SAINT AUGUSTINE PARISH FEBRUARY 2, 2025 THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD



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

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BAPTISM & 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

Mon, Wed, Thu, Fri: 8:15 AM

Tuesday: 9 AM with Cataldo at St. Augustine

Saturday: 4:30 PM Sunday: 9 AM & 11 AM

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 3:15 PM – 4 PM

ROSARY

Mon, Wed, Thu, Fri: 7:45 AM

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

First Friday of the Month: 8:45 AM—11:10 AM

Benediction at 11:10AM

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Thursday: 9 AM - 12 PM

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, February 1

Vigil Mass 4:30 PM For those effected by natural disasters, especially those in the California fires

Sunday, February 2
The Presentation of the Lord
Mass 9 AM †Randy Buckenberger
Mass 11 AM Pro Populo

Monday, February 3 Saint Blaise, Bishop and Martyr Mass 8:15 AM †John Irwin

Tuesday, February 4Mass 9 AM with Cataldo at St. Augustine

Wednesday, February 5 Saint Agatha, Virgin and Martyr Mass 8:15 AM Fr. Nicks (special intention)

Thursday, February 6 Saint Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs Mass 8:15 AM Maria Leaver (birthday)

> Friday, February 7 Mass 8:15 AM

Please Keep the Following in Your Prayers

Janie Alsup, Kristen Baxter, Althea Beaver,
James Bennett, Ray Birgenheier, Scott Brockway,
Isabel Brunkan, Jesse & August Bruya, Pat Campbell,
Maurice Carrier, Margaret Chastek, Frank Culhane,
Cathy Dietrich, Betsy Elliott, Cari Franklin,
Riva Grant, Caitlin Levernier Graves, Bob Hanson,
René Heidt, Jorgi Herron, Robert Hunton,
Mike Keegan, Kathy Korth, Mary Lenoue,
Tracy Provinsal Liebhart, Katherine Eagan May,
Maureen McClarity, Shawn McGowan, The Nelson
Family, Greg Renner, Beau Richardson, Jason Rocks,
Erika Schearman, Mark Schubert, Dan Sheldon,
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.

Catholic Schools Week



The 2025 Catholic Schools Week collection will be used for tuition assistance in our K-8 Catholic schools. All contributions will help to shape future leaders of the

Church. Please prayerfully consider a financial contribution to this year's Catholic School Collection.

Feast of the Presentation of the Lord ~ February 2nd ~

In accordance with the Old Law, the Lord Jesus Christ, as the firstborn Son, was presented in the Temple in Jerusalem by his Blessed Mother, Mary, and foster father, Joseph, to be consecrated to the Lord. Following Jewish tradition, the Presentation of the Lord in the Temple took place forty days after the birth of Jesus, when the time of purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary was completed.

As we learn from the Gospel of St. Luke, upon beholding the long-awaited Christ Child at the Temple, Simeon, a devout man, took Jesus in his arms and proclaimed a canticle of praise to God. Through Simeon's canticle and words of prophecy to the Blessed Virgin Mary, following his blessing of the Holy Family, as well as the words of Anna, a prophetess, who worshiped in the temple day and night with fasting and prayer, Jesus is revealed as the Messiah, who has come into the world as the light to all nations and salvation of all peoples.

The Catholic Church specifically prescribes the blessing of candles, to be used throughout the Liturgical Year in the church, to take place at all Masses on the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. These candles symbolize Christ who is the Light of the World, thus this Feast is also known as Candlemas Day.

At St. Augustine, the weekend of February 1st and 2nd, the candles to be used throughout the Liturgical Year will be blessed at each Mass, with the addition of the Solemn Entrance with Lighted Candles at the 9:00 a.m.



St. Monica's Guild

(Formerly known as the Women's Luncheon Group)

We are excited to announce our name change to honor Saint Augustine's mother, Saint Monica. Our next meeting, including a potluck lunch, will be **Wednesday**, **February 12**, at 12 Noon.

We hold Saint Monica's quote close to our hearts...
"Nothing is far from God."

The Organ Music in Today's Liturgy

Divinum mysterium, the hymn we know as "Of the Father's Love Begotten" recounts the prophesies and birth of Jesus. Simeon, in today's Gospel, proclaims those prophesies to be fulfilled. The prelude is a lovely setting of this hymn by American composer, organist, professor, Wilbur Held (1914-2015). The postlude-Pasticcio, by French organist Jean Langlais (1907-1991) is a not a liturgically specific piece, but its many fanfares invoke the spirit of today's Old reading and Responsorial Testament announcing the imminence and the arrival of the King of Glory. (It should be noted that a pasticcio, or pastiche, in musical or literary terms is not the same as that of culinary terms. It is an energetic mixture of styles that may also serve as an homage to past artistic forms.)



Hearts on Fire Men's Conference Saturday, March 15, 7:30 AM-4:00 PM St. Thomas More Catholic Church

Join men from around the Spokane Diocese and the Inland Northwest for a day of inspiration, faith, fellowship, and fun. The doors at St. Thomas More, Spokane will open at 7:15 am for Mass at 7:30 am. Check-in, visiting friends, and a light brunch will follow Mass and the conference will begin promptly at 8:30 am. Keynote speaker Curtis Martin, founder of FOCUS, will lead us in reflection and call us to a life of prayer and discipleship.

The day will be filled with inspirational talks, personal time to pray, worship, confession, adoration, laughter, tacos and a beer! We will conclude at 4:00 pm. Continental breakfast, hot lunch, and all conference activities are included in the ticket price. Vendors will be available. This event is recommended for those 18 years and older.

Register at www.dioceseofspokane.org/events.

Novena for Healing Cathedral of Our Lady of Lourdes February 3-11, 2025

Bishop Daly cordially invites you to participate in the 2025 Lourdes Novena for healing. These nine days of prayer and devotion will focus on the need for all kinds of healingspiritual, physical, emotional, and relationship.

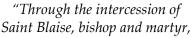
Mark your calendar for Friday, February 7th, when special guest Chéri Ballinger will give



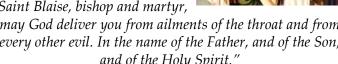
a message of surrender and hope in the face of suffering. She will detail her own personal experience of healing through the intercession of Our Lady of Lourdes. Chéri is a renowned international Catholic speaker, philanthropist, and movie producer.

Feast of Saint Blaise February 3

candles (blessed Candlemas Feb. 2) are crossed against the throat, and the following prayer is said:



may God deliver you from ailments of the throat and from every other evil. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."



STEWARDSHIP

January 26, 2025

Offertory: \$9,565 Month to Date: \$41,161 Fiscal Year to Date: \$261,795

Poor: \$70

Month to Date: \$1,215 Fiscal Year to Date: \$13,427

Guatemala Mission: \$10 Month to Date: \$170 Fiscal Year to Date: \$2,181

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