

The Parishes of ST. AUGUSTINE & HOLY FAMILY

November 24, 2019

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

MALLIA'S MOMENTS

by Fr. Joe Mallia

Today is the Feast of Christ the King and the final Sunday of the liturgical year. This feast helps us to think about this past year of grace in our lives and the life of our parish. It further calls us to prepare for a new season of grace with Advent, a season of reflection, preparation and anticipation.

It is not so much a closing of a door or a chapter as it is walking through the door or flipping the next page of life. Our lives are a story of journey to and with the Lord and it is never done being written. Think about how old you are and realize that is how many feasts of Christ the King you have celebrated. It is that many opportunities we have had to see how God has actively been a part of our life in small and great ways.

The power of the love of God is transformative. If we have truly been open to that love, we should be able to see how we have drawn closer to the Lord year after year. But what if we have not been drawing closer? What does that mean?

Maybe it is simply that we have not been fully present to the mystery of God in and around us. We have been moving from day to day, year to year, without properly reflecting on God's grace. Our hearts have approached faith as a duty and obligation rather than an experience of joy and love. We know of God, but we have failed to experience God. The feast of Christ the King beckons us to make Christ the Lord and King of our hearts and lives as we proclaim him to be Lord and King of the Universe.

Our joy can be complete, Jesus tells us in the Gospel of John, that is his desire for our lives. But that joy can only be found when we make our lives a place where Jesus rules. At the time of Jesus, the Roman Empire brought "peace" to the world by a domination of peoples at the end of a sword. Jesus brings true and lasting peace by his death on the cross.

May our hearts be open to the saving message of Christ and be a place where his Kingdom takes hold of our lives.

Upcoming events:

Please note that the **Giving Tree** is up in both churches because the Christian Service groups wanted you to be able to take advantage of the sales after Thanksgiving. I want to urge you though, not to "shop" the tree this year. Every tag is a need. The purpose of this project is not to make you happy shopping for something fun or for a child, but for you to respond to the need of another person. It is the helping that should bring you the joy not the actual gift. Remember, Christmas is not about children, it is about one child who was born in Bethlehem and it is about sharing that child's love with everyone. Thank you for your help in advance.

Happy Thanksgiving: It is going to be a bit weird this year not having a Thanksgiving celebration here in Malta, but I did not want to let this day go by without wishing you the best on this day. Further, please remember that there are opportunities to gather and give thanks to God at both parishes. Maybe this year you can start your celebration by gathering at the Lord's thanksgiving meal.

Young Adult Gathering: I wanted to invite all young adults, those graduated from high school to the age of 40 to a Christmas gathering at the rectory on December 19th at 7:00 p.m. I will be providing the food that night and you are welcome to bring your own beverage (the adult kind if you are over 21). The house will be all decorated for Christmas and to add to the celebration, you are invited to wear a Christmas sweater. If you could RSVP to the rectory office at St. A, that would help in knowing how much food to order, but don't feel bad if you forget, there will always be more than enough. Looking forward to seeing you there.

Finally: With Christmas only four weeks away, I am going to again urge you to make your Christmas plans around mass rather than the other way around. With three masses on Christmas Eve at both parishes, please don't try to all stuff yourselves into the 4:00 p.m. mass! The 6:00 p.m. mass is far more comfortable and the mass at Midnight is very special and the only one celebrated at that time during the whole year. On Christmas day, three masses are also offered at 7:30 and 9:00 a.m. at St. Augustine and at 10:30 a.m. at Holy Family. There are plenty of selections for everyone to find a good time to go to mass. Please also invite people to come with you if they have not been coming to mass on a regular basis. God bless you all.

PARISH INFORMATION

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St. Augustine Parish

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Office hours:

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Saturday - 6:00 p.m. Sunday - 7:30 a.m. & 9:00 a.m.

Daily Masses:

Monday, Wednesday, & Thursday - 8:00 a.m.

Holy Day Masses: Please see the bulletin for the current Holy Day Mass schedule.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Wednesday, 8:45 a.m., after 8:00 am morning Mass Saturday, 5:00 p.m. in Church, or by appointment.

