

SAINT AUGUSTINE PARISH

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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: 8:45-9:45 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 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 † September-April
Join Any Time

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

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



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

August 24, 2025 - TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

READING 1 [Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29](#)
RESPONSORIAL PSALM [Psalm 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11](#)
READING 2 [Psalm 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11](#)
GOSPEL ACCLAMATION [Matthew 11:29ab](#)
GOSPEL [Luke 14:1, 7-14](#)

LITURGY

"August 31"
22nd SUNDAY
Ordinary
Time

ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, Aug 23 St. Rose of Lima, BVM
5:15 PM Vocations to the Priesthood

Sunday, Aug 24 - 21st Sunday Ordinary Time
9:15 AM Relief of Souls in Purgatory

Monday, Aug 25 St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz, Priest
8:15 AM **at St. Monica Only**

Tuesday, Aug 26
8:15 AM Relief of Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday, Aug 27 St. Monica
12:10 PM Frances Charles Miller
by Charles Mayone

Thursday, Aug 28 St. Augustine, Bishop
5:00 PM **at St. Augustine Only**
Lois Ferland
by Steve & Cynthia Murphy and Family

Friday, Aug 29 The Passion of St. John the Baptist
8:15 AM All Parishioners of St. Augustine

Saturday, Aug 30
5:15 PM Mary Jane Cain by Fred & Mary Bashara

Sunday, Aug 31 - 20th Sunday Ordinary Time
9:15 AM Arthur, Betty & Skipper Kerin
by Pat Weldner

IMPORTANT DATES

Sun, Aug 24 - Combined Feast Day Picnic at Barre Rec Field
12:00-2:30pm
Wed, Aug 27 - Feast of St. Monica 8:15am Mass followed by
coffee hour in Parish Hall
Thu, Aug 28 - Feast of St. Augustine 5:00pm Mass followed
by Potluck Dinner in Parish Hall
Fri, Aug 29 - St. A Community Lunch 11:30am-1:00pm
Mon, Sep 1 - Labor Day—**OFFICE CLOSED**
Fri, Sep 5 - St. A Community Lunch 11:30am-1:00pm

Fr. Leo Would Like a Volunteer

Fr. Leo is looking for a volunteer to play music on
Sunday at 10:00am for his Mass at Chestnut Place.
Please contact the office if you or someone you know
would like to play for him.

The Feasts of St. Monica and St. Augustine

Wednesday, August 27 is the Feast of St. Monica.
The mass will be at 8:15am at St. Monica Church. A
coffee hour will take place immediately following in
the parish hall. There will be a 12:10pm Mass at St.
Augustine Church.

Thursday, August 28, the Universal Church celebrates
St. Monica's Son, St. Augustine. There will be only
one Mass this day: 5:00pm at St. Augustine Church.
Everyone is invited to attend. Immediately after there
will be a potluck supper in the parish hall.

Emmaus Journey Adult Continuing Education Program Begins September 18, 2025

Join facilitators Deacon Regis Cummings & Joseph Gainza
for Conversation Exploring the Christian Faith Journey.

Meetings are Thursdays 6:30-8:00pm on Zoom.
You can join any time.

For details please contact:
Deacon Regis Cummings 802.223.6043

Support for Aug 17

Online Giving:	\$604.00
Saint Augustine Offertory:	\$2,132.00
Building & Grounds:	\$2,070.00
Cemetery:	\$35.00
Fuel:	\$10.00
Religious Ed:	\$90.00
School:	\$0.00
Soup Kitchen:	
Vigil Candles:	\$35.00
Non-Off. Misc. Donations:	\$100.00
Assumption:	\$545.00

Thank you for your continued support!

Opening School Mass with Bishop John

The 7:00am Mass on Monday, August 25, is being moved to 8:15am so that Bishop McDermott will be able to celebrate it with our school community as we mark the beginning of a new school year. So that both priests will be able to concelebrate with the Bishop, the 8:15am Mass at St. Augustine will be moved to St. Monica. Everyone is invited to pray for a fruitful, spiritual and safe new school year.

OCIA/RCIA

Open to anyone interested in learning more about the teachings of the Catholic Faith, this weekly meeting is especially for adult men and women who are discerning joining the Catholic Church or who are seeking to complete their initiation. RCIA prepares candidates for Baptism, First Communion and Confirmation.

The first gathering for RCIA 2025-26 will be on Wednesday, September 17 at 6:30pm at St. Augustine Parish Hall in Montpelier. We invite those who are interested in attending to call the parish office beforehand so we can have enough materials on hand or if they have questions.



Monday, September 1, 2025 is Labor Day. The school and parish offices will be closed for the holiday.

The Mass schedule is 8:15am at St. Augustine and 9:00am at St. Monica.

Religious Education Registration is Still Open!

Registration forms have been sent via Flocknote to all last year's families. You can also pick them up at the lobby of each church, at the St. Monica Office or at the Religious Education Office in St. Monica-St. Michael School. Please register as soon as possible so we know how many students to expect. The calendar for this year will be sent out soon to all families according to the contact information that is provided to us in the completed registration forms. Once you have received the calendar, we recommend printing it and adding all events to your personal calendar. Make special note of the Christmas Pageant at St. Augustine and the Living Stations of the Cross at St. Monica since BOTH of these events will be mandatory for ALL students from both parishes.

