

THE MERCIFUL  
LOVE OF  
JESUS  
FAMILY OF PARISHES

# HOLY FAMILY | ST. AUGUSTINE ST. MARY MYSTICAL ROSE

*2nd Sunday of Lent*

*February 25, 2024*

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## **Sacrament of Baptism:**

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

## **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.

## **Anointing of the Sick:**

Contact one of our parish offices for hospital or home visits.

## **Bulletin / website submissions:**

Submit to lhunter@hollyfamily-online.org in digital format.

**Bulletin submission deadline is THURSDAYS at noon for the following weekend.**

**Flyer/insert deadline:** Thursdays by noon

**Announcement deadline:** Fridays by noon

## **Fact of Faith: Why is Lent Forty Days?** **By Fr. Kishore Beezam**

The Lenten season is a time of preparation for the liturgical celebration of the suffering, death, and resurrection of Christ. Many Catholics spend that time on the three practices of Lent: prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. It is a time to participate in the sacrament of penance and reconciliation.

The season of Lent lasts from Ash Wednesday until the evening of Holy Thursday. If Sundays are excluded from the count, the season lasts forty days. The forty-day length of Lent is rooted in the biblical usage of the number forty. Forty is typically indicative of a time of testing, trial, penance, purification, and renewal. In the New Testament, forty days is the length of Jesus' time of trial in the desert in preparation for his public ministry, proclaiming the Gospel.

Mark: 1: 12-15

"The Spirit drove Jesus out into the desert, and he remained in the desert for forty days, tempted by Satan. He was among wild beasts, and the angels ministered to him. After John had been arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God: This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand."

The 40 days period of Jesus' trial in the desert echoes a number of events in the Old Testament:

- The face of the earth was cleansed and purified during the promised period of days and nights that rain poured down during the great flood--- "I will bring rain down on the earth for forty days and forty nights, and so I will wipe out from the surface of the earth every moving creature that I have made" (Gen: 7:4).

- The face of the earth was renewed during a forty-day period after the mountain tops appeared and the waters of the great flood receded--- "The tops of the mountains appeared. At the end of forty days Noah opened the hatch of the ark that he had made" (Gen: 8: 5-6).
- Moses spent forty years as a shepherd in the desert before God called him to lead the Israelites out of slavery--- "Moses fled when he heard this and settled as an alien in the land of Midian... Forty years later, an angel appeared to him in the desert near Mount Sinai in the flame of a burning bush" (Acts: 7: 29-30).
- Moses fasted for forty days and nights on Mount Sinai before receiving the tablets of the covenant-- "So Moses stayed there with the Lord of forty days and forty nights, without eating any food or drinking any water, and he wrote on the tablets the words of the covenant, the ten commandments" (Ex: 34: 28).
- The Israelites spend forty years wandering in the desert, as a time of testing, trial and purification of the people, before reaching the Promised Land--- "Now the Israelites had wandered forty years in the desert, until all the warriors, among the people that came forth from Egypt died off because they had not obeyed the command of the Lord" (Jos: 5:6; see Num: 32: 13).
- The prophet Elijah spend forty days in the desert before encountering God on Mount Horeb--- "(Elijah) got up, ate and drank; then strengthened by that food, he walked forty days and forty nights to the mountain of God, Horeb" (1Kgs: 19:8).

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## Our Mission: Save Souls

We serve God through His Begotten Son, Jesus Christ, with the empowerment and the strength of the Holy Spirit: to celebrate the Holy Sacraments and Worship, Christian Service and Faith Education, to evangelize and practice our faith in active stewardship--with the faith, spirit and humility of Mary, the Rose of God.

### Weekday Mass and Confession Schedule

<b>Monday</b>	8:15 am Mass at St. Augustine
<b>Tuesday</b>	6:30 pm Confessions 7:00 pm Mass at Holy Family
<b>Wednesday</b>	9:00 am Mass at St. Mary Mystical Rose followed by Adoration and Confessions
<b>Thursday</b>	8:15 am Mass at St. Augustine followed by Confessions
<b>Friday</b>	First Fridays: 8:15 am Mass at Holy Family Followed by Adoration and Confessions All other Fridays 9:00 am Mass at St. Mary Mystical Rose followed by Adoration

### Weekend Mass and Confession Schedule

<b>Saturday</b>	9:00 am Confessions at St. Mary Mystical Rose 3:00 pm Confessions at Holy Family 4:00 pm Mass at Holy Family 6:00 pm Mass at St. Augustine 7:00 pm Confessions at St. Augustine
<b>Sunday</b>	7:00 am Mass at St. Augustine 9:00 am Mass at St. Augustine 10:00 am Mass at St. Mary Mystical Rose 10:30 am Mass at Holy Family 5:30 pm Mass at Holy Family

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- The Ninevites were given forty days before God was going to destroy the city, allowing time for repentance and conversion—"Jonah began his journey through the city, and had gone but a single day's walk announcing, 'Forty days more and Nineveh shall be destroyed', when the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast and all of them, great and small, put on sackcloth" (Jon: 3: 4-5).

