# St. Augustine

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ST. AUGUSTINE



## August 18, 2024

## Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him. Just at the living Father sent me and I have life because of the Father, so also the one who feeds on me will have life because of me."

Jn 6:56-57

#### **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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**Deaf Ministry** 

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**Mental Health Ministry** 

Ministry@StAugustineCleveland.org

**Outreach Ministry** 

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## **Stay Connected**

Email: Info@StAugustineCleveland.org

Facebook: @StAugustineRomanCatholicChurchCleveland

YouTube: @staugustinechurch9835

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 | Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Prv 9:1-6; Ps 34:2-7; Eph 5:15-20; Jn 6:51-58

Monday | Saint John Eudes, Priest

Ez 24:15-23; De 32:18-19, 20, 21; Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday | Saint Bernard, Abbot, Doctor of the Church

Ez 28:1-10; De 32:26-27ab, 27cd-28, 30, 35cd-36ab; Mt 19:23-30 4

Wednesday | Saint Pius X, Pope

Ez 34:1-11; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Mt 20:1-16

**Thursday | The Queenship of Mary** 

Ez 36:23-28; Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19; Mt 22:1-14

Friday | Saint Rose of Lima, Virgin

Ez 37:1-14; Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Mt 22:34-40

Saturday | Saint Bartholomew, Apostle

Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18; Jn 1:45-51

**Sunday | Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time** 

Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b; Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21; Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32; Jn 6:60-69

## **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

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 17

4:15 pm † William Alessandrini

#### Sunday, August 18

8:30 am † Rosemary Moon 11:00 am † Kosewicz Family

#### **Monday, August 19**

#### **Tuesday, August 20**

#### Wednesday, August 21

5:30 pm † Larry Moran

#### **Thursday, August 22**

5:30 pm † Helen Kuklison

#### Friday, August 23

5:30 pm † Betty Terepka

#### Saturday, August 24

4:15 pm † Donnell Treska-Williams

#### Sunday, August 25

8:30 am Living and Deceased Parishioners
11:00 am Living and Deceased Parishioners

† Deceased

## Offertory— August 10th and 11th

Regular Collection	\$1,199.00
E-Giving	\$225.00
Feast of the Assumption	\$25.00
Building/Renovation	\$22.00

Total Collection \$1,471.00





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...

What does it mean to believe? For one thing, belief means to accept something as true, whether or not we can personally demonstrate its truth. I believe that the planet Mars has polar icecaps and that the Battle of Waterloo took place in 1815 Most information we use in life is composed of this kind of belief. If we relied only on what we have personally or only on what we have personally experienced, we could rely on very little.

We Catholics hold certain beliefs about God and religion. We believe that there rare three persons in God, that Jesus Christ, is both divine and human, that there are seven sacraments, that the pope is head of the Church. We accept these statements as true, even if we can't prove them scientifically, even if we are not sure of their full meaning.

But believing can be something far more profound than merely accepting a statement as true. Believing also means being a believer. It means having faith. Having faith does involve accepting truths, but, more deeply, having faith means giving ourselves over to a person and becoming part of that person's story. Religious belief concerns not just a body of truths but a person, Catholic Christian believing, sharing the Catholic faith, ends voluntarily becoming part of the story of God's love for the world. Becoming part of the story of the life and destiny of God's son, Jesus. Our faith provides

the only scenario that addresses the deepest dimensions of our lives. If we refuse our part in God's story, our lives lose their center and degenerate into meaningless.

The story to which we give our lives in faith is a single story. It is based on acts and truths that come together to make a coherent whole stretching from the moment of creation to the last instant of time, and into eternity. It is a love story about God's love for us and about the way God invites us to respond in which each of us an important part, a part that can be played by no one else.

It is a story of success and failure, of generosity and sin, of clarity and confusion It is story about justice and charity, It is a story that is filled with

meaning for each individual human being and for all of us together.

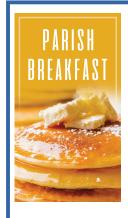
Being a believer, having faith, implies taking God at his word, accepting as true God's offer of love and concern for us, living out that acceptance in every aspect of our lives; not just with the our minds, jobs and our friendships, in times of deep reflection and in the humdrum moments that compose most of our lives.

Fr. Bill

#### Second Collection THIS Weekend



The annual Catholic Education (Faith and Values) Collection will be this weekend, August 17th and 18th. By making this annual gift you show your commitment to providing Catholic education for children, helping them to a lifetime of success and learning. Thank you!



