



# SAINT AUGUSTINE CHURCH AND CATHOLIC STUDENT CENTER

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## PARISH INFO

### MASS TIMES

<b>Saturday</b>	5:30 p.m. Vigil
<b>Sunday</b>	9 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m. (Spanish) 5:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.
<b>Mon.-Fri.</b>	12:00 p.m., 5:30 p.m.

### RECONCILIATION

<b>Mon.-Fri.</b>	4:30 p.m. - 5:20 p.m.
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### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

<b>Mon.-Fri.</b>	4:30 p.m. - 5:20 p.m.
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### OFFICE HOURS

<b>Mon. Wed.  Fri.</b>	9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
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<b>Reception Desk Hours</b>	9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
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SIGN UP FOR A  
RECURRING GIFT!



"REMAIN IN ME AS I REMAIN IN YOU, SAYS THE LORD.  
WHOEVER REMAINS IN ME BEARS MUCH FRUIT."

"PERMANEZCAN EN MÍ Y YO EN USTEDES, DICE EL  
SEÑOR; EL QUE PERMANECE EN MÍ DA FRUTO  
ABUNDANTE."

- JOHN 15:4-5 -

November 19, 2023 | 19 de Noviembre de 2023

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time | XXXIII Domingo Ordinario | Year A



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## THIS WEEK'S MASSES

Date	Intentions	Reading
<b>SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19</b> Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time	<b>9 a.m.</b> Marie Maguire by Sr. Joan Gabbin <b>11:30 a.m.</b> Fr. Eric Stelzer by Sr. Joan Gabbin <b>1:30 p.m.</b> <b>5:30 p.m.</b> +Stephen Joseph Smith by Patricia Bardales <b>7:30 p.m.</b> For the Parish	Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31 Ps 128:1-5 1 Thes 5:1-6 Mt 25:14-30
<b>MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20</b> Monday of the Thirty-third Week in Ordinary Time	<b>12 p.m.</b> +Frank Kane by Anne Ruvane <b>5:30 p.m.</b> +Louis Anthony Pinto by L. Savio Pinto	1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63 Ps 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158 Lk 18:35-43
<b>TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21</b> Memorial of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	<b>12 p.m.</b> +Lawrence Lien Pham by Nicholas Ma <b>5:30 p.m.</b> Birthdays and anniversaries for staff, clergy, and friends	2 Mc 6:18-31 Ps 3:2-7 Lk 19:1-10
<b>WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22</b> Memorial of Saint Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr	<b>12 p.m.</b> The Manrique Family by Pedro Manrique <b>NO 5:30 p.m. MASS</b>	2 Mc 7:1, 20-31 Ps 17:1, 5-6, 8, 15 Lk 19:11-28
<b>THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23</b> Thursday of the Thirty-third Week in Ordinary Time	<b>12 p.m.</b> Marriage of Santiago and Nadia Zuvich and the needs of their family by Carolina Anzola <b>NO 5:30 p.m. MASS</b>	1 Mc 2:15-29 Ps 50:1-2, 5-6, 14-15 Lk 19:41-44
<b>FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24</b> Memorial of Saint Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs	<b>12 p.m.</b> +Ann Pinto by L. Savio Pinto <b>NO 5:30 p.m. MASS</b>	1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59 1 Chr 29:10-12 Lk 19:45-48
<b>SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25</b> Saturday of the Thirty-third Week in Ordinary Time	<b>5:30 p.m. (Vigil)</b> +Frank Kane by Anne Ruvane	Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43 Lk 18:1-8

## OFFERTORY FOR NOVEMBER 11-12, 2023

Offertory	\$ 3,470.00
Electronic Giving	\$ 6,911.03
Second Collection	N/A
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 10,381.03</b>

### THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptism Classes are the third Sunday of the month at 1 p.m. in English in the Parish Library and 11 a.m. in Spanish in Room 3, Hurley Hall. The registration and sponsor/godparent forms are available at catholicgators.org. Please contact Gail (gail@catholicgators.org) with questions.

### THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples should meet with a priest 8 months prior to the wedding. The wedding date should not be scheduled prior to speaking with a priest. To schedule a preliminary meeting, contact Gail Fitzsimmons (gail@catholicgators.org).

### SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Call the office (352.372.3533) for information on First Reconciliation, First Communion, High School Confirmation, & Adult Confirmation preparation.

# THIS WEEK AT ST. AUGUSTINE CHURCH & CATHOLIC STUDENT CENTER

## EVENT COLOR KEY:

Teal: Liturgical celebrations  
Black: Event for All Parishioners  
Blue: Catholic Gators/Student Event

Gray: Youth Event  
Orange: Latino Community Event (Spanish)  
Green: Young Adult Event

## SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

**Sunday Mass**  
Church | 9 a.m., 11:30 a.m.,  
1:30 p.m. en Español, 5:30 p.m.,  
7:30 p.m.

**RCIA**  
Lounge | 10 a.m.

## MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20

**Mass**  
Church | 12 p.m., 5:30 p.m.  
**Holy Hour and Confessions**  
Church | 4:30 p.m.  
**Sp. Charismatic Prayer Group**  
Conference Room | 7 p.m.

## TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21

**Mass**  
Church | 12 p.m., 5:30 p.m.  
**Holy Hour and Confessions**  
Church | 4:30 p.m.  
**Sp. Bible Study**  
Hurley | 6:30 p.m.

## WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22

**Mass**  
Church | 12 p.m., NO 5:30 p.m.  
**MASS OR 4:30 p.m. HOLY HOUR  
AND CONFESSIONS**

## THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23

**Mass**  
Church | 12 p.m., NO 5:30 p.m.  
**MASS OR 4:30 p.m. HOLY HOUR  
AND CONFESSIONS**

## FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24

**Mass**  
Church | 12 p.m., NO 5:30 p.m.  
**MASS OR 4:30 p.m. HOLY HOUR  
AND CONFESSIONS**

## SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25

**Mass**  
Church | 5:30 p.m.

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## OUR PARISH

### FACT OF THE WEEK

St. Cecilia is one of the seven women commemorated by name in the Roman Canon.

### WEEKLY CHALLENGE

Pray for the souls in purgatory this month!

### QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“Arise, soldiers of Christ, throw away the works of darkness and put on the armor of light”

-St. Cecilia



### REFLECTION

**Let us not resist the first advent, and the second will not terrify us.**

Then all the trees of the forest will exult before the face of the Lord, for he has come, he has come to judge the earth. He has come the first time, and he will come again. At his first coming, his own voice declared in the gospel: Hereafter you shall see the Son of Man coming upon the clouds. What does he mean by hereafter? Does he not mean that the Lord will come at a future time when all the nations of the earth will be striking their breasts in grief? Previously he came through his preachers, and he filled the whole world. Let us not resist his first coming, so that we may not dread the second.

What then should the Christian do? He ought to use the world, not become its slave. And what does this mean? It means having, as though not having. So says the Apostle: My brethren, the appointed time is short: from now on let those who have wives live as though they had none; and those who mourn as though they were not mourning; and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing; and those who buy as though they had no goods; and those who deal with this world as though they had no dealings with it. For the form of this world is passing away. But I wish you to be without anxiety. He who is without anxiety waits without fear until his Lord comes. For what sort of love of Christ is it to fear his coming? Brothers, do we not have to blush for shame? We love him, yet we fear his coming. Are we really certain that we love him? Or do we love our sins more? Therefore let us hate our sins and love him who will exact punishment for them. He will come whether we wish it or not. Do not think that because he is not coming just now, he will not come at all. He will come, you know not when; and provided he finds you prepared, your ignorance of the time of his coming will not be held against you.

