The Parishes of
St. Augustine & Holy Family
The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph December 27, 2020

Merry Christmas

We began the Season of Christmas on the evening of the 24th and will continue our festivities until the Feast of the Epiphany, traditionally observed on the 6th of January. On March 25th, we celebrated the Feast of the Annunciation when the Virgin Mary was told by the Archangel Gabriel that she would bear a son through the Holy Spirit. She was to name this child, Jesus. This was a long awaited day in the history of the people of God. It was a day foretold by the Prophets and recorded in the Old Testament. No matter what, nothing can ruin Christmas (even if some of us can't gather as we've done in the past or our best laid out plans go up in smoke): Jesus had already come into the world. Christmas is about the Savior of the world coming in the flesh, taking on the likeness of man, becoming one like us in all things but sin. He did so out of love. Love for the Father, love for you, love for me.

Those who ascertained the prophecies were able to see the Messiah: the Magi from the East came bearing those familiar gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. The angels also appeared to the shepherds and announced the coming of Jesus. And we recall that the birth of the Messiah was not in some royal palace or a place filled with great furnishings but in a humble stable. While unfitting for royalty, His choice to be born in humble circumstances should make it clear to us of His desire to share in all of our joys and sorrows: the Father Himself does not even prevent this from happening with His Son! Pray on that whenever we think life is unfair! We can never say that our God does not know what we go through... He has walked with us and continues to walk that path today.

Jesus was laid in a manger. Some nativity sets feature a really nice looking manger, as comfortable as a crib. However, mangers were places where animals would stuff their faces when they got hungry. Jesus was placed in a feeding trough for the animals! Aside from being a humble gesture, this has quite the significance to what He would do for us. Fast forward to the night He was betrayed by Judas. What happened? What did He institute at the Last Supper? He offered Himself as food for us: "This is my body. This is the chalice of my blood." It was a foreshadowing, a foretaste of what was to come: Jesus would not only come to die for us and offer us the only way to salvation (Mt 7:21-23), He would offer Himself as heavenly food to mere mortals (Jn 6:51). Jesus cannot be outdone in His love and in His humility. After becoming one like us in all things but sin, He would offer Himself as food for us.

To be a disciple of Jesus means we have to have an insatiable desire to serve Him in the truth of His love. It isn't enough for us to say, "I believe" [even the demons recognized who Jesus was (Mk 1:24)]. We are encouraged to encounter Him, and adhere to His Word, His Truth preserved in His Bible, in the teachings handed down by the apostles known as Sacred Tradition, and safeguarded by the Teaching Magisterium of the Church which is unbroken since the time of Jesus and His Apostles. His truth is steadfast, unchangeable. God has given us His Word. No man can change that, and we would do well to listen to Him. Only Jesus is the Way, the Truth, and the Life. In no other will we find salvation.

Jesus' very Body and Blood in the Eucharist, then, will serve to nourish us and strengthen us in this life with His grace. There is no greater gift that God can give us than His very self. So if you want the joy of Christmas to grow stronger in your heart, come and renew that grace as often as you can. If you've been away for quite some time, go to confession. One mortal sin prevents us from receiving grace in the Holy Eucharist and leads to another sin of sacrilege. Much like we would not survive or live without food, how can we expect to be spiritually nourished without feeding on the Eucharist? In Jesus being born in the manger, we can see how our Heavenly Father is emphasizing again and again, the importance of coming to Him and being nourished by Him. The world distracts us and offers us many promises... only Jesus can fulfill our deepest hunger.

Epiphany Water Blessing

On the Solemn Feast of the Epiphany, there is a special rite that a priest can offer once a year which provides a sacramental known as Epiphany Water. It was something I only heard about three years ago, and I have since offered it once for my previous parish family of St. Michael the Archangel. It is held on the evening of January 5th. Traditionally, the Feast of the Epiphany is observed on January 6th. This date is different than what is currently observed in the Novus Ordo calendar which has always been relegated to the weekend. It is found not only in the pre-1960 liturgical books but also in the 2002 Roman Missal. It was a rite that was included in the Roman Ritual in 1890. It is more commonly heard of in the Eastern Church, especially with the Byzantines. The Eastern Church would focus on the Baptism of Jesus during the Feast of the Epiphany (whereas, we celebrate

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Sunday - 7:30 a.m. & 9:00 a.m.

