# St. Augustine

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July, 28, 2024 Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



#### 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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**Mental Health Ministry** 

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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 | Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time** 2 Kgs 4:42-44; Ps 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18; Eph 4:1-6; Jn 6:1-15

**Monday | Saints Mary, Martha and Lazarus** Jer 13:1-11; Dt 32:18-19, 20, 21; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Tuesday | St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Jer 14:17-22; Ps 79:8-9, 11, 13; Mt 13:36-43

**Wednesday | St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest** Jer 15:10, 16-21; Ps 59:2-4, 10-11, 17-18; Mt 13:44-46

Thursday | St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Jer 18:1-6; Ps 146:1-6; Mt 13:47-53

Friday | Saint Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop Saint Peter Julian Eymard, Priest

Jer 26:1-9; Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14; Mt 13:54-58

**Saturday** 

Jer 26:11-16, 24; Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 14:1-12

**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

#### **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	Debbi Kasper	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, July 27

4:15 pm † Betty Terepka

#### Sunday, July 28

#### Monday, July 29

#### Tuesday, July 30

5:30 pm am † Rita Lada

#### Wednesday, July 31

5:30 pm † Herman Graziolli

#### Thursday, August 1

5:30 pm † Nettie Kowalski

#### Friday, August 2

#### Saturday, August 3

4:15 pm † Rosemary O'Connor

#### Sunday, August 4

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

† Deceased

#### Offertory— July 20<sup>th</sup> an d 21<sup>st</sup>

Regular Collection \$1,684.10 E-Giving \$200.00 Building/Renovation \$35.00

Total Collection \$1,919.10

## Pope Francis' July Prayer Intention

For the pastoral care of the sick



We pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick confer to those who receive it and their loved ones the power of the Lord and become ever more a visible sign of compassion and hope for all.

"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...

Amid a nationwide affordable housing crisis, The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and other Catholic organizations are urging Congress to pass legislation that enhances their ability to increase the supply of affordable housing.

The Yes in God's Backyard Act was introduced by Ohio Democratic Senator Sherrod Brown, who is chairman of the United States Committee on Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs back in March, and its status has not changed since. Catholic leaders urged it passage on July 12 in a letter to Brown, and other Congressional leaders.

The legislation according to its text would provide technical assistance and grants for faith based organizations, institutions of higher learning, and local government to increase the supply of affordable rental housing, and for other purposes

"We support the Yes in God's Backyard Act because it would help faith-based and nonprofit organizations improve their capacity to meet the housing needs of the poor and vulnerable community members. We urge its passage."

The clergy who signed the letter are Archbishop Boris Gudziak of the Catholic Archeparchy of Philadelphia, Chair of the USCCB Committee on Domestic Justice and Human Development; Father Christopher Kellerman, Secretary, Office of Justice and Ecology, at the Jesuit Conference of Canada and the United States.

The letter highlights that the United States is in the midst of a "profound and prolonged housing crisis, where systemic lack of affordable housing drives us housing costs for low income houesholds exacerbating their financial insecurity. The letter notes that these problems are more acute for African American, Latino and Indigenous households.

According to data from the National Low Income Housing Coalition, the United States has a shortage of 7.3 million. Rental homes affordable and available to renters with "extremely low incomes," which is defined as incomes at or below either the federal poverty guidelines of 30% of their area median income, whichever is greater

The letter also highlights that Catholic entities are one of the largest private providers of housing, while also noting that "more but be done to respond to the immense suffering faced by poor households, and Catholics can do more."

Cited in the letter, The Right to a Decent Home: A Pastoral Response to the crisis in Housing, November 20, 1975. In the statement the American Bishops challenge Catholic institutions to "take an inventory of our property and real estate, reflect upon its utilization, and examine how it might better be put at the service of those who lack adequate shelter... (as well as) make better use of our economic and personal resources to assist those who need housing."

Yes in God's Backyard Act would make it easier for the Church to do precisely this, empowering faith-based and other nonprofit institutions to use their resource responsibly to serve more vulnerable families, the letter states.

When Senator Brown introduces the bill on March 12, he acknowledged America's housing crisis.

"Housing is too expensive and too hard to find in almost every community in America.

"This is a common sense solution - families need more housing, and churches, synagogues and other religious organizations want to put their faith into action by developing housing on lands they already own. By helping these institutions cut through red tape, we can lower housing costs and expand options in Ohio and around the country.