Message from the Catechetical Leader

Dear Families of the Central Vermont Catholic Community,

It has been a joyful time preparing to start a new academic year. We have wonderful catechists, amazing families and a lot of great activities planned. We are also looking forward to a BRAND NEW youth group that we hope will forge deeper faith and fellowship among the teenagers of our parishes. I look forward to getting to know each of you better over the course of the next few months and encourage you to introduce yourself to me after Mass, during coffee hour or via email. And even if you do not have any young people in your life, but would like to enter OCIA or would just like to contribute to the mission of catechesis at our parishes, please reach out.

You can contact me at dlacourrege@vermontcatholic.org or call my office line: 1-802-448-3514.
Thank you for your participation in the life of our church and may God bless you.

Upcoming Dates for Religious Education

- **Saturday, September 13, 2025: Graces of the Kingdom at St. Monica**
 - o Starts with Mass at 8am
 - o Ends with Catechist Meeting from 2pm-3pm
 - o \$15 per person, catechists are free
MUST RSVP to attend, email dlacourrege@vermontcatholic.org
 - o **Sunday, September 21: Catechetical Sunday**
 - o FIRST DAY of Religious Education Classes
 - o Mandatory Meeting for ALL Religious Ed Parents
 - o St. Augustine Classes follow the 9:15 am Mass
 - o St. Monica Classes follow the 4:15 pm Mass



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:

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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 (Rector)
To add someone to this list**

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



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.

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: 21st Sunday of Ordinary Time

In W.M.E., married couples, priests and religious enrich, support, and learn from each other at all stages of life.

Check out and sign up for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience (**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.

Some of the dates to sign up are:

September 19-21 in Huntington, NY

January 23-25, 2026 in North Easton, MA



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
or <https://www.mevt.org/>

BISHOP'S APPEAL as of 8/13/2025

GOAL: \$32,676.00 ACTUAL: \$22,576.50.00 Recurring Estimate: \$4,055.00
ACTUAL (Including Recurring Est): \$26,631.50 % OF GOAL: 82%

Pope's Monthly Prayer Intention

August

For Mutual Coexistence

Let us pray that societies where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic political, religious, or ideological reasons.

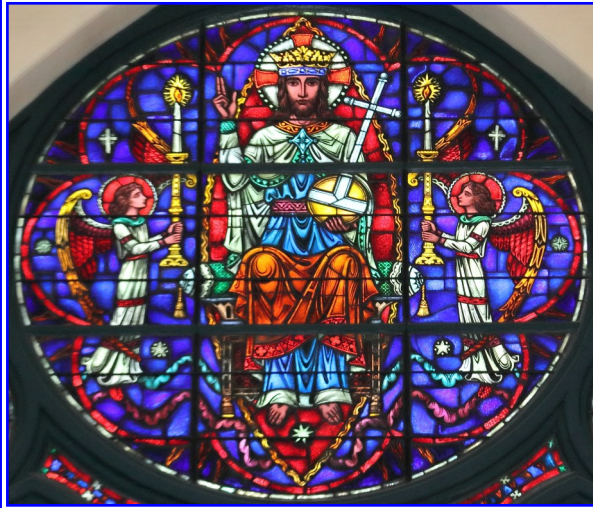
Art That Looks at You

I was listening to a lecture by an Italian theologian that teaches in Rome (Dr. Thomas Cattoi, Angelicum) and he said something I had never heard before. To paraphrase, he said that starting with the Renaissance, artists started making art that you look at. Before that, artists made art that looks at you. To put it another way, the very realistic art to represent the world with greater precision. Pre-Renaissance art was designed to be a gateway into the spiritual realm.

Not only gateways, but ones that Christ and the saints draw us in. Pope Benedict explains this dynamic in his book *The Spirit of the Liturgy*: images draw us into a "path of hope," "giving us the assurance of the world to come, of the final coming of Christ".

This certainly describes the windows of St. Augustine Church active presence of Jesus and the saints through them. Even when the eyes of the person in the image is not looking directly at us, they are through the light of the sun.

So the next time you look at the windows, remind yourself that they have been looking back at you the whole time, calling you into God.

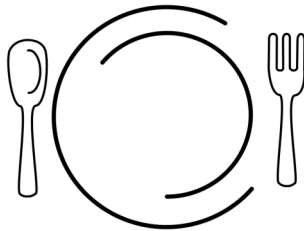


*A
Window
into
Our
Stained
Glass
Windows*



St. Augustine Community Lunch

With a growing number of people attending our lunch program, all cash donations are very appreciated. A number of parishioners have been coordinating with Lauren Clemons, our lunch leader, to help prepare and serve the meals. As the unhoused population continues to grow, this ministry becomes all the more important. Fr. Pat says thank you to Lauren, her team and all who donate to Friday Lunch.



Tree Removal

On Friday, September 5 a large, dying maple tree will be removed from behind the rectory. The company is unsure of the time, but parking in this area will be blocked off while the tree is removed. The areas near the rectory garage should be safe to park.



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.

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