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Saturday at 4:00
Sunday at 7:30,
9:30 & 11:30 am

DAILY MASSES
7:00 am
(Monday - Friday)

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Saturday from
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BAPTISMS
First Sunday of the month.
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DEVOTIONS
Perpetual Novena of Our Lady
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Mondays at 7:00 pm

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Mass Intentions

Saturday Vigil– The First Sunday of Lent

4:00 PM - First Anniversary-David J. Grassini

Sunday, February 22-The First Sunday of Lent

7:30 AM - Birthday Memorial-Dorothy DiNezza

9:30 AM - Memorial-Patricia Hill Sprague

11:30 AM - 4th Anniversary-Donna M. Broccoli

Monday, February 23-Lenten Weekday

7:00 AM - The People of Saint Augustine Parish

Tuesday, February 24-Lenten Weekday

7:00 AM - A Special Family Intention

Wednesday, February 25-Lenten Weekday

7:00 AM - The People of Saint Augustine Parish

Thursday, February 26-Lenten Weekday

7:00 AM - Birthday Memorial-Hannibal Baccari

Friday, February 27-Lenten Weekday

7:00 AM - Memorial-Living and Deceased Members of the Primeau and Vernile Families

Saturday Vigil-The Second Sunday of Lent

4:00 PM - Memorial-Damien Colon

Sunday, February 22-The Second Sunday of Lent

7:30 AM - A Special Intention

9:30 AM - Memorial-Anna Vittorio

11:30 AM - 15th Anniversary-John D. McGrath

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February 14-February 15, 2026 Collection		
Budget Envelopes	$	7,478.91
Electronic Giving	$	2,069.02
TOTAL	$	9,547.93
SAGA Tuition Assistance	$	2,387.00
Poor Box	$	347.00

Dear Parishioners,

We have begun once again the holy season of Lent, a time of renewal in preparation for the great celebration of the Resurrection. Lent is a season in which our individual spiritual lives are strengthened through the practices of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. As Catholics, however, we are reminded that Lent is not just about the individual, but the community, as well. What are some of the ways that is already taking place here at St. Augustine's?

The primary "place" of our communal celebration and renewal is **Holy Mass**. It is always a joy to gather together each week to listen to the Word of God, and to be joined as one in the Blessed Sacrament of the Eucharist! This Lent we continue to gather before the Blessed Sacrament each Monday at 7:00pm for our **Lenten Meditations** and again on Fridays for **Eucharistic Adoration from 12:00pm to 5:00pm**, and then again at 7:00pm for the **Stations of the Cross**. ***ChristLife*** continues to be a blessing for our parish community, as we gather each Thursday evening for **"Following Christ,"** an opportunity to grow in Christian discipleship. New to our parish is the Friday afternoon Bible Study, **"Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible,"** from 3:15pm to 4:15pm.

As we enter more deeply into the Lenten Season, however, I would like to introduce to you a new endeavor that we are embracing, **"WELCOMING PATHWAYS."** An initiative of *Our Sunday Visitor*, **"Welcoming Pathways"** is an outreach that seeks to bring many of our brothers and sisters back to Sunday Mass who may have been away for a while. The way it works is that we aim at a "*reset moment*", a time when many people are more open to returning to the practice of their faith. ***That "reset moment" is April 5, Easter Sunday!*** To prepare for this amazing celebration we will be sending out Postcards next week. Importantly, someone you know and love may receive one and ask you about this initiative. Be ready to share with them how much you would like to see them experience the warm and beautiful community life we share here at St. Augustine's! As Lent continues, *Our Sunday Visitor* will prepare a vibrant and welcoming ***Parish Life Brochure*** that will be distributed to returning parishioners. Our essential work and mission as a parish will be to **PRAY** for our family members, friends and neighbors who Christ is calling to enter more deeply into communion and life with Him. Following our celebration of Easter, a ***"Welcome Home Letter"*** will be sent to mark a new beginning and a hope-filled future for our community.

Thank you, in advance, for your prayerful cooperation and support of this wonderful opportunity to see our parish grow in the Easter Season!

Sincerely in Christ,
Father Mahar

CD classes for grades one through six will meet this Sunday, February 22 from 10:30am to 11:30am in the school cafeteria.

CCD classes for grades eight and nine will meet in O'Brien Hall this Monday, February 23 from 7:00pm to 8:00pm.

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, February 22.

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.