Fr Bill

#### **Around the Parish**



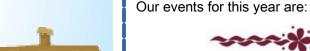


SUMMER

 $\mathsf{CAMP}$ 

This past week, we wrapped up the 2024 camp season. We are so thankful for everyone's support and prayers during this camp season and are already eagerly planning for next year!

A sincere thank you to the dedicated staff, who worked hard to ensure our children had a safe and fun-filled summer experience. We will miss seeing and hearing these young ones singing and laughing with their friends. May you enjoy the rest of the summer and see you next year for another camp season!



# Saturday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> Steak Roast Dinner 5 pm – 7 pm (Reservations Required)

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 28th). Over the years our celebrations have changed but our

mission remains the same- to gather together as a

The Great Month of August

parish family and community.

\$25/Person for Steak Dinner \$20/Person for Chicken Dinner

Tickets are available in the Parish Office.



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

#### World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly

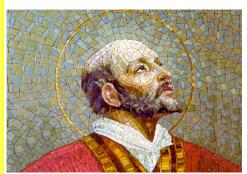
"Do not cast me off in my old age" (from Psalm 71)

The Pope challenges us: On this Fourth World Day devoted to them, let us show our tender love for the grandparents and the elderly members of our families. Let us spend time with those who are disheartened and no longer hope in the possibility of a different future. In place of the self-centered attitude that leads to loneliness and abandonment, let us instead show the open heart and the joyful face of men and women who have the courage to say "I will not abandon you", and to set out on a different path. (Message from his Holiness Pope Francis for the Fourth World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, April 25, 2024). His entire message can be found At https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en.html.

Here at St. Augustine there will be a special blessing For grandparents at each of the weekend Masses.



#### St. Ignatius of Loyola



This week we celebrate a spiritual master! Not only is St. Ignatius of Loyola, the founder of the Jesuits, but the legacy of his life of prayer – now called Ignatian spirituality – inspired believers the world over. Injured as a young soldier, Ignatius spent his time in recovery reading the lives of the saints. They inspired his soul to holy heroism, changing his life forever. Ignatius gathered a group of friends who also desired to be contemplatives in action," finding God in all circumstances. This became the Jesuits – a great missionary and teaching order. Ignatius himself was constantly attuned to his own inner promptings. This self-knowledge – open to the movements of the Holy Spirit – led him to be an incredibly astute spiritual director. For Ignatius, recognizing God as the first principle of one's life determined everything. How has God changed you?

#### Around the Parish

#### Say It In Sign

Sign language class for beginners will continue not meet this week. They 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 will resume practice on Thursday, August 1st 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 6<sup>th</sup> at 10 am. New members are always welcome.

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

Please join us every Sunday after 8:30 am and 11 am masses in the Cleveland Catholic Deaf Center. Coffee, donuts and goodies are available for purchase.

#### **Blind Community**

Members of the Blind Community invite you to their next gathering on Wednesday, August 21st 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.







Cursillistas will be taking a summer break. Our monthly Ultreya will resume on Saturday, September 14th 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.



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 1,074 in the month of April, 1,091 in the month of May, and 1,301 in the month of June.
- ♦ In the month of April we helped 175 new families, 188 during the month of May and in June 225 new friends came to us in need.

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

On Thursday, July 25th, the St. Augustine Seniors enjoyed our waterways on Lady Caroline. The next gathering will be 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.



#### Reflection

#### Maria's Mite for the Poor

Maria is in her late 50s. She cleans toilets at a major sports arena. Every day she comes to work lugging through the security line three duffel bags bursting with plastic Tupperware. She says little; she never smiles; she is dressed in whatever she can find at the St. Vincent de Paul thrift store. On this particular day, a new security guard is on duty when Maria comes to work. He gives Maria and her duffel bag of Tupperware the "all clear" and waves her through. After several days, the security guard asks, "Excuse me, ma'am, I'm just curious . . . what are these containers for?"

Maria's scowl quickly turns to a smile and begins to tell her story: Maria was homeless three years ago. For years, she lived under a highway overpass just a few miles from the arena. She spends her time outside of work caring for a sick friend who can barely move on his own. After every game, Maria fills the Tupperware in her duffel bags with leftover chicken fillets, burgers, and other uneaten treats. She brings it all to the homeless shelter where she used to stay. "The reason I took this cleaning job was so I could have access to all this leftover food," Maria explains. "Usually arenas just throw it away, but I know people would really enjoy it."