#### Practicing Lent Traditions

We can benefit from celebrating Lent even if your church does not formally do so. Here are some of the key elements of the Lenten season and some of the symbolism that comes with it. Many of these practices can be celebrated both individually and as a community:

- Confession:** As mentioned above, Lent is a penitential season or expressed sorrow and repentance... The 40 days are set aside to examine areas of recurring sin in our lives that prevent us from conforming to God's Will. An excellent way to start an examination of conscience is by praying Psalm 139, verses 23-24: "Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my thoughts. See if there is any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting."
- Fasting and Prayer:** Fasting is a practice that has really gone by the wayside in many Christian circles. Yet, if done correctly, it can be a powerful time to renew your relationship with God. Fasting can be found in both the Old Testament and the New, with Moses (Exodus

34:28; Deuteronomy 9:9,18 ), Elijah (1 Kings 19:8), and our Lord (Matthew 4:2) all participating in 40-day fasts. Fasting is a way of denying ourselves the excesses of life so that we might be more attuned to the Lord's voice. It is also a way of disciplining yourself, strengthening your "spiritual muscles," so to speak, so that when temptations arise in life, you are already used to saying "no" to your desires. And finally, fasting is also a way of participating, in a small way, in the sufferings of Christ and can be particularly powerful when accompanied by prayer and confession.

- Charity/Almsgiving:** A very important element of the Lenten season is becoming aware of not only the suffering and sacrifice of Christ but also the suffering of others. Between now and Good Friday, choose one way you can increase your giving to those in need. It could be through extra financial offerings, donating goods you no longer need or use to charity, or increasing your personal time commitment to a ministry or cause close to your heart.

#### What to Give Up for Lent

Fasting is an important practice during Lent. Traditionally, people choose to give up certain indulgences or habits as a form of self-discipline to focus on spiritual growth and closeness to Christ. Are you looking for some ideas of what to give up for Lent? Here are some ideas found online for things that Christians might consider giving up for Lent:

- Social Media:** Taking a break from social media can provide more time

for prayer, reflection, and personal connection. It also reduces distractions and allows for a quieter, more focused Lenten season.

- Television and Entertainment:** Cutting back on TV or entertainment can create more time for prayer, Bible study, and other spiritual practices.
- Meat:** Abstaining from meat on certain days or throughout the entire Lenten period is a common practice, symbolizing solidarity with Christ's sacrifice.
- Negative Speech or Gossip:** Choosing to give up negative speech, gossip, or critical comments can foster a more positive and uplifting environment.
- Alcohol:** Abstaining from alcohol during Lent is a way to practice self-control and redirect the focus on spiritual matters.
- Complaining:** Giving up the habit of complaining and cultivating a spirit of gratitude can lead to a more positive and thankful outlook on life.

It's important to note that the purpose of giving up something for Lent is not simply to abstain from a particular pleasure, but to use the opportunity for spiritual reflection, growth, and drawing closer to God. Individuals may choose to replace what they give up with acts of kindness, prayer, or other positive habits to deepen their Lenten experience.

*Thank God for the gift of this season.*

May God bless you,  
Fr. Kishore

# 2024 LENTEN SCHEDULE

## The Merciful Love of Jesus Family of Parishes

Date	Day	Event Type	Time	Location
3/1/2024	3rd Friday of Lent	Stations of the Cross	4:00 PM	St. Mary Mystical Rose, Armada
		Fish Fry	4:30 - 7 PM	St. Augustine, Richmond
		Stations of the Cross	7:00 PM	St. Augustine, Richmond
3/6/2024	Wednesday	Faith and Mercy Nights - Talk	7:00 PM	St. Mary Mystical Rose, Armada
3/8/2024	4th Friday of Lent	Stations of the Cross	4:00 PM	St. Mary Mystical Rose, Armada
		Fish Fry	4 - 7 PM	Holy Family, Memphis
		Stations of the Cross	7:00 PM	Holy Family, Memphis
3/13/2024	5th Wed of Lent	FAMILY PENANCE SERVICE	7:00 PM	Holy Family, Memphis
3/15/2024	5th Friday of Lent	Stations of the Cross	4:00 PM	St. Mary Mystical Rose, Armada
		Fish Fry	4:30 - 7 PM	St. Augustine, Richmond
		Stations of the Cross	7:00 PM	St. Augustine, Richmond
3/20/2024	Wednesday	Faith and Mercy Nights - Prayer	7:00 PM	St. Mary Mystical Rose, Armada
3/22/2024	6th Friday of Lent	Stations of the Cross	4:00 PM	St. Mary Mystical Rose, Armada
		Fish Fry	4 - 7 PM	Holy Family, Memphis
		Stations of the Cross	7:00 PM	Holy Family, Memphis