Holy Family Parish

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The Divine Mercy Missionary Center

All Saints Knights of Columbus # 10501

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Sunday Masses:

Saturday: 4:30 p.m. Sunday: 10:30 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.

Daily Masses:

Tuesday: 7:00 p.m. & Friday: 8:00 a.m.

Adoration on Fridays following Mass until 9:30 a.m.

Holy Day Masses: Please see the bulletin for the

current Holy Day Mass schedule.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Tuesday: 6:30 p.m. Saturday: 3:30 p.m.

Or by appointment.

St. Augustine School 67901 Howard St., Richmond MI 48062 Website: http://www.staugustinecatholicschool.com School Office: 586-727-9365

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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.

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<u>ATTENTION!</u> <u>PILGRIMAGE AND PERFORMANCE TOUR</u> ITALY: FLORENCE – ASSISI – ROME

It is with much excitement and thanksgiving that I share with you an opportunity to join us on a very SPECIAL PILGRIMAGE and CHOIR PERFOR-MANCE TOUR to Italy. This "once in a lifetime" opportunity is truly something you do not want to miss. The Choir Performances will be a joint effort with St. Mary Queen of Creation. We are in the process of finalizing details. PLEASE check out the enclosed one page flyer of INFO in this bulletin regarding this very special opportunity. Please direct any questions to Joe Agosta.

God's Blessings!

Joe Agosta – Director of Music Ministries St. Augustine and Holy Family Parishes (810) 305-1385 / 'joeyagosta@yahoo.com'



Concession sales benefit BOLD Youth Ministry's retreats and World Youth Day 2022! Dizza, chips, candy, pop

and water available.

December *FREE* Family Movie Night

"The Star"

When: Saturday, December 7, 2019 Time: Show starts at 6:00 pm Where: Holy Family Life Center





Health Ministry in partnership with Ascension SE Michigan Community Health

LEARN HOW TO IMPROVE STRENGTH, COORDINATION AND BALANCE!



Join us for an eight-session series to learn strategies to improve strength, coordination and balance with gentle exercise and lower your risk for falls.

Who should attend?

- Anyone interested in improving balance, flexibility and strength
- Anyone concerned about falls or who has fallen in the past
- Anyone who has restricted activities because of falling

Wednesdays,
November 20, 2019– January 22, 2020
(No class Dec 25 and Jan 1)
10 a.m. – 12 noon
River District Hospital
4100 River Road, East China, MI

Program is FREE! For registration:

Visit healthcare.ascension.org/events For more information, call 248-849-5752

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AMAZINGPOSSIBILITIES

Join Matthew Kelly and the dynamic Catholic Team for BEST ADVENT EVER, a free email program that will help you enjoy a few minutes of peace & prayer each day during the hectic holidays.

God Sees Them All. It's Time You See Them Too!



Take the first step toward discovering your amazing future at BestAdventEver.com





Don't miss out:

Registration for many of these events are happening NOW!

Look for us! Text us! Trip us! Just tell us if you are interested in any OR all of them! We do not want anyone left behind!

CYO Rainbow 38 ~ February, 2020 30 Hour Famine & Box City ~ Lent, 2020

Subiaco Spiritual Retreat ~ March, 2020 Easter Triduum ~ April, 2020 Steubenville Restored ~ June, 2020 #SHIFT ~ July, 2020 World Youth Day 2022 ~ Lisbon, Portugal

Don't miss out on these awesome experiences! Stay tuned for more details!

Contact Jennifer, Jessica, or Alex @ st.ahfyouthministry@gmail.com or (810) 392-2056 Ext. 228

2019 BOLD Shenanigans

November 24 ~ No YM ~ Have a blessed Thanksgiving!