The security guard is moved by Maria's story - and generosity. "Maria, what keeps you going? What sustains you?" he asks. "The goodness of people," Maria says simply. "It's like a shade went up on my window. When I was homeless, all I could see was how bad I was inside and that I didn't deserve a good life. When the shade lifted, I could look outside myself. I saw goodness that I never saw before . . . [I] just believe in a loving God and I'm doing my part to share the good news." [From "The examined life: What sustains you?" by Jessie Bazan, U.S. Catholic, May 2018.]

Like the boy in today's Gospel who gives the little he has, Maria makes use of the opportunities she has been given for the good of those who live in even harder circumstances. The multiplication of the loaves and fish did not start with nothing: Jesus was able to feed the crowds because one boy was willing to share what little he had; from his gift, small though it was, Jesus worked a miracle. Eucharist is possible only when self defers to community, only when serving others is exalted over being served, only when differences dissolve and the common and shared are honored above all else.

#### Diocesan and Community News and Events

# "My Daily Prayers" is a FREE daily recording of prayers led by the bishops and priests of the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland and delivered each day directly to you through your email. In less than 10 minutes, "My Daily Prayers" invites you into prayer with reflection about each day and offers encouragement to enter into a deeper relationship with our Lord. Sign up here: DioceseOfCleveland.org/MyDailyPrayers Come together in prayer, with My Daily Prayers! Catholic Diocese of Cleveland





Ohio Sales Tax Holiday is back again this year! That means Ohioans won't have to pay 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 30<sup>th</sup> through 11:59 pm Thursday, August 8<sup>th</sup>.

#### Parish Calendar and Events

### Prayer for the Fourth World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly

Lord, faithful God, You who created us in Your image, You who never leaves us alone and who accompanies us through every season of life, Do not abandon us, take care of us, And grant us, once again, The ability to discover ourselves and recognize that we are Your children. Renew our hearts with your Word And do not allow anyone to be cast aside. May your Spirit of love fill us with Your tenderness And teach us to say: "I will not abandon you!" To those we meet on our journey. With the help of your beloved Son, may we not lose the taste for fraternity And may we not conform to the sadness of loneliness. Help us to look to the future with renewed hope, And make the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly A day without loneliness, and a day abundant with the first-fruits of Your peace. Amen.



#### On the Lighter Side



I heard about a little boy who got into a heated argument with his sister about who was going to get the last brownie, and his mother overheard this discussion and came in to try to resolve the fuss. Her two children, both extremely upset, each wanted that last brownie. So, sensing the opportunity to teach a deeper spiritual truth, the mother looked at her children and asked that very relevant question..."What would Jesus do?" Well, that little boy immediately answered, "That's easy. Jesus would just break that brownie and make 5,000 more!"

#### This week at St. Augustine

*Monday, July 29, 2024* 5:30 pm: Mass (Church)

7:30 pm: AA Meeting (Mylott Hall)

Tuesday, July 30, 2024

9:30 am: AA Meeting (Walsh Hall)

5:30 pm: Mass (Church)

7:30 pm: AA Meeting (Mylott Hall)

Wednesday, July 31, 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 1, 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 2, 2024 5:30 pm: Mass (Church)

6:00 pm: Ignatian Spirituality AA Meeting (Walsh Hall)

7:30 pm: AA Meeting (Mylott Hall)

Saturday, August 3, 2024

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

4:15 pm: Mass (Church)

5:00 pm: Parish Steak Roast (Walsh Hall)

Sunday, August 4, 2024 8:30 am: Mass (Church) 11:00 am: Mass (Church)

make 6,000 more:					
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Priest Deacon	Fr. Ben Jimenez, SJ (H)	Fr. Ben Jimenez, SJ (H)	Fr. Bill O'Donnell, C.PP.S (H) Deacon Chris DePenti		
Lectors	Michelle Rivera	Debbie Sollars	Kate Slosar Rachel Smith		
Extraordinary Ministers of the Blessed Sacrament	Helen Bencic Migdalia Santiago-White Calvin White	Maria Boyer Marissa Davilla Bob Duda	John Kowalchik Sue Scialabba		
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