## HOLY WEEK

3/28/2024	Holy Thursday	Holy Family, Memphis	7:00 PM	Mass of the Lord's Supper
			8:30 - 12 AM	Altar of Repose (private prayer)
		St. Mary Mystical Rose, Armada	7:00 PM	Mass of the Lord's Supper
3/29/2024	Good Friday	St. Augustine, Richmond	8:30 - 12 AM	Altar of Repose (private prayer)
			12 - 3 PM	Stations of the Cross, devotions, and
			3:00 PM	Liturgy of the Lord's Passion
		St. Mary Mystical Rose, Armada	4:30 - 7 PM	Fish Fry
			12 - 3 PM	Stations of the Cross, devotions, and
		Holy Family, Memphis	3:00 PM	Liturgy of the Lord's Passion
			12 - 5 PM	Church open for private prayer
3/30/2024	Holy Saturday	Morning Prayer	8:30 PM	Tenebrae Service
		Blessing of Easter Food Baskets	10:00 AM	St. Mary Mystical Rose, Armada
		Easter Egg Hunt	10:15 AM	
		Easter Vigil Mass	10:30 AM	
3/31/2024	EASTER SUNDAY	Mass	8:30 PM	St. Augustine, Richmond
			7:00 AM	St. Augustine, Richmond
			8:00 AM	St. Mary Mystical Rose, Armada
			8:30 AM	Holy Family, Memphis
			9:00 AM	St. Augustine, Richmond
			10:00 AM	St. Mary Mystical Rose, Armada
			10:30 AM	Holy Family, Memphis
			5:30 PM	NO MASS OFFERED

FR. MARK PRESENTS

## FAITH AND MERCY NIGHTS

TEACHING &amp; PRAYER EXPERIENCE

### March

St. Mary Mystical Rose  
Teaching: Wed, Mar 6  
(Mass & Eucharist)  
Prayer: Wed, Mar 20

### May

Holy Family  
Teaching: Wed, May 1 (Mary)  
Prayer: Wed, May 15

### April

St. Augustine  
Teaching: Wed, Apr 3 (TBD)  
Prayer: Wed, Apr 17

### June

St. Mary Mystical Rose  
Teaching: Wed, Jun 5 (TBD)  
Prayer: Wed, Jun 19





St. Augustine Catholic School  
spreads the Good NEWS by  
Navigating a Christian course,  
Educating body, mind and spirit,  
Worshiping the Lord, and  
Serving others.

# Go Saints!

## Don't Expect Me Not to Pray

by Linda Viviano  
3rd Grade Teacher

The life of a teacher is far from easy. Many of the days are filled with stress and uncertainty, rebellion and craziness, and ... (well, you get the point). For this reason, there is no doubt that every teacher could use a bit of encouragement, wisdom, support, advice, or even just a pat on the back to let them know they're doing okay and that things will turn out just fine, (They will, you know).

Recently, as I was exercising with teachers who work in public school systems, I found some of the support and wisdom that only teachers can give to one another. Even better than that, I got a perfect reminder of how truly wonderful being a CATHOLIC school teacher can be.

Oh...don't get me wrong. Teaching is tough! Let me see if I can enlighten you about some of the things it involves...

Teachers have to go in a room filled with twenty kids or so and fill every waking moment with a love for learning. They're supposed to instill a sense of pride, modify disruptive behavior, observe them for signs of bullying, and even censor their dress habits.

Teachers in the upper grades check backpacks, teach patriotism, good citizenship, sportsmanship, fair play, how to register to vote, how to balance a checkbook, and how to apply for a job.

Teachers have to maintain a safe environment, know procedures for fire drills and lockdown drills, recognize signs of antisocial behavior, and make sure all students pass mandatory state exams, even those who don't come to school regularly or complete only half of their assignments.

They are to make sure that all students with handicaps receive an equal education regardless of the extent of their mental or physical abilities. They have to communicate regularly with parents by in person meetings, phone, email, newsletter, and report cards.

Teachers have to do all of this with just a piece of chalk or expo marker, a computer, a few books, a smart board and a big smile!

The big difference between St A's teachers and public school teachers is that teachers don't have to do it all alone. We can pray anytime, anywhere, OUT LOUD and so can our kids! The emphasis here is God. We are confident that God hears us and He gives us what we need, when we need it.

In our third grade classroom at St. Augustine, I KNOW that God is with me every single day, on the good ones and the not-so-good-ones. I love our prayer table decorated with a statue from Sr. Maureen, a special rosary (a gift from a student), a children's bible, a basket full of plastic eggs with our lenten promises, and two containers overflowing with blessings and worries that the children can fill and know God is listening.

