

# Welcome to the Parish of Saint Augustin



*Our mission is to give glory to God and seek the salvation of souls by making Jesus Christ known and loved through worship, evangelization, community, fellowship, reconciliation and stewardship.*

*September 19, 2021*

There is something about being first. Whether is first in line, first to be picked for the team, or the first one to finish their work, great satisfaction is achieved. It somehow sets us apart from everyone else, gives us a sense of pride and positions us to feel better than others. When we are first, we can glory in our efforts, skills, and achievements. Isn't that what really matters? After all, we are taught from a very young age to be proficient, stay on top, be the best at what we do, and win the praise and esteem of others. This is the stuff that makes us successful and provides us with a comfortable, satisfying life.

Jesus wants none of it. All of the details we anguish over mean little to the kingdom of God. You want to be first? Then, be a servant and welcome a child. All of this is the opposite of our often vehement pursuits. If we are serious about following Jesus and living the Gospel, then we must put the needs of others before our own. If we continue to listen only to the noise of the world, we are going to continue to believe the illusions we



inherit. Those illusions come in many forms, but all have things in common: me before you, being on top and not the bottom, us versus them, personal security over universal harmony and peace. When are we going to learn that always striving to be the best and first is an empty pursuit in our struggle for happiness? While satisfying our ego with this momentary boost of esteem may feel good for moment, is it what we really desire? If we can break from the world's noise and create a space of sacred silence in our lives, we can begin to listen and see that we are being called in another direction. What we really desire is not the bolstering of our egos but the innocence we lost somewhere along the way. When we can be playful, joyful, and even somewhat carefree, life is good. We want our relationships to work, a place to call home, and to live peaceful lives with our sisters and brothers. Rather than worrying about being first and coming out on top, we can be inspired, guided, empowered, and led to do good works. Stop worrying about first and put greater energy into feeling joy.

*Saint Matthew the Evangelist  
Feast Day September 21st*

## 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Phone Number:** 515-255-1175  
**E-mail address:** info@staugustin.org  
**Website:** www.staugustin.org  
**Facebook:** www.facebook.com/santaugustindsm  
**Office Hours:** Mon - Thurs, 8:00 am - 4:00 pm  
 Fri, 8:00 am - 12:00 pm  
**Mass Schedule:** All Masses are in main church  
**Saturday:** 5:00 p.m.  
**Sunday:** 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. & 12:00 p.m.  
**Tues., Wed., Fri.:** 8:00 a.m.  
**Thursday:** 8:00 a.m. during the summer,  
 8:45 a.m. during the school year.  
**Confession Schedule (in the Chapel)**  
**Saturday:** 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
**Sunday:** 9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

### Stewardship – Collections & Tithes

*Fiscal year is July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022*

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|--|---------------|
| September Budget Total   | \$ 88,800.00  |
| September Received   | \$ 21,759.42  |
| <i>1<sup>st</sup> &amp; 3<sup>rd</sup> weeks include electronic tithes</i> |               |
| Budgeted (Jul. 2021 - Aug. 2021)   | \$ 168,600.00 |
| Received (Jul. 2021 - Aug 31, 21)  | 187,830.04    |
| Variance to Budget   | \$ 19,230.04  |



### Mass Intentions

#### Saturday, September 18, 2021

5:00 p.m. Marcus Baumhover

#### Sunday, September 19, 2021

8:00 a.m. Charles Colosimo

10:00 a.m. Gloria Sullivan

12:00 p.m. Parishioners of St. Augustin, both living & deceased

#### Tuesday, September 21, 2021

8:00 a.m. Joe Smith

#### Wednesday, September 22, 2021

8:00 a.m. Maria Hanian

#### Thursday, September 23, 2021

8:45 a.m. Paul Glaser

#### Friday, September 24, 2021

8:00 a.m. Julius Hoerster

#### Saturday, September 25, 2021

5:00 p.m. JoAnn Grandanette

#### Sunday, September 26, 2021

8:00 a.m. Sister Martina Mataya, CHM

10:00 a.m. Rev. Thomas Lynch

12:00 p.m. Parishioners of St. Augustin, both living & deceased

**Parish Office:** 545 42nd St., Des Moines, IA 50312, 255-1175  
**School Office:** 4320 Grand Ave., Des Moines, IA 50312, 279-5947

