this amazing sacrament to renew your spiritual life and cleanse your soul like never before. Come once a month or every two months, and find out how wonderful it is to be forgiven and loved by God. ***6. Eucharistic Adoration:*** We offer it here every Friday from 12pm to 5pm, and our Church is open all day, every day, for you to make a visit. ***7. Charity and almsgiving:*** Have a set routine where you love others in very practical ways and give generously to the poor. ***8. The Rosary:*** Allow 2026 to be the year that you depend more on the powerful intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, who never ceases to draw us ever closer to Jesus Christ, her Son. ***9. Daily Examen:*** At the end of each day, just spend 3 minutes before God, thanking Him for the things that went well, and asking forgiveness for any sins you committed that day. I pray that the **Plan of Life** will have the same impact on you as it has on millions of other Christian disciples. God be with you as we enter into this exciting time in the Church's life!

Sincerely in Christ,
Fr. Mahar



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

All CCD classes will be cancelled next Sunday, January 18 in observance of the MLK, Jr. 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 this Sunday, January 11.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Every Friday

Exposition at 12 Noon

Closing Benediction at 5 PM

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

"Here my soul draws eternal life.
O my Lord and Creator, you alone,
beyond all gifts, give your own self to me
and unite yourself intimately
with your miserable creature."
~Saint Faustina Kowalska

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

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.

Be sure to tune into
Father Mahar's weekly sermons
at www.churchofsaintaugustine.org
on the
Living Sacrifice *podcasts*
and share with family and friends!

Readings for the Week of January 11

Sunday
The Baptism of the Lord
Is 42:1-4, 6-7 Ps 29:1-4, 9-10 Acts 10:34-38 Mt 3:13-17

Monday
1 Sam 1:1-8 Ps 116:12-19 Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday
1 Sam 1:9-20 1 Sam 2:1, 4-8 Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday
1 Sam 3:1-10, 19-20 Ps 40:2, 5, 7-10 Mk 1:29-39

Thursday
1 Sam 4:1-11 Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25 Mk 1:40-45

Friday
1 Sam 8:4-7, 10-22 Ps 89:16-19 Mk 2:1-12

Saturday
Memorial of Saint Anthony, Abbot
1 Sam 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1 Ps 21:2-7 Mk 2:13-17

Sunday
The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Is 49:3, 5-6 Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10 1 Cor 1:1-3 Jn 1:29-34

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CATHOLIC MINISTRY FOR EVANGELIZATION

For those who have registered the first session of ***Following Christ*** will begin this Thursday, January 15 at 6:30pm in O'Brien Hall.

Session 1: Introduction and Daily Personal Prayer

The Visitation of the Missionary Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe

The Missionary Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe
will be visiting our diocese in various parishes Friday, January 9 through Sunday, February 1. The image is an exact replica of the original image of Our Lady which she left on the tilma of St. Juan Diego in December 1531. The image is among four blessed at the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico by the Rector of the Basilica, Msgr. Monroy, to bring conversions, reverence for life, sanctity of the family and solidarity of the Church in America.
The Images are known to have been associated with many miracles and healings.

For schedule updates and locations contact the diocesan Office of Life and Family Ministry at 401-278-2518 or visit dioceseofprovidence.org/OLG

"Let not your heart be disturbed…
Do not grieve nor be disturbed by anything.
Am I not here, your Mother."
Our Lady of Guadalupe to Juan Diego

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Roman Catholic Counselors Needed

A growing number of Catholics are asking for counseling that reflects Catholic values and spirituality in addressing their needs and concerns. The Diocese of Providence is hoping to add to our referral list of Catholic-oriented counselors. Those interested should be a practicing Catholic, embrace the teachings of the Catholic Church and have a valid license to practice counseling.

For further information, please contact Peter Magnotta at 401-278-2517 or pmagnotta@dpvd.org.

No Strangers Project

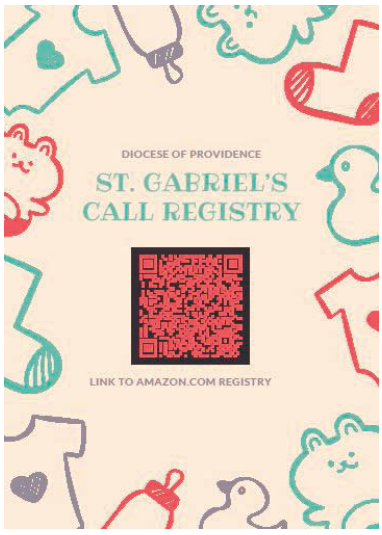
Federal immigration actions are leaving countless households without a breadwinner and nowhere to turn.
Several social service agencies have come together to start the ***No Strangers Emergency Fund****.*

Catholic Social Services *has stepped forward as a fiscal agent to collect and disburse funds to local organizations who distribute resources out in the community.*

All donations will be sent to partner social service agencies to meet basic needs, providing food, personal care items, clothing, prescription medicines, and other necessities.

Please contact Jennifer Santos,
Supervisor of Catholic Social Services RI
at jsantos@dpvd.org
or call (401) 278-2516

Saint Gabriel's Call
Volunteers needed for:



- Mentoring
- Intake
- Parish Liaison
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- Parenting Support
- Lifestyle Support
- Spiritual Direction
- Host a Baby Shower

Contact Lisa Cooley at lcooley@dioceseofprovidence.org

This diocesan program helps struggling families who have exhausted all other public and private means to keep their families warm.
If you would like to help this winter, please send tax-deductible donations to:

Keep the Heat On, One Cathedral Square, Providence, RI 02903 or www.heatRI.com to donate online.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
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The Saint Augustine Knights of Columbus will host a coffee hour this Sunday, **January 11** 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, January 24** at 8:45am in the Sheridan Room.

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

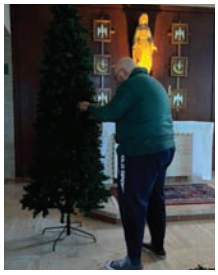
Men of St. Joseph International

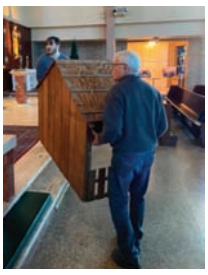
MOSJI

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

We always welcome new members!

Thanks to all who helped make Saint Augustine Church so beautiful for our Christmas season celebrations!





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