# St. Augustine

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ST. AUGUSTINE



## August 4, 2024 Eighteenth Sunday in

Ordinary Time

"Amen, amen, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave the bread from heaven; my Father gives you the true bread from heaven."

Jn 6:32

#### **SUNDAY WORSHIP**

Saturday Vigil: 4:15 pm

Sunday: 8:30 am and 11:00 am

All Masses are Interpreted for the Deaf

#### **DAILY MASS**

Monday - Friday: 5:30 pm Civic Holidays: 10:00 am

#### RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:30 pm - 4:00 pm

or by appointment

#### **PARISH OFFICE**

Monday - Saturday: 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

#### **SACRAMENTS**

Call the parish office to prepare for sacraments such as baptisms, weddings, first communion and confirmation.

## Welcome!

## We are "A Samaritan Church with a Missionary Heart"



## **Welcome to St. Augustine!**

No matter what your present status is in the Catholic Church, no matter your personal history, age, income, background, gender, disability, sexual orientation, race, ethnicity, or spirituality, or marital situation. No matter your own self-image or holiness or virtue. You are invited, accepted, and respected here at St. Augustine Parish.

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## **Stay Connected**

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Facebook: @StAugustineRomanCatholicChurchCleveland

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Loving God,
For all who feel on the margins,
But who are at the center of your heart,
We ask you to open our hearts.
Help us to become a church and a nation where:
All lives have dignity,
All people are loved,

And all are welcome!

Amen

## **Scripture Readings for the Week**

**Sunday | Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time** Ex 16:2-4, 12-15; Ps 78:3-4, 23-25, 54; Eph 4:17, 20-24; Jn 6:24-35

Monday | The Dedication of the Basillica of Saint
Mary Major

Jer 28:1-17; Ps 119: 29, 43, 79-80, 95, 102; Mt 14:13-21

**Tuesday | The Transfiguration of the Lord** Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Mk 9:2-10

Wednesday | St. Sixtus II, Pope & Companions, Martyrs St. Cajetan, Priest

Jer 31:1-7; (Ps) Jer 31:10-13; Mt 15:21-28

Thursday | Saint Dominic, Priest

Jer 31:31-34; Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; Mt 16:13-23

Friday | Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin and Martyr

Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7; (Ps) Dt 32:35c-36b, 39abcd, 41; Mt 16:24-28

**Saturday | St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr** 2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-9; Jn 12:24-26

Sunday | Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ex 16:2-4, 12-15; Ps 78:3-4, 23-25, 54; Eph 4:17, 20-24; Jn 6:24-35

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## **Prayers and Offertory**

If you or a family member are sick, please call the Parish Office or email ministry@StAugustineCleveland.org to add the name to this list. Names will be listed in the bulletin for 6 weeks. Please let us know if this time period needs to be extended. We want to know how you are doing and want to offer you the support of our prayers.

Pat Abraham	Char Augustine	Dorothy Barr	Joel Barr	Patti Cook
Ilona Cykman	Ellen Ferrari	Andrew Finamore	Mike Furey	John Garneau
Susan Grieken	Michael Hogan	Kathy Kohout	Ella McGowan	Fr. Joe McNulty
Nora Orozco	Bridget Patton	Mike Perciado	Brian Pfeiffer	Sheila Rock
Andrea Slosar	Richard Slosar	Mary Smith	Nora Thomas	Norma Turner
Nancy Van Gieson	Millie Vargas	Carl Zelinski, Sr.	Tammy Zubek	

And for all those who are ill, home-bound, elderly, in nursing care, living with a chronic illness, or living on the margins, we pray.

#### **Mass Intentions**

#### Saturday, August 3

4:15 pm † Rosemary O'Connor

#### Sunday, August 4

8:30 am † Florence Seifert 11:00 am † Mary Danilovich

#### Monday, August 5

#### **Tuesday, August 6**

#### Wednesday, August 7

5:30 pm † Marsha Gray

#### **Thursday, August 8**

5:30 pm + Jim Brown

#### Friday, August 9

5:30 pm † Ray Rutkowski

#### Saturday, August 10

4:15 pm † Henry Senyak

#### **Sunday, August 11**

8:30 am † Dr. Edward and Jeannie Ferreri

11:00 am † Bob Fleck

† Deceased

#### Offertory— July 27th and 28th

Regular Collection \$1,684.10 E-Giving \$200.00 Building/Renovation \$20.00

Total Collection \$1,913.21

## Pope Francis' August Prayer Intention For Political Leaders



We pray that political leaders be at the service of their own people, working for integral human development and for the common good, especially caring for the poor and those who have lost their jobs.

