

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF

St. Augustine

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You are my
beloved Son;
with you I am
well pleased.

LUKE 3:22

January 12, 2025

The Baptism of the Lord



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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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YouTube: [@staugustinechurch9835](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCstaugustinechurch9835)

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 | Baptism of the Lord

Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 or
Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30; Acts 10:34-38 or
Ti 2:11-14; 3:47; Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

Monday | St. Hilary, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

Heb 1:1-6; Ps 97:1 and 2b, 6 and 7c, 9; Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday

Heb 2:5-12; Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9; Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday

Heb 2:14-18; Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9; Mk 1:29-39

Thursday

Heb 3:7-14; Ps 95:6-7c, 8-9, 10-11; Mk 1:40-45

Friday | St. Anthony, Abbot

Heb 4:1-5, 11; Ps 78:3 & 4bc, 6c-7, 8; Mk 2:1-12

Saturday

Heb 4:12-16; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15; Mk 2:13-17

Sunday | Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 62:1-5; Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10; 1 Cor 12:4-11;
Jn 2:1-11

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	Jeannie Bunch	Doug Church
Patti Cook	Mary Ann Crolley	Ilona Cykman	Ellen Ferrari	Mike Furey
John Garneau	Susan Grieken	Fred Kinsey	Kathy Kohout	Ella McGowan
Fr. Joe McNulty	Nora Orozco	Shirley Patterson	Bridget Patton	Mike Perciado
Brian Pfeiffer	Sheila Rock	Andrea Slosar	Richard Slosar	Mary Smith
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, January 11

4:15 pm Parishioners of St. Augustine

Sunday, January 12

8:30 pm † Henry Senyak

11:00 am † Bobby Muhaw

Monday, January 13

5:30 pm † Jean Vana

Tuesday, January 14

5:30 pm Special Intention

Wednesday, January 15

5:30 pm † Beverly Jarrett

Thursday, January 16

5:30 pm † Charles Johnson

Friday, January 17

5:30 pm † William Farrell

Saturday, January 18

4:15 pm † Jack McMarlin

Sunday, January 19

8:30 pm † Jeannette Aspery Marcella

11:00 am Parishioners of St. Augustine

† Deceased

Pope Francis'

January Prayer Intention

For the right to an education



Let us pray for migrants, refugees, and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected.

Prayer Intention / Remembrance Book

An Intention Book is available in the front left corner of the church by the ramp for parishioners and guests to anonymously enter their Prayer Requests and Intentions.

Offertory—

January 4th and 5th

Regular Collection	\$1,524.48
E-Giving	\$200.00

Total Collection \$1,724.48

Counter Team A is scheduled for Monday

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.StAugustineCleveland.org and click donate.

Thank you for your financial support.



Love Without Measure...

You cannot see the Holy Spirit. Spirits have no bodily form, they are invisible. Because of this, over the centuries the Church has developed images to point to who the holy Spirit is. One of the most common images is that of a dove, and that image comes from today's gospel. Luke tells us that after Jesus was baptized the heavens were opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in the form of a dove. Now the Holy Spirit is not a dove. A dove is only an image that points to the presence of the Spirit and how the Spirit works in our lives. But what is the truth to which this image points? This is not an easy question to answer because doves occur infrequently in the Bible and in a variety of different contexts. So, the best we can do is pick one of those contexts and ask how it can reveal something about the Holy Spirit.

The passage I would like to consider is the first time that a dove appears in the bible. It occurs in the Book of Genesis, in the story of Noah. Noah is in the ark, and the entire world is covered with the waters of the flood. There is no hope for Noah, his family, or the animals of the ark unless the waters of the flood recede. So, Noah sends out a dove. In the evening the dove returns with an olive leaf in its beak. The leaf is a sign that dry land is appearing, an assurance to Noah and those who are with him in the ark that they have a future.

The dove from the Book of Genesis suggests that the Holy Spirit is the one who brings us signs of life in hopeless situations. The Holy Spirit is the one who assures us that we have a future even in a hostile world. This is a true action of God's spirit because our inclination is to focus on what is wrong, what is dangerous, what is fearful. That focus can over time lessen even paralyze our lives.

