

## St. Augustine Parish Bulletin

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**Fifth Sunday  
Of Lent  
April 2, 2017**

**MASS** – Saturday, April 8, 2017 – Vigil Mass at Sacred Heart at 4:00 p.m.; St. James at 6:30 p.m.; **Sunday, April 9, 2017 – St. Augustine at 8:30 a.m.**; Sacred Heart at 10:30 a.m.; Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated a half hour before weekend Masses and by appointment.

**IN ADDITION** to a half hour before Masses on Sat. evening & on Sun. there will also be confessions available each Friday at Sacred Heart on April 7 at 6:30 p.m.

**WEEKDAY MASS** will be held here at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 4 followed by Stations of the Cross.

**FIRST FRIDAY MASS** will be held here at 8:00 a.m. April 7 followed by 24 hour adoration.

**EASTER TRIDUUM SCHEDULE** – **Holy Thursday, April 13 at 7:00 p.m. here at St. Augustine**; Good Friday, April 14 at 7:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart; Easter Vigil Saturday, April 15 at 8:00 p.m. at St. James; **Easter Sunday, April 16 here at 8:30 a.m.**; Easter Sunday, April 16 at 10:30 a.m. at Sacred Heart

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING LENT** will be held here on Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. following Mass. The Knights will be leading the stations. Leaders for Tuesday, April 4 - Greg Renyer, April 11 – Rodney Lierz; Stations of the Cross at Sacred Heart on Fridays at 6:30 p.m.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION** will be held on Wed. April 5 at Sacred Heart at 6:00 p.m. & April 12 at St. James.

**PENANCE SERVICES** will be held April 9 at 3:00 p.m. at Sts. Peter & Paul, Seneca, and at Sacred Heart at 7:00 p.m.

**“JESUS SAID TO HER, ‘Did I not tell you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?’”** John 11:40 Many of us say that we believe in God. We go to church on Sunday. We volunteer for events at our parish. But when life gets hard, the pressure is on, things aren’t going our way, do we really believe, do we really put our trust in the Lord? When we live a life of gratitude, being thankful for the gifts we have been given, we really do see that God is providing all that we need.

**LECTOR** – Palm Sunday, April 9 - Greg Renyer & Rod Winkler; Holy Thursday - April 13 – Jim Renyer; Easter, April 16 - Ben Rettele; April 23 – David Wehner

**SERVERS** - April 9 - Erin Deters, Leah Renyer, Jonathan Renyer; Holy Thursday - Cameron Renyer, Eric Renyer, Emma Popkess, Leah Renyer; Easter - MiKayla Deters, Erin Deters, Anthony Deters; April 23 – Cameron Renyer, Jonathan Renyer, Caleb Renyer

**OFFERTORY GIFTS** - April 9 – Dwaine Baumgartners; Holy Thursday - Gary Plattner family; Easter Sunday - Matt Popkess family; April 23 - Rodney Lierz family

**USHERS** - April 9 - Adam Maas & Rod Winkler; Holy Thursday - Don Haverkamp and Dennis Rettele; Easter Sunday – Adam Renyer and Larry Lierz; April 23 – Geoffry Renyer and Jeremy Sweat

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION** - April 9 - David Wehner, Dwaine Baumgartner, Greg Renyer; Holy Thursday - Don Haverkamp, David Wehner, Denise Plattner; Easter – Greg Renyer, Teresa Baumgartner, Rodney Lierz; April 23 – Rod Winkler, Denise Plattner, Teresa Baumgartner

**THE ST. AUGUSTINE PARISH ENGAGEMENT TEAM’S GOAL** is to help create a healthy, vibrant parish community. We would like to increase involvement in parish life through the recruitment of volunteers to fill the need for more Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Lectors. Please prayerfully consider using your God given talents to help fill this need at St. Augustine.

**PRAYER INTENTIONS** – The Altar Society has purchased a book to record prayer intentions of our faith community. Use it to enter prayer requests for the sick, the homebound, the suffering, the local and universal Church, the needs of the world, and anyone else in need of prayer. The prayers contained in this book will be among the petitions in the Prayers of the Faithful during our Sunday Masses. Following the blessing of this book today at Mass, it will be displayed on a table just inside the double doors of the sanctuary. “Again, I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray, it shall be granted to them by my Heavenly Father.” Matthew 18:19