All the trees of the forest will exult. He has come the first time, and he will come again to judge the earth; he will find those rejoicing who believed in his first coming, for he has come.

He will judge the world with equity and the peoples in his truth. What are equity

and truth? He will gather together with him for the judgement his chosen ones, but the others he will set apart; for he will place some on his right, others on his left. What is more equitable, what more true than that they should not themselves expect mercy from the judge, who themselves were unwilling to show mercy before the judge's coming. Those, however, who were willing to show mercy will be judged with mercy. For it will be said to those placed on his right: Come, blessed of my Father, take possession of the kingdom which has been prepared for you from the beginning of the world. And he reckons to their account their works of mercy: For I was hungry and you gave me food to eat; I was thirsty and you gave me drink.

What is imputed to those placed on his left side? That they refused to show mercy. And where will they go? Depart into the everlasting fire. The hearing of this condemnation will cause much wailing. But what has another psalm said? The just man will be held in everlasting remembrance; he will not fear the evil report. What is the evil report? Depart into the everlasting fire, which was prepared for the devil and his angels. Whoever rejoices to hear the good report will not fear the bad. This is equity, this is truth.

Or do you, because you are unjust, expect the judge not to be just? Or because you are a liar, will the truthful one not be true? Rather, if you wish to receive mercy, be merciful before he comes; forgive whatever has been done against you; give of your abundance. Of whose possessions do you give, if not from his? If you were to give of your own, it would be largesse; but since you give of his, it is restitution. For what do you have, that you have not received? These are the sacrifices most pleasing to God: mercy, humility, praise, peace, charity. Such as these, then, let us bring and, free from fear, we shall await the coming of the judge who will judge the world in equity and the peoples in his truth..

*A commentary of St Augustine on Psalm 95 from today's Office of Readings.*



## PARISH EVENTS & NEWS

### SCOOTER RAFFLE

We are raffling a scooter! Drawing to be held on Tuesday, December 5 at Mass and Meal. Tickets are available after all weekend Masses during the month of November and at Mass and Meal starting October 31. You can venmo @catholic-gators (not @catholic-gators1), pay in cash or check in person, or on Flocknote. Find out more at [catholicgators.org/scooter-raffle](https://catholicgators.org/scooter-raffle).



### CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

Would you like to honor your loved ones in a special way this upcoming Advent and Christmas season? Consider sponsoring the purchase of Christmas Poinsettias for \$10. Please fill out the form online at [staugustinechurch1.flocknote.com/signup/144275](https://staugustinechurch1.flocknote.com/signup/144275) or visit either the front office or the reception desk to ask for a form.



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**January 1-5, 2024**  
**St. Louis, MO**

#### ENCOUNTER

You're always being called deeper into relationship with Jesus Christ and His Church — come and see what's next!

#### TRANSFORMATION

Experience truth, beauty, and goodness; hear from renowned speakers, events, entertainment, sponsors and more! Find out what it means to *Be the Light*.

#### COMMUNITY

We are not made to be alone! Connect with peers, come together with the greater Church and journey together.

Contact David Pernia for more information  
[david.pernia@focus.org](mailto:david.pernia@focus.org)

### ST. A'S SERVICE COMMITTEE GRACE MARKETPLACE DRIVE

#### URGENT NEEDS:

Non-disposable plates, cups, and silverware

Gently-used or new blankets and towels

Used items should be freshly washed please

Toiletries: Bar soaps, 2-in-1 shampoo, Dental floss, toothbrush, toothpaste

Gallon ziplock bag of laundry detergent

BRING ITEMS TO THE BIN  
IN THE CHURCH VESTIBULE

**GRACE**  WE'RE ON A MISSION TO  
END HOMELESSNESS



## MINISTERIO HISPANO

### CELEBRACIÓN NTRA. SRA. DE LA PROVIDENCIA

El domingo 19 de Noviembre tendremos la celebración de Nuestra Señora de la Providencia y demás advocaciones de todo el continente americano. Pueden colaborar con flores para la procesión. Se les invita a que se organicen por país y tengan una mesa con su advocación de la Virgen Maria y algún dulce o platillo típico para un compartir, después de la misa de 1:30 pm.