"Jesus knows we are sinners; he knows we make many mistakes, but he does not give up on joining his life to ours. He knows that we need the Eucharist, because the Eucharist is not the reward of saints, but the bread of sinners. This is why exhorts us:

"Do not be afraid! Take and eat."

~Pope Francis

#### **Donate online**

We are deeply grateful for your generosity in your weekly contribution to St. Augustine Parish. Your kindness and support enable us to provide for the needs of our parish and community.

Please consider our Parish's E-giving option through PayPal. It is easy and secure. Visit our parish website, www.StAugsutineCleveland.org and click donate.

Thank you for your financial support.



## Love Without Measure...

My Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

A few weeks ago, I had the privilege of attending the 10 th National Eucharistic Congress as part of a delegation from the Diocese of Cleveland. I was truly honored to attend this event with over fifty-thousand other Catholics from around the country. During the five days I was there, the attendee's we were considered pilgrims, and we were encouraged to immerse ourselves fully into the rich tapestry of liturgies, training, educational sessions, and fellowship. We were to allow the Holy Spirit to work through each of us by healing, forming, strengthening, and most importantly, filling us with a missionary zeal.

Of course, the focus of this event was to recognize the significance of the Eucharist in our faith. The Catechism tells us the "The Eucharist is the source and summit of the Christian life. The other sacraments, and indeed all ecclesiastical ministries and works of the apostolate, are bound up with the Eucharist and are oriented toward it" (CCC 1324-1327). In other words, Christ, His real presence the Eucharist, is the beginning, the end, and the purpose of all we do in our Christian life.

We simply cannot live authentic Catholic lives without the Eucharist because our lives are committed to loving Christ. In the Eucharist, Jesus gave His disciples, and all of us, His love, a love that has no limits, a love so great that it literally has the power to remove sin and grant eternal life. When we encounter Christ in the Eucharist, we are healed, revived, transformed, and brought into Communion with all of the Church and Christ Himself.

We must all always remember, the Eucharist is both a gift and a command, the most precious gift of Christ's love and a command to share His gift of love with others. As such, we are all called to be missionary disciples of Christ's gift of Salvation. The story of Jesus' sacrifice is the greatest love story ever told. "For even the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and give His life as a ransom for many" (Mark 10:45). We need to share His story, proclaim the good news, not only in words, but more importantly, in how we live our lives ("always preach the Gospel, and when necessary, use words..." St. Francis). Remember, we do not attend "Church" every week, we attend Mass every week, "Church" starts when Mass ends. We are dismissed with the words "the Mass is ended, go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your lives." As we exit the Mass, we have been nourished by the Word of God, and transformed by His body and blood in the Eucharist and are sent forth to be peacemakers, to serve the poor, witness to the Gospel, defend life from conception to its natural end, join the struggle for justice and right the wrongs we see in the world. This is the Eucharist; this is the real presence of the Living Christ.

With humility,

Deacon Chris



## **Around the Parish**

#### **PSR** in Need of Volunteers



We are looking for PSR Catechists for the 2024 - 2025 PSR school year. The school year will begin in September and run through May 2024.

As a part of the Dioceses of Cleveland's Protecting God's Children policy, all volunteers are required to complete Virtus training and submit a BCI criminal background check.

If you are looking for something new to be a part of, consider joining this very important ministry of sharing your Catholic faith with the young people of St. Augustine's. If interested in learning more, please contact Jessica at

JNeuhart@StAugustineCleveland.org or by calling the parish office at (216) 781-5530.



St. Augustine
Community Cupboard
and Closet provides nonperishable food items, personal
hygiene, cleaning, pet food, and
clothing items to those in need.

The Cupboard and Closet is open **open** on **Saturdays** from **11 AM - 3 PM.** 

For more information or to volunteer please contact Anthony Camino at (216) 781-5530 or email, Acamino@StaugustineCleveland.org.

We have also created an Amazon Wish List which can be found on our parish website, www.StAugustineCleveland.org.

Community Closet and Cupboard Highlights by the Numbers

- ♦ Served 1,091 in the month of May, 1,301 in the month of June, and 1,272 in the month of July.
- ♦ In the month of May we helped 188 new families, 225 during the month of June and in July 197 new friends came to us in need.

#### The Great Month of August

St. Augustine's has a long tradition of celebrating our history, parish family, and community around the time of St. Augustine of Hippo's Feast Day (August 28<sup>th</sup>). Over the years our celebrations have changed but our mission remains the same- to gather together as a parish family and community.

