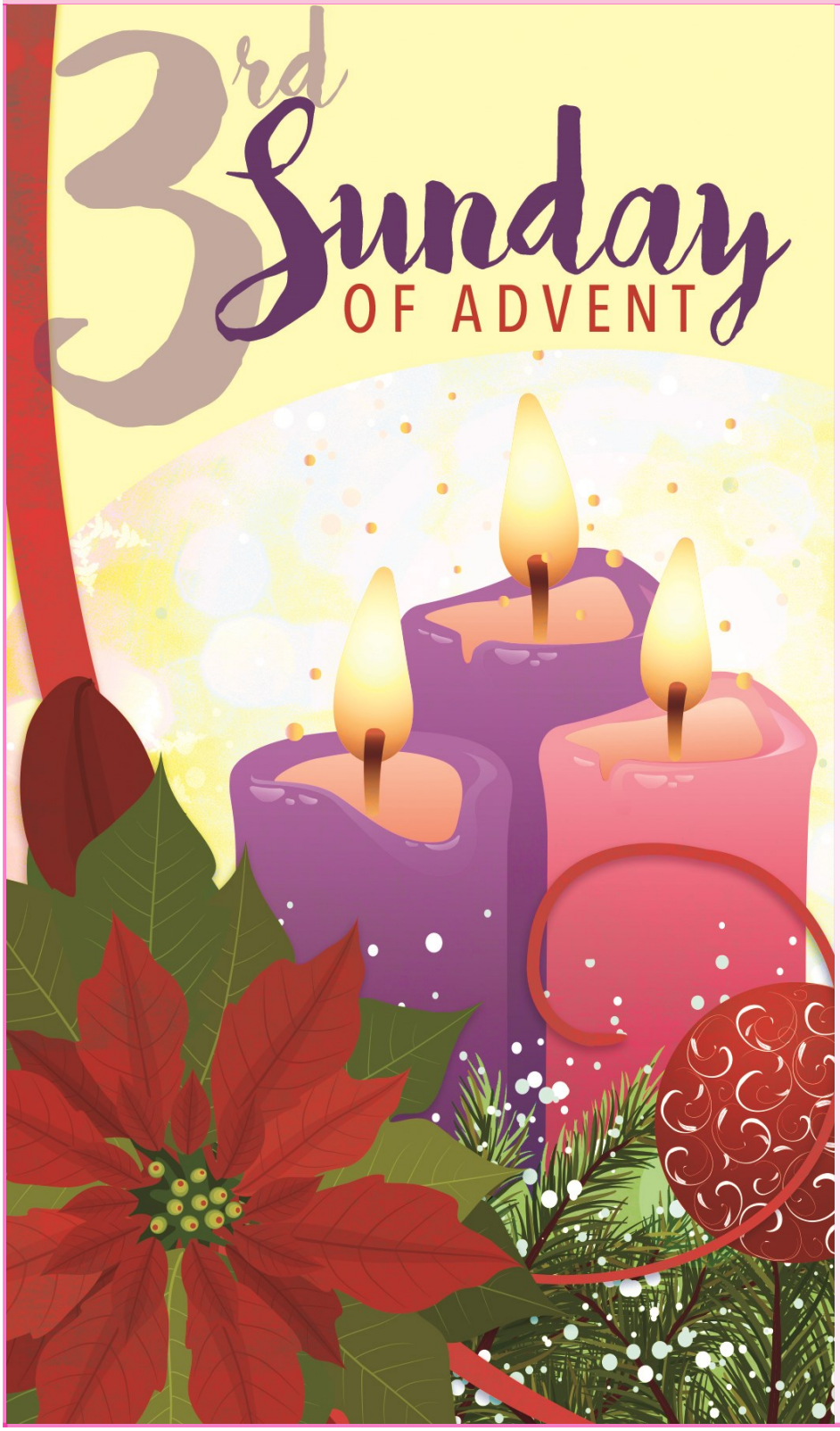
The Parishes of
St. Augustine & Holy Family
Third Sunday of Advent
December 11, 2016



3rd Sunday of Advent

In the same sentence where he reminds his listeners that he has cured the blind, the lame, the deaf, the sick, and even raised the dead, Jesus concludes by adding, "The poor have the good news proclaimed to them." How did that make the list of supernatural cures? What's so miraculous about good news? The poor are not just those in physical poverty, but those whose sins have impoverished their souls. This of course applies to us. The poverty of our own sinfulness can be overcome by the forgiveness offered to us in Christ. Because of this, we have cause to rejoice!