### SOLEMNIDAD DE CRISTO REY

El domingo 26 de Noviembre se celebrará la solemnidad de Cristo Rey. Los invitamos a participar en un compartir que se llevará a cabo en el lounge, después de la misa de 1:30 pm. Si desea colaborar, puede hacerlo trayendo bebidas para compartir.

### 40 HORAS DE DEVOCIÓN

Comenzará el jueves 30 de Noviembre con la misa de 5:30 pm hasta el sábado 2 de Diciembre, donde tendremos la misa de clausura. Para participar, apúntese en la hoja de registro que se encuentra en la capilla de Hurley Hall. Jesús te espera y cuenta contigo!

### FESTIVIDADES POR LA VIRGEN DE GUADALUPE

Unete a las festividades por Nuestra Virgen de Guadalupe! El lunes 11 de Diciembre a las 9:00 pm tendremos el rosario y las mañanitas, seguido de un compartir de chocolate y pan. El martes 12 de Diciembre comenzaremos con la misa y maria-chi a las 7:30 pm, y luego tendremos un compartir en el lounge. Los esperamos!



### CURSILLOS DE CRISTIANDAD

Todos los cursillistas están invitados a la Escuela de Dirigentes y Ultreya, que se llevan a cabo todos los terceros Lunes de mes a las 7:00 pm, en Hurley Hall. Para registros e información adicional, comuníquese con Pedro Solórzano y Serafina Gasca.

### CATEQUESIS PRE-BAUTISMAL

La catequesis pre-bautismal para Padres y Padrinos, se lleva a cabo los terceros Domingos de mes a las 11:00 am, previa cita, en Hurley Hall. Para registros, comuníquese con Victoria Peñaranda después de la misa del Domingo de 1:30pm.

### EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA Y SACRAMENTAL

La Educación Religiosa y preparación sacramental para niños y adultos se imparte todos los Domingos a las 11:30 am en Hurley Hall.

### GRUPO DE ORACIÓN CARISMÁTICO SAN MARCOS

Unete a nuestro grupo de oración en Español, todos los Lunes a las 7:00 pm, en el Salón de Conferencias de la Parroquia.



### CAFECITO

Disfruta del Cafecito, todos los Domingos, después de la misa de 1:30 pm, en el lounge.

NUESTRA MISA EN ESPAÑOL  
TODOS LOS DOMINGOS A LA  
1:30 P.M.



## NEWS & EVENTS



### THANKSGIVING WEEK SCHEDULE

Due to the Thanksgiving Holiday, we will only have the noon Mass Wednesday-Friday, November 22-24. There will be no 5:30 p.m. Mass or 4:30 p.m. Holy Hour and Confessions. The front office will also be closed Thursday and Friday. If you are in need of confession, please email one of the priests.



### SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

Please be generous in this weekend's special collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. With this collection, you support programs that address the causes of poverty and provide a sustainable future for those struggling across the country. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this collection and work on the margins.



### ADVENT DAY OF REFLECTION

Join us after the close of the 40 Hours Devotion for our Advent Day of Reflection! We'll begin with a light breakfast, then jump into talks by guest speakers who will help us enter into the Advent season with greater devotion and fervor as a parish. There will be both an English and a Spanish track. We will close with Mass at around noon. Please register at <https://forms.gle/C9QBFLDrrczJxMWv5>



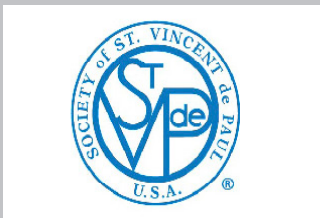
### 40 HOURS DEVOTION

Get ready for our 40 Hours Devotion! From 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, November 30th to 9 a.m. on Saturday December 2nd, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed in the Hurley chapel. Everyone is welcome, and we encourage you to sign up for an hour on our website so that we can ensure there are two people with Jesus at all times.