Our events for this year are:



Sunday, August 18<sup>th</sup> Parish Breakfast 9 am to 1 pm



Sunday, August 25<sup>th</sup>
Parish Indoor Picnic and
Organ Concert

Picnic will begin at 11:30 am with the Organ Concert beginning at 1:30 pm

As with any parish event it is only as successful as you make it. So, **you are encouraged to help by volunteering and participating.** For more information on volunteering please contact Bob Duda at (216) 781-5530 ext. 31 or BDuda@StAugustineCleveland.org



"If you were the only person on earth, Christ would have still suffered and died for you."





## **Around the Parish**

#### Say It In Sign

Sign language class for beginners will continue this Wednesday from 12:30 pm until 2 pm in the Parish Administration Offices. For more information, please contact Robin McMarlin at (216)781-5530 ext. 29 or at

RMcMarlin@StAugustineCleveland.org.

#### St. Augustine Signing Choir

The St. Augustine Signing Choir practice will continue on Thursday at 6:30 pm in Walsh Hall. Anyone interested in joining the choir, with or without signing experience, is invited to join.

For more information on joining the Signing Choir, please contact the parish office at (216) 781-5530.

#### St. Augustine Buckeye Deaf Seniors

St. Augustine Buckeye Deaf Seniors will gather on Tuesday, August 6th at 10 am. New members are always welcome.

#### **Cleveland Catholic Deaf Center**

There has been a rumor that the Cleveland Catholic Deaf Center is closed. Please know that we are **still open!** Please join us every Sunday after 8:30 am and 11 am masses in the Cleveland Catholic Deaf Center located in the former school building. Free coffee and donuts will be available this Sunday.

#### **Blind Community**

Members of the Blind Community invite you to their gathering on Wednesday, August 21<sup>st</sup> at 12 Noon in Walsh Hall. The VIPs (Visually Impaired Persons) welcome those with and without visual impairments to participate in their activities. Members of the Blind Community are invited to stay up-to-date with Blind Community and Parish events by calling (216) 635-9215.

#### **LINKS Community for Mental Health**

Member of LINKS, a social, recreational and educational ministry of St. Augustine's for persons with Mental Health conditions, recently enjoyed making homemade peanut butter cookies.

For more information on our Links program please contact Bob at (216) 781-5530 or Bduda@StAugsutineCleveland.org.

#### St. Augustine Seniors (50 and over)

The St. Augustine Seniors invites you to their next gathering on Thursday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> at 12 noon in Walsh Hall.

For more information on joining the Seniors Group, please contact the parish office at (216) 781-5530.



Cursillistas will be taking a summer break. Our monthly Ultreya will resume on Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup> at 10:00

am. Cursillistas are invited to gather, pray, and share personal stories about living a life in God's Grace on the second Saturday of every month.

August is a month filled with many important saints, very diverse in life, and worthy of reflection and imitation.

Today, August 4, is the feast of St. John Marie Vianney, the patron of parish priests. The significance and the beauty of this simple parish priest who spent 41 years serving the people of Ars, France, is not because he founded any religious order or left us an abundant collection of brilliant theological writings. It was his simple witness of being a faithful, zealous, and loving parish priest who helped countless souls through the healing ministry in the confessional.

August 8 is the feast of St. Dominic who was appalled at the spiritual horrors wrought by the Albigensian heresy which, among other things, taught that the physical world was evil - despite the fact that Jesus chose to live in it Himself. Dominic set out to counter this heresy with truth. His humility, fatherly kindness, patience and joyfulness under persecution impressed even his enemies.

On August 9 we honor Edith Stein (St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross) who is a great model for today's young generation who seek the truth. A brilliant philosopher who stopped believing in God when she was 14, Edith Stein was so captivated by reading the autobiography of Teresa of Avila that she began a spiritual journey that led her from her Jewish family to her baptism.

August 10 is the feast of St. Lawrence, the patron of deacons. The esteem in which the Church holds Deacon Lawrence is seen in the fact that today's celebration ranks as a feast. He was a Roman deacon under Pope Saint Sixtus II. Four days after this pope was put to death, Lawrence and four clerics suffered martyrdom. We wish happy feast to our own wonderful Deacon Chris and thank him for his diaconate ministry to our parish community.

August 11 is the feast of St. Clare who was mentored by St. Francis of Assisi himself. The 41 years of Clare's religious life are scenarios of sanctity: an indomitable resolve to lead the simple, literal gospel life; courageous resistance to the ever-|present pressure to dilute the ideal; a passion for poverty and humility; an ardent life of prayer; and a generous concern for her sisters.

