

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF

St. Augustine

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S T . A U G U S T I N E



November 24, 2024
Our Lord Jesus Christ,
King of the Universe

*"Everyone who belongs to the truth
listens to my voice."*

- Jn 18:37

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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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 | Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Dn 7:13-14; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Rv 1:5-8; Jn 18:33b-37

Monday | Saint Catherine of Alexandria

Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5; Ps 24:1-6; Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday

Rv 14:14-19; Ps 96:10-13; Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday

Rv 15:1-4; Ps 98:1-3, 7-9; Lk 21:12-19

Thursday | Thanksgiving Day

Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 21:20-28

Friday

Rv 20:1-4, 11-21:2; Ps 84:3-6a, 8a; Lk 21:29-33

Saturday | Saint Andrew

Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 4:18-22

Sunday | First Sunday of Advent

Jer 33:14-16; Ps 25:4-5, 8-10, 14; 1 Thes 3:12-4:2;

Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

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	Dorothy Barr	Joel Barr	Doug Church	Patti Cook
Mary Ann Crolley	Ilona Cykman	Ellen Ferrari	Andrew Finamore	Mike Furey
Cathy Furci	John Garneau	Susan Grieken	Kathy Kohout	Ella McGowan
Fr. Joe McNulty	Nora Orozco	Bridget Patton	Mike Perciado	Brian Pfeiffer
Sheila Rock	Andrea Slosar	Richard Slosar	Mary Smith	Norma Turner
Nancy Van Gieson	Joe Vetalice	Carl Zelinski		

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, November 23

4:15 pm † Bob Bencic

Sunday, November 24

8:30 am † William Alessandrini

11:00 am † Sarah Messina

Monday, November 25

5:30 pm † Henry Grucza, Jr.

Tuesday, November 26

5:30 pm † Bob and Liz Kinney

Wednesday, November 27

5:30 pm Living and Deceased Benefactors

Thursday, November 28

No Mass

Friday, November 29

5:30 pm † Harry Mack

Saturday, November 30

4:15 pm † Sr. Mary Schrader, CSJ

Sunday, December 1

8:30 am † Henry Senyak

11:00 am † Raymond and Jeanette Rogalski

† *Deceased*

Offertory—

November 16th and 17th

Regular Collection	\$1,452.54
Campaign for Human Development	\$322.00
E-Giving	\$200.00

Total Collection \$1,974.54

Counter Team B is scheduled for Monday

Pope Francis'

November Prayer Intention

For anyone who has lost a child

We pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community and receive peace and consolation from the Holy Spirit.



Prayer for Thanksgiving

Dear Lord,

We raise our thanks to You,
The giver of every good gift.

Thank You for the ways
You have blessed, guarded,
and guided us this past year and always.

Keep us in Your hands,
And close to Your heart.

Amen.

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.

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Thank you for your financial support.



Love Without Measure...

Today's gospel is about power. By calling Jesus a king, the gospel associates Jesus with power. The gospel calls to reflect on what kind of power does Jesus have? What kind of power does Jesus exercise? In one sense that question is easy to answer. Jesus has absolute power, because he exercises the power of God. But God's power is unique. Although it is absolute, it is not coercive. Think of it. God does not force any of us here to do anything. God give us life, gives us free will and asks us to follow. Although God's power is absolute, God makes room for our free will and our response. So, God's power, although absolute, does not use force. This makes the power of Jesus very different than the power we usually experience in our lives.

The power in our world is usually coercive power. It is the ability to bend someone to our will, to achieve whatever we desire. When Joseph Stalin was told by his staff that the Pope objected to his invasion of Poland at the beginning of the Second World War, Stalin is said to have responded "the Pope, how many military divisions does the Pope have?" For Stalin power was equated with coercion, with military force. Jesus' power is different. Jesus says. "My kingdom (and therefore my power) are not of this world." This does not mean that Jesus' power is only exercised in heaven. Jesus' power is different from the normal coercive way that we experience power in our lives.

