

# SAINT AUGUSTINE PARISH



## CONTACT INFORMATION

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## MASS SCHEDULE

**Saturday:** 5:15 pm  
**Sunday:** 9:15 am  
**Mon, Tues, Fri:** 8:15 am  
**Wednesday:** 12:10 pm  
**Thursday:** No Mass  
*Please see inside bulletin for exceptions/changes*

## Holy Days and Holidays

*Please see Mass schedule inside bulletin.*

## Confession

**Friday:** 8:45-9:30 am  
**Saturday:** 4:00-4:45 pm  
(or by appointment)

## Office Hours (@ St. Monica in Barre)

**Monday - Thursday:** 8:00am - 4:00pm  
**Friday:** 8:00am - 12:00pm

## Saturday-Sunday RECTORY OFFICE CLOSED

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

**Grades K-6:** Sunday 10:30-11:30am

## O.C.I.A.

*A program for those interested in becoming Catholic and Catholics who would like to learn more about their faith.*

Wednesdays 6:30pm-8:00pm † September - April  
in St. Augustine Parish Hall

## EMMAUS JOURNEY

**Exploring the Christian Faith Vision**  
*Adult Continuing Education*

With Dcn Regis Cummings and Joseph Gainza

Thursdays 6:30-8PM on Zoom † September-April  
**Join Any Time**

18 Barre Street • Montpelier, Vermont 05602

## PASTORAL STAFF

**Pastor:** Rev. Fr. Patrick J. Forman  
**Parochial Vicar:** Rev. Fr. Luan Van Tran  
**Deacons:** Rev. Mr. Regis Cummings (S.S.)  
Rev. Mr. Gesualdo Schneider

**Religious Education Director:** Daniel Lacourrege  
**Parish Secretary/Office Manager:** Liz Kilmurry  
**Custodian/Cemetery Director:** Michael Bottiggi

## Parish Council Chair:

Conor Cook, [conor.p.cook@outlook.com](mailto:conor.p.cook@outlook.com)

## Finance Committee Chair:

Open at this time

**Catholic Daughters of America Regent:**  
Denise Parry, [parrya@myfairpoint.net](mailto:parrya@myfairpoint.net)

## Knights of Columbus:

Grand Knight: William Toborg, [wlt1@caa.columbia.edu](mailto:wlt1@caa.columbia.edu)  
Deputy Grand Knight: Conor Cook, [conor.p.cook@outlook.com](mailto:conor.p.cook@outlook.com)



## SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

**Weddings:** Contact the Pastor before setting a date; a minimum of six months notice is required.

**Baptisms:** By appointment; please call the rectory.

## SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Please notify us of people who are ill and/or hospitalized.

We will respond as soon as possible.

## VISITATION OF THE SICK

Anyone who cannot celebrate Mass with us in church, who wishes to receive the Sacraments (Confession, Communion, Anointing of the Sick),  
please call the Rectory: 223.5285

## MASS INTENTIONS

*Mass Intentions may be requested Tuesday through Friday, in person at the rectory, or by phone,*

## WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS & GUESTS

We are delighted that you have joined our parish family. As we worship together, we hope you will feel at home here. We invite you to participate in the many parish ministries that provide opportunities for prayer, service and outreach.

By registering as a parish member, we can get to know and serve you better.

*Being inspired by the Gospel to live with faith, hope and love, we aspire to build God's Kingdom.*

Please register by calling the rectory at 802-223-5285, or email: [staugustine@vermontcatholic.org](mailto:staugustine@vermontcatholic.org)

# November 23, 2025 - Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

**READING 1**  
**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**  
**READING 2**  
**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**  
**GOSPEL**

Isaiah 2:1-5  
Psalm 122: 1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9  
Romans 13:11-14  
Cf. Psalm 85:8  
Matthew 24:37-44

**LITURGY**  
**November 30**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday  
of  
Advent**

## ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday, Nov 22 Saint Cecilia

5:15 PM Agnes Shay

### Sunday, Nov 23 - Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

9:15 AM Souls in Purgatory

### Monday, Nov 24 Saint Andrew Dũng Lac, Priest

8:15 AM Sandra A. Flannery (1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary)  
by John Flannery

