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Saturday at 4:00
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Mass Intentions

Saturday Vigil- Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

4:00 PM - 5th Anniversary-Manuel Victorino

Sunday, March 29-Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

7:30 AM - Memorial-Edward V. Chavez

9:30 AM - 2nd Anniversary-Gia Noviello

11:30 AM - Memorial-Sabatino and Pearl Vacca and Family

Monday, March 30-Monday of Holy Week

7:00 AM - The People of Saint Augustine Parish

Tuesday, March 31-Tuesday of Holy Week

7:00 AM - The People of Saint Augustine Parish

Wednesday, April 1-Wednesday of Holy Week

7:00 AM - Memorial-Joseph Alarie

Thursday, April 2-Holy Thursday

7:00 AM - Mass of the Lord's Supper

Friday, April 3-Friday of the Passion of the Lord

7:00 AM - Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

Saturday Vigil-Easter Vigil

4:00 PM - The People of Saint Augustine Parish

Sunday, April 5-Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

7:30 AM - The People of Saint Augustine Parish

9:30 AM - The People of Saint Augustine Parish

11:30 AM - The People of Saint Augustine Parish

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March 21-22, 2026 Collection

Budget Envelopes	$	8,115.40
Electronic Giving	$	2,675.03
TOTAL	$	10,790.43
Poor Box	$	287.00

Dear Parishioners,

This weekend we celebrate Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord and enter once again into Holy Week. This is always an exciting and liturgically rich time in the Church's calendar and a wonderful time to prepare our hearts for the Resurrection. Palm Sunday and the Passion narrative can always seem somewhat perplexing. How could such an energetic and positive crowd be cheering **"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; hosanna in the highest!"** *(Matthew 21:9)* and then, a short time later, cry out, **"Let him be crucified"** *(Matthew 27:22)*? Pope Benedict XVI, in his book *"Jesus of Nazareth: Holy Week"* points out the reality that they are actually two different crowds of people! He writes that the crowd accompanying Jesus as He enters Jerusalem are pilgrims that have followed Him along the way. Differently, the people living in Jerusalem do not even recognize who He is. This is made clear in the opening Gospel passage we heard this weekend, before our procession, when Matthew states: **When he entered Jerusalem the whole city was shaken and asked, 'Who is this?'** (Matthew 21:10). They did not know Him! This Holy Week, we pray for the grace to know and love Him deeply.

When all was said and done, neither the jubilant pilgrims nor the shaking residents of Jerusalem stood by Jesus in His time of greatest trial. Holy Week gives us all an opportunity to attentively draw close to Jesus in His passion, death and resurrection. On **Holy Thursday at 7:00pm** we will celebrate the **Mass of the Lord's Supper**. On **Good Friday at 3:00pm** we will gather once again for the **Liturgy of the Lord's Passion** and on **Holy Saturday at 7:30pm** we will celebrate the **Easter Vigil** and rejoice that Christ is risen from the dead! Come join us this Holy Week and experience all the joy that Christ has in store for you and your family!

On a much sadder note, I share with you the unfortunate news that Fr. Jacob's interview in India did not go well and he was once again denied the visa stamp allowing him to come back to our parish. Please pray for him, and for God's plan for providing for St. Augustine Parish in the days ahead.

Positively, ***we are happy to welcome a missionary priest and friend of Bishop Bruce to our parish this weekend***. Please join me in welcoming **Fr. Peter Hill, C.Ss.R.,** who will be with us here at St. Augustine's from Palm Sunday weekend until Easter Sunday. Fr. Peter Hill is a Redemptorist priest originally from the island of Dominica in the Caribbean. He has preached missions and given retreats all over the world since his ordination in 2008. More recently, he has worked as a formator for young Redemptorists in Texas and is now based in New York.
Welcome to St. Augustine's Fr. Peter!

Sincerely in Christ,
Father Mahar

CCD classes for grades one through six will meet this Sunday, March 29 from 10:30am to 11:30am in the school cafeteria.
CCD classes for grades eight and nine will meet this Monday, March 30 from 7:00pm to 8:00pm in O'Brien Hall.