And on this Third Sunday of Advent, Gaudete Sunday, we are encouraged to rejoice. Gaudete Sunday derives its name from the opening prayer of the Mass for this day, where we pray, "Gaudete in Domino semper" ("Rejoice in the Lord always"). So in the midst of Advent fasting and devotions, we rejoice because the time we have been preparing for is almost at hand. We pause in this season of anticipation to remember that, in truth, our hopes have already been fulfilled. He is among us, saving us even now!

PARISH INFORMATION

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St. Augustine Parish

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Office hours:
Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. and
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Sunday Masses:
Saturday - 6:00 p.m. Sunday - 7:30 & 9:00 a.m.

Daily Masses:
Monday, Wednesday, & Thursday - 8:00 am

Holy Day Masses: 8:00 a.m. at St. Augustine
7:00 pm at Holy Family

Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Wednesday, 8:45 a.m., after 8:00 am morning mass
Saturday, 7:00 p.m. in Church, or by appointment.

Holy Family Parish

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Parish Office: 810-392-2056 Fax: 810-392-2043
Office hours:
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All Saints Knights of Columbus # 10501
Grand Knight Larry Pfeifer ……....…….810-543-1109

Sunday Masses:
Saturday - 4:30 p.m. Holy Family Memphis
Sunday 10:30 a.m. & 5:30 p.m. Holy Family Memphis

Daily Masses:
Tuesday - 7:00 p.m. & Friday - 8:00 a.m.

Holy Day Masses: 8:00 a.m. at St. Augustine
7:00 pm at Holy Family
Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Tuesday, 6:30 p.m., before 7:00 p.m. evening mass
Saturday, 3:00 p.m. in the Church, or by appointment.

St. Augustine School

67901 Howard St., Richmond MI 48062
Website: http://www.staugustinecatholicschool.com

School Office: 586-727-9365

Principal - Tina Silvestri Ext. 131
Secretary - Judy Rey Ext. 130

Bulletin Submissions Deadline: 12:00 p.m. on Friday for the following weekend; deadline changes near major holidays. Please submit **electronically** to **staugustinerichmond@comcast.net** or **cwullaert@holyfamily-online.org.**
Announcement deadline: Thursday 5:00 p.m.

Sacrament of Baptism:
Please contact the parish office to schedule a baptism. It is recommended that parents seeking Baptism for their child attend two baptismal preparation classes.

Sacrament of Marriage:
In accordance with the guidelines of the Province of Michigan, engaged couples must contact the Parish Office six months prior to the desired date of marriage and complete required preparation.

Sacrament of the Sick:
Notify the Parish Office of any need for hospital or home visits.

Praying for Those Who Serve Our Country

DC1 Troy Baran
TSgt Trent Beish
FNE3 Nathan Bilbrey
FC Nathan Burgess
MAJ Joseph Cannon
MSgt Christopher Capoccia
Cpt. Kevin Chamberlain
Adam Dickson
SSgt Craig Grabowski
Spc Samuel Feldman
PO1 Jeremy Gauthier
PVT Brent Gracey
LT USN Adam Haag
LTCMDR Ryan Haag
Maj. Michael A. Hoffman, DDS
PO2 Michael Jahr
Cpl Pietr Jahr
PFC Virginia Jahr
Cpt. Jack Johnston
Cpl Connor Koveck
CPT David F. Kuntz
2ndLt Brad Neaton
Cpt. Nicholas Pelachyk, DDS
SrA Brendan Pfeifer
Maj. Christopher Platz
Maj. Lisa Marie Platz
MSgt Kevin Quant
SrA Christopher P. Raska
Lt Paul Raska
Col Matthew Rettke
POHM2 John-Christopher Sbraccia
SSgt David Siegrist
MAJ Cormac Smith
LCpl Timothy James Spruytte
SSG Raymond Stier
E4 Brandon Stoops
PFC Christopher Tishler
Warrant Officer Jeffery Weis
POHM3 Nicholas Wohlfiel

Readings for the Week of December 11, 2016

Sunday: Is 35:1-6a, 10/Ps 146/Jas 5:7-10/Mt 11:2-11
Monday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Jdt 13/Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47
Tuesday: Zep 3:1-2, 9-13/Ps 34/Mt 21:28-32
Wednesday: Is 45:6b-8, 18, 21b-25/Ps 85/Lk 7:18b-23
Thursday: Is 54:1-10/Ps 30/Lk 7:24-30
Friday: Is 56:1-3a, 6-8/Ps 67/Jn 5:33-36
Saturday: Gn 49:2, 8-10/Ps 72/Mt 1:1-17
Sunday: Is 7:10-14/Ps 24/Rom 1:1-7/Mt 1:18-24

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Sign up at
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Aging Religious Need Your Help

Senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests have offered their lives in service to others - educating the young, comforting the sick, seeking justice for the oppressed. Today, many are frail, elderly, and in need of assistance. Your gift to the Retirement fund for Religious helps to furnish medications nursing care, and other necessities. Please give generously to today's collection.