December 1 ~ Social ~ <u>8th Graders Invited & Encouraged!</u> ~ Holy Family ~ 6:30 pm

December 7 ~ *Free* Family Movie Night

December 8 ~ Hot Topic ~ Advent Present ~

St. Augustine ~ 6:30 pm

December 15 ~ Hot Topic ~ Advent Past ~ Holy Family ~ 6:30 pm

December 22 ~ No YM ~ Merry Christmas!

December 29 ~ No YM ~

Have a blessed New Years!

Did you see us after mass? Do you still have questions? Contact us! Let us know what you need!

TODAH & SHABACH of the Web For King and Country ~ "Matter" https://youtu.be/MtuWQ3QrDeM



Mail Call

Q. A religious station on my car radio had a preacher who was very interesting. At the end of his sermon he led the listeners to pray the sinner's prayer. Then he encouraged everyone who prayed to find a Bible believing church to

attend. What is a Bible believing church?

A. The correct answer is the Catholic Church, but I'm sure that is not what radio preacher had in mind. In fact, he was using a sort of code for people to find just about anything but the local Catholic Church. We will look at this in a moment.

Jesus Christ established only ONE Church. The Holy Spirit inspired the members of this Church to write the New Testament, re-establish seven books of the Old Testament, then they preserved, protected, and defended this collection of Sacred writings down through the ages. Only the Catholic Church has the infallible authority to interpret Sacred Scripture. The Catholic Church interprets the Bible "literally," meaning taking into account the author, the intended audience, the language, idioms, customs of the time and common metaphors. For example: Psalms 50 tells us God owns the cattle on a thousand hills. The Church understands the literal meaning to be all the cattle found on every hill.

Now, for the preacher's meaning of "Bible believing" church: It is an evangelical faith community who interprets the Bible, not literally, but as literalists. Revelation 20 reads that Satan will be released for a thousand years. They believe it means a literal 10 X 100 equaling exactly 1,000 years. Now, ask these same literalist on which thousand hills does God own cattle. You will probably get a blank stare while they try to process that. It is fortunate the Bible never mentions raining cats and dogs.

If this preacher did not mention anything more specific than this, he was referring to any of the literalist, evangelical type faith communities. The problem is, of course, there are some twenty-five thousand such faith communities, many with diametrically opposed doctrines. Most of these communities agree that they all believe the same essential doctrines found in the Bible. The next logical question would be, what are the non-essential doctrines in the Bible? Again, you may not get an answer. Our own Fr. John will tell you there is only one Church, all others are faith communities. Our separated brothers and sisters in Christ assemble in a hodge-podge of these faith communities they call a church.

Please send your questions to: george@catholicissues.org

Bible Study

Walking with Purpose, a bible study for women, offers opportunity for a closer relationship with Jesus and a community of women. This group meets weekly on Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. in the **PARISH HALL** at St. Augustine. If you have any questions, please contact the parish office.

Monday Bible Study with Fr. Joe meets at Holy Family. The next study will be on **Monday**, **December 16th at 7:00 p.m.** in the Life Center. If you have not attended in the past, that is okay, you can start where we are. Please bring your bible and a note pad.

Readings for the week of November 24, 2019

Sunday: 2 Sm 5:1-3/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5 [cf. 1]/Col 1:12-

20/Lk 23:35-43

Monday: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56 [52b]/Lk

21:1-4

Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45/Dn 3:57, 58, 59, 60, 61 [59b]/Lk 21:5-

11

Wednesday: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/Dn 3:62, 63, 64,

65, 66, 67 [59b]/Lk 21:12-19

Thursday: Dn 6:12-28/Dn 3:68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74 [59b]/

Lk 21:20-28

Friday: Dn 7:2-14/Dn 3:75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81/Lk 21:29

-33

Saturday: Rom 10:9-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [10 or Jn 6:63]/Mt

4:18-22

Sunday: Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [1]/Rom



Please give to those who have given a lifetime.

For Sisters de Lourdes and Florence—and 30,000 other senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests who benefit from the Retirement Fund for Religious—service is a way of life. Most ministered in Catholic Schools, hospitals, parishes, and Social services, usually for little or no pay.