### "NEW YEAR'S" CHRIST THE KING PARTY

Every year, the Solemnity of Christ the King falls on the last Sunday in Ordinary Time, marking the end of the liturgical calendar and the coming of Advent. It's like a liturgical "new year's eve!" All are welcome to celebrate with us in the parish lounge after the 1:30 Spanish Mass on Sunday, November 26th. Bring some food to share!



### A MESSAGE FROM THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The good news of today's Gospel is the extravagance of what is being given us. All we need to do is be faithful in "small matters." The cost of fidelity has no comparison to the reward given. When you give the furniture, household items and clothing you no longer use to the St. Vincent de Paul Thrift store, you are sharing God's extravagant love. If you would like more information or are in need of assistance, please call 352-283-4333.

### REPORTING SEXUAL ABUSE

**ATTENTION** The Diocese of St. Augustine treats all allegations of sexual misconduct seriously and deals with all allegations in a prompt, confidential, and thorough manner. To Report Abuse, call the police or the Department of Children and Families at (800) 962-2873. Or call the Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator at (904) 208-6979 or email [inquiries@dosaf.com](mailto:inquiries@dosaf.com). To report abuse by a bishop, call (800) 276-1562 or visit [www.reportbishopabuse.org](http://www.reportbishopabuse.org)

**ATENCIÓN** La Diócesis de San Agustín trata seriamente todas las acusaciones de conducta sexual inapropiada, de manera rápida, confidencial y minuciosa. Para reportar Abuso, llame a la policía o al Departamento de Niños y Familias al (904) 962-2873. O llame al Coordinador Diocesano de Asistencia a Víctimas (904) 208-6979 o envíe un correo electrónico a [inquiries@dosaf.com](mailto:inquiries@dosaf.com). Para denunciar abuso por parte de un obispo, llame al (800) 276-1562 o visite [www.reportbishopabuse.org](http://www.reportbishopabuse.org)

**BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS & FEEDBACK:** Please email bulletin submissions to Sandy DeTeresa at [sandy@catholicgators.org](mailto:sandy@catholicgators.org) by noon on Monday. Do you have feedback or see something that needs to be corrected? Reach out to our Communications Director, Sandy DeTeresa at [sandy@catholicgators.org](mailto:sandy@catholicgators.org)!

## GAINESVILLE AREA NEWS & EVENTS

### FROM CATHOLIC CHARITIES: HUMAN TRAFFICKING: HOW DID I NOT KNOW?

Human trafficking is the world's second-largest criminal enterprise. Ruby Peters, a Human trafficking educator for Catholic Charities, and her son Joe produced an educational video to enlighten teenagers about the tactics of human traffickers, the crime of sextortion and ways that pornography fuels sex trafficking. The goal is to increase teen awareness, reduce teen vulnerability and equip everyone with tools to stay safe. Visit <https://youtu.be/tF68m4sbh3k?si=joLSyB0BsfsMqybM> and share it far and wide! For more information, email Ruby at [rubygeerspeters@gmail.com](mailto:rubygeerspeters@gmail.com).

### FROM THE CATHOLIC FOUNDATION

This is the time of year when many families are considering year-end giving. The Catholic Foundation wants to help your parishioners to give smarter to their church. Please consider posting these announcements in your bulletins. These announcements promote IRA gifts and non-cash gifts. Both large (8.5 x 11) and small (3.5 x 5) versions are available for your convenience. Contact Kelly Wood with questions at [kwood@dosafll.com](mailto:kwood@dosafll.com) or (904) 208-6931.