Our Lady of Guadalupe
Feast Day - December 12th

St. Augustine Catholic School Trash Bag Sale/Fundraiser

St. Augustine School is selling cash and carry trash bags for only **$10 a roll**. They are very high quality and something we all use. This is an ongoing, year-round fundraiser for the school so please tell your friends and neighbors!

The available sizes:

White tall kitchen (15 gal.)/65 bags per roll
Yellow large (39 gal.)/25 bags per roll
Blue extra large (55 gal.)/ 16 bags per roll

You can stop by the school office and pick up an order form or call with any questions. Thank you for supporting our school!

Join us at St. Augustine

Wednesday, December 21, 2016 to say our monthly Rosary in the public square. We begin promptly at 11:30 a.m. We hope you can join us!

24 / 7 Prayer Petition

For the month of December, let us pray for those in the world who are seeking a happy new beginning; that their hearts be touched by the nativity story and come to realize that Jesus was born for all man kind.

Praying for Vocations Please continue to pray for priestly vocations. Pray for Louis Hackstock, our seminarian.

Christmas Shopping?

If you know where you will be doing your Christmas Shopping, now is the perfect time to order SCRIP so you can have it in time for your shopping needs. Or if you are giving gift cards this year, buy SCRIP from either parish. This is a great way to help our parishes at no cost to you.

SCRIP

Available for purchase at both

St. Augustine and Holy Family

SCRIP is a great way to support our parishes at no cost to you.

At **St. Augustine**, SCRIP is available for purchase Monday - Friday 7:45am - 8:15am and Monday - Thursday 2:30pm - 2:50pm. SCRIP is also sold the **3rd Sunday of every month** at coffee & donuts following the Sunday morning Masses.

At **Holy Family**, SCRIP is available for purchase at the parish office during regular business hours. It is suggested that you call ahead to see if what you need is available. If you have any questions, please contact the Parish Office.

And there is a gift for you too. During the month of December, you can use the whole SCRIP rebate towards your school and faith formation tuition.

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Did you know that you can help support Youth Ministry by Shopping on **Amazon Smile**? Whenever you shop on Amazon you can help support our **Youth Ministry** program by selecting Holy Family Parish as your charitable organization on smile.amazon.com.

To make a qualifying purchase, head to smile.amazon.com (instead of amazon.com) and a donation will be made to **St. Augustine & Holy Family Youth Ministry**.

It's that easy!

Thank you for supporting Youth Ministry.

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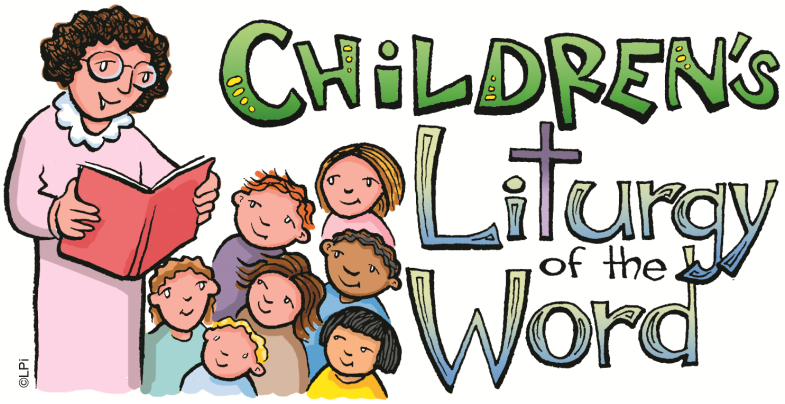


Information and Training Meeting TODAY @ 12:00 Noon

In the St. Augustine Parish Hall

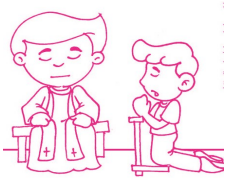
Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) is an age-appropriate opportunity for children to celebrate a *concurrent* Liturgy of the Word in a nearby space and then return to the main assembly for the Liturgy of the Eucharist. The children experience the same ritual and hear the same scriptures, but proclaimed in simplified language. The most notable difference is that the homily message is delivered as an interactive dialogue.