### Tuesday, Nov 25 Saint Catherine of Alexandria

8:15 AM Special Intentions of Jennifer Burzycki  
for her Birthday

### Wednesday, Nov 26

12:10PM Joanne Lundin

### Thursday, Nov 27 THANKSGIVING

8:15am Special Intentions of Emmett Schneider  
for his 18th Birthday by Dcn Ges & Loretta

### Friday, Nov 28

8:15 AM Gillian Hernandez  
by Mama, Dad and Brother Ian

### Saturday, Nov 29 BVM

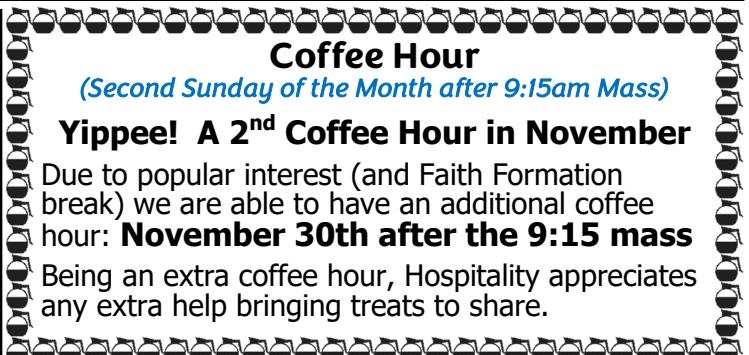
5:15 PM Angelo R. Trongone

### Sunday, Nov 30 - 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent

9:15am Souls in Purgatory

## IMPORTANT DATES

Sat, Nov 22/Sun, Nov 23 - **CDA** Pie/Bake Sale after Masses  
Wed, Nov 26 - **NO OCIA / NO YOUTH GROUP** (Thanksgiving)  
Fri, Nov 28 - St. Augustine Community Lunch 11:30am-1pm  
Sun, Nov 30 - **NO RELIGIOUS ED** (Thanksgiving Break)  
Wed, Dec 3 - OCIA 6:30pm @ St. A/ Youth Group 6pm @ St. M  
Fri, Dec 5 - St. Augustine Community Lunch 11:30am-1pm  
7:30pm - **Messiah Concert** (Vermont Philharmonic Orchestra)



## Coffee Hour

*(Second Sunday of the Month after 9:15am Mass)*

### **Yippee! A 2<sup>nd</sup> Coffee Hour in November**

Due to popular interest (and Faith Formation break) we are able to have an additional coffee hour: **November 30th after the 9:15 mass**  
Being an extra coffee hour, Hospitality appreciates any extra help bringing treats to share.

## Our Lady Undoer of Knots Radio

**CATHOLIC RADIO in VERMONT ~ dig out your radios!**

**OUR LADY UNDOER OF KNOTS RADIO, INC.**  
is now operational on 104.1 FM.

Live Streaming of EWTN broadcasts from St. John's Church in Northfield.



## Bishop's Appeal

When you offer a gift to the Bishop's Annual Appeal, you share the blessings you have received from our Heavenly Father. When you give, you act in support of raising critical funds needed by our statewide ministries, services, and programs at the heart of the mission of our Diocese. You also support the dedicated workers within these ministries who compassionately respond to the material and spiritual needs of individuals and families through emergency aid, prison ministry, counseling, spiritual retreats, lay formation programs, and Catholic education. To learn more or to make a gift visit: [bishopsappealvt.org](http://bishopsappealvt.org).