Today, hundreds of religious communities lack enough savings for retirement and eldercare. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious offers vital support for necessities, such as medications and nursing care. Please be generous.

Roughly 94 percent of donations directly aid senior religious.

Please give at your local parish.

To donate by mail: National Religious Retirement Office 3211 4th Street NE Washington DC 20017-1194 Make check poyable to Retirement Fund for Relig

retiredreligious.org

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Across the United States, hundreds of religious communities lack financial resources sufficient to meet the retirement and health-care needs of aging members. Like many Americans, religious communities face the monumental challenge of funding eldercare. Currently, the average annual cost of care for women and men religious past age 70 is \$47,000 per person. Skilled care can reach more than \$69,000. The total cost of care for senior women and men religious in the United States has exceeded \$1 billion annually for each of the last 11 years.

On the weekend of December 7th, a collection for the Retirement Fund for the Religious will be collected. This helps hundreds of religious communities care for aging members. Please prayerfully consider and give generously.

Pray for Those Who Serve Our Country

SSgt Kyle Abbas MMN Henry Altermatt DCC Troy Baran **TSqt Trent Beish** FNE3 Nathan Bilbrey Maj. Lisa Marie Boggs FC Nathan Burgess **PVT Samuel Calderone** MAJ Joseph Cannon MSgt Christopher Capoccia MAJ Kevin Chamberlain SSG Luke J. Delcourt Adam Dickson LT Christopher Edwards SFC Samuel Feldman CWO4 Jason Garcia PO1 Jeremy Gauthier SSgt Craig Grabowski **PVT Brent Gracey** LT USN Adam Haag LTCMDR Ryan Haag Maj. Michael A. Hoffman, DDS RP2 Michael Jahr SSgt Pietr Jahr 1LT Virginia Jahr Cpt. Jack Johnston SMSGT Joseph Korotko Maj. David F. Kuntz SFC4 Tyler Monfette SSgt Brendan Pfeifer Claudia Pfeifer, Specialist Maj. Christopher Platz **AB Daiton Platz**

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MEET AND SUPPORT OUR SEMINARIANS



Lizandro Barba College II St. Alfred, Taylor Sacred Hear Major Seminary

Holy Family Parish Knights of Columbus #10501 will be hosting a evening of fellowship and fundraising in support of Seminarians.



Dominic Trela
College I
St. Albert the Great, Dearborn Hgts.
Sacred Hear Major Seminary

Enjoy a homemade Italian Dinner of fettuccine alfredo, lasagna, meatballs, sausage, desserts and refreshments on Saturday, January 18th, 2020 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the Life Center of Holy Family. *FREE WILL DONATION*.



St. Augustine Mass Intentions

Monday, November 25, 2019 *Mass 8:00 am*

Bob Ottenbacher Wedding Anniversary Remembrance req. by Family & Friends

Tuesday, November 26, 2019 No Mass Scheduled

Wednesday, November 27, 2019 Mass 8:00 am

Thursday, November 28, 2019 Thanksgiving Day Mass 8:00 am

For St. Augustine Parishioners

Friday, November 29, 2019 No Mass Scheduled

Sunday, December 1, 2019 First Sunday of Advent

Saturday, November 30, 2019 *Mass 6:00 pm*

- ⊕ Grace E. Schmid

 Birthday Remembrance

 req. by her Family
- ⊕ Brian Bonner req. by Colette Koch & Family

Sunday, December 1, 2019 7:30 am Mass

For St. Augustine Parishioners

9:00 am Mass

- Gary Ottenbacher req. by Don & Pat Deachin
- ⊕ Doris Suess,
- req. by Lloyd Suess Family
- ⊕ Betty Raska req. by Lloyd Suess Family
- Deceased Members of the Schweiger Family reg. by the Schweiger Family

- req. by Don & Jan Schmidt
- ☆ Raymond & Florence Grobbel req. by their Family

- ⊕ Rev. Randal Joyce, req. byFr. Joe Mallia & St. Augustine Parish



Thanksgiving Day Mass St. Augustine Church Thursday, November 28, 2019 8:00 a.m.