It is because of this truth that Pilate cannot figure out Jesus at all. Pilate thinks that he has the power. He knows that he has the power to crucify Jesus and to eliminate this trouble-making Jew. Pilate exercised that power, and Jesus dies on the cross. But despite the brutal force of Pilate, the crucifixion was not the end of Jesus. Jesus possesses the power of God.

So, the challenge of today's gospel is for us to believe that Jesus' power of love and service is stronger than the power of brutal force. That is what we are faced with today. We must decide whose power is greater, the power of Pilate or the power of Jesus. We know well the power of this world, when it is exercised by dictators and political leaders only want power and control and wealth. Dare we believe that the power of Christ is greater?

I have been reading recently about a man named Norman Borlaug. I never heard of him not do I imagine that many of you have either. But he was a man of real power. He was a botanist, and he dedicated his life to developing new trains of wheat, wheat that would grow in the most difficult weather in the world. Living in poverty and under great stress in many third world countries, Borlaug worked until he was able to develop a high yield grain that allowed the poorest people of the world to feed their families. It is estimated today that half the world's population is fed by grains that Norman Borlaug developed. So, here is what we must decide. Who has the greater power, Joseph Stalin or Norman Borlaug? Whose power should we adopt in our own lives, the power of Pilate or the power of Jesus? What the gospel challenges us to believe is that the power of non-coercive service is greater than the power of brutal force. We are challenged to believe that we will be more successful in our families, at our jobs, and in our lives when we opt for sacrifice rather than manipulation, when we opt for service rather than control.

We all know that the power of Jesus can often look weak. It can look like we are giving in, even like we are dying. But our faith tells us that this is the only power that can truly change people's hearts and build the kingdom of God. Dare to believe that Jesus' power is real. We are called to make his way our way. Dare to trust him, to claim him as our king.

In the name of the parish staff let me extend to our parish family and our many friends the blessing of this Thanksgiving Holiday. Blest with abundance in so many ways, may we always be grateful for all we work for and are gifted with ever mindful of the poor and homeless who need our generosity and support.

Fr. Bill

Around the Parish



Thanksgiving Mass

Grateful hearts make for a happy Thanksgiving. Join us on **Wednesday, November 27 at 5:30 PM** to thank God for the many blessing and gifts we have in our life.

Please note we will not have Mass on Thanksgiving Day.



Parish Office Closed

The Parish Office will be closed on Thursday, November 28th and Friday, November 29th. Normal Parish Office hours will resume on Saturday, November 30th.

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Faith Formation

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. An informational meeting will take place on **Monday, December 2nd at 5:30 pm** in the school building. Formation is also available for the Sacrament of Confirmation for Catholic adults who have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation and Eucharist, but were never confirmed. For more information please call (216) 781-5530 or send an email to info@staugustinecleveland.org.

Bible Study

Plans for our next Bible study are underway. However, we would like your input on what topics and gathering times are of interest to you. We kindly ask for you to complete a short survey that can be found on the parish website or on the table by the elevator. Thank you for your input.

Jesus Clarifies His Kingship!

The Jews accused Jesus of blasphemy for claiming to be God, and they wanted him to die by the most shameful and painful type of Roman execution. Hence, they brought Jesus before Pilate the Roman governor and accused Jesus of causing sedition against the Roman Empire and Caesar. "We found this man inciting our people to revolt, opposing payment of the tribute to Caesar, and claiming to be Christ, a king (Lk. 67:6). Today's Gospel presents the first part of the trial conducted by Pilate who questions Jesus about his kingship. In his dialogue with Pilate, Jesus implies that Pilate does not understand the spiritual or transcendent nature of Jesus' kingship ("My Kingdom does not belong to this world"). Jesus admits that he is a king but declares that his Kingdom is not of this world. Neither his present nor his future reign operates according to the world's criteria of power and dominance. Jesus' Kingdom, the reign of God, is based on the beatitudes, and he rules through service rather than through domination. His authority is rooted in truth, not in physical force. Jesus also claims that he has come to bear witness to the truth about a larger and eternal Kingdom. Jesus has come to bear witness to the truth: about God and His love, about us and about whom we are called to be.