Some of the people we love, family members, and friends, have made disastrous choices or are dealing with sickness, failed relationships, or financial stress. It is easy for us to give up and say, "Whatever the situation it will never be resolved and there certainly won't be a solution. The Holy Spirit is the one who reminds us that there is still goodness in their lives and in our relationship with them, and that goodness can have an effect. When we look at what is wrong with our country – how many of our elected officials seem to be more interested in grandstanding than in service, how little progress our government seems to be making – it is easy for us to say that things are falling apart and there will never again be a time we can work together as a nation. (Sound familiar) The Holy Spirit is the one who reminds us that many of our elected officials work hard and effectively, that there are still aspects of our democracy that we should admire, and that we can still be proud to live in this country. When we look at the tragic reality of our times and the ways in which things seem to never get better just worse, it is easy for us to be afraid. The Holy Spirit is the one who reminds us that we can still work together and make a difference. We can move toward a better life, address the problems seriously without compromising our deepest values.

We all receive the Holy Spirit at our baptism, and so it right and our duty as disciples of Jesus to call upon the Holy Spirit to show us what is positive around us. Like Noah sending out a dove over troubled waters, we can send out God's spirit to find goodness, peace so that we can journey in this life as pilgrims of hope. We can ask God's Spirit to bring us signs of life, so that we can believe that all is not lost and that we still have a future.

Fr. Bill

Around the Parish

From the Office of Clergy and Religious

The Clergy Personnel Board assists Bishop Malesic by making recommendations to the bishop for clergy assignments. The Board is interested in feedback from the parish community at large and invites you to participate by responding to the survey link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/StAugustineCLE>

Please be assured that you remain in our prayers during the upcoming time of transition. This survey will be open until 3 February 2025.

Mary's Rosary Guild of the Deaf

invites you to their Welcome 2025 Lunch on Sunday, January 26th from 1 pm to 3 pm The luncheon will be held in the Catholic Deaf Center (basement of school building). Cost is \$5 for 2024members and \$10 for non-members. Please RSVP by January 19th to Maria at (216)370-7141

Christmas Flowers in Church are in Memory of



The Forgotten

Anderson Family

Kathy and Wally Duda

Tony and Marge Zingale

Nathan Patrick McNulty

Santiago-White Familias

Bob and Rosemary Moon

Petro and Katharina Duda

Emil and Mary Solderitsch

Members of the Revelt Family

Members of the Rivera Family

Members of the Takacs Family

Raymond and Jeanette Rogalski

Members of LINKS West Clubhouse

Members of Cleveland Catholic Deaf Center

Members of St. Augustine Blind Community

Members of Mary's Rosary Guild of the Deaf



In Our Community

Do you have a criminal record and need a fresh start? Pilgrim Congregational UCC Church is hosting an Expungement and Warrant Removal Clinic on January 23rd from 10am-1pm at Pilgrim, 2592 W. 14th. No appointment necessary. Call 216-675-0010 for more information.

A message from Deacon Chris to the parishioners of St. Augustine Parish

Thank you all for your continued support of the St. Augustine Community Cupboard and Closet. Your ministry is a beacon of hope to those on the margins who, sadly, often live in a world of darkness. I want to share with you something I recently became aware of. Each year, the Northeast Ohio Coalition for the Homeless (NEOCH) hosts a memorial service for all the homeless who have died in our community in the past year. Because of our mission and ministry to those in need, St. Augustine was selected as the location for the 2024 memorial service and Father Bill was asked to participate. At the service, a program was handed out with a list of the names of all the homeless people in our community who sadly passed away last year. There were over eighty names on that list. Our fellow parishioner and Cupboard volunteer, Maria Boyer, compared the names on the list to the names of our guest database for the Community Cupboard and Closet. I am sad to say that there were ten matches. Ten people we served at St. Augustine, ten people who we welcomed into our community, passed away alone and homeless. While this is a heartbreaking loss, I take much comfort in knowing that they really didn't pass alone, St. Augustine was there for them, YOU were there for them, often, when they could not get help anywhere else, they knew they could come to us for comfort and care, and you all welcomed them as cherished members of our community. In a world of darkness, for some, you were their only beacon of hope. God bless you and all you do.

