



Church of St. Augustine

St. John Cantius Church

April 30, 2023 ~ 4th Sunday of Easter Sunday of Easter

St. Mary's Cathedral

Rev. Scott Pogatchnik, Rector **Rev. Brady Keller, Parochial Vicar**

Church of St. Augustine

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Masses

Sun 9:00 am Thurs 8:00 am

St. John Cantius Church

1515 3rd St. N., St. Cloud, MN 56303 (320) 251-4455 stjohncantius@charter.net www.stjohncantius.org

Masses Sun 7:30 am and 10:45 am Wed 8:00 am

St. Mary's Cathedral

258th Ave. S., St. Cloud, MN 56301 (320) 251-1840 office@stmarystcloud.org www.stmarystcloud.org

Masses

Sat 5:00 pm (vigil) Sun 9:30 am and 6:00 pm Mon - Sat 7:00 am Mon - Fri 12:05 pm

St. Katharine Drexel School

428 2nd St. SE, St. Cloud, MN 56304 (320) 251-2376 www.ourcatholicschool.org



Is the Lord Your Shepherd?

Fellow Members of the Flock:

Happy Good Shepherd Sunday! This Fourth Sunday of Easter focuses our eyes on a strong yet gentle image of Christ as a Good Shepherd. It's His voice that leads us through dark valleys, alongside restful waters, and to a table of communal nourishment for body and soul (Ps 23). But this same Shepherd calls us to follow Him!

In tying the Good News of the Good Shepherd to our first reading (Acts 2), author Dr. Peter Kreeft writes, "When the great Roman senator and orator Cicero spoke, everyone said, 'How beautifully he speaks!' But when the great Greek warrior Demosthenes spoke, his soldiers leaped up, struck their shields with Fri 8:30 am (varies-check Mass schedule) their swords, and said, 'Let us march!' Demosthenes was an even more powerful speaker than Cicero because he changed not just thoughts but actions. Peter is like Demosthenes in this sermon, because the reaction he got from his hearers was not 'What are we to think now?' but 'What are we to do now?'"

> The same Peter that declared Jesus' divinity, would also betray Him. But ultimately Peter encountered a Love beyond words on the shores of the Galilean Sea: "Peter, do you love me more than these? Feed my sheep!"

And Peter has fed that flock by summarizing our essential Easter duty in three tasks. First, "repent," or "reform your lives." That is the essential message of all the Old Testament prophets. That is the first thing we must do to be saved. Second, be baptized into Christ to receive his forgiveness for your sins. Third, you shall receive his Holy Spirit.

And lest we neglect this third part, lest we forget the One who has been called "the forgotten Person of the Trinity," lest we think that the miracle of the coming of the Holy Spirit in fire and power at Pentecost was just a one-time thing for the early Church alone, Peter explicitly contradicts that. He tells us that this promise, the promise of the Holy Spirit, was made "to you and to your children and to all those far off" – far away in time, down the centuries of the future, and also far away in space, in all places on earth, all places to which missionaries would be sent. Peter looks over the heads of his listeners and sees us, down through the centuries. He sees us here today, and he directs his sermon to us.

Let Christ shepherd you, and like Peter, you'll be shocked not so much by your weakness, but by the fruitfulness of your love.

Jesus, we continue to trust in You! ~Fr. Scott

P.S. Congrats to our all our First Communicants: last week at St. John Cantius and St. Augustine and this week at St. Mary's. Lord, give us all a youthful and Eucharistic faith!





Our parish volunteers mean the world to us! We will celebrate volunteers from St. Augustine, St. John Cantius, and St. Mary's Cathedral at a catered dinner on <u>Tuesday, May 16</u>, at 5:30 pm in St. Augustine's cafeteria. The menu will include

raspberry chicken, potatoes, stir-fry vegetables, fruit, a dinner roll, beverages, and dessert. <u>Please call the parish office to RSVP by May 10</u> so we can order enough food. There are too many volunteers and areas of service to name them all. Wherever y+++ou serve, know that your service is appreciated. Thank you!

May Crowning to be Celebrated

May is Mary's month! And during May, Catholics throughout the world honor our Blessed Mother with special devotions. May Crowning is one devotion or ritual that is particularly special to the prayer life of our parishes and will be celebrated Sunday, May 7. The act of crowning an image of Mary recognizes her as queen of heaven and earth.

<u>St. Mary's Cathedral and St. Augustine</u>: At the beginning of Mass, you are invited to join in procession and present a flower to Our Lady. Flowers will be available at church, or you are welcome to bring one from home. <u>St. John Cantius Church</u>: We will crown the Blessed Mother at both Masses at St. John Cantius. St. Anthony Council 265, Catholic United Financial will provide flowers for anyone wishing to present one to Mary. First Communicants are encouraged to wear their First Communion attire.