Daily Masses:
Monday, Wednesday, & Thursday - 8:30 a.m.

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Wednesday, 9:15 a.m., after 8:30 am morning Mass
Saturday, 5:00 p.m. in Church, or by appointment.

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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

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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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the two on different dates). That is why there is the Blessing of the Epiphany Water; it is meant to recall Jesus as He sanctified the river Jordan and instituted the Sacrament of Baptism.

The solemn rite includes various devotional prayers and specific prayers offered by the priest to cast out evil. This sacramental is quite powerful as it receives a two-fold prayer of exorcism. The rite itself will be about forty-five minutes. People are encouraged to bring their own large containers filled with water. Also, be sure to bring salt as that will receive special prayers as well. Make sure you clearly label all containers of water and salt that you bring so that you would be able to take it home with you. There will not be any extra containers of water being blessed that will be given out - you must bring your own. It's important that you bring large containers of water. Bottles less than one gallon will not be accepted, and they must already be filled with water (preferably good drinking water to provide you with a variety of applications). Every single container of water will be individually blessed. So as not to unduly prolong the rite, please make sure you bring a container that is one gallon in size or more (unless you have difficulty carrying a one gallon container of water). The rite will take place immediately after the regularly scheduled Holy Mass at 7:00 PM at Holy Family. If you are unable to attend but would like to have Epiphany Water, you need to drop off your large containers of water to the parish office no later than Monday, January 4th, so that sufficient time is given for everything to be set up appropriately. To those simply dropping off water and not staying for the rite, please limit it to two one gallon containers as all of this would need to be transported to the church.

Lenten Retreat

I wanted to let you know that amidst all of what is in store for us in regard to the Preparation Phase of Families of Parishes, I hope to offer a retreat throughout the Season of Lent for our parishes, in the hopes that our love for Jesus and our faith may increase as we grow together as a Family.

God bless you and your family this Christmas season!

In Jesus through Mary,

Fr. Phil

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

A holy day of obligation.

Holy Family Parish

Masses

Thursday, December 31st
4:30 p.m.

Friday, January 1st
10:30 a.m.

St. Augustine Parish

Masses

Thursday, December 31st
5:00 p.m.

Friday, January 1st
9:00 a.m.

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday, January 2, 2021

4:30 p.m. @ Holy Family - Fr. Phil Ching

6:00 p.m. @ St. Augustine - Fr. John Nedumcheril

Sunday, January 3, 2021

7:30 a.m. @ St. Augustine - Fr. John Nedumcheril

9:00 a.m. @ St. Augustine - Fr. John Nedumcheril

10:30 a.m. @ Holy Family - Fr. Phil Ching

5:30 p.m. @ Holy Family - Fr. Phil Ching

2020 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENT REQUEST

Contribution statements for 2020 will be sent out by request only. If you require a statement, please fill out the form below and return it via the collection box, mail, or at the Parish Office. Statement requests will be processed beginning in mid January.

☐ Holy Family ☐ St. Augustine Envelope #_____

Name_____

Send via: ☐Email ☐Mail ☐Pick Up

Email address: _____one#_____

The Methvin family: Big sisters are in grades 8, 7 and 5 with little brother in Kindergarten. The older ones help the younger ones as they enjoy learning about St. Paul and the journey through the Spiritual Works of Mercy in the Family Formation sessions.

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

This weekend, we celebrate the **Feast of the Holy Family**. This is a fairly new addition to the liturgical calendar. It was added by Pope Leo XIII in 1893 as an encouragement to families. Even 125 years ago, the breakdown of the family was a concern. This far-sighted pope sought to inspire Christian families with the example of faithful love and devoted attachment characterized by the Holy Family of Nazareth.