I love that I can stop my daily routine anytime to pray. We can walk over to church in the middle of the day and put our prayer requests in the divine mercy box and even light a prayer candle for an injured child at recess. (That's a beautiful sight to see...20 nine year olds bowing their heads in prayer, giving their worries to the Lord).

There are many other opportunities to pray. I can pray with a parent after a conference. Students can draw pictures of their favorite place to pray. We can start each day with prayer. We can pray before we receive our favorite hot lunch of pizza. We can send them on their way at the end of the day with prayer.

Though teaching, like other professions, may be a little less than perfect, to be a Catholic school teacher who is free to pray with students is, to me, one of the luckiest people in the entire universe!

Our thanks to you for your support and prayers for all teachers and these precious little ones!

## St. Augustine School 2nd Quarter Honor Roll 2023/2024

### Principal's Award

Gavin Nytko, Owen Nytko, Liliana Orlando, Nanuka Schlegel, Norah Shafik, Finley Smith, Marco Testagrossa

### High Honors

Isabella Bongiovanni, Jacobus Delange, Natalie Eisen, Olivia Glynn, Giselle Graebert, Alaina Green, Ruby Green, Anastasia Kapa, Kyle Krause, Rylee Mazur, Sarah Meldrum, Giovanna Menna, Brea Mullins, Natalie Newman, Luca Olivero, Riley Paddock, Samuel Pecoraro, Logan Picon, Claire Schweiger, Gwendolyn Smith, Juan Vazquez, Moira Walker, Carson Ziehmer, Cooper Ziehmer

### Honors

Marissa Bulas, Patrick Davidson, Evelyn Fraley, Aubrey Heywood, Maci Hotter, Kamden Koss, Kortney Krause, Maryanna Mullins, Victoria Plotinski, Alaina Raper, Sebastian Moss, J.T. Schwehofer, Jack Shagena

### Effort

Victoria Alfaro, Gabriel DeLaney, MyKenzie Kipp, Nathan Klein, Jonah Pecoraro, Luke Rader, Jozef Sinistaj



## Cardinal Mooney Catholic High School 2nd Quarter Honor Roll for 2023-24

### Principal's List—All A's

James Bostick, Cameron Cattivera, Henry Grace, Stella Grace, Tyler Lenn, Jakob Moczulski, Lawrence Pecoraro, Charlie Rzeszutek

### First Honors

**Minimum of 3 A's and no grade lower than an A or B**

Victoria Cattivera, Norina Piccirilli, Isaiah Shafik

### Second Honors

**Minimum of 2 A's and no grade lower than an A or B**

Giuliana DeLuca

**Congratulations to our Catholic School Students who as they strive for academic excellence!**



## Coming this Lent **FISH FRY!**

Enjoy great tasting fish dinners every week during lent right here in our Family of Parishes!

### **At Holy Family Parish in the Life Center**

March 8th & March 22nd  
4:00 pm—7:00 pm

Meal includes choice of fish, shrimp or fish and shrimp, choice of potato or macaroni and cheese, beverage, coleslaw, roll and dessert.

Dine in or carry out

Seniors 65+ \$14

Adults \$15

Children 5 - 11 \$5

4 & under Free

### **At St Augustine in the Parish Hall**

March 1st, March 15th,  
and March 29th  
4:30pm- 7pm

Meal includes choice of fish or shrimp, baked potato or french fries, coleslaw and roll.

**Adults: \$15**

**Seniors: \$13**

**Carry out: \$15**

Children's options include:

Fish & fries or Pizza & fries

Prices ranging \$2-\$7 for 5-12 years old

Free-will donation for 4 years & under

St. Augustine Fish Fry proceeds  
benefit the

St. Augustine Catholic School  
Athletics Programs

### **St. Augustine Easter Church Cleaning**

Any Parish member who would like to help clean the Church is invited to come on **Friday, March 22 at 11:00 a.m., bring a pail and cleaning cloths.** We are especially in need of some men to help us with the more difficult tasks. Any help would be greatly appreciated!

Sponsored by the  
St. Augustine Altar Sodality

## **ST. AUGUSTINE CATHOLIC SCHOOL**

# **OPEN HOUSE**

**Thursday, March 14, 6:00 -7:30**



### **OUR FAMILY-ORIENTED, FAITH-BASED SCHOOL OFFERS:**

- All day 3's & 4's preschool programs
- Transitional (young 5) and traditional kindergarten (half day or all day)
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## **St. Augustine School RAFFLES**

### **Raffle 1**

**Prize:**  
**Oculus Meta**  
**Quest 3**  
**Value: \$500**

**Tickets \$20 each**  
**Only 100 tickets**  
**will be sold**

### **Raffle 2**

**Prize 1: 1/4 beef**  
**\$1,200 value**

**Prize 2: \$250 cash**

**Prize 3: \$100**  
**Lotto tickets**

**Tickets \$25 each**

Need not be present to win. Tickets will be sold after select masses during February at St. Augustine and at the school office. Drawings will be held on March 2nd at 9pm at the Mystery Dinner.