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Whether you are a long-time parishioner, a new member of our parish family, or just visiting, you are invited to a complimentary parish breakfast **THIS Sunday**, August 18<sup>th</sup> from 9 am until 1 pm in Walsh Hall (Basement of School Building). We hope you will be able to join us for food and fellowship.

## 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 20th 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.

#### Mary's Rosary Guild of the Deaf

Mary's Rosary Guild of the Deaf invite you to join them at Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine (21281 Chardon Road, Euclid) on September 7, 2024. More information can be found on today's bulletin insert.

#### **Blind Community**

Members of the Blind Community invite you to their 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.

#### 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.



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 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.



#### Are you interested in the Catholic Faith?

We invite you to learn what the Church teaches and to ask questions about the Catholic faith or to inquire about the process of becoming Catholic. There is also formation available for the Sacrament of Confirmation for Catholic adults who have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation and Eucharist, but were never confirmed. Please call (216) 781-5530 or send an email to info@staugustinecleveland.org for more information.

Our monthly Ultreya will resume **ULTREYA** 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.

## **Around the Parish**

#### **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



#### On the Lighter Side 🖰



A Jesuit, a Dominican, and a Franciscan were walking along an old road, debating the greatness of their orders. Suddenly, an apparition of the Holy Family appeared in front of them, with Jesus in a manger and Mary and Joseph praying over him. The Franciscan fell on his face, overcome with awe at the sight of God born in such poverty. The Dominican fell to his knees, adoring the beautiful reflection of the Trinity and the Holy Family. The Jesuit walked up to Joseph, put his arm around his shoulder, and said, "So, have you thought about where to send him to school?"

#### **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 Neuhart at JNeuhart@StAugustineCleveland.org or by calling the parish office at (216) 781-5530 ext. 23.

#### ST. AUGUSTINE CHURCH

## **Religious Education**

Discovering My Faith: Pre-K through 1st Grade
First Communion Preparation: 2nd Grade
Continuing Education: 3rd through 7th Grade
Confirmation Preparation: 8th Grade

REGISTRATION OPEN
FOR THE
2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR





"What does love look like? It has the hands to help others. It has the feet to hasten to the poor and needy. It has eyes to see misery and want. It has ears to hear the sighs and sorrows of men.

That is what love looks like."

-St. Augustine of Hippo, Confessions



## Reflection

#### Something to talk about...

"Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him." John 6: 51-58

As two people newly in love, they talked and talked. They talked about their childhoods, about school, about their jobs. They talked about their favorite foods, their favorite movies, their favorite songs. Before long, they were talking about their dreams, their fears, their happiest times, their most embarrassing moments. They talked about the places they would like to visit and the goals they would like to realize. And they talked about one another: what they admired about each other, what made the other such a joy to be with, how they were falling in love. Then they talked about their wedding. They talked about their new house. They talked about furnishings and landscaping and cars. They talked about money. And they talked about kids.

Seven years into their marriage, they stopped talking. After a day of work, of getting the kids to school and the doctor's and their games, of putting dinner on the table, of the machinations of getting to sleep and ready for the next day, they would sit side by side in bed with their laptops. They were not sleeping, they were not talking. They were so close physically and yet so far apart. They still talked, but a different kind of talk. They talked about their children: what they wanted for lunch, who would pick them up, the plans for the weekend. They talked about bills and laundry and meals.

They realized that they were too tired to really "talk." So they decided to ship the kids to the grandparents for a week-end, lock their phones in the glove compartment, and return to the kind of place where they first really talked: on a mountain in the woods. They hiked and breathed. They listened to the beautiful silence of nature. They stopped to watch the birds glide through the sunset. And before long they were talking again. They told each other stories they had forgotten to tell each other, funny exchanges at work. They bantered and flirted. And they reminisced, too, about their early days, an entirely new kind of talking that comes from having known someone for a long time. Now several times a year they leave the children for a day or weekend and go off and hike. And talk, And

This couple, like so many married couples, get so caught up with demands of parenthood and career that even simple conversation becomes a rarity. But, when the "bread" that is Jesus' compassion and the "wine" that is his generosity sustains us, we constantly rediscover the presence of God in our midst in the love of family and friends - love that keeps us "talking," often in ways more powerful and affecting than mere words. Jesus' words about his "flesh" and blood as "real food" challenge us to consider what sustains us as human beings, as loving parents and sons and daughters and brothers and sisters, as children of God, as brothers and sisters of all with whom we share this good earth. To possess the life of God is to be open to and make possible moments of grace: moments when we become especially aware of the great love of God in our lives. God's grace is manifested in so many ways: in prayer and sacrament, especially the Eucharist; in the many gifts of creation, from the food that sustains us to the light of the sun that warms us; in the kindness and love of those who are the very love of God in our lives; in acts of generosity and forgiveness, though small and unheralded, that embrace us in God's peace.