BLOOD DRIVE

Monday, November 25, 2019
12:00pm to 6:00pm
St. Augustine Parish Hall
68035 Main Street, Richmond
Sponsored by Knights of Columbus
Richmond

To schedule an appointment, call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767)

Attention

St. Augustine & Holy Family Parishes

RETREAT FOR MEN

This is the FIRST CALL for the men of our parishes to make the annual retreat at Saint Paul's Retreat Center on the weekend of February 21-23, 2020. The retreat theme this year is "Who do YOU say I AM?" Don't miss out on this wonderful experience of spiritual and physical renewal.

For information or to register call: Andy Gillis at 586-855-6196 or Joe Stevens at 810-543-1838

Sunday, December 1, 2019 9:00 am Mass (intentions continued)

- ☆ Kirby Smith
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- req. by Chris & Sharon Shinska
- ⊕ Bob Arrigo req. by Connie Kinsey
- ⊕ Leonard Domagalski
 8th Anniversary Remembrance
 req. by Jennie and Family

Please Pray for St. Augustine Parishioners at home or in the hospital...

Mary Lou Brickel
Marjorie Brohl
Marlene Brown
Denise Suess
Burkhardt
Michelle Zakens
Byrd
Dennis Campbell
Louis Canter
Jerry Caporuscio
Marie Champine
Bailey Ann Clapper
Dossie Collins
Mary Ann
Cunningham

Virginia DeForge Vincent del Rosario Mary DeWitte Cy Dheygere Kelly Dilberti Jennie Domagalski Gail Duetsch Gary Duhamel Doug Duncan Joan Elam Jim Engels Richard Fitch Carol Fogal Dee Franz Shelley Frontera Alison Gray Art Hebel Clarence Hebel Rosann Holmes Cory Hopp Al Inson Helen Kaczperski Sylvia Kaltz Daniel Kammer William Ketelhut Dave Kisskalt Glen Knoblock Betty Kolp Tom Kowalski Arthur Lambert Barbara Lambert Pam Lawson **Eugenia Lipior**

Baby Harper Misiuk Dan Moomaw Johny Muller Kandy Murray Tom Obee Karon Ottenbacher Bryan Pawlowski Gary Penzak Rich Platz Carol Pollari Darren Polansky Jeanette Ponski John Pytleski Ann Rabine Ray Rabine Veronica Raska Barb Reinke Howard Rhein Judy Richer Jessica Ricketts Donald Riedel Ginny Ritter Frank Ryan Gail Ryan Pat Scheuer Jan Schmidt Rose Segatti Bernadette Sharpe John M. Sharpe Mary Shaunce Mary Smith Deb Snider Pat Stahl Carol Stanzione Joshua Stevens Lily Suess Lloyd Suess Stanley Swidersky Mary Szczerbinski Sue Thomas Sharlene Todd Eleanor Triece Michael Ureel John Ureel Bridget Urguhart Mary Valpredo Larry Wilson Maxine Wilson Lisbeth Yaek Joseph Yelencich, Jr.



Roger Lumley

Jim Mazzala

Celebrating
Eternal Life in Christ

Arlene Schweiger



Our Mission is to Save Souls

~ This Week Ahead at St. Augustine ~

Monday, November 25, 2019

12:00 p.m. - K of C Blood Drive (Hall) 8:00 p.m. - AA Meeting & Al-Anon (Hall

Tuesday, November 26, 2019

No Faith Formation

7:00 p.m. - K of C Officers Meeting (Room 7)

Wednesday, November 27, 2019

8:45 a.m. - Reconciliation

7:00 p.m. - Thanksgiving Mass at Holy Family

No RCIA

Thursday, November 28, 2019

8:00 a.m. - Thanksgiving Day Mass

Friday, November 29, 2019

No School - Parish Office Closed

Saturday, November 30, 2019

5:00 p.m. - Reconciliation (Church)

Sunday, December 1, 2019

No Faith Formation

6:30 p.m. - BOLD Youth Ministry @ Holy Family



Church Cleaning for Christmas

Any Parish member who would like to help clean St. Augustine Church for Christmas is invited to come on Friday, December 6 at 11:00 a.m. We are especially in need of some men to help with the more difficult tasks. Please bring a pail and towels.