## Support for Nov 16

Online Giving:	\$ .00
Saint Augustine Offertory:	\$ .00
Building & Grounds:	\$ .00
Cemetery:	<i>Not available</i>
Community Lunch:	\$ .00
Fuel:	\$ .00
Religious Ed:	\$ .00
School:	\$ .00
Vigil Candles:	\$ .00
Non-Off. Misc. Donations:	\$ .00
Christmas:	\$ .00
Priests' Benefit Fund:	\$ .00
Solemnity of Mary:	\$ .00
World Mission Sunday:	\$ .00

*Thank you for your continued support!*

NO 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection Nov 30-

## Fr. Pat's Thanksgiving Message

I am glad to have this opportunity to pray for all of you to have a wonderful Thanksgiving Day. Whether you will be with a large group of people or alone on this day, the real joy for we Christians is to stop and thank Jesus for being in our lives. Our Lord is a loving, active presence in our lives. Every time we go to Mass, say Grace, or bow our head in prayer, Jesus is there. We never need to feel lonely, lost or scared when Jesus is right there with us. I hope on this Thanksgiving Day you will experience Jesus' love for you, and His presence in your life.

## Fr. Luan's Thanksgiving Message

**"Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His steadfast love endures forever." (Psalm 136:1)**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Happy Thanksgiving!

As we gather to celebrate this special day, I wish you a joyful and blessed time with your family and loved ones.

On this occasion, I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to our pastor, Father Pat, and to all of you for your kindness and support.

Thank you for welcoming me and allowing me to be part of our parish communities.

As we celebrate Thanksgiving, let us take a moment to thank God for all His blessings—for the gift of faith, family, friendship, and every grace we have received. Truly, we give thanks to the Lord, for His goodness and mercy endure forever.

**May God bless you abundantly today and always.**

**With gratitude in Christ,**

**Father Luan Tran**

## THANKSGIVING PRAYER

**O Gracious God, we give you thanks for your overflowing generosity to us. Thank you for the blessings of the food we eat and especially for this feast today. Thank you for our home and family and friends, especially for the presence of those gathered here. Thank you for our health, our work and our play. Please send help to those who are hungry, alone, sick and suffering war and violence. Open our hearts to your love. We ask your blessing through Christ your son.**

**Amen**

## Thanksgiving Masses

Thanksgiving is a civil holiday. Many Catholics choose to attend mass as part of their celebration to give thanks to God for their blessings.

*The mass schedule is:      8:15am at St. Augustine      9:00am at Monica*

At both masses parishioners will have the opportunity to bring up food or a monetary donation during the offertory. Food should be nonperishable items. *Please see the flyers at both entrances for requested items.*

## Advent Begins!

Next weekend Advent begins. Now is the time to get your Advent wreath out, and make sure you have candles. The parish is making copies of *The Word Among Us* for Advent, available to all parishioners. These short daily readings help many people make the season more meaningful. Feel free to take a copy to a homebound friend.

## **BLOOD DRIVE SURVEY**

The Beth Jacob Synagogue in Montpelier is looking to host a Blood Drive on December 23, 2025. The Red Cross has asked them to send out an Interest Survey to gauge preparedness of food, materials, PPE, etc. If interested in giving blood, please click on the link provided and fill out the five question survey. **SURVEY: <https://forms.office.com/r/qaFSwgLJ4r>**

Thank you for considering us and this amazing cause that saves so many!    Kol Tuv (all good things!)

## **Vermont Philharmonic Presents Handel's Messiah**

At St. Augustine on Friday, Dec 5, 2025 at 7:30

Tickets: \$25/\$20 Seniors/\$5 Students

Tickets will be available at the door or online at  
[www.vermontphilharmonic.com](http://www.vermontphilharmonic.com)





**LET US PRAY FOR...** our church, our parishes in Vermont and all over the world, our Catholic Schools, our communities, our families, those who are sick and infirm, those who are lonely, those who suffer from mental illness and addiction. Let us pray.

**HOLY FAMILY PRAYER CIRCLE:** If you would like to have prayers said for a loved one, friend, or neighbor, please call Cathy Asbell (802.279.7957).