### PARISH STAFF:

**Rev. Christopher Pisut**, Pastor, 255-1175, x202, frpisut@staugustin.org  
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**Mary (Currie) Lopreato**, Youth & Young Adult Minister, youthministry@staugustin.org  
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**Paul Cognac**, Buildings & Maintenance, 255-1175, paul@staugustin.org  
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**Thomas Kolbo**, Music Director, 402-681-2054, thomas@staugustin.org  
**Victoria Bettis**, Communications, communications@staugustin.org

### MINISTRIES & ORGANIZATIONS:

**ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY** - Meets 1st Thursday of the month at 6:00 pm, Parish Hall, Pres, Jackie Hruska, staugustinaltarandrosary@gmail.com,

**BIBLE STUDY** - Meets every Wednesday during school year at the school, 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm, Emily Duong, emiaduo@aol.com, 255-3402

**CATHOLIC SCRIPTURE STUDY** - Meets every Wednesday during school year 9:30 am - 11:15 am, Cindy Kodis at 251-3930

**BOARD OF EDUCATION** - Meets 1st Tuesday of the month in Conf Room, Tim Coonan, President, timothycoonan@davisbrownlaw.com

**BUILDINGS & GROUNDS** - Meets every other 4th Tuesday of the month in Conf Room, 255-1175, ext. 205

**ELIZABETH MINISTRY** - Angie Mathiasen, angiemathiasen@hotmail.com, 991-8727

**EUCARIST MINISTER/LECTOR/RCIA** - If interested, contact Deacon Kevin or Rhonda Heim at rsheim@prodigy.net, 274-4321

**FINANCE COUNCIL** - Meets every other month on the 4th Tuesday, Paul Mitchell, Chair

**FOOD PANTRY** - Collection is third weekend of month at all Masses, contact Patrick Johnson, 515-339-5207.

**HOME & SCHOOL ASSOCIATION** - Co-Presidents: Becky Eaton, becky.eaton12@gmail.com; Stephanie Haas, stephaniehaas@gmail.com

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** - Meets on the 3rd Thursday of the month in the Parish Hall. 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Ceremony- 5:00 pm, Rosary - 6:00 pm, Dinner - 6:30 pm, Living Your Faith - 7:00 pm, 7:45 pm - business meeting. Contact Tom Donnelly, tjdonnellyiowa@gmail.com, 988-0491

**LITTLE FLOWERS GIRLS CLUB** - Molly Topf, molly.olingertopf@yahoo.com

**MARRIAGE & FAMILY COMMITTEE** - Rochelle Quiner, rquiner@gmail.com

**MOM'S GROUP** - Sydney Tietz, (515) 494-7842, sydnellis@gmail.com

**PARISH COUNCIL** - Meets the second Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m., Matt Eide, President, mpeide@gmail.com

**PERPETUAL EUCARISTIC ADORATION** - Sue & Pat Smith, 277-4344

**PRAYER CHAIN** - Send your prayer requests to STAUGPRAYER@aol.com or info@staugustin.org or call the parish office at 255-1175

**PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY** - Meets 1st Thursday of the month, Marty Chiovaro, 274-2482 or Pat Knight at 279-9475

**RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE** - Mary Lopreato, youthministry@staugustin.org

**SOCIAL ACTION** - Ann DiDonato, 279-5149, amdidonato@gmail.com

**STEPHEN'S MINISTRY** - Julie Melcher, 515-210-9536

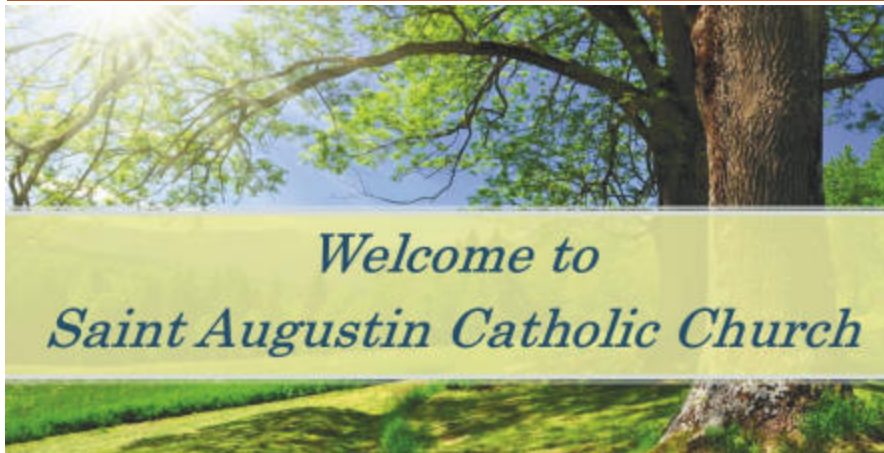
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**ST. MICHAEL'S BOYS GROUP** - Jeff Pierick, 778-6087, kmpierick@gmail.com

**USHER/GREETERS** - Paul Martin, 865-6550

**HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP** - Mary Currie, youthministry@staugustin.org  
 Wednesdays 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm meet in the lower level during the school year





## Welcome to Saint Augustin Catholic Church

### WEEKLY PRAYER

#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 19, 2021

- Sunday:** Wis 2:12, 17-20/Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8 [6b]/Jas 3:16—4:3/  
Mk 9:30-37
- Monday:** Ezr 1:1-6/Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Lk 8:16-18
- Tuesday:** Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5]/Mt 9:9-13
- Wednesday:** Ezr 9:5-9/Tb 13:2, 3-4a, 4befghn, 7-8 [1b]/Lk 9:1-6
- Thursday:** Hg 1:1-8/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Lk 9:7-9
- Friday:** Hg 2:1-9/Ps 43:1, 2, 3, 4 [5]/Lk 9:18-22
- Saturday:** Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13 [cf. 10d]/  
Lk 9:43b-45
- Next Sunday:** Nm 11:25-29/Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14 [9a]/Jas 5:1-6/  
Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

#### OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 19, 2021

- Sunday:** 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catechetical Sunday
- Monday:** Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn, Priest,  
and Paul Chŏng Ha-sang and Companions, Martyrs
- Tuesday:** St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist
- Thursday:** St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest
- Saturday:** BVM
- Next Sunday:** 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### First Reading

The Wisdom writer reveals the mentality of the wicked, characterized by revenge and treachery. How best should people of faith respond to such behavior?

#### Second Reading

James offers insight into the human condition as it relates to how often our ambitions and passions can lead us astray. How do you keep yourself grounded in holy intentions?

#### Gospel Reading

We hear today how the disciples were afraid to ask Jesus questions and reluctant to share with him some of their tensions. Why do you sometimes hold back from opening up to the Lord?



### ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

Wed., October 13th  
6:00 pm

We invite 5th grade and older to altar serve (*or return to altar serve*). Join with our RE classes in training at 6:00 pm on Wed., Oct. 13th in the church.



EVERY LIFE  
COUNTS



FROM THE  
BEGINNING TO  
THE END,



FROM  
CONCEPTION  
TO NATURAL  
DEATH.

— Pope Francis —

Are you looking for an opportunity to become active in your faith?

**Join our Respect Life ministry.**

Contact Mary Lopreato by email at:  
[youthministry@staugustin.org](mailto:youthministry@staugustin.org)

