

SAINT AUGUSTINE PARISH

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CONTACT INFORMATION

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rel_ed_sta@vermontcatholic.org

Website: <http://staugustine.vermontcatholic.org>

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: 8:45–9:45 am

Saturday: 4:00–4:45 pm
(or by appointment)

Office Hours

Monday – Wednesday: 8:00am – 5:00pm

Thursday: 8:00am – 4:00pm

Friday: 8:00am – 12:00pm

(Monday – Thursday: Closed Noon–1:00 pm)

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 7:00pm–8:30pm † September – April

Alternating weekly between St. Augustine and St. Monica

EMMAUS JOURNEY

Exploring the Christian Faith Vision

Adult Continuing Education

With Dcn Regis Cummings and Joseph Gainza

Thursdays 6:30–8PM on Zoom † Join Any Time

PASTORAL STAFF

Pastor: Rev. Fr. Patrick J. Forman

Parochial Vicar: Rev. Fr. Gregory Caldwell

Deacons: Rev. Mr. Regis Cummings (S.S.)

Rev. Mr. Gesualdo Schneider

Rev. Mr. Luan Tran

Parish Secretary/Office Manager: Liz Kilmurry

Custodian/Cemetery Director: Michael Bottiggi

Parish Council Chair:

Conor Cook, conor.p.cook@outlook.com

Finance Committee Chair:

Open at this time

Catholic Daughters of America Regent:

Denise Parry, parrya@myfairpoint.net

Knights of Columbus:

Grand Knight: William Toborg, wlt1@caa.columbia.edu

Deputy Grand Knight: Conor Cook, conor.p.cook@outlook.com



He is Risen...

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

Requests for Mass Intentions should be made in person at the Rectory office, 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

May 25, 2025 SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

READING 1
RESPONSORIAL PSALM
READING 2
GOSPEL ACCLAMATION
GOSPEL

Acts 7:55-60
Psalm 97:1-2, 6-7, 9
Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20
Cf. John 14:18
John 17:20-26

LITURGY

June 1
7th Sunday
of
Easter

ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 24

5:15 PM All Parishioners of St. Augustine

Sunday, May 25 - 6th Sunday of Easter

9:15 AM Ellen D. Kerin
by Susan & Rene Houle and Family

Monday, May 26 St. Philip Neary, Priest

8:15 AM Special Intentions for 25th Anniversary
Therese & Eric Schneider by Dcn Ges & Loretta

Tuesday, May 27 Saint Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop

8:15 AM Betty Kerin by Pat Weldner

Wednesday, May 28

12:10 PM Vocations for the Priesthood
6:00 PM Special Intentions of Tommy Vivian

Thursday, May 29 The Ascension of the Lord

12:10 PM All Parishioners of St. Augustine

Friday, May 30

8:15 AM Carl Erlacher by Jan Dunn

Saturday, May 31 The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

5:15 PM Gillian Hernandez
by Mama, Dad & Brother Ian

Sunday, Jun 1 - 7th Sunday of Easter

9:15 AM All Parishioners of St. Augustine

IMPORTANT DATES

Mon, May 26 - Memorial Day 10am Mass/ Blessing of Cemetery

Tue, May 27 - K of C Bible Study 5:30pm

Wed, May 28 - Vigil Mass for Ascension 6pm

Thu, May 29 - Ascension 12:10pm (8:15am/5pm at St. Monica)
CDA Anniversary Committee after Mass ~ 1pm

Fri, May 30 - St. Augustine Community Lunch 11:30am-1pm

Sat, May 31 - Ordination of Reverend Mr. Luan Van Tran

10am at St. Joseph Cathedral (bus from St. M/St. A)

Tue, Jun 3 - Confirmation 6pm

Fri, Jun 6 & 13 - St. Augustine Community Lunch 11:30am-1pm

Coffee Hour

June 8 (**Pentecost**)

Host: Murphy/Zorzi

June 22

Host: Brassard Family

Sturdy St. Augustine reusable canvas bags will be
for sale at all coffee hours. Cost \$15.00 each.



Support for May 18

\$Online Giving:	\$755.00
Saint Augustine Offertory:	\$2,166.00
Building & Grounds:	\$2,115.00
Cemetery:	\$464.00
Fuel:	\$30.00
Religious Ed:	\$100.00
School:	\$21.00
Soup Kitchen:	\$0.00
Vigil Candles:	\$58.00
Non-Off. Misc. Donations:	\$0.00
Ascension:	\$10.00
Catholic Home Missions:	\$5.00
Catholic Relief Services:	\$10.00
Easter:	\$10.00
Holy Land:	\$10.00

Thank you for your continued support!