Questions? Call (810) 305-0964 or email [staugustinefuncommittee@gmail.com](mailto:staugustinefuncommittee@gmail.com)



# Attention All Dads!

*Do you ever worry about your family?*

*Do you feel compelled to protect them from harm?*

**The Lord is Calling  
YOU to battle for your  
family this Lent!**

**Lenten Battle Series for Dads:  
(Into the Breach)**

**February 20**

**March 5**

**March 19**

**7:00**

**St. Augustine- Room 7**

RSVP by email to  
[admin@staugustinecatholicschool.com](mailto:admin@staugustinecatholicschool.com)

Take on the challenge to seek greatness, strength, and courage by relying on the Lord.

**Includes snacks and prizes!**



**"Iron sharpens iron, and one man sharpens another" (Proverbs 27:17).**

## Lenten Alms

The Christian Service Ministries from The Merciful Love of Jesus Family of Parishes will be collecting Lenten Alms, as we have in the past, from St. Augustine, Holy Family, and St. Mary Mystical Rose. We will collect alms through the "Be the Change" envelopes that come with your regular weekly envelope packets. Or you may donate by placing your check/money in an envelope marked 'Lenten Alms' and place it in the collection basket at church or turn it in to the parish office. We will collect the Alms (in Be the Change envelopes) through all of Lent.

### This year our Lenten Alms will:

1. Support our food pantries and support our 4-H youth by buying beef from the 4-H raised beef cattle and splitting the meat between the food pantries.
2. Support our youth groups that go to Steubenville.
3. Support McWarm, a program at St. Margaret of Scotland that aids the homeless with clean and/or new clothing, a warm meal and a bag lunch to go.

**Thank you very much for  
your supporting our  
Christian Service efforts.**

Christian Service Ministries,

Marlene Brown, Holy Family  
Julie Shanks & Heather Agee, St. Mary  
Mystical Rose  
Mary Joan Ballor, St. Augustine

## The Three Temptations

Dr. Brant Pitre

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## The Three Temptations with Dr. Brant Pitre

Reflect with Dr. Brant Pitre on the temptations of Jesus in the desert as he gets to the heart of the meaning of Lent.

Our parish has a FORMED subscription. Visit [formed.org/signup](https://formed.org/signup) and select our parish.  
Scan the QR code to download the FORMED app to your phone.



## Richmond Community Food Pantry Current Needs



- ♥ Boxed cereal
- ♥ Juice boxes
- ♥ Jams/jellies
- ♥ Granola bars
- ♥ Boxed potatoes
- ♥ Rice-A-Roni

**When you donate . . .** Your donations to the Richmond Community Food Pantry are sincerely appreciated. Please remember, for health and safety reasons, we cannot accept any food past the expiration date printed on the can or packaging. We also cannot accept boxes or packages that have been opened or resealed with tape or staples. Thank you for your generosity.

## ♦ Euchre Nights at St. Augustine Parish ♥

### Friday Nights

**Doors open at 6:30 p.m.  
Cards begin at 7:00 p.m.**

### Dates:

March 8  
April 12  
May 10

### Host:



Altar Sodality  
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Altar Sodality

50/50 Raffles - \$15 per person  
Snacks & Beverages provided  
.25¢ per euchre

*(please bring 8 quarters with you)*

To RSVP or for information call Jeanne  
810-543-2843

## SAVE THAT FOR THE RUMMAGE SALE

Please remember us when you are doing your spring cleaning! Donations are gratefully accepted for the **St. A's Altar Sodality Rummage Sale, April 4th, 5th & 6th 2024 in the Parish Hall.**

**Plan to drop off your items Monday and Tuesday, April 1st & 2nd - 9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall.** Save your **CLEAN, GENTLY USED** clothing, baby items (clothing & toys), books, CD's, furniture, kitchen and home décor items, small appliances and anything else you no longer need, but someone else might use! **Please no computers, printers or TV's.**

For more details on the sale, contact:  
Darlene (586) 206-0822

## Jessica Leenknecht Named Coordinator of Engagement

Hello Merciful Love of Jesus! I'd like to take a minute to introduce myself to those of you who do not know me and share the news of my new role within our Family of Parishes.

My name is Jessica Leenknecht, and I have been a parishioner at St. Augustine since the day of my baptism in 1976. Matthew and I were married at St. Augustine in 1997, and we baptized our five children here so many years ago. Our children carry on this tradition as two of them have been married at St. Augustine thus far and two grandchildren have been baptized.