**PLEASE PRAY...** For all the men and women from our Parish, State, and Country who serve in the military, and for the sick of our Parish,



*Especially for:*

G.  
GBJ  
Raylene Hedges  
Greg Ibey  
Matthew Khouri  
Jan Koval  
Olivia Leibold  
Lee Curtis Lilly  
Matthew Percy  
Pat Percy  
Jeannette Quinn  
Timothy Scandale  
Thomas Vivian

## PRAYERS

Call 223-5285 (Rectory)  
To add someone to this list

**Please Pray for the Repose of the Soul of those who have died in our Parish**  
*Especially:*

Carleen Pembroke Van Siclen  
Ronald Dion  
Gertrude "Trudy" McArdle  
Joseph Mureta



**Jubilee Pilgrimage Passport**  
The Diocese of Burlington has created a simple passport that is available to any parishioner who may wish to keep track of their pilgrimage to the 4 Jubilee Churches in our diocese. The passport has 6 visits,



*This project can be accomplished anytime throughout the Jubilee Year, as your schedule allows.*

Information on the Jubilee Churches and the Indulgence can be found here:  
[www.vermontcatholic.org/about/jubilee-year-2025/](http://www.vermontcatholic.org/about/jubilee-year-2025/)

## St. Joseph's Level III Residential Care Home, Burlington, VT

**Rooms and Suites available:** St. Joseph's Residential Care Home, operated by Vermont Catholic Charities, is a small home-like community that provides personal care, medication management, home cooked meals, nursing overview, and a wide array of activities. Our dedicated staff supports the needs of the whole person - physical, emotional, social and spiritual.

*For more information or to schedule a tour, please call 802.864.0264*

## CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

Following the teachings of Dom John Main OSB, founder of the Benedictine Priory, Montreal, Quebec

For details please Contact: Dcn Regis Cummings - 802.223.6043

## Worldwide Marriage Encounter: Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

*Psalm 122:1-2: "Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord."*  
Rejoice in your marriage. Attend the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on:

**January 23-25, 2026 in North Easton, MA**  
**March 13-15, 2026 in South Burlington, VT**



Worldwide Marriage Encounter sponsors a variety of in-person and virtual marriage experiences, some on weekends and some on seven weekdays. Couples explore their relationship with each other, God, and the Church.

Registration is limited; there is a \$100 application fee.

Contact **Gary & Lynn Root** at **802-456-8114**, [vtroot@together.net](mailto:vtroot@together.net) or <https://wwmeutw.org/>

## BISHOP'S APPEAL as of 11/12/2025 **WE'VE REACHED OUR GOAL!**

**GOAL: \$32,676.00    ACTUAL: \$29,666.62    Recurring Estimate: \$2,918.00**  
**ACTUAL (Including Recurring Est): \$32,584.62    % OF GOAL: 100%!**

Pope's Monthly Prayer Intention

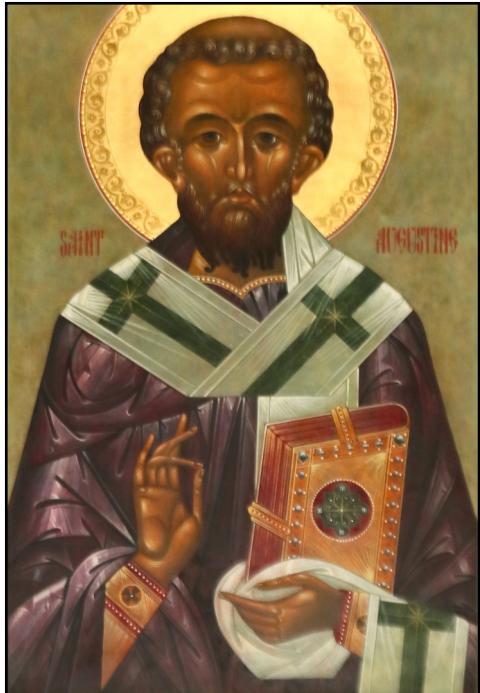
**November**

**For the prevention of suicide**

Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care, and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.