Thursday, May 29 - THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

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The Sacrament of Confirmation will be conferred by Bishop John McDermott on Tuesday, June 3 at St. Augustine Church, beginning at 6:00pm. All are invited. Please pray for those who will be confirmed.

Fr. Greg's Farewell

June 21/22 will be Fr. Greg's last weekend at St. Monica and St. Augustine Parish. There will be a reception for him after the 4:00pm Mass at St. Monica, and after the 9:15am Mass at St. Augustine. Fr. Greg will be leaving for his new assignment in Barton on June 26.

Bishop's Annual Appeal 2025

The new Bishop's Annual Appeal has officially begun. Mailings have been sent out to families who have given in the past. The goal for St. Monica is \$88,876. For St. Augustine, the goal is \$32,676. On the weekend of June 14/15, a letter from Bishop McDermott will be read, and time will be taken for you to fill out a pledge card. If you have already sent it in to the Diocese, you will wait patiently. If you are not able to give this year, please indicate this on a pledge card, so your name can be taken off the mailing list.

Memorial Day Masses

Monday, May 26, is Memorial Day. There will be a 9:00am mass at St. Sylvester Cemetery. There will be a 10:00am mass at St. Augustine Church with a blessing of the cemetery.



New Bookkeeper

St. Monica Parish and St. Monica-St. Michael School have hired new parishioner Melissa Davis to be our new bookkeeper. She will work 5 days a week in the rectory, paying bills, reconciling accounts and doing payroll. Melissa and her family have recently moved to Vermont. We are glad to welcome them.

New Religious Education Director

Mr. Daniel Lacourrege, who has worked for the Diocese for 3 years in the Religious Education Office, will begin serving as the Parish Religious Education Coordinator for St. Augustine and St. Monica Parish on July 1. Abigail Beach will be working full time at St. Monica-St. Michel School next year. Daniel will work with the Catechists and parents overseeing weekly classes, sacramental preparation, catechist formation and Youth Group, for those youth already confirmed. We enthusiastically welcome Daniel who brings years of experience in sharing our faith with young people.

Diocesan Lay Formation Leadership Program

We are happy to acknowledge and congratulate Abigail Beach, Michael Kuban and Andrew Neddo from our parish, who have successfully completed the 2-year Diocesan Lay Formation Leadership Program. This program is designed to give lay men and women the pastoral, theological and spiritual skills to better serve and evangelize their parishes and communities as missionary disciples.

Registration for Steubenville East 2025 (July 25-27 in Springfield, MA)

Invite a high schooler, rising 9th graders through graduating seniors, in your life!

Registration: \$375. (Note: your registration is not complete until payment is received)

To register please:

Fill out the form at the following link: <https://paperwork.lifeteen.com/c/V5X3>.

Fill out a youth permission waiver by contacting Isaac Desranleau (idesranleau@vermontcatholic.org).

A \$50 deposit is due no more than 2 weeks after your initial registration. Deposits need to be paid by check and made out to "Diocese of Burlington." **Final Payments and waivers are due by June 1** to avoid late fees or cancelation of registration.

Checks can be dropped off at the Diocesan Offices or mailed to:

Diocese of Burlington "Attn: Nicole Hamilton", 55 Joy Drive, South Burlington, VT 05403

Credit Card Final or Full payments: <https://www.vermontcatholic.org/event/steubenville-east-youth-conference/>.

If you're interested in hearing more about the conference, please contact our Youth and Young Adult Minister, Isaac Desranleau (idesranleau@vermontcatholic.org).



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 love one, neighbor, or friend, 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
Jeannette Quinn
Timothy Scandale
Thomas Vivian

PRAYERS

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

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

Joan Fitzgerald

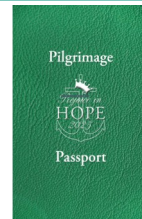


Jubilee Pilgrimage Passport

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, so it can be filled for the Lenten Season and culminate during Holy Week. 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/



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.

