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MASSES

SATURDAY: 8:30AM, 5:00PM **SUNDAY**: 8:00AM, 10:00AM

12:00 NOON, 6:00PM

MONDAY - FRIDAY: 6:30AM, 8:30AM

HOLY DAYS: as announced

CONFESSIONS: Saturdays: 9:00-10:00AM

also by appointment

ADORATION: Thursday- 9:00AM to 6:30PM

BAPTISMS: Call the Parish Office

for an appointment

MARRIAGES: Please arrange six months

in advance.

ACTIVITIES

Adult Choir Altar Servers Children's Choir

CYO

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Youth Group

COMMITTEES

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Finance

Home and School Parish Council

Parish Social Ministry St. Augustine Society St. Joseph's Men's Group

St. Vincent de Paul Society



The local conference Board of the St. Vincent de Paul Society meets regularly, with prayer and spiritual reflection, at the Parish Office, where volunteers personally serve local persons in desperate circumstances by offering prayer, personal attention and financial help. Short-term gifts can be offered to assist with rent, utilities, food and clothing. If you are in need, please call Deacon Steven DeMartino at (914) 330-3727 to make a confidential request.





We joyfully announce the forthcoming celebration of the Sacrament of Marriage and ask for a remembrance in your prayers for:

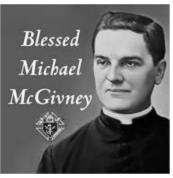
Ryan Bernard & Meaghan O'Leary ~ III Samuel Gissen & Leanna D'Agostino ~ II



The Christian Community of St. Augustine Parish would like to welcome with great joy those reborn by water and the Holy Spirit:

Wyatt Valentine Jandovitz on August 14th Scarlett Rose Castro on August 15th

May God who has begun this great work in you bring it to completion in the Kingdom of Heaven.



IN HONOR OF BLESSED MICHAEL MCGIVNEY

As we celebrated, for the first time, the Feast Day of Blessed Michael McGivney, the founder of the Knights of Columbus, on August 12, 2021, we will dedicate the tree at the new entrance to the Parish Hall in remembrance of the victims of Covid-19 and in thanksgiving for the heroic efforts of our parish's Knights of Columbus. Our

heartfelt thanks go out to all our Knights!



Our eternal thanks goes out to the Festival Committee, our army of volunteers, and all the parishioners who supported this year's 43rd Annual St. Augustine's Festival.

Due to covid restrictions, we held an abbreviated Festival this year, but we are proud to announce that we raised \$42,264 for our parish.

Again, thank you to all who made this possible!



MONDAY, AUGUST 16:

6:30 AM Rev. Fr. Michael Cedro 8:30 AM Duartina & Americo Costa

TUESDAY, AUGUST 17:

6:30 AM S. I. for Chris Slattery (Expectant Mother Care)

8:30 AM S. I. Carly & Dan Panagacos/

S.I. for Julia Montes' Birthday/Lorraine Babak

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 18:

6:30 AM Henry Schock

8:30 AM Barbara & Fritz Sohnlein/Charles Kurth

THURSDAY, AUGUST 19:

6:30 AM Amy & Thomas Kelly 8:30 AM Frank & Tracy Iovine

FRIDAY, AUGUST 20 (St. Bernard):

6:30 AM For a Special Intention 8:30 AM Sebastian & Leo Ramos

SATURDAY, AUGUST 21 (St. Pius X):

8:30 AM Pasquale Assalone/Joseph Lorenz

 $5:00\ PM \qquad \text{Bernard \& Ellen Sparano/Eustace \& Sullivan Families}$

SUNDAY, AUGUST 22:

8:00 AM Nancy Parise/Esterlina Tarrosa

10:00 AM For all of our Parishioners & Benefactors

Antonia Reyes

12:00 Noon Patrick & Rose Carty/Krystyna & Zygmunt Garbarski

6:00 PM Emilia Rosa (Martins) Direitnho



Sanctuary Lamp Memorials

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn the week of August 16 ~ 22 in Loving Memory of *Madeline & Benny Burns*.



Last week's Collection \$ 10,723 Average Weekly Collection from *WeShare* Users \$ 7,209 Last week's Total Weekly Collection \$ 17,932 Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa \$ 2,571



REGISTRATION for 2021-2022 Religious Education Classes is underway for students entering 1st grade through 7th grade in September.

If you are a parishioner enrolling a child for the first time, please call my office for a Registration Form. If you have any questions, please call Patricia Barbera at 941-6663.