Catholic University Collection

Right now, the church has pressing needs, and Catholic University is responding with innovative research initiatives and training programs. Support of the National Collection not only provides critical support to students, but also it helps the University serve dioceses and parishes through innovative research initiatives and training programs, such as Insight, the first Social and Emotional Learning (SEL) professional development program for K-12 Catholic school educators; a master's program in Ecclesial Administration and Management; and a credentialing program that prepares recent graduates to serve as campus ministers. When you donate to the University next weekend, **January 18th and 19th**, you help to fund the critical work, which improves the Church and nation. Thank you.

Help Needed

The Christmas season will soon come to a close and your help is needed. Following the 11 am Mass this Sunday, January 12th we will begin taking down the Christmas decorations. Any help that you can provide would be greatly appreciated. You may also take any of the poinsettia plants that are in the sanctuary.

**The Year of the Jubilee 2025:
Pilgrims of Hope**

The Holy Father has announced that 2025 is a Jubilee Year, something that happens every 25 years. The theme for Jubilee 2025 is "Pilgrims of Hope," and it will be a year of hope for a world suffering the impacts of war, the ongoing effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, and the climate crisis. In the Diocese of Cleveland the Jubilee Year 2025 was opened on Sunday, December 29th, with a solemn procession to the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist with Mass at 5:30 pm.

What do I do on a pilgrimage? The journey to and from the pilgrimage site is an occasion for communal prayer or devotional practices. A pilgrimage can also be an opportunity for peaceful, quiet contemplation. Communal activities may include singing sacred songs, participation at Mass or the sacrament of reconciliation, or praying the rosary, and novenas. Prayers and devotions to the saint(s) associated with the sacred site are also options for pilgrimages.

The Jubilee Year is a special year of grace, in which the Church offers the faithful the possibility of obtaining a plenary indulgence. Bishop Malesic has designated ten locations as sacred sites and places of pilgrimage in the Diocese of Cleveland at which the plenary indulgence may be obtained:

- St. Edward Parish (Ashland)
- Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist (Cleveland)
- St. Mary Parish (Chardon)
- Immaculate Conception Parish (Madison)
- Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish (Lorain)
- St. Colette Parish (Brunswick)
- Queen of Heaven Parish (Uniontown)
- Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine (Euclid)
- Queen of the Holy Rosary Shrine (Parma Heights)
- Shrine of St. Ann (Highland Heights)

For more information visit:
www.diocesofcleveland.org/pilgrims-of-hope

This week at St. Augustine

Monday, January 13, 2025

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

Tuesday, January 14, 2025

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

Wednesday, January 15, 2025

- 3:00 pm: Links (Walsh Hall)
- 5:30 pm: Mass (Church)
- 6:00 pm: Rosary (Church)
- 6:00 pm: AA Meeting (Mylott Hall)
- 6:30 pm: Signing Hands (Walsh Hall)

Thursday, January 16, 2025

- 5:30 pm: Mass (Church)
- 6:00 pm: Rosary (Church)
- 7:00 pm: Boy Scouts (2nd Floor School Building)
- 7:30 pm: AA Meeting (Mylott Hall)

Friday, January 17, 2025

- 12:00 pm: Sign Class (Administration)
- 3:00 pm: Links (Walsh)
- 5:30 pm: Mass (Church)
- 6:00 pm: Rosary (Church)
- 7:30 pm: AA Meeting (Mylott Hall)

Saturday, January 18, 2025

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

Sunday, January 19, 2025

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

 **On the Lighter Side** 

I went down the street to a 24-hour grocery store. When I got there, the guy was locking the front door. I said, "Hey! The sign says you're open 24 hours." He Said, "Yes, but not in a row!"

January 11th and 12th	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	Karen Halupnik Aaron Calton
Extraordinary Ministers of the Blessed Sacrament	Theresa Ortiz Michelle Rivera Magdaleno Rivera	David Murray Rob Owens Maria Rivera	Rosanne Barnhart Kate Slosar
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Lectors	Theresa Fallon	Joe Lewandowski	Tom Smith Sr. Regina Fierman, CSA
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