Prayer for Vocations

Bishop McDermott has asked that at the end of the prayers of the faithful at all masses, a prayer for vocations be prayed. There are copies in the pew. Please leave these laminated cards in the pews for the next mass.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter: Sixth Sunday of Easter

Check out a Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WWME.org). It can help you in your communication, teach you many skills, and also help you to grow in intimacy and in faith with one another. **In W.M.E., married couples, priests and religious enrich, support, and learn from each other at all stages of life.**

In today's Gospel, Jesus says ***"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you."***

Bring peace into your marriage by attending an upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on one of these dates:

June 27-29, 2025 in Huntington, NY

August 15-17, 2025 at Holy Family Retreat Center in West Hartford, CT

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. Apply for this weekend or other in-person and virtual experiences at WWME.ORG.

Or Contact **Gary & Lynn Root** at 802-456-8114, vrroot@together.net or <https://www.mevt.org/>.



BISHOP'S APPEAL beginning May 2025

GOAL: \$32,676.00 ACTUAL: \$.00 Recurring Estimate: \$.00

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Pope's Monthly Prayer Intention

May

For Working Conditions

Let us pray that through work, each person might find fulfillment, families might be sustained in dignity, and that society might be humanized.



A Window into Our Stained Glass Windows

Thursday May 29 is the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord. The

Ascension occurred 40 days after Easter. Forty days marks a number of important events in Salvation History, such as the forty days that Jesus spent in the wilderness after His baptism or the forty days Moses spent on Mount Sinai in the presence of Lord.

Not surprisingly, we look at our image of the Ascension (see bulletin 5/5/24), which is found in the front left of St. Augustine Church. We also look at The Agony in the Garden in the back left, because of where the Ascension occurred. In the Acts of the Apostles, St. Luke tells us that Jesus ascended "from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away" (Acts 1:12). Olivet, or The Mount of Olives, is where the Garden of Gethsemane is located. Thus, the Agony in the Garden the night before Jesus' Passion and the Ascension overlap.

The location of the Mount of Olives, directly east of the Temple in Jerusalem, gives great meaning to these two important events in Jesus' life. In the visions of the prophet Ezekiel the Lord comes from the east and enters the Temple's eastern gate, called the Gate of Mercy or Golden Gate: "Then he led me to the gate facing east, and there was the glory of the God of Israel coming from the east! His voice was like the roar of many waters, and the earth shone with his glory" (43:1-2). Church Fathers understood this to be a prophesy of Jesus' return and the reason why Catholic and Orthodox traditionally face east towards the rising sun.

The medieval text *The Golden Legend* also connects the olive trees to the light of Temple and ties all this together: "On the first point, note that he rose to heaven from the Mount of Olives, out toward Bethany. This mountain, following another translation, was also called the Mount of Three Lights, because from the west the light from the Temple fell upon it by night, for a fire burned continually on the altar; in the morning it caught the sun's rays from the east before they reached the city; and the hill's olive trees produced a plentiful supply of oil, which feeds light." <https://aleteia.org/2019/05/29/where-did-jesus-ascension-into-heaven-take-place>

Finally, the Chapel of the Ascension was built in the late 300s at the site on the Mount of Olives where Christians were already gathering to celebrate the Ascension.



Knights of Columbus



If you are interested in becoming a Knight of Columbus, check out our local website at:

<http://kofc399.org> or <https://kofc.org/JoinUs>

*monthly meetings in-person @ St. Monica Parish
on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7pm in the parish hall.*

SAVE THE DATE!! TOTUS TUUS: July 6th-11th, 2025

St. Monica will again be hosting Totus Tuus this year! Totus Tuus is a high-energy Catholic youth program dedicated to sharing the Gospel and promoting the Catholic faith through games, evangelization, catechesis, Christian witness, and Eucharistic worship. Each summer, missionaries travel all over Vermont to celebrate the faith! Grades 1-8 gather during the day and grades 9-12 gather in the evening. For more information about St. Monica Totus Tuus, please visit:

vermontcatholic.org/totustuus

or contact Abigail Beach at stmonicalift@gmail.com.

REGISTRATION FORMS ARE OUT NOW!

May, Mary's Month

During the month of May the Catholic Church ponders and celebrates Mary's vocation as Mother of Jesus and Mother of the Church. At the Annunciation Mary said *yes* to Jesus becoming her son. On the cross Jesus asked Mary to be a mother to St. John, and to all the Disciples. We will honor Mary by crowning statues of her and placing flowers near her statues and images. Families may want to pray the rosary together or sing songs about Mary at home.