### 3RD FRIDAY CONCERT SERIES - GAINESVILLE HARMONY SHOW CHORUS

The Gainesville Harmony Show Chorus is set to perform at St. Patrick Catholic Church, located at 500 NE 16th Ave. in Gainesville, on Nov. 17. The event will commence with a prayer at 6:40 p.m., followed by the concert at 7 p.m. The evening promises to be a delightful one with a variety of musical styles on display, including show tunes, pop, country, gospel, and traditional barbershop tunes. The Chorus will accept a goodwill offering, so make sure to come and enjoy the music.

### DAY OF PRAYER AND REFLECTION PREPARING FOR CHRIST THE KING

You will want to attend the Day of Prayer and Reflection on November 25 at the St. Joseph Renewal Center in St. Augustine, FL. Led by Sister Rosa Lopez, SSJ, this event will prepare you for the Feast of Christ the King and help you reflect on the many graces of the past year. You'll learn to focus on the One who reigns with love, mercy, humility, and power. It's only \$30 to register, which includes lunch. Contact Sister Jane at [sjstoecker63@ssjfl.org](mailto:sjstoecker63@ssjfl.org) or 904-824-5894 (please leave a message with your name and email address) to reserve your spot.

### COME AND SEE, PRISON MINISTRY, NOV. 28

"I was... in prison and you visited me" (MT 25:36). Come and join us to learn more about the Diocesan Prison Ministry. The event is scheduled for Tuesday, November 28, at 6 p.m. at the Holy Faith Parish located at 747 NW 43rd Street in Gainesville. John Chick, Directory of Prison Ministry, will share about the work of the Prison Ministry and how you can support this important ministry. Light refreshments will be served, and you are encouraged to invite your friends and family to join us.

### ADVENT DAY OF REFLECTION, WHAT ARE WE WAITING FOR? DEC. 2

Join the Sisters of St. Joseph for an Advent Day of Reflection on December 2 at St. Joseph Renewal Center, at 234 St. George Street, St. Augustine, FL. The event will take place from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and will explore the theme "What are we waiting for?" Sister Florence Bryan, SSJ, will lead the retreat. To register, please contact Sister Jane at [sjstoecker63@ssjfl.org](mailto:sjstoecker63@ssjfl.org) or 904- 824-5894, and leave a message with your name and email address. The registration fee is \$30, which includes lunch.

### MONTHLY DISCERNMENT EVENING, DEC. 4

This invitation is for young men, ages 16+, seeking to learn more about priestly vocations. Father Clay Ludwig will celebrate Mass at 6 p.m. at the Marywood Chapel, 235 Marywood Dr., in St. Johns, followed by a meal and small group discussions at the San Juan del Rio Parish Life Center. There is no cost to attend. For more details and to register, send an email to [vocations@dosafll.com](mailto:vocations@dosafll.com).





# Italy



May 7-17, 2024

## Adventure Pilgrimage



Join the UF Catholic Gators and the USF Catholic Bulls on a pilgrimage to Italy!  
We will be exploring Rome, hiking the Way of St. Francis to Assisi, visiting the Pope's summer palace at Castel Gandolfo, and more! For more information and application, please visit the website below:

 [adventurepilgrimages.com](https://adventurepilgrimages.com)

# SAINT FRANCIS CATHOLIC ACADEMY

## Be a Game-Changer!

Saint Francis Catholic Academy, now in its 20<sup>th</sup> year as Alachua County's only Catholic High School, needs an innovative and energetic individual to help us take secondary Catholic education in our area to a new level.

In accordance with the Catholic Faith and the Diocese of St. Augustine, SFCA strives to pursue excellence and create an environment where all students can succeed and grow spiritually, intellectually, and athletically to help them reach their full potential and better serve the world as adults.

As Director of Development, you will utilize your talents to uncover untapped resources, forge new partnerships, and enhance and expand a community committed to providing SFCA students with a world-class Catholic education, in a state-of-the-art campus, that also embraces practical and innovative programs including our Health Sciences Institute, Institute for Entrepreneurship and Innovation, on-campus Dual Enrollment opportunities, and AP Capstone program.