I have been a catechist teaching various grades for nearly 23 years with my favorite class being the 8th Grade Confirmation Class. I have a thing for the Holy Spirit, so sharing my love for the Church, the Trinity, and especially the Holy Spirit always brings me joy and peace even with a bunch of teenagers! I must be destined for chaos because I have also been a part of the BOLD Youth Ministry Team for nearly 7 years as well.

With that said, my role as Youth Minister is coming to an end as I begin my new role within our Family of Parishes as the Coordinator of Engagement. The fine details and technicalities are in the works, however, I hope to be more present in the lives of all our families rather than just the teenagers and those with teenagers.

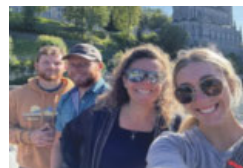
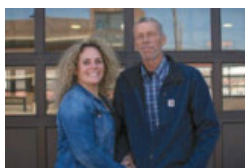
As I transition to this new position, I will still remain a point of contact for any youth and/or their parents with questions regarding youth ministry and Confirmation. Steubenville is still happening, and is July 19-21, 2024. Subiaco is also still happening the weekend of March 15-17, 2024. Stay tuned for more information and registration for both of these events for the youth within our parishes. Any other major events and retreats which the youth ministry has participated in will be coordinated by me as details and roles within our Family of Parishes are refined.

One of my first goals as Coordinator of Engagement is to create a team. Now don't stop reading just yet, this may be what you have been waiting for; to join a team ready to share the Good News in unlimited ways throughout all of our communities! Minimal commitment is asked of you with maximum rewards for the time shared with us. If you feel like the Lord has been calling you to a ministry within the Church but are unsure where to turn, call me, and we can chat.

Jessica Leenknecht  
(810) 650-0564 or

MLOJ.Evangelization@gmail.com

I look forward to serving our Family of Parishes and walking this journey of faith together!



## A HEARTFELT THANK YOU!

We would like to thank Fr. Mark, Fr. Kishore, Fr. Sal & Deacon Rich for blessing the couples at Mass. Fr. Sal for saying grace before the Anniversary breakfast. We would also like to thank everyone who helped decorate the hall, prepare the delicious food, serve the tables, and clean up. Special thanks to John and Karen Knapp for running the kitchen, our hostesses, Gladys Verbrugge & Nancy MacDonald and Brian Frank for setting up our tables. Everyone involved made it enjoyable for the celebrating couples and their families!

### St. Augustine Altar Sodality

THANK YOU to all who baked and shared your yummy skills with us! The Christian Service Commission will use the profits made from our bake sale for events like MCREST and The Giving Tree this calendar year!

**St. Mary Mystical Rose Christian Service Commission**



## Holy Family Mass Intentions

**Monday, February 26, 2024**

**No Mass Scheduled**

**Tuesday, February 27, 2024**

**7:00 PM**

• For the Parishioners

**Wednesday, February 28, 2024**

**No Mass Scheduled**

**Thursday, February 29, 2024**

**No Mass Scheduled**

**Friday, March 1, 2024**

✠ Fran Marcinkowski by Don & Jane Rodziczak

**Saturday, March 2, 2024**

**4:00 PM**

✠ Judy Wullaert by Rose Coccimiglio

✠ Gaston & Madeleine Baeyens by the Family

✠ Roger Dyjak (10th anniv.) by Marsha Dyjak

✠ Greg Moore by Doug & Karen Fournier

✠ Jeannine Barrera (13th anniv.) Love, Roy

• For St. Augustine parishioners by the Merciful Love of Jesus Parish Family

• For Fr. Phil Ching by Joann Pokrefky

**Sunday, March 3, 2024**

**10:30 AM**

✠ Fran Marcinkowski by Mr. & Mrs. William Mangan

✠ Charles Charles Brickel by Cindy Brickel & Family

✠ Darlene Kreger by Henry Kreger

✠ Margaret Naeyaert by Ron & Connie Schweiger

✠ Ron McKiernan by the Family

✠ Deceased members of the Bradley & Kowalski Families by John & Leslie Kowalski

• For the Crimmins Family by the McClelland Family

• For the Bradley & Kowalski Families by John & Leslie Kowalski

**5:30 PM**

• For the Parishioners of St. Mary Mystical Rose by the Merciful Love of Jesus Family of Parishes

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## St. Augustine Mass Intentions

