

SAINT AUGUSTINE PARISH

DECEMBER 10, 2023

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



St. Augustine Catholic Church sits between Cannon Hill and Manito Parks in the heart of Spokane's historic South Hill neighborhood. It has provided a place of worship for generations of Catholic families and serves the students of Cataldo Catholic School at St. Augustine.

PARISH STAFF

Msgr. Brian A. Mee, Pastor
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BAPTISM AND HOLY MATRIMONY

Parents seeking Baptism for their child and couples seeking marriage should contact the parish office at least four months prior to the intended dates for preparation. It is expected that you are registered and have been active in the parish for at least six months, be a regular contributor financially to the parish, and be taking part in the liturgical life of the Church – which includes attendance at Sunday Mass and Holy Days of Obligation.

MASS TIMES

M, W, Th, and F: 8:00 a.m.
Tue: 9:00 a.m. with Cataldo at St. Augustine
Saturday: 4:30 p.m.
Sunday: 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 3:15 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

ROSARY

M, W, Th, and F: 8:30 a.m.,
Tuesday on ZOOM: 8:00 a.m.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

First Friday of the Month: 8:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Thursday: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

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CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, December 9

St. Juan Diego

Vigil Mass 4:30 PM †James Curran

Sunday, December 10

Second Sunday of Advent

Mass 9:00 AM †James Wilkinson

Mass 11:00 AM *Pro Populo*

Monday, December 11

St. Damasus

Mass 8:00 AM †Bridget Kirby

Rosary 8:30 AM

Tuesday, December 12

Our Lady of Guadalupe

Mass 9:00 AM with the School †Jack Pearce

Wednesday, December 13

St. Lucy, Virgin & Martyr

Mass 8:00 AM Deceased Members of the Wilkinson Family

Thursday, December 14

St. John of the Cross

Mass 8:00 AM

Friday, December 15

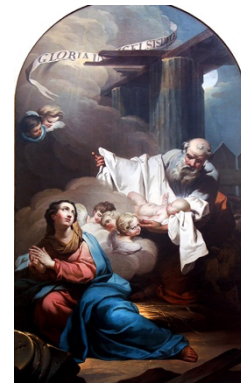
Mass 8:00 AM



Please Keep the Following in Your Prayers

Janie Alsop, Kristen Baxter, Althea Beaver, James Bennett, Scott Brockway, Isabel Brunkan, Pat Campbell, Maurice Carrier, Margaret Chastek, Frank Culhane, David Dankovich, Brooke Dowell, Betsy Elliott, Riva Grant, Caitlin Levernier Graves, Donna Harris, René Heidt, Jorgi Herron, Robert Hunton, Mike Keegan, Kathy Korth, Merly Kubiak, Mary Lenoue, Tracy Provinsal Liebhart, Katherine Eagan May, Maureen McClarity, Shawn McGowan, The Nelson Family, Naydene Oechsnerl, Greg Renner, Beau Richardson, Jason Rocks, Erika Schearman, Mark Schubert, Dan Sheldon, Megan Simpson, Tiffany Simpson, Karen Stahl, Joel Stavana, Craig Stucky, Ashley Sutch, Shelley Szambelan, Eley Vann, Wilson Webb

If you would like to add a name to the prayer list or request a Mass intention, please contact the parish office.



4th Sunday of Advent Mass Schedule

Saturday, December 23 4:30 p.m.

Sunday, December 24 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

*Masses for the 4th Sunday of Advent are at the regular scheduled Mass times and will be shorter than a usual Sunday Mass.

Christmas Eve Masses

Sunday, December 24

4:00 p.m. with Organ, Woodwinds & Children's Choir

7:00 p.m. with Organ, Brass & Choir

10:00 p.m. with Organ & Strings

Christmas Day Mass

Monday, December 25

9:00 a.m. with Organ & Brass

The Organ Music in Today's Liturgy

Johannes Brahms (1833-1897), in addition to being a brilliant pianist, was one of the nineteenth century's most beloved composers. He wrote in many genres, but his sacred choral music is universally lauded by choral musicians across all faiths. He wrote very little organ music, but he chose that medium for one of his last musical utterances: the Eleven Chorale Preludes. Described as deeply introspective and autumnal, they are all based on hymns. Today's prelude—*Es ist ein Ros' entsprungen*—is taken from that collection, and we will also sing the hymn on which it is based during Communion today. The postlude, by another Germanic composer—Georg Böhm (1661-1733)—is taken from a set of variations he wrote based on the hymn tune *Freu dich sehr*, which we will sing as today's Entrance Hymn.