Who can participate? All children are welcome. No pre-registration is necessary. Please understand that this is not Childcare; the children are only gone for approximately 15-18 minutes. They'll return during the Offertory preparation. CLOW is most appropriate for Pre-school through 3rd grade.

How will it work? After the Introductory Rites, the celebrant will invite the children and the volunteer leaders forward to be dismissed. The leaders will proclaim the readings and gospel, lead the children in singing a Psalm response, share the main message, and conclude with a simplified creed and intercessory prayers before rejoining their parents. This is not a "Sunday School" format. There are no crafts, coloring pages or snacks offered.

Which mass? At the 9:00am mass at St. Augustine and the 10:30am mass at Holy Family. We'll need at least 10 or 12 people at each parish.

For more information or to get involved, contact Susan Finley in the Faith Formation office at either parish.



UPCOMING COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICES

- ✞ Thursday, December 15th, 7:00 p.m. @ St. Stephen, Port Huron
- ✞ Saturday, December 17th, 1:00 p.m. @ Holy Cross, Marine City
- ✞ Tuesday, December 20th, 7:00pm @ Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Emmett
- ✞ Wednesday, December 21st, 7:00 p.m. @ St. Augustine, Richmond

Health Ministry Survey

Thank you for your time and participation in this survey. Results of this survey will be posted in the bulletin by the end of January.

June 16-18, 2017

Note: *THIS IS A* ***CONFIRMED DATE.*** Cost is **$250.00** per student and includes bus, meals AT the conference, and lodging in dorm rooms at Franciscan University. Students should bring spending money to purchase food while traveling to and from the conference.

To register your teen, please fill out a registration and return with a **$75.00 non-refundable deposit** due **UPON REGISTRATION**
Final payments due April 1, 2017.

Participation in the Altar Society Rummage Sale OR the Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast is REQUIRED.
Both events take place at Holy Family Parish

The **Altar Society** and the **Knights of Columbus** support the youth of our clustered parishes and donate a portion, or all of the proceeds from these two events to our Steubenville trip in an effort to keep the cost of tuition at $250.00 for all participants.

Questions? Please call me, Lisa Hunter at (586) 960-4208.
Registrations can obtained through the parish office or by contacting Lisa.

Mail Call

Q: Why did Jesus command people not to tell others of the miracles He performed?

A: After healing a man of leprosy (Mark 1:41-42), "Jesus sent him away with a warning: "See that you don't tell this to anyone..." (Mark 1:43-44). On the surface it would seem to us that Jesus would want everyone to know about the miracle. However, perhaps Jesus knew that such publicity might hinder His mission and divert public attention from His message. Mark records that this is exactly what happened. In this man's excitement over being healed, he ignored the Lord's directive. As a result, the crowds became so large that Jesus could no longer openly enter a town.

Jesus also required the man to be obedient to the law. He directed him to go to the priest, and not to make delay by stopping to converse about his being healed. It was also possible that, if he did not go at once, someone might go before him and prejudice the priest. It was of further importance that the priest should pronounce it to be a genuine miracle cure.

Finally, Jesus probably did not want people focusing on the miracles He performed, but rather the message He proclaimed. The same is true today. God would rather that we be focused on the healing miracle of salvation through Jesus Christ instead of focusing on other healings and/or miracles.

Please send your questions to George@CatholicIssues.org.

St. Augustine Mass Intentions

Rosary is scheduled one half hour before daily mass.

Monday, December 12, 2016
Mass 8:00 am
- Kevin & Jennifer McCarthy & Family
  req. by Victoria Roddy

Tuesday, December 13, 2016
No Mass Scheduled

Wednesday, December 14, 2016
Divine Mercy Chaplet
***Mass 8:00* am**
✞ Irene Grifka
req. by her Family

Thursday, December 15, 2016
Mass 8:00 am
✞ Eugene Jakubiak
by Beverly Hardman & Family

Friday, December 16, 2016
No Mass Scheduled

Sunday, December 18, 2016
Fourth Sunday of Advent

Saturday, December 17, 2016
6:00 pm Mass
- Intentions of Kirby Smith
  req. by Jeanne Robinson

✞ Frank & Kim Manchik
req. by their Family
✞ Frank & Louise Manchik
req. by Pat Palka Manchik
✞ Stanley & Sophie Palka
req. by Pat Palka Manchik
✞ Richard Koch
req. by his Family