This is an autonomous position requiring an individual who is self-motivated, self-directed, and creative, who recognizes the mechanics of efficient and effective marketing, and who possesses an understanding of how to craft our message in a clear, concise and compelling way.

For more information on this opportunity to shape the future, please contact [lacosta@sfcaaloha.org](mailto:lacosta@sfcaaloha.org).



## FROM AROUND THE DIOCESE

### EMMET CAHILL CHRISTMAS IN IRELAND, DEC. 6

Emmet Cahill, the world-famous tenor, and star of Celtic Thunder will be performing traditional Christmas songs and traditional Irish music on December 6 at 7:30 p.m. at St. Paul's Catholic Church, 435 1st Ave. N. in Jacksonville Beach. General admission tickets are available for \$35, while a concert and meet and greet package can be purchased for \$50. The meet and greet begins at 6:15 p.m. at the Beaches Museum, which is located at 381 Beach Blvd. in Jacksonville Beach. To purchase your tickets, visit [EmmetCahill.com](http://EmmetCahill.com).

### BABY STEPS CAMINO™, DEC. 8-11

Journey with the Order of Malta American Association during the annual Baby Steps Camino™, a three-day beach-walking pilgrimage from Jacksonville Beach to the National Shrine of Our Lady of La Leche at Mission Nombre de Dios in St. Augustine. The pilgrimage will take place from Dec. 8 until Dec. 10. Pilgrims are welcome to join for one, two or three days of the pilgrimage. To register and for more details, such as the schedule of the event and items to bring, visit [babystepscamino.com](http://babystepscamino.com).

### RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS, DEC. 9-10

Please give to those who have given a lifetime. Collection will be taken up in all parishes of the Diocese of St. Augustine. Click [here](#) for a Fact Sheet or visit [retiredreligious.org](http://retiredreligious.org).

### LAS POSADAS, DEC. 16

The National Shrine of Our Lady of La Leche at Mission Nombre de Dios in St. Augustine invites you to experience a truly silent night on the Sacred Acre, complete with a Live Nativity, Eucharistic Adoration, cookies, hot cocoa and food trucks. A 16th-century Spanish procession of "Las Posadas" (The Inns) is presented by the Historic Florida Militia. This bi-lingual family-friendly event runs from 3 to 9 p.m. Open to the public. Reservations are required for participation in 'Las Posadas' and can be made online by visiting [missionandshrine.org](http://missionandshrine.org) (limited availability).

### FAITH & ACTION DAY, DEC. 16

On Saturday, Dec. 16, the DOSA Youth and Young Adult Office will host our next Faith and Action Day – Wreaths Across America at Jacksonville Memory Gardens, 111 Blanding Blvd., Orange Park. The mission of Wreaths Across America is to remember the fallen to honor those who serve. There are 5,000 veterans buried at JMG and our goal is for each of them to have a sponsored wreath on their grave for Christmas. If you would like to participate, please contact [rshipley@dosaf.com](mailto:rshipley@dosaf.com).

### NATIVITY OPEN HOUSE, CHRIST THE SOURCE OF OUR HOPE, DEC. 16-17

Experience the true meaning of Christmas at the Nativity Open House, Christ the Source of Our Hope event, taking place on December 16-17 at the St. Joseph Renewal Center. The center, located at 234 St. George Street, in St. Augustine, will be open on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and on Sunday from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. You will have the chance to explore the Sisters of St. Joseph collection of beautiful nativity scenes and embark on a journey with the Magi, discovering the humble presence of peace, love, and our only hope.

### MISAS DE AGUINALDO, DEC. 16-24

From December 16-24, the Puerto Rican community of the Blessed Trinity Catholic Church in Jacksonville will be holding their "Misas de Aguinaldo" at 5:30 a.m. This is a popular religious tradition that spiritually leads one to Bethlehem. The biblical foundation is rooted in the call of John the Baptist to prepare the way of the Lord through conversion and a change of life to receive the Lord.