Sponsored by the St. Augustine Altar Sodality





All the ladies of the Parish are welcome to join the St. Augustine Altar Sodality for our December meeting and

Annual Christmas Potluck Dinner

Wednesday, December 4 5:30 p.m.

St. Augustine Parish Hall

Please bring a dish to pass We're also collecting donations of new, unwrapped newborn clothing or diapers for St. Joseph's layette

Hope to see you there!

Attention Ushers!

The annual meeting of the Usher Ministry is scheduled for Monday, December 2, 2019, 7:00 PM, in Room 7 of the Parish Center. All members of the Usher Ministry and any parishioner who are interested in joining the Usher Ministry are encouraged to attend. The Parish is in desperate need for more ushers at all Masses.

For more information, please call Chris Stevens at 727-1056 or at cascochris1@comcast.net



The St. Augustine Giving Tree is up and decorated with ornament tags. The tags

are 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 Sunday, **December 15th**. 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!

St. Augustine Festival Open Chairperson Positions to be Filled

Several new chair positions need to be filled for Festival 2020. The current festival chairpersons of the following areas will assist the new chairs in 2020 to make a smooth transition.

Festival Chair & Co-chair (2 people) plan and coordinate 4 to 6 meetings per year with committee to plan and execute Festival. Coordinate with and assist all committee chairs in all phases of the Festival. Be available to assist all committee members and volunteers from setup of Festival through all activities ending on Sunday night. In charge of obtaining contracts for the tents, tables, chairs, dance floor, bars, port-a-johns; make arrangements to get picnic tables and the stage. Oversee deliveries and setup with parishioners on set up night. Handle all necessary permits. Handle the special meal tickets for the Golf Outing.

Volunteer Chair - Setup and manage the SignUp Genius online volunteer scheduling. Help sign up volunteers who do not utilize the internet. You will not have to make calls to sign up volunteers; all requests will be made in the bulletin, online and notices to students' parents.

Entertainment Chair— Arrange and follow up all festival entertainment.

Chicken Dinner – Work with Achatz to plan meal and pricing. Coordinate setup of dining room, work with volunteers during dinner and facilitate cleanup on Sunday night.

Holy Family Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 23, 2019 *4:30 PM*

- ⊕ Earl Waterstraat by Mae Ausec
- ⊕ Ivan Kokotovich by James Lieberman
- Deceased members of the Cronberger & Roosen Families by Matt & Julie Roosen
- For Vocations

Sunday, November 24, 2019 *10:30 AM*

- ⊕ Dave Burg by the Dehring Family
- ⊕ Dennis Sharpe by Ken & Pat Stahl
- ⊕ Betty Borek by Dennis Borek
- ⊕ Edward Kisell (3rd anniv.) by the Family
- For the Parishioners

5:30 PM

- ⊕ Esther Fournier by Mark & Shelley Wilcoxon
- ⊕ Florence Baczewski by her Family & Friends
- ⊕ Tom Jakubiak, and Cobb, Inez & Pat Harmon by Claudia Jakubiak
- ☆ Geraldine L. Comwell by the Comwell Family
- Deceased members of the Marcinkowski Family & their spouses by Mitch & Fran Marcinkowski

Monday, November 25, 2019 No Mass Scheduled Tuesday, November 26, 2019 7:00 PM

- ⊕ Florence Baczewski by her Family & Friends
- For the intentions of William Dennis

Wednesday, November 27, 2019 7:00 PM

For the Parishioners

Thursday, November 28, 2019 No Mass Scheduled Friday, November 29, 2019 8:00 AM

[⊕] Souls in Purgatory by Vicky Kicinski Saturday, November 30, 2019 4:30 PM

- Nadene Wosniak; Joann Wells; and Betty, Nick & Al Barbieri by Larry Wells
- # Esther Fournier by her Family & Friends
- ☆ Annie Enders by the Comwell Family
- For the intentions of Tonette & Cliff Howe and Tim Rose by Larry Wells
- For the intentions of Fr. Joe Horn & Family by the Wullaert Family