**AVAILABLE NOW!**

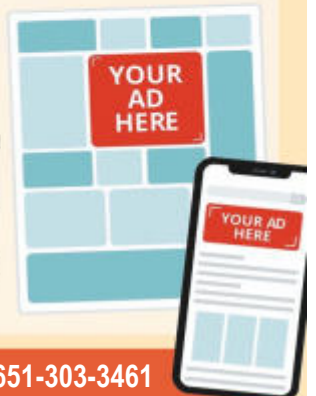
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Kristee Flynn, 651-303-3461  
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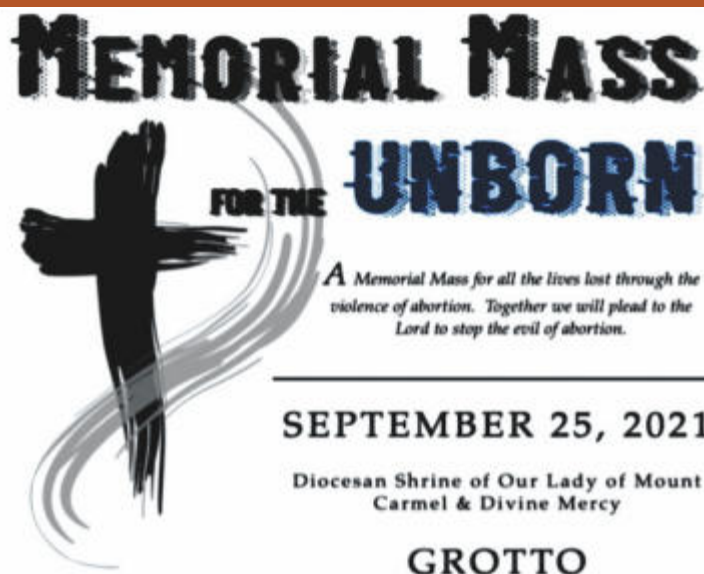




### 1st Mass of the 2021-2022 School Year!

Shown here are two of our altar servers preparing for the first Mass of the school year.

St. Augustin student Masses are held each Thursday at 8:45 am in the church. Each class takes turns hosting the celebration and participating in the choir and readings.



Join us at NOON at the St. Anthony Grotto for this special Mass. Feel free to bring a lawn chair to sit on.

## Join the Youth Choir!!!



Youth 3rd grade and older are invited to join our youth choir.

**Rehearsals for All Saints Day:**  
**October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, & 31<sup>st</sup> from 5:00-5:45 pm in the church basement.**

**All Saints Day – Arrive at 5:00 in Sanctuary, Mass is at 6:00**

**Rehearsals for Christmas Eve Children's Choir :**  
**November 28<sup>th</sup> 5:00-6:00, December 5<sup>th</sup> 5:00-6:00,**  
**December 12<sup>th</sup> 2:00-3:00, December 19<sup>th</sup> 5:00-6:00**  
**Christmas Eve – Arrive at 2:30 in Sanctuary,**  
**Singing begins at 3:30, Mass begins at 4:00.**

Parents can sign up or get more information by contacting Thomas Kolbo at (402) 681-2054 or [thomas@staugustin.org](mailto:thomas@staugustin.org), signup can also be completed through the website under music ministry:  
[staugustin.org/music-ministry](http://staugustin.org/music-ministry)

## PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

*"Could you not watch one hour with me?"*  
(Matt 26:40 RSV)

### Hours of Greatest Need:

Mon. 12am, 1am, 4am, 8am, 10am, 11am, 6pm, 7pm  
Tues. 2am, 3am, 4am, 10 am, 1pm, 4pm, 10pm  
Wed. 12am, 6am, 9am, 12pm, 1pm, 4pm, 7pm  
Thu. 1am, 2am, 9am, 10am, 11pm  
Fri. 3am, 4am, 9am, 3pm, 6pm, 7pm, 8pm  
Sat. 2am, 3am, 4am, 11am, 2pm, 6pm, 7am, 8pm  
Sun. 3am, 4am, 5am

CALL or TEXT: Patrick Smith (515) 238-3590  
or Sue Smith (515) 238-2065



## NINE TO DINE IS READY TO SIGN YOU UP!



Nine to Dine allows adult couples and singles, young and old, in our parish to meet and dine at each other's homes once a month and rotate hosting from Sept. - June.

Typically the host makes a main dish and others bring appetizers, bread, salad and dessert. Groups

can be flexible on when they meet and if you can't host in your home you can choose a restaurant your month. New this year is a ZOOM option too, where you can socialize from the comfort of your home. This is a great way to meet new people in the parish and renew friendships. All Nine to Diners are invited to join us for our **Kick Off Potluck on September 19<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm in the Parish Hall.** Main entrée will be provided.