**MASS INTENTIONS** – Tues. April 4 at 5:15 p.m. at SH – Leroy Tangeman+; **Tues. April 4 here at 6:00 p.m. – Raymond & Norma Jurgensmeier+**; Wed. April 5 at 8:00 a.m. at SJ – Leroy Bloom+; at 5:15 p.m. at SH – Ric & Teri Speers+; Thurs. April 6 at 10:00 a.m. at AC Home – No Mass Intention; at 5:15 p.m. at SH – Ray & Margaret Deaver+; First Fri. April 7 at 7:00 a.m. at SH – Connie Lehman; **First Friday, April 7 at 8:00 a.m. here – L&D members of St. Augustine Altar Society**; at 5:15 p.m. at SH – Loren Becker+; Vigil Mass Sat. April 8 at 4:00 p.m. at SH – parishioners of the 3 parishes; at 6:30 p.m. at SJ – Don Henry+; **Palm Sunday, April 9 at 8:30 a.m. here – Greg Jurgensmeier+**; at 10:30 a.m. at SH – Gerry & Clara Geilenkirchenez+; **Tues. April 11 at 6:00 p.m. here – For the farmers**; Wed. April 12 at 8:00 a.m. at SJ – Eldon & Doris Mulroy+

**CHURCH CLEANERS AND CHOIR LOFT** - April 2 – Joan Lierz, Teresa Baumgartner, Mary Renyer, Jessica Ploeger; April 16 - Evelyn Lierz, Cherie Grimm, Linda Lierz

**CHURCH HALL AND KITCHEN CLEANERS** through the month of **APRIL** – Lois Bindel, Barbara Spellmeier, Janelle Popkess

**LAST SUNDAY COLLECTION**: \$109.00 Plate; \$1230.00 Envelope; \$323.00 Catholic Relief Services; Thanks for your generosity. The collection on Good Friday is for the Holy Land; Easter – for supporting the Priesthood, past and present; April 23 – Catholic Home Missions

**MONEY COUNTERS FOR APRIL** – Dennis Rettele, Jeremy Sweat, Jean Renyer

**WE WILL BE PRAYING THE ROSARY ON SUNDAYS BEFORE MASS DURING LENT** Leaders today are - Lois Bindel & Alice Priest; Palm Sunday, April 9 – Jeremy Sweat & Pat Jurgensmeiers; Thanks for helping!

**EASTER CLEANING OF THE CHURCH** will be Monday, April 10 at 6:00 p.m. Mark your calendars!

**HOSPITALITY SUNDAY** is today with Dennis Retteles' (Group II) in charge. This includes Dwaine Baumgartner, Matt Popkess, Gary Plattner, Jeremy Sweat, Miles Ploeger, Bob Buser, & Lane Lierz.

**NOTE FROM PASTOR ON PARISH PLANNING** - Steve Ehart from the Office of Mission Strategy at the Archdiocese has been collaborating with us at the parish over the last several months to develop a plan to guide us onward. This plan has been developed to help us in the parish continue doing what we are doing well, and make improvements as we move into the years ahead. I'm glad to tell you that with input from a number of Parishioners through this process, that the plan is now completed. It is starting to be implemented now, so you will perhaps notice some improvements in certain areas. I believe this will be for the good of our parish and the community. In the process, a Mission Statement was developed. Here it is: "We, the Catholic Parish of St. Augustine, seek to grow as disciples of Jesus and to make disciples for Jesus." May God bless us! Sincerely, Father Clayton

**ATTENTION MARRIED COUPLES** - A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will help you enjoy life with a new closeness to each other and God. You don't NEED it -- you DESERVE a Marriage Encounter Weekend! The next Weekend in Kansas City is April 28-30, 2017 For more information or to apply, please visit our website: [www.wwme4youandme.org](http://www.wwme4youandme.org) or call Tony & Barb Zimmerman, 816-741-4066 or email [tonybarbz@prodigy.net](mailto:tonybarbz@prodigy.net)

**MARRIAGE MINUTE** - **Crosses** for married couples come in all different shapes and sizes. Whether in the form of death, illness, financial troubles or conflict, the "bad times" can really test our resolve! In this week's Gospel, Jesus waited two days before setting out to help his dying friend Lazarus, and the delay resulted in his friend's death. In our suffering, we can often feel like Jesus is taking forever to help, and we fear he may come too late. We can keep two important things in mind in these situations. First, "Jesus wept" over his friend's death, and therefore, suffers with us. Secondly, he allowed Lazarus to die in order to bring about a greater good. As we approach Holy Week, let's offer our pain to our merciful Savior, trusting in His wisdom and confident that the trial we bear will produce great fruit! For help in finding joy in the midst of trial, go to [www.JoyfulMarriageProject.com](http://www.JoyfulMarriageProject.com)

**EASTER SEASON** is the perfect time to bring new life into your marriage by learning Natural Family Planning! Classes in the Sympto-Thermal Method of NFP are offered for a reasonable course fee beginning in Topeka on Sat. April 22<sup>nd</sup>, at 7:00 p.m. Call Dana or Eric Runnebaum at 785-380-0062 for more info, including the location of this class and the availability of online classes. Pre-registration required at [www.ccli.org](http://www.ccli.org). Learn more at [nfptoepka.blogspot.com](http://nfptoepka.blogspot.com).