Sunday, December 18, 2016
7:30 am Mass
- For the Parishioners

9:00 am Mass
✞ Gene Austin
5th Anniversary Remembrance
req. by Betty Raska & Family
✞ Thaddeus Szymanski
by Geraldine & Jason Edgerton
✞ Bob Karnafel
req. by Jay & Sandy Ross
✞ Doris Suess
by Archie & Rhona O'Donnell
✞ David Raska
req. by Veronica Raska & Family
✞ Margaret Hebel
req. by Helen Schoenherr
✞ Bill Franz
16th Anniversary Remembrance
req. by his wife, Dee & Family
✞ Roland Raska
req. by Claire & Dan Manchik & Family
✞ Angeline Zaprawa
req. by Henry & Jessica Davis

St. Michael Cemetery Important Information

During the recent fall clean-up at St. Michael Cemetery, all items were removed from graves for a total clean-up of the cemetery. These were items which are not allowed to be placed on the graves, according to cemetery rules. These items have been labeled by the family name and put aside in the cemetery garage. **Please call Joe Stevens at 586-727-7236 to arrange a time to pick up your items.** Any remaining items after January 1, 2017 will be disposed of.

St. Augustine Giving Tree

The St. Augustine Giving Tree is up and decorated with ornament tags labeled with items which will be given to the needy this Christmas. Please take an ornament from the tree, purchase the gift listed on the back of the tag, and return the item to church no later than **Tuesday, December 13th**. Return the gift(s) unwrapped, with the ornament tag attached to the gift. Please don't wrap gifts, as we must unwrap them to sort the items. Thank you for your generosity!

The organizations we are supporting this year through our Giving Tree are:

- ♥ Kids in Distress
- ♥ Turning Point
- ♥ Abigayle Ministries
- ♥ St. Aloysius Neighborhood Services
- ♥ McWarm of St. Margaret of Scotland
- ♥ Justice Initiative of St. Vincent dePaul

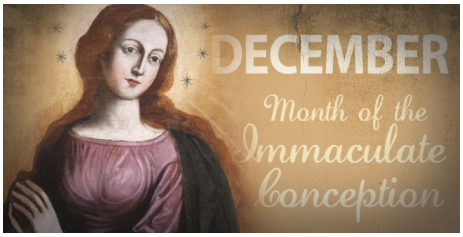
St. Augustine Parishioners

Baptized in Christ December 4, 2016

Ryan John Roshak
Son of Bradford & Debra Roshak

St. Augustine Wedding Banns

I. David Starlin & Jennifer Johnston



Please Pray for St. Augustine Parishioners

who are facing the challenges of illness at home or in the hospital...

Antoinette Agosta
Julie Ames
Dave Austin
Mary Lou Brickel
Sheryl Buckland
Edward Bulski
Louis Canter
Jerry Caporuscio
Bailey Ann Clapper
Ann Colley
Vincent del Rosario
Helen Dheygere
Mary DeWitte
Judy Dlugosielski
Marc Dreim
Gail Duetsch
Gary Duhamel
Joan Elam
Bob Fillhart
Brian Frederick
Shelley Frontera
Amy Gowing
Natalie Grabowski
Alison Gray
Edward Hallwood
Baby Haskin
Donna Hohmann
Ed Holmberg
William Hutton
Helen Kaczperski
Sylvia Kaltz
Dave Kammer
Dave Kisskalt
Carole Kocher
John Kocher
Betty Kolp
Jack Krawczak
Ann Lipior
Eugenia Lipior
Don Locklear
Roger Lumley
Pat Manchik
Nicole Manley
Janet Mantovani
Alfreda Marecki
John Matousek
Jim Mazzala
Darlene McVannel
Dan Moomaw
Johny Muller
Kandy Murray
Tom Obee
Bryan Pawlowski
Don Pfeifle
Carol Pollari
Darren Polansky
Jeanette Ponski
Jessica Ricketts
Herb Robbins
Carolyn Scarlett
Helen Schafka
Joseph Scherb
Tom Schmid
Thelma Secretor
Rose Segatti
Denis Sharpe
John M. Sharpe
Sylvia Shinska
Edith Shirk
Mary Slago
Deb Snider
Carol Stanzione
Lily Suess
Lloyd Suess
Stanley Swidersky
Sue Thomas
Bridget Urquhart
Cynthia Walker
James (Corky) Walsh
Mary Weber
Patrick John Wolak
Jerry Witt
Lisbeth Yaek
Joseph Yelencich, Jr.
Mary Yelencich

Celebrating Eternal Life in Christ

Wilma Hendy

Gifted with the love of Jesus Christ, we strive to share that love with our community.