As we get close to the New Year, you may see some of those "Do You Remember?" lists on FaceBook- those things that people of a (ahem) " certain age" can

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The Return to Nazareth
LK 2:22-40 OR LK 2:22, 39–40

When the days were completed for their purification according to the law of Moses, they took him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord.

When they had fulfilled all the prescriptions of the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him.

TAKE TIME TO CHAT

What do you think Jesus was like as a baby?
What one thing your family can do to be more like the Holy Family?
What do you love most about your family?
How many images or statues of the Holy Family are there in your church?
How may images or statues of the Holy Family are in your home?

BRING FRIENDS!

2021😱! Shenanigans

All events 6:30-8:30 pm unless otherwise noted

January 3 ~ Holy Family
New Year's-Epiphany Party
January 17 ~ St. Augustine
Hot Topic ~ March for Life
January 31 ~ Holy Family
Hot Topic ~ Your choice
February 14 ~ St. Augustine
Who is St. Valentine?
February 17 ~ Ash Wednesday
Start your Lenten Journey
February 28 ~ Holy Family
NET Retreat ~ More info to come soon!

Upcoming Shenanigans

Stay tuned for more details!

March 2021 ~ World Vision/Box City
April 2021 ~ RISE Detroit—canceled
July 2021 ~ Steubenville

TODAH & SHABACH of the Web

"Light of the World" ~ Lauren Daigle
https://youtu.be/52ky2hc24kQ
"The Spirituality of Advent" ~ Bishop Barron
https://youtu.be/MAWnDA5cWD8

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Dear Jesus,
I thank You with all my heart for the blessings poured out upon me through the gift of Baptism. I ask You to send Your Spirit upon me to keep my mind and heart open to Your plan for my life. I pray for an increase in all vocations to the religious life. I especially pray for this seminarian. Keep him close to You, and fill him with a zealous love for You and for Your people. Strengthen and encourage him to be attentive to Your Word and obedient to Your will. We ask the intercession of Your blessed mother, Mary, to form him in Your divine image, by the power of Your Spirit, to the glory of God the Father.

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recall, like milk being delivered to your house, and only 3 channels on television. Thinking about the Holy Family reminds us of another one. If you went to Catholic school, do you remember putting JMJ at the top of your homework or test papers (for the Holy Family, Jesus, Mary & Joseph)?

At Mass this weekend we hear this prayer said by the priest as we prepare to take in the proclaimed Scriptures. It's a lovely prayer to share within our own families at home and to offer for all the families we know:

> *O God, who were pleased to give us the shining example of the Holy Family, graciously grant that we may imitate them in practicing the virtues of family life and in the bonds of charity, and so, in the joy of your house, delight one day in eternal rewards. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.*

Pray for Those Who Serve Our Country

SSgt Kyle Abbas
MMN Henry Altermatt
DCC Troy Baran
TSgt 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
2LT Joshua Hohlbein
RP2 Michael Jahr
SSgt Pietr Jahr
1LT Virginia Jahr
Maj. Jack Johnston
SMSGT Joseph Korotko
Maj. David F. Kuntz
SFC4 Tyler Monfette
SSgt Brendan Pfeifer
Claudia Pfeifer, Specialist
Maj. Christopher Platz
AB Daiton Platz
AB Logan Platz
PVT Brad Quant
MSgt Kevin Quant
Eric P. Raska
Lt Paul Raska
Col Matthew Rettke
2LT Tyler Rettke
POHM2 John-Christopher Sbraccia
TSgt David Siegrist
MAJ Cormac Smith
Sgt Andrew Springer
LCpl Timothy James Spruytte
SSG Raymond Stier
PFC Christopher Tishler
SSG Logan VanBuren
Warrant Officer Jeffery Weis
Capt Joshua Wessel
POHM3 Nicholas Wohlfiel

Readings for the week of December 27, 2020 ©LPi

Sunday:	Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4 -5 [cf. 1] or Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [7a, 8a]/Col 3:12 -21 or 3:12-17 or Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22, 39-40
Monday:	1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8 [7]/Mt 2:13-18
Tuesday:	1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6 [11a]/Lk 2:22-35
Wednesday:	1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10 [11a]/Lk 2:36-40
Thursday:	1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13 [11a]/Jn 1:1-18
Friday:	Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [2a]/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21
Saturday:	1 Jn 2:22-28/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [3cd]/Jn 1:19-28
Sunday:	Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Eph 3:2 -3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

St. Augustine Mass Intentions

Rosary is scheduled one half hour before daily mass.