Parish Breakfast and Jewelry Sale May 7

St. Augustine will be serving breakfast and new, gently used, and vintage jewelry will be for sale in the parish hallway on Sunday, May 7, from 7:30 am until noon. Sausage, eggs, hash browns, and fresh homemade donuts will be served. Ticket prices: Adults \$10, youth 5-12 \$5, children 4 and under free.

Meeting of Christian Women

The St. Augustine Christian Women will hold their May meeting and induction of new officers on Thursday, May 11, starting with Mass at 4:30 pm, followed by a meeting and potluck dinner. Last names A-H please bring salads, I-P desserts, and Q-Z hot dishes.

Wanted: Piano

St. Mary's Cathedral is seeking a new upright piano for the choir in the upper church. Please call Kelly in the parish office at 320-251-1840 x0 if you can help.

Coffee and Treats at St. Mary's Cathedral

Do you enjoy coffee and treats on Sunday morning at St. Mary's Cathedral? We are looking for families to provide and serve treats this summer. Coffee and juice will be provided. Please call Kelly in the parish office for details.



Graham Springer Nora Mulliner Elianna Krueger Christian Marlette Matteo Fromm Christian Wolf Everett Stack Victor Truong Peter Battle Lucca Kaufman James Kaufman Pietro Bushman Elliot Gross April 30 / St. Mary's Cathedral



Parish Contributions

St. AugustineEnvelopes/Plate\$2,853.00April ACH\$1,759.00Weekly Goal\$10,383.00Difference(\$5,771.00)

St. John Cantius	
Sunday	\$3,161.00
Weekly Budget	\$2,890.00
YTD Actual	\$132,522.30
YTD Budget	\$131,600.00
YTD Difference	\$922.30

St. Mary's Cathedral

 Envelopes/Plate
 \$6,267.00

 April ACH
 \$2,410.00

 Weekly Goal
 \$9,526.00

 Difference
 (\$849.00)



Knox Mitchell Munson Son of Gabriel and Rachael April 30 / St. Mary's Cathedral



- I John Koch & Amber Harris May 20 / St. Augustine
- II Brian Loehrer & Augusta McMonigal May 13 / St. Mary's Cathedral
- III Arnold Parro & Rose Ruprecht May 5 / St. Mary's Cathedral

Our Week

MASS SCHEDULE

MON 5/1 St. Joseph the Worker			
7:00 am SMC Thanksgiving for Fr. Scott Pogatchnik			
12:05 pm SMC †Vera Kutzera			
TUE 5/2 St. Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church			
7:00 am SMC †Doreen Thell			
12:05 pm SMC Mary Harlander			
WED 5/3 Sts. Philip and James, Apostles			
7:00 am SMC Thanksgiving for Fr. Brady Keller			
8:00 am SJC †Gerald Kalla			
12:05 pm SMC †Bela Petheo			
THU 5/4 National Day of Prayer			
7:00 am SMC †Poor Souls			
8:00 am CSA Special Intention			
12:05 pm SMC Fr. Brady Keller			
FRI 5/5			
7:00 am SMC In Thanksgiving			
12:05 pm SMC Special Intention (JT)			
SAT 5/6			
7:00 am SMC Special Intention			
5:00 pm SMC †Clothilda Maselter			
SUN 5/7 5th Sunday of Easter			
7:30 am SJC †Jerry Deters			
9:00 am CSA †Rick and †Teri Dlugosch			
9:30 am SMC People of the Parish			
10:45 am SJC †Carmela and †Jose Chaves			

6:00 pm SMC †Mike Salaski

CSA-Church of St. Augustine / SJC-St. John Cantius / SMC-St. Mary's Cathedra

Rosary & Chaplet	St. Augustine 8:20 am Sunday 12:00 pm daily St. John Cantius 20 minutes before all Masses St. Mary's Cathedral 6:30 am Monday - Saturday 11:30 am Monday - Friday 12:30 pm Monday - Friday
Holy Hour	St. John Cantius 9:00 am Wednesday
Reconciliation	St. Augustine 7:30 am Thursday St. Mary's Cathedral 4:30 pm Thursday 4:30 pm Friday 6:00 pm Saturday
Adoration	St. Augustine 9:00 am - 4:00 pm Thursday St. Mary's Cathedral 12:30 pm - 2:00 pm Tuesday