## Diocesan and Community News and Events

#### **Jesuit Retreat Center (JRC) Programs and Retreats**

Noticing God With You During Daily Life: A

weekend retreat for you and God to have quality time together. Friday, September 13th, 5:30 pm - Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup>, 12:30 pm. Present by Fr. Bernie Owens, SJ. Come and enjoy the quiet and time for prayer at JRC. Become more aware of and responsive to toward the inner movements of God's Holy Spirit going in our relationships with individuals, communities of people, the environment, and finally, our own self.

#### **September Morning Prayer for Women**

Monday, September 16, 9:30 - 11:00 am. Women from all walks of life are invited to pray together and learn more about the beauty of prayer. Led by Sr. Mary Ann Flannery, S.C., this prayer group will refresh your spirit and help you find strength in regular prayer habits.

More information can be found at www.jesuitretreatcenter.org

#### 6th Annual Cleveland Catholic Women's Day Of Reflection "Inflame Me with Thy Love"

Saturday. September 28th from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm St. Albert the Great Parish Center. North Royalton

Join us for a day of spiritual renewal featuring:

- ◆ Mass with Bishop Malesic
- ♦ Speakers: Heather Khyn and Fr. Boniface Hicks
- ♦ Music by MarySarah Menkhaus
- ◆ Register at: www.clecatholicwomen.org

#### **Come and See Weekend**

A come and see weekend at Borromeo and Saint Mary Seminaries where attendees can experience seminary life by joining our men in formation in prayer, meals, and recreation. Attendees will also have time to discuss vocation and discernment, spend time in personal prayer, and have a Q & A session with current seminarians.

> November 9, 2024 February 1-2, 2025 March 29-30, 2025

Call (440) 943-7631 with guestions or to register.

## Parish Calendar and Events

#### St. Augustine Elementary School and **Our Lady of Mercy Elementary School** All Class Reunion

- All former students, teachers and guests of St. Augustine
- Elementary School and Our Lady of Mercy Elementary School
- are invited to an all class reunion on Sunday, October 6, 2024.
- The reunion will begin with Mass at 11 am followed by lunch and fellowship in Walsh Hall.
- Please contact Bob Duda at (216) 781-5530 ext. 31 or
- Bduda@staugsutinecleveland.org for more information.

#### 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 Feast Day: August 28

#### This week at St. Augustine

Monday, August 19, 2024

5:30 pm: Mass (Church)

7:30 pm: AA Meeting (Mylott Hall)

Tuesday, August 20, 2024

9:30 am: AA Meeting (Walsh Hall)

10:00 am: St. Augustine Buckeye Deaf Seniors

5:30 pm: Mass (Church)

7:30 pm: AA Meeting (Mylott Hall)

#### Wednesday, August 21, 2024

12:00 pm: St. Augustine Blind Community (Walsh Hall)

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 22, 2024

12:00 pm: St. Augustine Seniors (Walsh Hall)

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 23, 2024

5:30 pm: Mass (Church)

7:30 pm: AA Meeting (Mylott Hall)

#### Saturday, August 24, 2024

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

4:15 pm: Mass (Church)

#### Sunday, August 25, 2024

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

August 17 <sup>th</sup> and 18 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday: 4:15 PM	Sunday: 8:30 AM	Sunday: 11 AM
Priest Deacon	Fr. Ben Jimenez, SJ (H)	Fr. Ben Jimenez, SJ (H)	Fr. Bill O'Donnell, C.PP.S (H) Deacon Chris DePenti
Lectors	Ann Ertle	Fran DiDonato	Jeannie Rawlings Rosanne Barnhart
Extraordinary Ministers of the Blessed Sacrament	Magdaleno Rivera Bonnie Robertson Migdalia Santiago-White	Maria Boyer Marissa Davilla Bob Duda	Lin Janson Kate Slosar
August 24th and 25th	Saturday: 4:15 PM	Sunday: 8:30 AM	Sunday: 11 AM
Priest Deacon	Fr. Bill O'Donnell, C.PP.S (H)	Fr. Bill O'Donnell, C.PP.S (H) Deacon Chris DePenti	Fr. Ben Jimenez, SJ (H)
Lectors	Theresa Fallon	Joe Lewandowski	Kate Slosar Kathy Payne
Extraordinary Ministers of the Blessed Sacrament	Helen Bencic Bob Duda Calvin White	Rob Owens Maria Rivera	John Kowalchik Nora Kowalchik Robin McMarlin