~ This Week Ahead at St. Augustine ~

Monday, December 12, 2016
8:00 p.m. - AA Meeting & Al-Anon (Parish Hall)

Tuesday, December 13, 2016
4:30 p.m. - Faith Formation (Parish Center)

Wednesday, December 14, 2016
8:45 a.m. - Reconciliation (Church)
6:30 p.m. - RCIA at Holy Family
7:00 p.m. - Parish Council Meeting (Room 7)

Thursday, December 15, 2016
6:30 p.m. - School Advent Program (at Richmond Aud)
7:00 p.m. - Penance Service at St. Stephen Church
325 32nd Street, Port Huron, 48060

Saturday, December 17, 2016
1:00 p.m. - Penance Service at Holy Cross Church
610 S. Water Street, Marine City, 48039
7:00 p.m. - Reconciliation
7:00 p.m. - Altar Sodality Bake Sale following Mass
In School Entrance Hallway

Sunday, December 18, 2016
10:30 a.m. - Faith Formation
8:30 & 10:00 a.m. - Altar Sodality Bake Sale & SCRIP Sales
following Masses in School Entrance Hallway

Seeking Donations!

The Faith Formation program is in need of updated technology.

We have been good stewards of the TV's we were given in the early 1900's and feel we have used every drop of life in them, but it is getting increasingly difficult to show DVD's to the kids on our outdated equipment.

Flat screen TV's of 32 inch size or larger would be much appreciated.

Thank you! And God bless!

Suggestion: Consider using the donation of a new TV as a tax write-off on your 2016 Income Tax Return.

St. Augustine Altar Sodality Annual Christmas Bake Sale

Saturday & Sunday, December 17 & 18

After all Masses. The ladies will have FREE Fresh Hot Coffee for those who visit our sale Sunday after the morning Masses.

Scrip Gift Cards will also be available to purchase after the 7:30 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. Masses on Sunday.

This is a wonderful time to purchase Christmas Baked Goods/Homemade Candy and Scrip Cards which would make great Christmas GIFTS!

Thank you in advance for your support!
St. Augustine Altar Sodality

OPLATKI will be available at the Altar Sodality Bake Sale on December 17 & 18, as well as in the Parish Office during regular business hours.
4 pieces per package $3.00 donation
3 pieces per package $2.00 donation
While supplies last.

Thank You

We would like to **"Thank"** the following **Parishioner's and Students** for doing such a wonderful job cleaning the Church for Christmas!

Gladys Verbrugge, Donna Wormsbacher, Donna Pack, Marie Bielecki, Jan Schmidt, Don Schmidt, Dave Kisskalt, Kathy Dolan, Dee Franz, Brenda Rushlow, Judy Schweiger, Susie Dobrasko, Connie Kinsey, Therese Teska, Sandy Pridotkas, Sharon Ozark, Maximus Greenia, Adam Dobrasko, Brady St. John, Matthew Lewakowski, Gabriel Smith, Luke Horlocker, Abbie Hoppe, Calli Hotter, Ava Zauner, Anna Klein, Dominic Cattivera, Kyle Bartolomucci, Alex Kerry, Isabela Pecoraro, Danielle Wallce, Madeline Newman, Taylor Tomasino, Katie Zyble, Josh Vanderhoff, Joshua Prall-Stankewitz, David Dobrasko, Raymond Radzwion, Nate Maceroni, Katelyn Fletcher & Noelle Robinson.