All family and friends are invited to enjoy the beautiful music at our Christmas Concert on **Sunday, December 15th** at 1 pm in the Church. Join the members of our music and signing ministries as we celebrate Christmas in song and sign!

Be sure to mark your calendar!

The Annual KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS TRINITY COUNCIL #4217 CHRISTMAS PARTY will be DECEMBER 8th from 12 noon to 3 pm at St. John Cantius Church (College and Professor Avenue) in the downstairs cafeteria located in the basement of school building. All children from 0 to 12 years old are welcome. Bring the joy of the holiday season to life! We will have the big guy himself Santa and friends handing out presents, pizza, punch and hotdogs! Help us create unforgettable memories and spread holiday cheer. And remember Jesus is the reason for the season.

😊 **On the Lighter Side** 😊

When we were children we were grateful to those who filled our stockings at Christmas time. Why are we not grateful to God for filling our stockings with legs? (G.K. Chesterton)

If you can't be content with what you have received, be thankful for what you have escaped. (Author unknown)

Some people are always grumbling because roses have thorns; I am thankful that thorns have roses. (Alphonse Karr)

I want to say thank you to all the people who walked into my life and made it outstanding, and all the people who walked out of my life and made it fantastic. (Author unknown)

This week at St. Augustine

Monday, November 25, 2024

- 10:00 am: Acrylic Painting- Broadway School of Arts and Music (Walsh)
- 5:30 pm: Mass (Church)
- 6:00 pm: Rosary (Church)
- 7:30 pm: AA Meeting (Mylott Hall)

Tuesday, November 26, 2024

- 9:30 am: AA Meeting (Walsh Hall)
- 5:30 pm: Mass (Church)
- 6:00 pm: Rosary (Church)
- 7:30 pm: AA Meeting (Mylott Hall)

Wednesday, November 27, 2024

- 5:30 pm: Mass (Church)
- 6:00 pm: Rosary (Church)
- 6:00 pm: AA Meeting (Mylott Hall)

Thursday, November 28, 2024

- 7:30 pm: AA Meeting (Mylott Hall)

Friday, November 29, 2024

- 5:30 pm: Mass (Church)
- 6:00 pm: Rosary (Church)
- 7:30 pm: AA Meeting (Mylott Hall)

Saturday, November 30, 2024

- 11:00 am – 3:00 pm: Community Cupboard and Closet
- 4:15 pm: Mass (Church)
- 5:00 pm: Handbell Choir Rehearsal (Church)

Sunday, December 1, 2024

- 8:30 am: Mass (Church)
- 9:45 am -10:45 am: PSR (School Building)
- 11:00 am: Mass (Church)



November 23rd & 24th	Saturday: 4:15 PM	Sunday: 8:30 AM	Sunday: 11 AM
Priest Deacon	Fr. Bill O'Donnell, C.P.P.S (H) Deacon Chris DePenti	Fr. Bill O'Donnell, C.P.P.S (H)	Fr. Ben Jimenez, SJ (H)
Lectors	Ann Ertle	Joe Lewandowski	Kate Slosar Priscilla Treska
Extraordinary Ministers of the Blessed Sacrament	Helen Bencic Calvin White	Maria Boyer Lin Janson Rob Owens	Sr. Regina Fierman, CSA John Kowalchik Robin McMarlin
Nov. 30th & Dec. 1st	Saturday: 4:15 PM	Sunday: 8:30 AM	Sunday: 11 AM
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Lectors	Migdalia Santiago-White	Debbie Sollars	Tom Smith Alice Weaver
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