**Monday, February 26, 2024**

**Mass 8:15 AM**

✠ Dave Verbrugge

req. by Mark & Lorraine Wittstock

**Tuesday, February 27, 2024**

**No Mass Scheduled**

**Wednesday, February 28, 2024**

**No Mass Scheduled**

**Thursday, February 29, 2024**

**Mass 8:15 AM**

✠ Gary Schaaf, req. by Family

**Friday, March 1, 2024**

**No Mass Scheduled**

**Saturday, March 2, 2024**

**Mass 6:00 PM**

✠ David Schweiger

req. by Sharon Ozark

**Sunday, March 3, 2024**

**Mass 7:00 AM**

♦ Our Parishioners

**Mass 9:00 AM**

✠ John Romanick, req. by Family

✠ Todd Schwehofer

5th Remembrance Anniversary

req. by Family

✠ Walter Bucykowski

2nd Remembrance Anniversary

req. by Family

✠ Dave Verbrugge

req. by Mark & Lorraine Wittstock

✠ Karon Ottenbacher

req. by Dan & Claire Manchik

✠ Deceased Members of the Theut

Family

req. by Bob & Lynda Theut

♦ Residents at Medilodge

Healing Prayers

✠ Mark Woloszyk, req. by Jane Kral

✠ Deceased Members

of the Deprez Family

req. by Mauri & Betty Deprez

✠ Marie Ryan

req. Grobbel & Schwehofer Families

✠ Tom Ward

10th Remembrance Anniversary

req. by Tim & Jodie Ward

✠ Monsignor Daniel Trapp

req. by St. Augustine Parish

✠ Reverend James Andres

req. by St. Augustine Parish

✠ Shirley Maurin, req. by Family

✠ Susan Tyson

req. by Chris & Sharon Shinska

✠ Jack Champine

req. by Dave & Jane Cheyne



## St. Mary Mystical Rose Mass Intentions

**Monday, February 26, 2024**

**No Mass Scheduled**

**Tuesday, February 27, 2024**

**No Mass Scheduled**

**Wednesday, February 28, 2024**

**9:00 AM**

✠ Geraldine Whisnant

Req. by Dolores Whiting

✠ Tom Filipiak

Req. by Mike & Carole Murphy

**Thursday, February 29, 2024**

**No Mass Scheduled**

**Friday, March 1, 2024**

**No Mass Scheduled**

**(1st Friday at Holy Family Parish)**

**Saturday, March 2, 2024**

**No Mass Scheduled**

**Sunday, March 3, 2024**

**10:00 am**

✠ Andrew Tisch

Req. by Larry & Joyce DeHondt

## Readings for the week of February 25, 2024

- Sunday: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/  
Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19 (116:9)/  
Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10
- Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11  
and 13/Lk 6:36-38
- Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9,  
16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 23:1-12
- Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6,  
14, 15-16/Mt 20:17-28
- Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4  
and 6/Lk 16:19-31
- Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/  
Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
- Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps  
103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12/Lk 15:1-3,  
11-32
- Next Sunday: Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3,  
7-8, 12-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 (Jn  
6:68c)/1 Cor 1:22-25/Jn 2:13-25  
Scrutiny: Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or  
4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42



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**Holy Family Parishioners**  
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Walter Ayotte	Heather Lauzon
Lee Baeyens	Paul Leple
Kyle Bailey	Bill Lisewski
Karen Berlinger-	Billy Luckett
Dombrowski	Joyce Lyjak
Mary Boyd	Amy
Tom Breen	Magvanua-
Inos Brichetto	Slagter
Katherine Bubel	Kevin Marnon
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Cecelia Ann Clark	John Moilenen
Carrie Clubb	Kelly Moilanen
Lisa Coccimiglio	Donna Montano
Nicole Coccimiglio	Jason Najy
Ed Cutlip	Dan Neaton
Wilma Danielak	Gail Negrinelli
Nikolas Dickson	Gabriel Nunez
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Charlene	Sue Sagins
Golembiewski	Diane Schunk
Martha Gutowski	Georgine Siudym
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Donna Hayes	Lina Sneed
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Matthew Hill	Paul Sulkowski
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Diana Jowett-	Amanda Teichow
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Marianne Kaminski	Theresa VanTiem
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Amanda Kilpatrick	Glenn Weidner
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Greg Knoche	Gary Wood
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*-Charity is to be measured, not by what  
one has given away, but by what one  
has left."*  
**-Venerable Fulton Sheen**

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Martha Bradbury	John Pytleski
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Carl Goerke	Rose Segatti
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Donna Chumbler	Matthew Moreton
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Carol Fogal	Maria Paukofe
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## Holy Family Calendar

### Monday 2-26-2024

NO DAILY MASS

6:30 pm M.O.V.E. Men's Group, Life Ctr.