God Bless,
St. Augustine Altar Sodality

Holy Family Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 10, 2016
4:30 PM HFM
✞ Joe Kaminski by Marianne Kaminski
✞ John Wessel by Gene & Chris LeTarte, Mike & Eileen Boseak, Justin & Sarah Masters, & Emily LeTarte
✞ Cy Baranowski by Helen Kerzykowski
✞ Mary Ann Dorsey by Bob & Lynda Theut
✞ Patrick Woodley by Barb Quigley
✞ Souls in Purgatory by Doug & Karen Fournier
Sunday, December 11, 2016
10:30 AM HFM
· For the Parishioners
5:30 PM HFM
✞ Norm & Mary Kollinger by their Friends & Family
✞ Paul & Beatrice (8th anniv.) LaPoint by the Hohlbein & Reed Families
✞ Wanda Gwozdz by Deacon Alan Gwozdz & Family
✞ Betty Mazur by Stan Mazur
✞ Corey Blake by the Weis Family
· For the intentions of the Shields Family by the Wullaert Family
Monday, December 12, 2016
No Mass Scheduled
Tuesday, December 13, 2016
7:00 PM HFM
✞ Cheryl Krul by the Family
Wednesday, December 14, 2016
No Mass Scheduled
Thursday, December 15, 2016
No Mass Scheduled
Friday, December 16, 2016
8:00 AM HFM
· For the intentions of Sylvia Shinska by Jack & Marge Dunsmore
Saturday, December 17, 2016
4:30 PM HFM
✞ Norm & Mary Kollinger by their Family & Friends
✞ Delores Ellis by the Family
✞ Joe Kaminski by Marianne Kaminski
✞ Cyril Baranowski by Steve & Sherry Rucinski
✞ Mary Ann Dorsey by Dave & Rose Piontkowski
✞ Gaston & Madeliene Baeyens by the Family
✞ Marilyn Gwozdz by the Family
Sunday, December 18, 2016
10:30 AM HFM
✞ Josephine Swidersky by the Stafford Family
✞ Peter Cunnings by the Cunnings Family
✞ Harvey & Joan Wittstock by Mark & Lorraine Wittstock
✞ John Wessel by Chris & JoAnne Rhein
✞ Adeline Jezewski by Ken, Karen, & Nicole Routhier
✞ Marilyn Gwozdz by the Family
✞ Deceased members of the Coccimiglio Family by Ed & Catherine Wullaert
· For the intentions of Betty Burns by a Friend
5:30 PM HFM
· For the Parishioners

After 10:30 am Mass Each Week

Join us for fellowship after the 10:30 a.m. Mass over coffee and donuts. The ***Klein and Murray Families*** are hosting this week.

Holy Family Parish welcomes the following families who joined the parish during the month of November:

- Mrs. Megan Bajorek & Family
- Mr. & Mrs. Christopher Nyeholt

Intercessory prayer reflects God's own character of outgoing love and mercy. God wants us to think like He does, and praying for others helps us to think beyond ourselves and to grow in compassion for others.

Please pray for:

MaKay Austin
Blake T. Ballard
Barbara Berlinger
Alayna Bermert
Floyd Boike
Kyle Bollaert
Betty Borek
Brenda Bova
Nancy Brady
Janet Brooks
Alexandria Buffa
Nick Buffa
Dave Burg
Cecelia Ann Clark
Jeff Cornwell
Barbara DeFrank
Letitia Degan
Robert DeLang
Rebecca Dietlin
Lorry Domagalski
Linda Dubay
Jeanette Dudek
Vee Dunn
James Engels
Bill Ensley
Charles Erbe
Don Felstow
Greg & Cathy Fitz
Ann Fraley
Diane Gierucki
Rae Goulette
Ann Hackstock
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Janet Hudson
Diana Jowett
John Kelly
Amanda Kilpatrick
Jesse Kilpatrick
Cinthia King
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Holy Family Parish strives to be the best version of ourselves as we lift up the fallen, heal the broken and share the love of Christ.

Mark your Calendar For Holy Family!

Sunday	**12-11-16**	9:00 am Faith Formation Final collection of giving tree gifts.
Monday	**12-12-16**	
Tuesday	**12-13-16**	6:30 pm Confession 7:00 pm Mass 8:00 pm AA
Wednesday	**12-14-16**	4:00 pm Faith Formation 6:30 pm RCIA
Thursday	**12-15-16**	9:00 am 4:00 pm Divine Mercy Mission & Store Open 7:00 pm Communal Penance Service @ St. Stephen 8:00 pm AA
Friday	**12-16-16**	9:00 am 4:00 pm Divine Mercy Mission & Store Open
Saturday	**12-17-16**	1:00 pm Communal Penance Service @ Holy Cross 3:00 pm Confession
Sunday	**12-18-16**	9:00 am Faith Formation

Holy Family's first 2017 Festival planning meeting will be taking place on December 12th, at 7:00 p.m., in the Life Center with Fr. Joe. Many know that the Festival is not only a fundraiser, but a way for us to evangelize to our community. We need everyone's help.

Please consider attending.

The Festival Committee

Giving Tree—Thank you very much for your generosity. This weekend will be the final collection for all giving tree gifts. Please place your wrapped gifts with the tag under the giving tree or return them to the Parish Office. If you have any questions, please contact me or the parish office.