Religious Education – Communion Hymn Christmas Eve

The RE students, as a part of their "Catechesis Through Art," will sing a Communion motet for the 4:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Vigil Mass. The motet will be a partner song pairing the traditional carol "Away in a Manger" with the Christmas antiphon "O magnum mysterium." We look forward to hearing the group share their vocal talents with the parish this Christmas!

TREE OF SHARING



Bring a bit of Christmas joy to a child in need this Christmas. Wrapped gifts are due **by Sunday, December 17, by Noon**. Gifts will be delivered to children the next day. The recipient schools are most grateful. Thank you for your generosity!

Bambinelli Blessing – December 17

Next Weekend!

Traditionally the blessing of the Bambinelli (baby Jesus) from your manger is the third Sunday of Advent or Gaudete Sunday. Bring the baby Jesus from your nativity to Mass next weekend for a special blessing!

2023 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL



St. Augustine Parish is only \$3,936 shy of its goal of \$80,731 for this year's Annual Catholic Appeal. We are grateful to those who have donated. If you have not yet had the opportunity to donate, please consider doing so by using the envelopes you will find in the pews or at dioceseofspokane.org.

Parish Goal: \$80,731

Pledged/Donated to Date: \$76,795 (95% of Goal)

Number of Households Participating: 105(33%)

STEWARDSHIP

December 3, 2023

Offertory: \$5,515

Month to Date: \$5,515

Fiscal Year to Date: \$156,466

Poor: \$130

Month to Date: \$130

Fiscal Year to Date: \$5,193

Guatemala Mission \$135

Month to Date: \$135

Fiscal Year to Date: \$1,480

Thank you to all who have signed up for regular online weekly or monthly giving. Simply sign up online or contact the parish office. It's easy to do!

Parish Bake and Craft Sale



This Weekend!

Saturday, December 9, 5:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 10, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

*****Santa Claus will pay a special visit during the sale Sunday, December 10 at 12:15 p.m.*****

Calling all bakers (and nibblers!) The parish is holding a bake and craft sale following Masses the weekend of December 9 & 10. We are looking for donations of home-baked cookies, cupcakes, pies, cakes and crafts! We need lots of help for this event. Purchase treats to share at your upcoming Christmas gathering and/or to satisfy your sweet tooth! Proceeds support the Altar Society.

Spokane Young Catholics

Connect with Catholics in their 20s and 30s.

Spokane Catholic Young Adults is a community centered on forming intentional relationships, promoting unity, and sharing opportunities and inspiration for others to encounter Jesus Christ, live as His disciple and proclaim the Gospel to all. They meet for social activities throughout the year. For more visit: spokanecatholicyoungadults.mn.co

Women's Lunch

Wednesday, December 20 at 12:00 p.m. Noon

The Women's Lunch Group meets the third Wednesday of the month for this casual potluck lunch. This is a wonderful way to meet other women in the parish. Come alone or bring a friend!

Year End Giving Qualified Charitable Distributions (QCD)

A QCD is a direct transfer of funds from your IRA custodian, payable to a qualified charity (like St. Augustine Parish!). QCDs can be counted toward satisfying your required minimum distribution (RMDs) for the year, as long as certain rules are met. In addition to the benefits of giving to your charity of choice, a QCD excludes the amount donated from taxable income, which is unlike regular withdrawals from an IRA, keeping your taxable income lower. Contact your financial planner and tax advisor about using a QCD to tithe to the parish.



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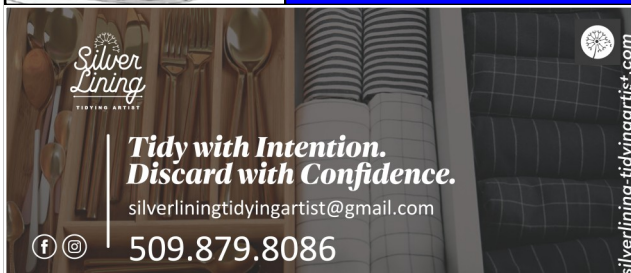
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