### Tuesday 2-27-2024

6:30 pm Confession

7:00 pm Daily Mass

8:00 pm AA Meeting

### Wednesday 2-28-2024

10:00 am Rosary Makers Ministry

6:00 pm Choir Practice

7:00 pm K of C Officer Meeting, Hall

### Thursday 2-29-2024

NO DAILY MASS

7:00 pm Contemporary Group, Church

8:00 pm AA Meeting

### Friday 3-1-2024

NO DAILY MASS

8:15 am First Friday Mass

8:45 am—7:00 pm Adoration

7:00 pm Reposition

### Saturday 3-2-2024

12:00 pm Rosary/Chaplet for Poor

Souls in Purgatory

3:00 pm Confession

4:00 pm Mass (\*Fr. Mark)

### Sunday 3-3-2024

10:30 am Mass (\*Fr. Kishore)

5:30 pm Mass (\*Fr. Mark)



## St. Augustine Calendar

### Monday 2-26-2024

8:15 am Daily Mass

8:00 pm AA & Al Anon—Hall

### Tuesday 2-27-2024

NO DAILY MASS

8:00 am Women's Bible Study, Room 7

7:00 pm Contemporary Music Practice

7:30 pm K of C Officers Mtg., Room 7

### Wednesday 2-28-2024

NO DAILY MASS

### Thursday 2-29-2024

8:15 am Daily Mass

8:45 am Confession

9:15 am Acts of The Apostles Study, Rm 3

6:30 pm Women's Bible Study, Parish Hall

7:00 pm Choir Practice, Church

### Friday 3-1-2024

NO DAILY MASS

4:30 pm Fish Fry, Hall

7:00 pm Stations of the Cross

### Saturday 3-2-2024

6:00 pm Mass (\*Fr. Kishore)

7:00 pm Confession

### Sunday 3-3-2024

7:00 am Mass (\*Fr. Kishore)

9:00 am Mass (\*Fr. Sal)

10:15 am Faith Formation



## St. Mary Mystical Rose Calendar

### Monday 2-26-2024

NO DAILY MASS

4:00 pm Food Pantry Distribution

### Tuesday 2-27-2024

NO DAILY MASS

1:00pm Prayer Shawl Ministry, Lower Narthex

6:30 pm Faith Formation

### Wednesday 2-28-2024

9:00 am Daily Mass

9:30 am Adoration

10:00 am Confession

10:00 am Fragrant Rose Prayer Group

6:30 pm Choir Practice

### Thursday 2-29-2024

NO DAILY MASS

### Friday 3-1-2024

NO DAILY MASS

First Friday Mass offered at Holy Family

10:30 am Women's Bible Study

4:00 pm Stations of the Cross

### Saturday 3-2-2024

9:00 am Confession

10:00 am First Reconciliation Retreat

NO MASS OFFERED

### Sunday 3-3-2024

8:30 am Confirmation 1 & 2

10:00 am Mass (\*Fr. Mark)



Holy Family Parish welcomes the following families who joined the parish in the month of January:

**Mr. & Mrs. Mark Dunham**

**Miss McKenna O'Connor**

**Mr. & Mrs. Charles Munsell**



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**\*Due to frequent updates to our clergy schedule, presider information may change.**

**Thank you for understanding.**

### Holy Family 2023 CSA Pledges As of February 20, 2024

Goal:	\$48,692.00
Pledged: (104%)	\$50,468.16
Paid on pledges:	\$50,468.16
Number of gifts:	131
Anticipated refund	
if all pledges are paid:	\$1,776.16

### St. Augustine 2023 CSA Pledges As of February 20, 2024

Goal:	\$80,152.00
Pledged: (105%)	\$84,554.58
Paid on pledges:	\$84,554.58
Number of gifts:	182
Anticipated refund	
if all pledges are paid:	\$4,402.58

### St. Mary Mystical Rose 2023 CSA Pledges As of February 20, 2024

Goal:	\$19,778.00
Pledged: (189%)	\$37,440.00
Paid on pledges:	\$37,440.00
Number of gifts:	75
Anticipated refund	
if all pledges are paid:	\$17,662.00

### Holy Family Parish Stewardship Sunday, February 18, 2024

Total Sunday Collection:	\$12,711.23
Weekly Budget:	\$7,273.00
Budgeted YTD:	\$247,282.00
Collected YTD:	\$242,450.86
Over/(Short) YTD:	(\$4,831.14)
# of envelopes used/EFT's:	212
# of Registered Families:	712

### St. Augustine Parish Stewardship Sunday, February 18, 2024

Total Sunday Collection:	\$12,741.50
Weekly Budget:	\$12,212.00
Budgeted YTD:	\$415,208.00
Collected YTD:	\$417,182.49
Over/(Short) YTD:	\$1,974.49
# of envelopes used/EFT's:	301
# of Registered Families:	889

### St. Mary Mystical Rose Stewardship Sunday, February 18, 2024

Total Sunday Collection:	\$2,974.00
Weekly Budget:	\$3,269.00
Budgeted YTD:	\$111,146.00
Collected YTD:	\$107,157.00
Over/(Short) YTD:	(\$3,989.00)
# of envelopes used/EFT's:	55
# of Registered Families:	432

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