Food Pantry—Our Holy Food Pantry is in need of the following items: cereal, jelly, pancake mix, syrup, macaroni and cheese, frosting, cake mix, crackers, spaghetti noodles, spaghetti sauce, and 4-roll package of toilet paper. Food Pantry items can be dropped off at the Parish Office during business hours or on the weekend in the gathering space.

Thank you for your continued generosity.

Thank you to all of the bakers and buyers at this year's Cookie Walk. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. We had a wonderful assortment of delicious home made cookies. It was hard to choose a favorite. Thank you for helping to make this important parish fundraiser a success.

School News

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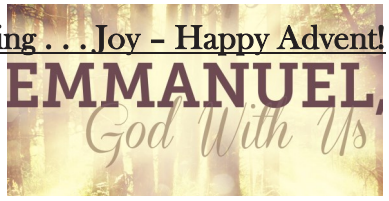
Thoughts of Advent

The Middle School students have been preparing for Christmas with a simple daily Advent activity. Each day an opportunity to grow spiritually is posted on the door of the classroom and each student reads it as they enter. The daily suggestions are simple but powerful ways to become aware of others and the needs of those around us. They are suggestions to become less materialistic and more focused on eternal happiness. One of St. A's seventh graders, Taylor, shares her thoughts about getting caught up in the materialism that can be so prevalent this time of year:

> The difference between Jesus' way of true happiness and society's way is that our society and the media show happiness as having the best and most expensive things. Jesus says to those people, "Woe to you who are rich; you have received your consolation." (Luke 6:24) Jesus does not want us to focus on the things of this earth for true happiness. Jesus wants us to focus on God more than the things of this earth. Jesus wants us to help the other people on this earth. He says, "Truly I tell what you have done for the least of my brothers, you have done for me." (Matthew 25:40) So, we should put God and others before ourselves and our possessions. Then, we will grow closer in our relationship with Jesus. "For the wage of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ. (Romans 6:23) So, if we live the way Jesus wants us to live, we will have eternal happiness. If we try to find happiness in the media and the things of this earth, our happiness will only be temporary, and not eternal.

Expectation . . . Longing . . . Joy – Happy Advent!



Janet Savoyard
Middle School Teacher

School Schwan's Cares Fundraiser

St. Augustine School has a fundraiser every year that is a win/win for everyone. You can order delicious meals from Schwan's right from our campaign website at: https://www.schwans-cares.com/campaigns/29163-st-augustine-school or by phone at **1-855-870-7208**. Our campaign number is **29163**. Your items are delivered to the school parking lot for pick up every other Monday. They take check, cash, debit and credit cards. It's an easy way to have meals at your fingertips for the busy holiday season, jam-packed school days, and weekends!

The fundraising campaign started September 27th and will run through February 9th. Even though the initial phase of our campaign ended on November 11th (where our school received 20% of all product orders and 40% of all eGift card orders placed), from now until the end of the campaign on **FEBRUARY 9th, 2017**, the school will receive quarterly checks of 5% of all product orders placed. Our campaign goal this year is $500 (we're over halfway there!). At any time, you can log on and check on our school's progress. If you have any general questions, please feel free to contact me at zyblebunch@frontier.com or Laurie Zeller, our Schwan's representative, at 586-212-5751. As always, thank you for supporting St. Augustine school!

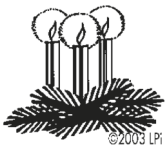
Mark your calendars! Cardinal Mooney Catholic will be hosting our annual Christmas Basketball Tournament on December 27th and 28th.

On behalf of Cardinal Mooney and the teams competing in the tournament, we would love to see you all in attendance. This is a great opportunity to see some of the best teams in the area play some great basketball.

Tickets for each day of the tournament are $5 and can be purchased at the door the day of the event. The teams competing in the tournament will be: L'Anse Creuse, Memphis, Algonac and Cardinal Mooney. If you or your kids love basketball, there will be some great games to be seen.

Holiday Gift List Ideas

- ♥ Beautiful hand made rosaries by the St. Augustine Rosary Makers. Chain Rosaries are available in the Parish Office. Corded Rosaries are available in the vestibule of church
- ♥ Altar Sodality Cookbooks Divine Mercy & Mother of Perpetual Help
- ♥ *Christmas from the Heart* CD by our own Claire Manchik
- ♥ Stocking Stuffers:
  Refrigerator or Car Magnets
  Divine Mercy & Mother of Perpetual Help



All Items are available at St. Augustine Parish Office.
For information please call 586-727-5215