Monday, December 28, 2020
Mass 8:30 am
✞ Ed Folske
req. by Catherine Bednarski

Tuesday, December 29, 2020
No Mass Scheduled

Wednesday, December 30, 2020
Mass 8:30 am
✞ Holy Souls in Purgatory
req. by a Friend

Thursday, December 31, 2020
Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
Mass: 5:00 pm
• For St. Augustine Parishioners

Friday, January 1, 2021
Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
Mass: 9:00 am
• For St. Augustine Parishioners

Sunday, January 3, 2021
Epiphany of the Lord

Saturday, January 2, 2021
Mass 6:00 pm
✞ William Mott
by Thomas Wilhelm & Jacqie Kristy
• Fr. John
req. by Don and Sally Deidrich

Sunday, January 3, 2021
Mass 7:30 am
• For St. Augustine Parishioners

Mass 9:00 am
✞ Gary Ottenbacher, req. by his Family
✞ Arlene Schweiger
req. by Jeff & Michelle Schultz
✞ Stephen Barjaktarovich
req. by his Family
✞ Ed Folske, req. by Kathleen A. Dolan
✞ Ken Sutton
req. by Virginia Hurttgam
✞ Jim Sheperd
req. by Carmela Tringali
✞ Pat Stahl, req. by Pat Morgan
✞ Harold Carlson
req. by Tom & Rosina Smith
✞ Dee Wardzinski
by St. Augustine Class of 1963
✞ Siroky and Simon Families
req. by Marta Siroky
✞ Bruno Walter
req. by Richard Ward & Family

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

The topic of family links today's Scripture passages. The reading from Sirach instructs us: *Whoever honors his father atones for sins,* and those who respect their mother stores up riches. Those who care for elderly parents are not forgotten, and their kindness is firmly planted as an offering against sin. In St. Luke's Gospel, the evangelist retells of Jesus' presentation to the Lord in the Jerusalem Temple. This is done in accordance with Mosaic Law. Jesus, Mary, and Joseph then return to Nazareth, where our Lord grows in strength and wisdom. In St. Paul's Letter to the Colossian community, he emphasizes *bearing with one another and forgiving one another… as the Lord has forgiven you.* Christ's peace must reign in our families' hearts. As Pope St. John Paul II pointed out, the family is the "Domestic Church." Vocations are born and nurtured in families that embrace the Catholic faith by making Jesus the center of their lives. May we, as Christian stewards, continue to strive, build, and pray for solid Christian families in an increasingly antifamily attitude found today in secular society. To strengthen your family, make time daily to pray and eat at least one meal together. Most important, attend Sunday Mass weekly as a family and partake of Holy Communion.