Contact Peggy Urtz: [p.urtz@att.net](mailto:p.urtz@att.net) (515) 473-8416  
or Julie Melcher: [julielmelcher@gmail.com](mailto:julielmelcher@gmail.com) (515) 210-9536.



If you are hospitalized or homebound and would like a pastoral visit, please contact the parish office at (515) 255-1175 or [info@staugustin.org](mailto:info@staugustin.org).

St. Augustin Youth Group prayed a rosary  
outside by the grotto of Mary



**St. Augustin Youth**  
St. Augustin Church  
Faith, Fellowship, Food, Fun

Inviting all High School students to join us on  
Wednesday evenings from 7:30 - 9:00 pm  
in the lower level. For more information  
contact Mary Lopreato  
at: [youthministry@staugustin.org](mailto:youthministry@staugustin.org).

*Let's have some fun!*

YOUNG CATHOLIC SINGLES OF  
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## APPLE PICKING & FALL FESTIVAL

Are you a Catholic single,  
aged 21-39, looking to meet  
other local Catholic singles?

Join us for apple picking,  
a hay ride, and other fall  
favorites!

Sept. 25, 2021 | 10:30 am - 1 pm  
Wills Family Orchard  
33130 Panther Creek Rd Adel, IA 50003

[YCDMCATHOLICSINGLES@GMAIL.COM](mailto:YCDMCATHOLICSINGLES@GMAIL.COM)

REFRESHMENTS  
PROVIDED

### A & R FALL SOCIAL AGENDA

- 6:00 PM: Rosary
- 6:15 PM: A & R members meeting
- 7:00 PM: Pray Movie

#### PRAY: The Story of Patrick Peyton

Is an inspiring true documentary about a poor  
Irish immigrant who sets sail for America in  
1928 with nothing but his faith and dreams of  
becoming a millionaire.



# PRAY

THE STORY OF PATRICK PEYTON

ALTAR AND ROSARY SOCIETY FALL SOCIAL

**OCTOBER 7, 2021, 7:30 PM**

THE FAMILY THAT PRAYS TOGETHER, STAYS TOGETHER.

ST. AUGUSTIN SOCIAL HALL

**FREE  
MOVIE**

OCT. 07, 2021 7:30 PM



SAVE THE DATE!

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

## Friends of the Poor Walk

**Saturday, September 25, 2021**

Registration 8:30 a.m. | Walk begins 9:30 a.m.

2-mile walk/run through scenic

Scotch Ridge Nature Trail

Carlisle, Iowa

**Help us help others!**

**Register and/or donate online:**

[www.fopwalk.org/event/2603](http://www.fopwalk.org/event/2603)

Call Moe Kauzlarich for more info:

515-778-3596



JOIN US FOR FAMILY FUN - IT'S TIME FOR A  
**SQUARE DANCE**  
**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2ND**  
**6:30 - 9:30 PM**  
**ST. AUGUSTIN SCHOOL GYM**

We welcome all ages & skill levels! Grab your grandparents, neighbors, and friends, and join us for our Square Dance with a full band and caller!

Free - will donations accepted at the door to help cover the cost of the band. Suggested \$5/person.

## ST. MICHAEL'S BOYS GROUP



St. Michael's Boys Group (a diocesan-wide boys group) is having several upcoming events for grades 3-12,

Meeting September 26th and every other week at 6:00 at St. Augustin School. We meet at St. Monica (school) Chapel for 15 minutes of silence and

Benediction, outdoor activities, reading the Sunday Gospel, saying a Decade of the Rosary, and snack.

Please RSVP for these events by email at [kmpierick@gmail.com](mailto:kmpierick@gmail.com) or call Jeff Pierick at (515) 778-6087.

## THE THIRD OPTION

**We make marriage VOWS, not promises or wishes.....**



A free marriage enrichment program is for all couples whether they are facing obstacles in their marriage or just trying to make a good thing better!

The Third Option will meet **every 2nd and 4th Monday** on **"IN PERSON"** at All Saints Catholic Church on 650 NE 52nd Ave. in Des Moines, 50313. The workshop is held from 7-9 pm.