Sunday, December 1, 2019 *10:30 AM*

- Patrick H. & Norene Hanley by the Stojakovic Family
- Propaid Motte by Rosalie Motte
- ☆ Kirk Anderson by the VanBuren Family
- James McKieman by Dave & Rose Piontkowski
- ⊕ Carrie Christiani by Sheila Martin
 5:30 PM
- For the Parishioners

Intercessory prayer reflects God's own character of outgoing love and mercy. Please pray for the intentions of the following:

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THANKSGIVING MASSES

Wednesday, November 27, 2019, 7:00 PM at Holy Family Thursday, November 28, 2019, 8:00 AM at St. Augustine

Liturgical Ministers: Make - Up Training Dates

The last sessions for training of all Liturgical Ministries (and for any one interested in serving) are as follows:

Altar Servers—Wednesday, December 4 at 6:30pm Sacristans—Thursday, December 5 at 6:30pm EMHCs—Thursday, December 5 at 7:00pm Greeters—Wednesday, December 11 at 6:30pm Lectors—Thursday, December 12 at 6:30pm

We are required by the Archdiocese to have members attend a minimum of one yearly meeting. There <u>are</u> NEW PROCEDURES and POLICIES that every Ministry needs to know, making these meetings necessary to continue serving in your ministry. <u>PLEASE</u> plan to attend if you missed the first training session.

If you have questions or concerns, call or text me at (810) 392-2388 or email at SAHFschedule@gmail.com. If you fail to attend or call, you will be removed from service until you receive proper training.

Our Mission: To Save Souls. Mark Your Calendar!

Monday 11-25-19

Tuesday 11-26-19

6:30 PM Confession at Holy Family

7:00 PM Mass at Holy Family

7:30 PM BWV Meeting

8:00 PM AA in the Parish Hall

Wednesday 11-27-19

10:00 AM Rosary Makers in the Life Center

No Faith Formation

7:00 PM Thanksgiving Mass @ HF

7:00 PM Louis de Montfort in the Life Center—Library

7:00 PM K of C Officer's Meeting

Thursday 11-28-19 Happy Thanksgiving!

Divine Mercy Center/Store Closed 8:00 AM Thanksgiving Mass @ SA

8:00 PM AA in the Parish Hall

Friday 11-29-19

8:00 AM Mass followed by 1/2 hour of Adoration Divine Mercy Center/Store Closed

Saturday 11-30-19

3:30 PM Confession

4:30 PM Mass

5:30 PM Christmas Tree Lighting, Carols & Fellowship

Sunday 12-1-19 First Sunday of Advent

No Faith Formation 10:30 AM Mass 5:30 PM Mass



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Holy Family will be hosting a *CHRISTMAS COOKIE* bake sale December 14/15th. There is a need for donors that will donate a couple dozen of their favorite Christmas Cookies. We are looking to have a large variety of Christmas Cookies for the sale. We are also looking for four to six helpers to package up the cookies for the sale.

To donate, sign up to help, or for more information, contact Catherine at 810-392-2056.



Cookies with Santal

Sunday, December 8th 11:30 AM—12:30 PM In the Parish Hall (basement) Hosted by Christian Service

GIVING TREE

The Giving Tree is up and ready for tags to be taken. The tree is located in the front of the church. Please wrap your gift and attach the tag you take from the Giving Tree to the package. When you return your gift, please put it in the front of the church around the Giving Tree. All gifts must be returned by December 15th. Thank you for your generosity.

God bless you, Marlene Brown Christian Service Chairperson

CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING

November 30th



Join us for our second annual Christmas tree lighting. There will be a blessing and we will sing some Christmas carols. If you desire, bring an unbreakable ornament to decorate the tree. Afterwards, we will gather in the parish hall for some hot chocolate and cookies.