## FROM AROUND THE DIOCESE

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### PILGRIMAGE WITH FR. DAVID RUCHINSKI, OCT. 21 – NOV. 2, 2024

Join Fr. David Ruchinski from St. Joseph's in Jacksonville from Oct. 21 to Nov. 2, 2024, on this amazing walk in the footsteps of St. Paul! You will explore many amazing locations in Greece and Türkiye that were pivotal to his missionary journeys! For more information contact Nicole Lovell: [bookingwithnicole@gmail.com](mailto:bookingwithnicole@gmail.com) or visit: [https://www.etstours.com/files/uploads/XG24\\_102124L\\_32348\\_NicoleLovell\\_Final-1.pdf](https://www.etstours.com/files/uploads/XG24_102124L_32348_NicoleLovell_Final-1.pdf)

### SOWING THE SEEDS OF LOVE, A DAY FOR COUPLES 2024, FEB. 10, 2024

This event is scheduled for February 10, 2024, from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Resurrection Catholic Church, 3383 University Blvd N in Jacksonville. This annual pre-marriage and marriage conference is designed to inspire couples from all stages and ages of their relationship to live out God's plan for their marriages. The registration fee for the event is \$70, and you can register through <https://adayforcouples.com>. If you have any questions regarding the event, please get in touch with Raquel Tripp at [raquel@missionariesofmarriage.org](mailto:raquel@missionariesofmarriage.org). Don't

### PRIESTS VS. SEMINARIANS VOLLEYBALL GAME, NOV. 25

Time for a spirited competition! Witness the inaugural Priests vs. Seminarians volleyball game while partaking in cornhole, yard games and some grub provided courtesy of the Knights of Columbus. Activities occur on Saturday, Nov. 25, from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. at the San Juan del Rio Paris gym. Please RSVP to [vocations@dosaf.com](mailto:vocations@dosaf.com)

### #GIVINGTUESDAY - #IGIVECATHOLIC, NOV. 28

#iGiveCatholic inspires faithful stewards to "Give Catholic" on Giving Tuesday, a global day of generosity and kindness. This annual giving day for the faithful across the nation to come together and raise as many charitable dollars as possible for Catholic parishes, schools, and ministries in participating dioceses. Support your favorite Catholic school, parish, or ministry with #iGiveCatholic, an all-in-one platform to support the missions of the local church. Make your donations here: <https://staugustine.igivecatholic.org>.

### CARDS & COFFEE, NOV. 30

Create custom Christmas cards while enjoying fellowship and coffee at the annual Cards & Coffee event. This special event is priced at \$25.00 per guest which includes festive cookies and lunch. Make your reservation today for the event at the Marywood Retreat & Conference Center, 235 Marywood Drive in St. Johns on Thursday, Nov. 30 from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Reservations are required; call Ansley Irwin at (904) 436-6591 or email at [ansleyirwin@marywoodcenter.org](mailto:ansleyirwin@marywoodcenter.org).

### CATHOLIC OUTDOOR ADVENTURE DAY, DEC. 2

Calling all Troops! Who is ready for an action-packed day? The troops of the diocese, Scouts BSA, Trail Life, Girl Scouts and American Heritage Girls, are coming together for an annual Diocesan retreat on Dec. 2 from 9:00 a.m. until 5 p.m. at the St. John's River Base at Echockotee. The day includes climbing, archery, larger-than-life games, Mass and much more! This year's theme is "Jesus is real." For more information, contact Linda Byer at [linda.byer07@gmail.com](mailto:linda.byer07@gmail.com) or Robin Shipley at [rshipley@dosaf.com](mailto:rshipley@dosaf.com). Register online here: <https://dosaf.wufoo.com/forms/x4dr9v31ghtv2w/>.