# A Window into Our Stained Glass Windows

This week Pope Leo will travel to Turkey and Lebanon on the first Apostolic Journey of his papacy. This is to commemorate the 1700<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the First Council of Nicea, when there was no ecclesial separation between the Eastern and Western Churches. In honor of this, we'll look at the Eastern Orthodox-style icon of St. Augustine, which is above the tabernacle at St. Augustine Church.



Thank you to Loretta Schneider, who provided the historical context. The icon was commissioned in the early 2000s by Fr. Thomas Mosher. It was paid for by Sr. Barbara Gregoire, her brother Ernest, and his wife Leona, which is memorialized on this plaque on the confessional on the right as you enter the church. The fact that an icon is displayed so prominently at St. Augustine Church is a visible sign of the unity that we desire for our Orthodox siblings and encouragement to work towards that here in Vermont.

St. Jacob of Alaska is a small Orthodox Church in Northfield Falls. As a way of praying with Pope Leo and the whole Church during his Apostolic Journey, a group of us will be attending St. Jacob's Vespers service at 6:00 PM Saturday 11/29. This will coincide many important events that day in Turkey: "In the afternoon, [Pope Leo] will take part in a Doxology at the Patriarchal Church of Saint George, the seat of the Ecumenical Patriarchate of Constantinople. Following the service, Pope Leo XIV with meet with Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew I, with the two leaders signing a Joint Declaration in the Patriarchal Palace. The day will conclude with Holy Mass celebrated in Istanbul's Volkswagen Arena." <https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2025-10/schedule-for-pope-leo-s-first-international-journey.html>

Vespers is a chanted version of Evening Prayer, about 40 minutes long, and filled with candles and incense. If you'd like to attend and learn more about the hymns that will be sung, email me at [damiancostello@gmail.com](mailto:damiancostello@gmail.com).



## Knights of Columbus Raffle

The Knights of Columbus will be raffling chances to win a \$200 Visa card to benefit the Knights' charitable and fraternal programs. Chances are \$10. Sales will commence the weekend of November 22/23 and continuing on November 29/30 and December 6/7, with a drawing at the Knights of Columbus meeting on December 9, 2025. Members of the Knights of Columbus will be available after Masses on November 22/23, November 29/30 and December 6/7 to sell raffle tickets.

## ATTENTION ALL CONFIRMATION STUDENTS

All our young people who are preparing for Confirmation this April are expected to attend the Diocese of Burlington Confirmation Pilgrimage on Saturday, January 17, 2026 at the Cathedral of St. Joseph. This is a self-transport event, so parents will need to arrange arrival and departure from the Cathedral at 29 Allen St., Burlington VT. The event goes from 10am through the Cathedral's Vigil Mass, which usually ends at 5pm: please be punctual. The parish will cover the cost of all student participants, but if a parent who wishes to come and stay for the retreat will need to pay a \$15 cover charge for food and materials.

**IMPORTANT:** you need to RSVP by email with Daniel Lacourrege, our PCL, indicating any food allergies or special needs. You can also reach out to him with any questions or concerns you may have. He can be reached at [dlacourrege@vermontcatholic.org](mailto:dlacourrege@vermontcatholic.org).

## **St. Augustine/St. Monica Youth Group is BRAND NEW for the NEW SCHOOL YEAR!**

We are excited to announce that, starting September 17, 2025, St. Augustine/St. Monica Youth Group will be meeting every Wednesday night during the fall semester from 6pm until 8pm in the St. Monica Parish Hall. Each meeting will include FREE food, fellowship, a weekly activity and, of course, time for prayer and faith formation.

The activity will rotate from week to week and will include:

GAMES, ARTS, CRAFTS, GUEST SPEAKERS, HOLIDAY PARTIES AND MUCH MORE!

So, if you are a teen who is part of the parish communities of St. Augustine and St. Monica, we invite you to come check out the new youth group! You are welcome to sign up at the door, but if you would like to register in advance or if you have suggestions for fun activities, please email [stmonicalift@gmail.com](mailto:stmonicalift@gmail.com).



**So Save the Dates: Every Wednesday this fall from 6pm-8pm in the St. Monica Parish Hall. Hope to see you there!**