Archdiocese of Detroit,
Stewardship Thoughts

St. Augustine Altar Cleaning January Schedule

January 8
Linda Hambaum & Shelley Ottenbacher

January 15
Vita Hohman & Denise Pinskey

January 22
Sandy Pridotkas & Sharon Ozark

January 29
Gladys Verbrugge & Dawn Fletcher

Please Pray for St. Augustine Parishioners

Barb Armstrong
Janet Barylski
Baby Willow Berninger
Walter Breiling
Mary Lou Brickel
John Brodacki
Marjorie Brohl
Marlene Brown
Denise Suess Burkhardt
Dennis Campbell
Louis Canter
Jerry Caporuscio
Catherine Champine
Bailey Ann Clapper
Dossie Collins
Betty Copenhagen
Mary Ann Cunningham
Virginia DeForge
Vincent del Rosario
Cy Dheygere
Kelly Dilberti
Jennie Domagalski
Gail Duetsch
Gary Duhamel
Doug Duncan
Grace Eisen
Joan Elam
Nina Essenmacher
Richard Fitch
Carol Fogal
Dee Franz
Shelley Frontera
Dave Gonczar
Alison Gray
Art Hebel
Rosann Holmes
Cory Hopp
Al Inson
Helen Kaczperski
Sylvia Kaltz
Daniel Kammer
Elsie Kay
William Ketelhut
Connie Kinsey
Dave Kisskalt
Glen Knoblock
Betty Kolp
Tom Kowalski
Anna Kuntz
Arthur Lambert
Barbara Lambert
Pam Lawson
Robert Liddell
Eugenia Lipior
Roger Lumley
Jim Mazzala
Baby Harper Misiuk
Dan Moomaw
Johny Muller
Kandy Murray
Tom Obee
Les Osterland
Karon Ottenbacher
Mary Ottenbacher
Bryan Pawlowski
Gary Penzak
John A. Pituch
Carol Pollari
Darren Polansky
Jeanette Ponski
John Pytleski
Ann Rabine
Ray Rabine
Barb Reinke
Judy Richer
Jessica Ricketts
Donald Riedel
Ginny Ritter
Agnes Rumenapp
Frank Ryan
Pat Scheuer
Jan Schmidt
Roy Schweiger
Rose Segatti
Bernadette Sharpe
John M. Sharpe
Jerry Shavatoski
Mary Smith
Deb Snider
Carol Stanzione
Joshua Stevens
Lily Suess
Lloyd Suess
Sue Thomas
Sharlene Todd
Dave Torres
Joyce Torres
Eleanor Triece
Bridget Urquhart
Mary Valpredo
Warren Williams
Larry Wilson
Pat Wilson
Lisbeth Yaek
Joseph Yelencich, Jr.

St. Augustine Church Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God Masses

Thursday December 30th - 5:00 p.m.
Friday, January 1, 2021 - 9:00 a.m.

Our Mission is to Save Souls

~ This Week Ahead at St. Augustine ~

Public Masses have resumed with restrictions. At this time we can accommodate 50% capacity in our churches. Please see our mass schedule below.

Holy Family Sunday Masses
Saturday: Confession at 3:30pm Mass at 4:30pm
Sunday: Masses at 10:30am & 5:30pm
(Daily Masses: Tuesday at 7:00pm, Friday at 8:00am)

St. Augustine Sunday Masses
Saturday: Confession at 5:00pm Mass at 6:00pm
Sunday: Masses at 7:30am & 9:00am
(Daily Masses: Monday, Wednesday, & Thursday at 8:30am)

Please be advised that everyone is asked to wear a mask, sanitize their hands as they come into church and to practice social distancing by staying six feet apart.

If you are vulnerable and cannot come to church at this time, Masses will continue to be broadcast on Facebook and recorded on the parish websites.

Sunday
View the 9:00am Mass on FaceBook live, or on the parish website after 1:00 p.m. Mass will be live-streamed every Sunday at 9:00am at St. Augustine. For the most current information, go to Facebook on the Saturday prior to Sunday to check the livestream mass schedule.

Wishing you and your family a blessed Christmas and a joyous New Year!

The Staff of St. Augustine Parish

The Parish Office will be closed December 31st and January 1st for the New Year holiday.

Diaper Drive

Diapers are needed for Spero pregnancy center. All sizes are needed from size 1 to size 6; especially needed are sizes 4, 5, & 6's. The Diaper Collection is from January 16th to January 31st, 2021.

Please place packages of diapers in the marked collection boxes in church. Thanks again for your generosity for these newborn babies of mothers that chose LIFE, When they had an unplanned pregnancy.

Mary Jo Ballor
St. Augustine Christian Service

St. Augustine Giving Tree

Thank you—to all who participated in our Giving Tree this Advent Season. 2020 has been a very challenging year, but you did it again! Your generosity is amazing! Once again, your benevolence continues to surpass that of the previous year!