All CCD classes will be cancelled next Sunday, April 5 in observance of the Resurrection of the Lord. Classes will resume their normal schedule Sunday, April 12.

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, April 12.

Readings for the Week of March 29

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
Mt 21:1-11/ Is 50:4-7/ Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24/ Phil 2:8-9
Mt 26:14-27:66

Monday of Holy Week
Is 42:1-7/ Ps 27:1-3, 13-14/ Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday of Holy Week
Is 49:1-6/ Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17/ Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday of Holy Week
Is 50:4-9/ Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 33-34/ Mt 26:14-25

Holy Thursday
Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper
Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/ Ps 116:12-13, 15-18/ 1 Cor 11:23-26/
Jn 13:1-15

Good Friday of the Lord's Passion
Is 52:13-53:12/ Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-17, 25/
Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/ Jn 18:1-19:42

Holy Saturday at the Easter Vigil
Gn 1:1-2:2/ Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12-14, 24, 35/ Gn 22:1-18/
Ps 16:5, 8, 9-11/ Ex 14:15-15:1/ Ex 15:1-6, 17-18/
Is 54:5-14/ Ps 30:1, 4-6, 11-13/ Is 55:1-11/ Is 12:2-6/
Bar 3:9-15, 32-4:4/Ps 19:8-11/ Ez 36:16-28/
Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3-4/ Rom 6:3-11/ Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23/
Mt 28:1-10

The Resurrection of the Lord
The Mass of Easter Day
Acts 10:34, 37-43/ Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23/ Col 3:1-4/
Jn 20:1-9

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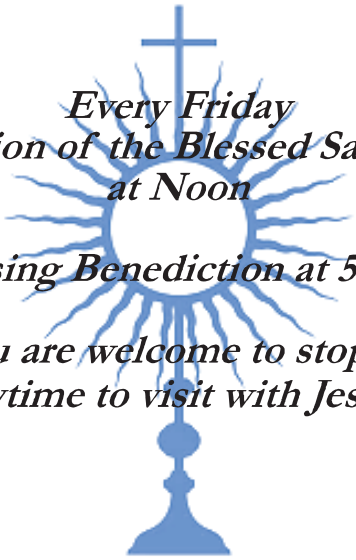

Every Friday
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
at Noon

Closing Benediction at 5 PM

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

"Let us never forget: the Mass is the Memorial that heals memory, the memory of the heart… and Eucharistic Adoration, which continues the work of the Mass within us. This will do us much good, for it heals us within. Especially now, when our need is so great."
Pope Francis

Please pray for our Confirmation candidates as they prepare to celebrate the Rite of Confirmation at the Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul on Saturday, April 11 at 10:00am

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.

Holy Week and Easter

Schedule of Services

No 7:00am Masses
Thursday, April 2 and Friday, April 3

Mass of the Lord's Supper

Thursday, April 2 at 7:00pm
followed by Adoration until 10:00pm

Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

Friday, April 3 at 3:00pm

Stations of the Cross

Friday, April 3 at 7:00pm

Easter Vigil Mass

Saturday, April 4 at 7:30pm

Easter Sunday Mass

Sunday, April 5 at 7:30am, 9:30am and 11:30am

Stabat Mater Dolorosa: An Easter Oblation

She had listened with wonder
To the words of the prophet
About swords piercing,
Battling kingdoms falling
And rising, hearts revealed
To heaven and earth

Meanings lay deep within
As suddenly her heart broke open
To see Life wrapped in death
Eternity expended in time, her
Redeemer at her breast, breathless

Dawn slept then in the darkness
Of earth while faith gently taught
Love where to turn and how to hope
Offering herself in sweet labor,
Remembering the promises
Of ages and fathers and children
Set firmly upon an undying word:
Again

Rev. Christopher M. Mahar
Monday within the Octave of Easter
Arnold Hall, Pembroke MA, 9 April, 2012

Registration Now Open

Saturday, May 2, 2026
St. Augustine Church

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

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The next gathering will be held at 8:45 AM on **Saturday, March 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.

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The Saint Augustine Knights of Columbus will host a coffee hour Sunday, **April 12** 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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