**PORK CHOP DINNER** will be held at Annunciation Parish in Frankfort on Sunday, April 23 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

### Faith Formation News & Opportunities

**GOOD FRIDAY STATIONS OF THE CROSS** will be led by the CCD students at 3:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart. All are welcome to join us.

**CCD/CYO DATAES TO NOTE:** \*April 22 - First Holy Communion, 4:00 p.m. @SH; \*April 23 - Family Day at PSR- visit [archkck.org](http://archkck.org) for info! \*May 3 - May Crowning FAMILY celebration, 6:30 p.m.; \*SAVE THE DATES: TOTUS TUUS: JULY 9-14; \*SAVE THE DATE: KELLY YOUTH RALLY - AUG. 19

**MAY CROWNING MASS** for CCD families and "I Saw Jesus" recognition: Wednesday, May 3, 2017 – 6:30 p.m. a 7:45 p.m. All families are invited to thank God for all the beautiful ways we have encountered Jesus during our CCD year. We will begin the evening with a **May Crowning Mass followed by "I Saw Jesus" recognition for each student.** We **encourage all parents to attend** and celebrate how the Spirit is dwelling in and moving our young church! We will also recognize in a special way our faithful volunteers and their dedication to helping families in passing on the faith. An early expression of gratitude for these catechists and their families for the gift of their time, faithfulness and energy each Wednesday night: Sarah Renyer - Kindergarten; Jody Reel & Michaela Schultejan - 1st grade; Kari Meyer - 2nd grade; Carla Renyer - 3rd grade; Lynn Dierking - 4th grade; Lesa Duryea & Shelly Schmelzle - 5th grade; Jacob Gruber & Adam Enneking - 6th grade; Beth Kroll & Amanda Rettele - 7th grade; Doug Fortmeyer & Virginia Russell - 8th grade; Doug and Laura Fortmeyer - 9th/10th grades; Matt and Michelle Tedman & Christina Lierz - 11th/12th grades; Kerry Glynn- Lead Support Volunteer; Deann Compo- CCD music ministry and Fr. Clayton.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION** will be celebrated on Saturday, April 22 at the 4:00 p.m. Mass at Sacred Heart for the following students and their families. Please keep them in your prayers as they prepare to receive the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist! Ian Deters, Xavier Deters, Sophia Haverkamp, Benjamin Kroll, Jayton Meyer, Jayce Rebant and James Sallman.

**FIRST FRIDAY MASS** - Start your day with JESUS on the 1st Friday of the month at 7:00 A.M. at Sacred Heart. Mark your calendars for April 7 and May 5.

**DIVINE MERCY:** The Second Greatest Story Ever Told ...now on **Formed.org** Featuring renowned speaker and author Father Michael Gaitley, this 10-week study tells the dramatic story of God's Love and Mercy as interwoven into key events in history to show how God is at work now. **Divine Mercy explores:** God's School of Trust \* Behold This Heart \* The Suffering Servant \* Faustina and the Spread of Divine Mercy \* Proclaim This Message \* Fatima \* The Secret of Divine Mercy \* God's Master Plan \* Mary's Knight \* The Final Question. Featuring the brilliant cinematic artistry of the Augustine Institute's film studio, the vast panorama of God's work of mercy in the world unfolds in a story to be experienced. Please visit: [FORMED.ORG](http://FORMED.ORG) using **Parish Code: b70478** for this and other amazing Catholic programs, ebooks, audio and movies for the whole family!

**ATTENTION; COLLEGE STUDENTS, SENIORS & JUNIORS – UPLIFT** - We will take "care and compassion" delivering basic human needs to serve the homeless in Kansas City through Uplift Organization, Inc. on **Wednesday, June 14**. We have **4** spots available on a 1st come, 1st serve basis. To sign up/info., please contact Gina.

**CRS RICE BOWL: ENCOUNTER RESILIENCE** - We encounter Dita in Ethiopia, and see how her new found entrepreneurial skills are providing three meals a day for her children—even during a devastating drought. **What skills have you discovered this Lent that can be put to good use in building God's kingdom? Visit [crsricebowl.org](http://crsricebowl.org) for more or follow our NE Kansas Facebook Page for video reflections on Monday evenings.**

**PRAY THE ROSARY AT SACRED HEART ON THURSDAYS AT 12:10 PM**