Through your donations, we helped:

- **Kids in Distress** with all types of clothing and toys for the children.
- **Abigayle Ministries** with gift cards for mothers of newborns, baby supplies and household items.
- **McWarm - St. Margaret of Scotland Warming Center** with warm clothes, sleeping bags, boots, rain gear, and gift cards for Macomb County homeless.
- **Spero Pregnancy Center** with diapers, bottles, infant toys, and other needs of newborns of women who chose to keep their babies of unplanned pregnancy.
- **Franciscan Ministries Neighborhood Services** (formerly St. Aloysius) with hoodies, winter coats, thermal tops and bottoms, shoes, hygiene products, and gift cards for the homeless, veterans, older adults, and mothers with children.
- **Turning Point** with gift cards, clothes, food, arts and crafts for children, pet supplies, and basic household goods for those who had to leave domestic abuse environments often with just the clothes on their backs.

Through additional donations and the help of parish families that adopted families in need, we helped 6 families that were struggling financially this Christmas season.

Thank you again, and may God bless you for your kindness and generosity this New Year!

A special thanks goes to the Christian Service Committee members for all of their hard work on this annual project!

Mary Jo Ballor,
St. Augustine Christian Service

St. Augustine Altar Sodality

Ladies, hope you are all doing well! Although our meetings have been postponed, we would still like to keep our information up to date. Please call Brenda Rushlow @ (586) 784-4128 or text info to (586) 255-6967 with any changes to your address, phone# (home or cell) and email. Until we are all able to meet again, sending many blessings to all of you!

St. Augustine Altar Sodality
Brenda Rushlow, Secretary II

Holy Family Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 26, 2020
4:30 PM
✞ Pete Connolly and Doug & Esther Fournier by Doug & Karen Fournier
✞ Samantha Ward by Jim & Peggy Ward
✞ Marlene Stasik by Bob & Judie Parks
✞ Sarah Sebastian by the Family
✞ Michael Burns by the Grobbel Family
✞ Mary Ann Theisen by the Rhadigan Family
Sunday, December 27, 2020
10:30 AM
· For the Parishioners
5:30 PM
· For the Parishioners
Monday, December 28, 2020
No Mass Scheduled
Tuesday, December 29, 2020
7:00 PM
✞ Maria McKiernan by Jim McKiernan
✞ For souls in Purgatory by Doug & Karen Fournier
Wednesday, December 30, 2020
No Mass Scheduled
Thursday, December 31, 2020
4:30 PM
· For the Parishioners
Friday, January 1, 2021
10:30 AM
· For the Parishioners
Saturday, January 2, 2021
4:30 PM
✞ Mary Czostkowski by Dave & Rose Piontkowski
✞ Dick & Clara Fisher by the Family
· For the intentions of Cathy Abbott by Dolores Dolan
· For the intentions of Paul Gross by Dolores Dolan
Sunday, January 3, 2021
10:30 AM
✞ Joan McGuire by the Family
✞ Michael Burns by Sacred Heart Rehab Center
✞ Catherine Burg by the Grobbel Family
✞ John Kowalski, Sr. by John & Leslie Kowalski
· For the intentions of Jim & Peggy Ward
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:

Alex A.
Rita Acchianoe
Ron Allen
Albert Ambrose
Dorothy Anderson
Denny Borek
Mary Boyd
Walter Breiling
Katherine Bubel
Nick & Alex Buffa
Amy Cantwell
Joan Cantwell
Cecelia Ann Clark
Debbie Cornwell
Linda Dubay
Matt Dunsmore
Brenda Durkee
Bill Ensley
Helen Falecki
Kay Lynn Forbush
Ann Marie Fraley
Andrew Gilmore
Charlene Golembiewski
Martha Gutowski
Ardie Hayes
Donna Hayes
Joe Hayes
Marianna Hillock
Ralph Hohlbein
Toni Jarvis
Diana Jowett-Gutowski
Don Juen
Marianne Kaminski
Elsie Kay
Carrie Kerbrat
Barbara Kesek
William Ketelhut
Amanda Kilpatrick
Jesse Kilpatrick
Greg Knoche
Barb Korotko
Henry Kreger
Rose Kujawa
Jerome Langmesser
Heather Lauzon
Karen Leonard
Cheryl Lisewski
Billy Luckett
Joyce Lyjak
Kevin Marnon
Rick Marnon
Linda Mastej
Ron McKiernan
Joanne Meyers
Kelly Moilanen
Kandy Murray
Gabriel Nunez
Max Nunez
Bill Okay
Sally Passalacqua
Charlie Peace
Larry Pfeifer
Jessica Phillips
Maryellen Piergentili
Debbie Plaut
Greg Plemmons
Donna Powers
Jim Raska
Maureen Redhage
Fred Rhein
Kimberly Riley
Nicole Sinistaj
Genevieve Siudym
Georgine Siudym
Hedy Smalenberg
Patsy Stahl
Dan Strunk
Paul Sulkowski
Amanda Teichow
Samantha Teichow
Betty Theut
Faith Turner
Glenn VanBuren
Theresa VanTiem
Mariann Ward
Ellie Wessel
Raymond Wiegand
Tina Witulski
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Jamie Wormsbaucher
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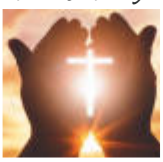
Judy Wullaert
Amy Zimmer
Todd
The Marnon Family

Please Pray

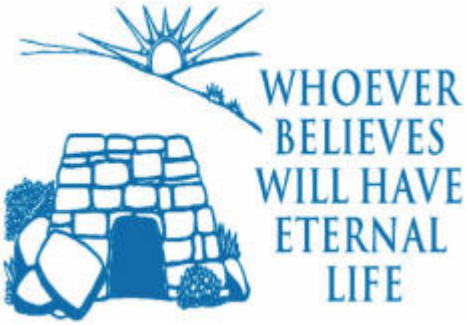


Happy New Year!!!!

O Jesus, our Savior and our Lord, by the proclamation of your grace, you took the yoke of the law from our necks, and removed the burden from our shoulders to your own;
Hear the prayers of your Church, that we may joyfully serve you here, and see your glorious presence in all its joy in the life to come; through your mercy, O our God, you are blessed, and live and govern all things, now and forever. Amen.

The Parish office will be closed on Thursday, December 31, 2020 and Friday, January 1, 2021. The office will reopen on Monday, January 4, 2021.

Holy Family Parish Staff would like to wish you a New Year filled with good health, great love and much peace.



For Those Who Have Died,

Edward Marnon, Jr.

Life has changed, not ended.
Eternal rest grant unto them
O Lord.
Let Perpetual Light shine upon them.
May they rest in peace. Amen.

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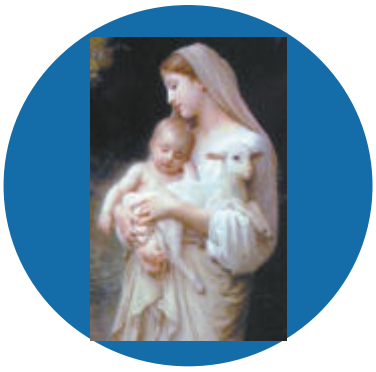
Mark Your Calendar!

Mon. 12-28-2020	8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Augustine
Tues. 12-29-2020	6:30 p.m. Confession at Holy Family
	7:00 p.m. Mass @ Holy Family
	8:00 p.m. AA @ Holy Family
Wed. 12-30-2020	8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Augustine
Thur. 12-31-2020	4:30 p.m. Mass @ HF
	5:00 p.m. Mass @ SA
	8:00 p.m. AA @ Holy Family
Happy New Year!	Happy New Year! Happy New Year!!
Fri. 1-1-2021	9:00 a.m. Mass @ SA
	10:30 a.m. Mass @ HF
Sat. 1-2-2021	3:30 p.m. Confession at Holy Family
	4:30 p.m. Mass at Holy Family - Fr. Phil
	5:00 p.m. Confession at St. Augustine
	6:00 p.m. Mass at St. Augustine - Fr. John
Sun. 1-3-2020	7:30 a.m. Mass at St. Augustine - Fr. John
	9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Augustine - Fr. John
	10:30 a.m. Mass at Holy Family - Fr. Phil
	5:30 p.m. Mass at Holy Family - Fr. Phil

COVID-19 UPDATE

Please be advised that the current status on the initiative for preventing the spread of COVID-19 is for everyone to wear a mask and sanitize their hands as they enter the church and Life Center. Also, everyone is asked to practice social distancing by staying six feet apart.