Readings for the Week of February 22

The First Sunday of Lent
Gen 2:7-9; 3:1-7/ Ps 51:3-6, 12-13, 17/ Rom 5:12-19/ Mt 4:1 -11

Monday
Lev 19:1-2, 11-18/ Ps 19:8-10, 15/ Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday
Is 55:10-11/ Ps 34:4-7, 16-19/ Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday
Jonah 3:1-10/ Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19/ Lk 11:29-32

Thursday
Esth 4:12, 14-16, 23-25/ Ps 138:1-3, 7-8/ Mt 7:7-12

Friday
Ez 18:21-28/ Ps 130:1-8/ Mt 5:20-26

Saturday
Deut 26:16-19/ Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8/ Mt 5:43-48

The Second Sunday of Lent
Gen 12:1-4/ Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22/ 2 Tim 1:8-10/ Mt 17:1-9

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Every Friday
Exposition at 12 Noon

Closing Benediction at 5 PM

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

He hides Himself under the little form of bread!
Look, brothers, at the humility of God
and pour out your hearts before Him!
Saint Francis of Assisi

Dear Friends, let us ask for the grace of a Lent that leads us to greater attentiveness to God and to the least among us.

Let us ask for the strength that comes from the type of fasting that also extends to our use of language, so that hurtful words may diminish and give way to a greater space for the voice of others.

Let us strive to make our communities places where the cry of those who suffer finds welcome, and listening opens paths towards liberation, making us ready and eager to contribute to building a civilization of love.

Pope Leo XIV

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CATHOLIC MINISTRY FOR EVANGELIZATION

For those who have registered the next session of ***Following Christ*** will meet this Thursday, February 26 at 6:30pm in O'Brien Hall.
Session 7: Going On With The Lord

Stations of the Cross

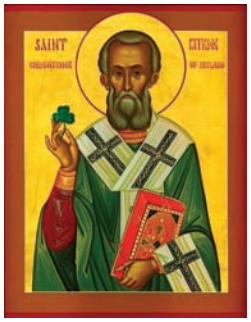
Fridays of Lent

7:00 PM

"We adore You, O Christ, and we praise You.
Because by Your Holy Cross
You have redeemed the world"

Join us in this ancient meditation on the suffering and sacrifice of Jesus.

Save the Date
Saturday, March 14, 2026



Saint Joseph ~ Saint Patrick Dinner

Please join our parish family as we celebrate the feast days of these two saintly men on Saturday, March 14 at 5:30pm in Saint Augustine School cafeteria.
Our menu will include a choice of Corned Beef and Cabbage with potatoes and vegetables OR Pasta and Meatballs. Salad, Irish soda bread, and Italian bread will be available for everyone.
For dessert we will once again have a special treat- ***Zeppole di San Giuseppe***-as well as cookies.
Cost: Adults $20; Children $10; Max per family $60.
(Dinner Choice must be made at time of purchase.)
Tickets will be available at the rear of the church after all Masses beginning Feb 21-22 until March 9.

Monday Lenten Meditations

7:00pm-8:00pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament,
30-Minute Meditation ,and Benediction

February 23: Fr. Christopher Mahar
March 2: Fr. Ryan Connors
March 9: Fr. Nathan Ricci
March 16: Fr. Joseph Brodeur

PARISH MISSION

with the
Franciscan Sisters of the Eucharist
Monday, March 23
Tuesday, March 24
Wednesday, March 25
7:00pm
More information to come in future bulletins.

Save the Date !
Saturday, May 2, 2026
St. Augustine Church

"Whoever believes in Me will do the works that I do" John 14:12

Most Reverend Bruce Lewandowski, C.Ss.R.
Bishop of Providence
Reverend Christopher M. Mahar
Pastor, Saint Augustine Church
Mr. Dennis Sousa
Director, Office of Family, Youth, and Young Adult Evangelization

Sponsored by the Men of Saint Joseph International
8:00 AM to 3:00 PM

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COR CHRISTI

Prayer, Formation, and Fraternity for Men

The **Knights of Columbus Council No. 10557** in conjunction with the **Men of St. Joseph** are excited to share the implementation of ***Cor***, a formation and fraternal opportunity for all 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 held at 8:45 AM on **Saturday, February 28** in the Sheridan Room.
Come join your brother parishioners
for coffee, prayer,and fraternity
For more information, please email John Olobri
at jolobri2@verizon.net or call 401-338-6534.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

The Saint Augustine Knights of Columbus will host a coffee hour Sunday, **March 8** 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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