If you have questions, or would like to register contact Adam Storey at [astorey@dmdiocese.org](mailto:astorey@dmdiocese.org) or 515-237-5056.

You can also contact Barb Berenguel at 515-229-0535 or [barbberenguel@yahoo.com](mailto:barbberenguel@yahoo.com).



## "SPEAK, LORD, FOR YOUR SERVANT IS LISTENING."

(1 Samuel 3:9)

It takes more than a set of ears to be a good listener to another member of your church. The Stephen Ministry is a nation-wide program in which congregation members go through intensive training to be there for others in times of need. Through Stephen Ministry, lay caregivers -called Stephen Ministers -provide one-on-one confidential Christian care to the bereaved, hospitalized, terminally ill, divorced, unemployed, relocated, empty-nesters and others facing a crisis or life challenge. Stephen Ministers and care receivers are paired by gender -women with women, men with men.

**UPDATE:** Two additional St. Augustin parishioners are currently being trained as Stephen Minister Leaders. Please pray for them as they complete training asking God's grace and blessings upon them as they learn, acquire skill, and commit to using their gifts in the service of others. They will be joining Julie Melcher late Fall in training our additional parish members who have committed to being trained as Stephen Ministers.

If you want to learn more about becoming a Stephen Minister and enrolling in the training, please contact Julie Melcher at (515) 210-9536 or [julielmelcher@gmail.com](mailto:julielmelcher@gmail.com).

October 2021

# RESPECT LIFE MONTH

*St. Joseph, defender of life, pray for us!*



## ST. AUGUSTIN RESPECT LIFE MONTH 2021

### Sunday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>

Respect Life Sunday / 8am, 10am, 12pm Masses

*Stop by our pro-life table after Mass! We will be passing out pro-life resources and answering any questions you may have about the St. Augustin pro-life committee.*

### Tuesday, October 5<sup>th</sup>

Abortion Pill Reversal Speakers / Theresa Welch & Sarah Hurm / 7pm, Parish Hall

*Theresa Welch, executive director of InnerVisions, will explain the medical side of an abortion pill reversal and Sarah will share the story of her successful abortion pill reversal. Free-will donation to InnerVisions taken at the door.*

### Thursday, October 14<sup>th</sup>

Holy Hour and Rosary for Life / 7-8pm, Adoration Chapel

*Join in prayer for a greater respect for all life.*

### Saturday, October 16<sup>th</sup>

Pray outside Planned Parenthood / 10-11am, 1000 E. Army Post Rd

*Support life through your prayer and presence.*

*Email Mary Lopreato at [youthministry@staugustin.org](mailto:youthministry@staugustin.org) for more details.*

### Sunday, October 17<sup>th</sup>

Yard Work at Ruth Harbor Ministries / 543 42<sup>nd</sup> St.

*Volunteer to do yard work at Ruth Harbor Ministries, a non-profit that helps young moms face unplanned pregnancies and parent young children. This is right across the street from St. Augustin! Please email Mary Lopreato [youthministry@staugustin.org](mailto:youthministry@staugustin.org) in advance if you plan on volunteering.*

### Friday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>

Movie Night: October Baby / 6:30pm, Parish Hall

*October Baby is the story of a young woman named Hannah who learns that she survived a failed abortion attempt. Bring snacks and comfy chairs/pillows/blankets! Free-will donation at door.*



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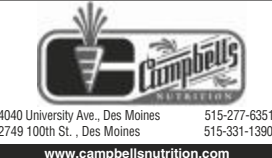


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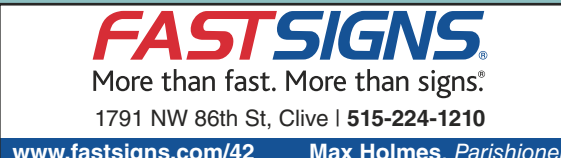
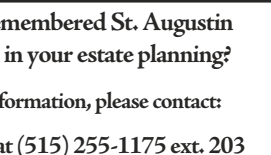


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