St. Rose of Lima is honored on August 23. This first canonized saint of the New World lived a simple life and yet had to suffer so much opposition. Her life, like that of St. Clare, can challenge our lifestyle of indulging in too much food and drink, using a million gadgets, Filling our eyes and ears with useless needs on which to spend our money.

St. Monica is honored on August 27. If succumbed to her circumstances, she could have turned out to be a nagging wife, a bitter daughter-in-law, and a despairing parent, yet she did not give way to any of these temptations. She is a model of patient waiting and persevering prayer that finally led to the conversion of her hottempered husband and her brilliant but wayward son,

St. Augustine's feast is on August 28. He is a sinner-turned-saint. Whether we acclaim him or condemn him, he challenges us to scrap escapisms and stand face-¦to-|face with personal responsibility and dignity.

These eight saints challenge us to practice patience and wait on God's time. Today, with Google searches, online shopping, text messages, tweets, and instant gratification, we have little patience for things that take time. It seems that when we have become most like slaves, there is the greatest talk of freedom. Are we willing to accept the challenge from these saints?

## Reflection

Once there was a happy little boy who said to God one day, "O God, I want to live in a big house with a big porch, two Saint Bernard's and a garden in the back. I want to marry a woman who is tall and very beautiful and kind, with long, black hair and blue eyes, and who plays the guitar and sings in a clear, high voice. I want three strong sons with whom to play football. When they grow up, one will be a great scientist, one will be a Senator and the youngest will quarterback the Packers. I want to sail vast oceans and climb the highest mountains. I want to drive a red Ferrari and never have to pick up after myself." God said, "That sounds like a nice dream. I want you to be happy."

However, one day, the boy hurt his knee playing football. His dream of being an adventurer was over. Therefore, he studied marketing and started a medical supply company. He met a pretty woman at school, who was very warm and kind. She wasn't glamorous, she wasn't a musician, but she was a wonderful cook and a talented artist. Because of his work, they lived in the city in an apartment. A small balcony served as the big porch; all they had room for was a fluffy cat. They had three daughters (not sons); the loveliest of the three had to use a wheelchair. He made enough money for his family to live comfortably, but he didn't drive a red Ferrari and with three daughters, he spent a lot of time picking things up.

Then, one morning, he woke up very sad. He confided to a friend his disappointment that his wife was not the beautiful, glamorous musician he had dreamed of. His friend tried to reassure him that his wife was kind and generous. But the man wasn't listening. He shared with his wife his disappointment with their apartment instead of the big house he dreamed of. She reminded him of the comfortable happy home and their three beautiful daughters. But the man wasn't listening. He went to see a therapist and went on about how he dreamed of being a great adventurer and driving a Ferrari and not have to pick up after himself. The therapist pointed out that the medical supplies and equipment he sold saved many lives. But the man wasn't listening. The therapist charged him ¢644 and sent him home. He confessed to a priest that he had dreamed of having three strong sons. The priest said that he had been blessed with three beautiful, intelligent and gracious daughters. But, the man wasn't listening.

He was so sad that he became very sick. Late one night, alone in his hospital room, the man said to God, "Remember when I was a boy and I told you what I wanted?" "It was a lovely dream," God said. "Why didn't you give me those things?" "I could have," God replied, "but I wanted to surprise you with things you didn't dream of. Your life is one of the best packages I've put together." Yes," interrupted the man. But I thought you were going to give me what I wanted." "And I thought you were going to give me what I really wanted," God said. "To be happy with what I had given you." And that night the terribly, tragically sad man began to dream a new dream. Moreover, he became very happy.

As "the terribly, tragically sad man" discovers, a life of true joy and meaning is driven not by "perishable" material things and fleeting experiences but by the "nonperishable" values of God. Perhaps the most difficult challenge of our time is to accomplish the "work" of God while "working" to succeed in our careers, to make a place in our homes and hearts for the "bread" that is Christ amid the "fast food" being shoved at us from every direction. May God give us the wisdom to live lives grounded in the "food that endures" beyond the fleeting and the perishable, the "bread of heaven" that feeds and nurtures us for our own life's journey to the dwelling place of God .

## Diocesan and Community News and Events

#### The Catholic Cemeteries Association

You are not alone. The Catholic Cemeteries Association walks with you along your grief journey. Please join us at our free monthly grief support meetings. Six convenient locations and a virtual meeting for those who cannot attend in person. Find strength, hope, and a voice for your grief. August 28, 2024. 3 pm in person or 5 pm via Zoom.