READINGS

Monday: Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4/Jn 10:11-18 Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-3, 4 -5, 6-7/Jn 10:22-30 Wednesday: 1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-3, 4 -5/Jn 14:6-14 Thursday: Acts 13:13-25/Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27/Jn 13:16-20 Friday: Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab/Jn 14:1-6 Saturday: Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn 14:7-14 Next Sunday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4 -5, 18-19 (22)/1 Pt 2:4-9/Jn 14:1-12

Our Community

Extra Collections at St. Mary's Cathedral

We will restart the tradition of a collection at our First Friday and First Saturday Masses at St. Mary's Cathedral beginning in May. The First Friday collection will be taken at the 12:05 pm Mass. The First Saturday collection will be taken at the 7:00 am Mass. The money from these collections will be used to offset the costs of hosts and wine at our liturgies.

Congratulations 2023 Graduates

We would like to publicly salute our 2023 high school graduates on their accomplishment by publishing their graduation photo in our parish bulletin. Along with their photo, we would like to include their next

step. Parents, please email your graduate's photo along with their name, parents' names and their future plans to your parish office manager:

Stacy at St. Augustine – spreusser@staugs.com Lucy at St. John Cantius - stjohncantius@charter.net Kelly at St. Mary's Cathedral – office@stmarystcloud.org

Special Monthly Collections for May

Several members donate to our parishes online and do not receive contribution envelopes for special collections. For those who wish to donate, please make checks payable to your church.

- May 18 Ascension
- May 28 Peter's Pence

National Day of Prayer

All are invited to community-wide prayer as we unite together and mobilize churches and community leaders to pray for our nation on Thursday, May 4, at 11:30 am with worship from noon to 1:00 pm on the steps of Stearns County Courthouse. In case of inclement weather, the event will be held at St. Mary's Cathedral.

50 Year Ordination Anniversary

Fr. Tom Olson will be celebrating his 50th anniversary of ordination to the priesthood during the 9:00 am Mass at St. Augustine on Sunday, May 21. A light reception in the cafeteria will follow the Mass. Everyone is invited to attend. Fr. Tom was ordained a deacon in 1972 and a priest in 1973 at St Augustine. Please keep Fr. Tom in your prayers.



†Gene Reichensperger

SKD Seeking Live Auction Donations for MayFest

One of the largest fundraisers for St. Katharine Drexel School will be here before we know it - MayFest, scheduled for Friday, May 19. We are seeking live auction donations. Have you thought of donating an item? Do you have a special talent or can you bake a tasty treat? What about baking a pie a month for a year or preparing a tasty meal three times a year? These would be awesome additions to our auction!! We already have a fishing trip for five and golfing with Mr. Schmit up for bid!

Please contact the SKD office (251-2376) or email akleinschmidt@ourcatholicschool.org to share your ideas!

Knights of Columbus - Faith in Action

Thanks to all the Knights who participated in the Tootsie Roll Drive that raised funds for Special Olympics! Our council donates to nine different agencies including Special Olympics of MN. Last year we donated just under \$2,000 to these agencies!

We will be assisting at the following events this spring:

- Honoring Marriage Day on May 6 at St. Mary's Cathedral
- The Walk for Life on May 6 at Whitney Park with check in at 9:00 am and the walk at 10:00 am, which supports the Pregnancy Resource Center
- The final breakfast for the school year is Sunday, May 7 at St. Augustine

Thanks to everyone for helping!

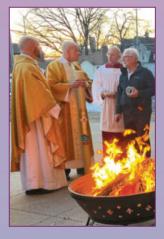
Mississippi Saints Baseball

The Mississippi Saints men's softball team is gearing up for another season of fun and fellowship! The team is made up of parishioners from local parishes and we're looking to add a few more players to team. We play a weekly doubleheader on Mondays at Whitney Park in St. Cloud. Games typically start at 6:05 and 7:10 pm. Games are tentatively planned to start May 1 (weather permitting) and run into August, depending on our playoff success.

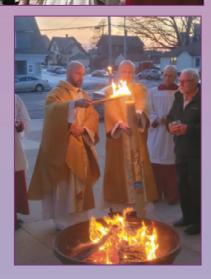
The Saints have had recent strong seasons, finishing 2nd place the last two years. While a championship would be great, our top objective is building up the entire Body of Christ - players, families, and parishioners. We are excited to showcase new team jerseys this year, and would welcome any donations to offset the cost of the jerseys and our annual registration fee. If interested in learning more or joining the team, please call the any of the church offices or email DJ at <u>djouimette@hotmail.com</u>. You are welcome to include your level of playing experience. Please come out and cheer on your Mississippi Saints!

HOLY WEEK

















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