For those who are health-vulnerable and cannot attend Mass in person, Mass will be streamed on Facebook.



Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God Masses

Thursday, December 31st
4:30 p.m.

Friday, January 1, 2021
10:30 a.m.

Consider giving electronically!

Support the work of the church through Electronic Giving. Have your weekly or monthly contribution debited from your checking or savings account and transferred directly into the church account safely and electronically—you'll never have to remember your checkbook again!

Electronic giving is a convenient and secure way to support Holy Family. If you would like to begin giving your contributions electronically, call the parish office.

*T*he Knights of Columbus will be praying the Rosary on Saturday, January 9, 2021 at the flag pole in front of Holy Family (weather permitting). The Rosary will begin precisely at 12 noon. If the weather is bad, the Rosary will be prayed in the Life Center's gathering space.

Join us as we pray for our country, our Church and for the intentions of the Knights of Columbus.

Blessed Mother invites us to pray, pray, pray as she has shared in numerous visitations. Number three of the 15 promises of the Rosary is, *"The Rosary shall be a powerful armor against hell, it will destroy vice, decrease sin, and defeat heresies."*

http://themostholyrosary.com/15promises.htm).

The rosary has worked miracles and is a powerful tool against the unrest and the evils in the world. Continue to pray the Rosary, every day, until we meet together at the Flag Pole.

See you there!

PRAY! PRAY! PRAY!

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School News

St. Augustine Catholic School

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Mary, the Model of Love

Today we find ourselves having completed the final week of Advent as we have moved into the true Christmas season. We have celebrated Hope, Preparation, Joy and, most recently, Love.

We have witnessed the Annunciation and the loving response of Mary to God's calling. We have celebrated the birth of our Lord made possible by Mary's devotion and love for our Heavenly Father. Our beautiful Mother, Mary, is a true model of love, love that is selfless and pure. It is interesting to think about Mary's life during this time and how she didn't *celebrate* Advent but rather, *lived it*. And, now with her newborn baby, she joyfully placed him at the center of her attention.

Mary's preparations for Christ's birth were probably so simple, yet so meaningful. As such, Mary shows us how to prepare for the coming of Jesus, simply and deliberately with love in our hearts. She shows us how to place Jesus at the center of our lives and let him fill us with the joy of his presence.

I am reminded of a beautiful quote from Mother Teresa: "It is Christmas every time you let God love others through you . . . yes, it is Christmas every time you smile at your brother and offer him your hand."

Peace to you during this Christmas season.

Janet Savoyard
Middle School Teacher
St. Augustine School

Thank You from St. Augustine School Gracious Greeters

The Gracious Greeters would like to thank all the Students and Parents for their Christmas Wishes and Gifts.
Thank You All and God Bless.

Doug, Kathy, Fred, Mary Jo, Delores, Gladys, Lynne, Alaina, Steve and Sue.

Cardinal Mooney News

Cardinal Mooney Catholic High School is in the middle of our Challenge Drive. Money raised goes towards closing the GAP - the difference between the price of tuition and the actual cost of educating a student. This year the GAP between tuition and the cost of a Cardinal Mooney education is $1,703.00 per student.

The Challenge Drive does not rely on large donations, but on large participation. Imagine the impact it would have if all of our vicariate parishioners donated $10 in support of our students! We hope you will help us reach our goal of raising $75,000 before January 1st, 2021.

You can make your donations by mailing a check to 660 S. Water St. Marine City, MI 48039 ATTN: Dan Kilian, by calling the school at 810-765-8825, or online at cardinalmooney.org/challenge-drive. As part of our vicariate parish, we hope you will join us in ensuring both current and future students have access to the educational excellence and rich experience that defines Cardinal Mooney.

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