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus #10501



Ladies of the parish, the Altar Society cordially invites you to join us for our annual Christmas dinner on Monday, December 9, 2019

At 6:00 pm At Chaps 3 Restaurant (Formally the Leaning Tree)

We will be having a "White Elephant" gift exchange *(max. price \$10.00)*. Please bring a gift to pass.

To plan for the space, please R.S.V.P. with Julie Roosen at (810) 392-3668 by December 4th.

We hope that you can join us to celebrate.





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Thank You for "Snow" Many Blessings Lord

It was Monday, November 11th, 2019. It was the first major snow of the season (much earlier than expected) and just as our Preschoolers were arriving to school, the snowflakes were pouring down. As we began our day, questions buzzed about whether or not we would be heading outside after snack. During Choice Time, the weather window was filled with little faces just staring outside watching in awe as God surprised all of us with a continuous small mountain of flurries. Well, we did head outside after snack and as I watched our Preschool friends navigate this unexpected surprise, I couldn't help but notice how each of the children reacted differently to the new and for some, unknown snow experience at school.

Let's just begin with the go getters - those who couldn't wait to dive right into the snow full body, full throttle. With one "dip", their faces, snow pants, coats, hats, etc. were all dusted in white. These children giggled with glee as snow made its way down all those little crevices. Next, I noticed the appreciators. These children walked slowly through the snow looking up, down, in all directions, just taking in the beautiful sight. They opened their mouths to taste the little flakes falling slowly from the sky and smiled when they tasted that bit of cold on their tongues. Moving my eyes from the appreciators, I found the workers, the busy bees. I have a set of mini snow shovels just perfect for Preschool height and this group decided it was their mission to clear the bit of concrete on our playground area. They put their noses to the grindstone and moved every bit of snow, slush, and accumulated pile on that section. Lastly, I found myself approaching the reluctant ones - those who hesitated to go past the awning. This was a new school experience for them and they needed a bit of observation time. They watched intently while the others moved about, but weren't quite sure what role they wanted to jump into. encouraging, reassuring, and inviting these little ones to step out a bit, they did. Everyone had found a niche.

Even though this was a moment in time here in our Preschool, it also relates to the wider world around us. As we approach this Thanksgiving, take a moment to step back and appreciate how the people in your life approach the unexpected. It may not be how we would approach it, but it is their own way - the way they were made by God. God knows we need different people in our world with different personalities and different perspectives, but it is our responsibility to remember that we are all made in God's image and likeness. God knows all, sees all, and is all. He lives through these children and spreads joy in every way possible. I consider myself to be infinitely blessed to be a part of His mission here at St. Augustine.



NO TICKETS REQUIRED - OPEN SEATING

RICHMOND HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM 35320 DIVISION, RICHMOND

We thank you for monetary donations at the concert to help defray costs of the choir.

Bring canned/non-perishable food items to be distributed by the Richmond Lions

Club with the help of the Richmond Food Pantry.

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This weekend, our parish is taking up a special collection to support Catholic Charities of Southeast Michigan (CCSEM), which is the social justice arm of the Archdiocese of Detroit.

As you may know, CCSEM provides valuable services and programs that bring help and hope to our brothers and sisters most in need. CCSEM's many ministries touch the lives of more than 20,000 people each year. Perhaps you or a loved one has benefited from its behavioral health, adoption and foster care services; outreach to the Hispanic community; or services for senior citizens and caregivers.

Please prayerfully consider the most generous gift possible and complete a special collection envelope in church today. Your gift will ensure CCSEM can continue to bring the love and mercy of Jesus Christ to those in need, regardless of their race or religion, culture or creed.

You may return your special collection envelope during the collection, drop it off at the parish office.

For more information about CCSEM or to make a donation online, please visit ccsem.org.

So Thank You Lord for "Snow" Many Blessings in Preschool, this school, this town, this community, this world. I hope you all have a wonderful Thanksgiving!

Heather Cattivera
Three and Four Year Old Preschool Teacher