For details, visit:

https://www.clecem.org/information/bereavement.aspx

#### Theology on the Rocks for Adults 40 and

Over will be held on Monday, August 12 at the Westside Irish American Club, 8559 Jennings Road, Olmsted Township. Fr. Jerry Bednar, a retired priest, professor and attorney will discuss the significance of the Resurrection on the Eucharist.

More information can be found at https://www.theologyontherockswest.com/



**Ohio Sales Tax Holiday is back** again this year! That means sales tax on purchases of clothing and

footwear priced up to \$75 per item, as well as school supplies and instructional materials priced up to \$20 per item. Consumers can buy as much as they want of eligible items, as long as the retail price for each item does not exceed the limit. The sales tax holiday applies to both online and brick-and-mortar retailers, for purchases made from 12:01 am Tuesday, July 30th through 11:59 pm Thursday, August 8th.





Empowering women since 1978, the Women in Transition program is a no-cost, noncredit course offered through Cuyahoga Community College. The curriculum is designed to help women move their lives forward as they build

personalized academic and professional development plans. In addition, participants will network and strengthen their support system.

The next six-week course (online or in-person) begins soon- August 19th. For more information or to register go to: www.tri-c.edu/women-intransition.

## Parish Calendar and Events

#### St. Augustine Prayer

Consider the beautiful prayer to the Holy Spirit written by St. Augustine:

Breathe in me, O Holy Spirit,
That my thoughts may all be holy.
Act in me, O Holy Spirit,
That my work, too, may be holy.
Draw my heart, O Holy Spirit,
That I love but what is holy.
Strengthen me, O Holy Spirit,
To defend all that is holy.
Guard me, then, O Holy Spirit,
That I always may be holy.
Call upon the Holy Spirit and ask Him to fill you with His life.

St. Augustine of Hippo, pray for us



#### St. Augustine of Hippo Feast Day: August 28



#### On the Lighter Side



No Psh there! One cold winter day, two guys decide to take up ice fishing. They pond a nice spot and began to cut a hole in the ice. Then they hear a voice. "There's no fish there...". Puzzled, they begin to cut another hole a few feet away. Again, they hear the voice. "There's no fish there..." They are now confused, but still determined. About 10 feet away, they begin to cut another ice hole. "There's no fish there...", again they hear the voice. They immediately turn to the sky and say, "Is that you, God?" "NO! IT'S THE MANAGER OF THE ICE-SKATING RINK! THERE'S NO FISH THERE!

#### This week at St. Augustine

#### Monday, August 5, 2024

5:30 pm: Mass (Church)

7:30 pm: AA Meeting (Mylott Hall)

#### Tuesday, August 6, 2024

9:30 am: AA Meeting (Walsh Hall)

10:00 am: St. Augustine Buckeye Deaf Seniors (Deaf Center)

5:30 pm: Mass (Church)

7:30 pm: AA Meeting (Mylott Hall)

#### Wednesday, August 7, 2024

12:30 pm: Sign Class (Parish Administration Building)

3::00 pm: Links (Walsh Hall) 5:30 pm: Mass (Church)

6:00 pm: AA Meeting (Mylott Hall) 6:30 pm: Signing Hands (Walsh Hall)

#### Thursday, August 8, 2024

5:30 pm: Mass (Church)

6:30 pm: Signing Choir Practice (Walsh Hall)

7:00 pm: Boy Scouts (Second Floor School Building)

7:30 pm: AA Meeting (Mylott Hall)

#### Friday, August 9, 2024

5:30 pm: Mass (Church)

7:30 pm: AA Meeting (Mylott Hall)

#### Saturday, August 10, 2024

11:00 am – 3:00 pm: Community Cupboard and Closet

4:15 pm: Mass (Church)

#### Sunday, August 11, 2024

8:30 am: Mass (Church) 11:00 am: Mass (Church)

August 3 <sup>rd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday: 4:15 PM	Sunday: 8:30 AM	Sunday: 11 AM
Priest Deacon	Fr. Ben Jimenez, SJ Deacon Chris DePenti (H)	Fr. Ben Jimenez, SJ Deacon Chris DePenti (H)	Fr. Ben Jimenez, SJ Deacon Chris DePenti (H)
Lectors	Rick Toth	Ed Zubek	Tom Smith Pat Takacs
Extraordinary Ministers of the Blessed Sacrament	Dave Dylyn Theresa Fallon	Joe Lewandowski Rob Owens	Karen Halupnik Tammy Williams
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Priest	-	Fr. Ben Jimenez, SJ (H)	-