POPE REFLECTS ON JESUS' WORDS: 'I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE'

"What does bread of life mean? We need bread to live. Those who are hungry do not ask for refined and expensive food, they ask for bread. Those who are unemployed do not ask for enormous wages, but the "bread" of employment. Jesus reveals himself as bread, that is, the essential, what is necessary for everyday life; without Him it does not work. Not one bread among many others, but the bread of life. In other words, without him, rather than living, we get by: because he alone nourishes the soul; he alone forgives us from that evil that we cannot overcome on our own; he alone makes us feel loved even if everyone else disappoints us; he alone gives us the strength to love and, he alone gives us the strength to forgive in difficulties; he alone gives that peace to the heart that it is searching for; he alone gives eternal life when life here on earth ends. He is the essential bread of life I am the bread of life. He says. Let us pause on this beautiful image of Jesus. He could have offered a rationale, a demonstration, but - we know -Jesus speaks in parables, and in this expression: "I am the bread of life", he truly sums up his entire being and mission. This will be seen completely at the end, at the Last Supper. Jesus knows that the Father is asking him not only to give food to people, but to give himself, to break himself, his own life, his own flesh, his own heart so that we might have life. These words of the Lord reawaken in us our amazement for the gift of the Eucharist. No one in this world, as much they might love another person, can make themselves become food for them. God did so, and does so, for us. Let us renew this amazement. Let us do so as we adore the Bread of Life, because adoration fills life with amazement. In the Gospel, however, rather than being amazed, the people are scandalized, they rend their clothing. They think: "We know this Jesus, we know his family. How can he say," I am the bread which came down from heaven'?" . Perhaps we too might be scandalized: it might make us more comfortable to have a God who stays in heaven without getting involved in our life, while we can manage matters here on earth. Instead, God became man to enter into the concrete reality of this world; to enter into our concrete reality, God became mand for me, for you, for all of us, in order to enter into our life. And He is interested in every aspect of our life. We can tell him about what we are feeling, our work, our day, our heartache, our anguish, so many things. We can tell Him everything because Jesus wants this intimacy with us. What does he not want? To be relegated to being considered a side dish – he who is Bread -, to be overlooked and set aside, or called on only when we need him. I am the bread of life. At least once a day we find ourselves eating together; perhaps in the evening with our family, after a day of work or study. It would be lovely, before breaking bread, to invite Jesus, the bread of Life, to ask him simply to bless what we have done and what we have failed to do. Let us invite him into our home; let us pray in a "homey" style. Jesus will be at the table with us and we will be fed by a greater love. May the Virgin Mary, in whom the Word became flesh, help us to grow day after day in friendship with Jesus, the bread of Life.'

MARY, MOST HOLY, PRAY FOR YOUNG PEOPLE TO ANSWER YOUR SON'S CALL!

O Virgin Mary, Mother of Jesus and Mother of the Church, to you we commend our young people, in particular those called to follow your Son as brothers, sisters, and priests. You know, O Mary, the struggles, doubts, and obstacles they must face. Assist them to answer Yes to the divine call, as you did at the invitation of the angel. Draw them near to your heart so that they can understand the joy that awaits them when they answer your Son's call to be witnesses of His love in the world.

SOUTH KOREA HONORS FATHER KAPAUN WITH COUNTRY'S HIGHEST MILITARY HONOR

WICHITA, KANSAS - The Catholic News Service reported that Father Emil Kapaun, a priest of the Wichita Diocese who laid down his life as a military chaplain during the Korean War, received South Korea's highest military decoration posthumously in Seoul. Ray Kapaun, Father Kapaun's nephew, accepted the Order of Military Merit on behalf his uncle, a candidate for sainthood, from President Moon Jae-in.

The award, South Korea's highest decoration for outstanding military service, was given to the "Jesus of the Korean War," as Father Kapaun is known, for his dedication to peace and freedom on the battlefields of Korea. It was presented on the 71st U.N. Forces Participation Day. Father Kapaun, who has the title "Servant of God," was ordained a priest for Wichita June 9, 1940. He served as a U.S. Army chaplain in World War II and the Korean War and held the rank of captain. He died in 1951 in a North Korean POW camp after heroically serving his fellow prisoners. His cause for canonization is now under consideration by the Vatican Congregation for Saints' Causes. "Under the extreme situation of being wounded and taken prisoner, Father Kapaun showed bravery of protecting freedom, peace and his belief," said Moon, according to a Korea Times story on the award presentation. "Also, he celebrated Mass to pray for the enemy, which was a true practice of love," said Moon, who is Catholic. He added the late priest's life "will become a great spiritual legacy for not only the U.S. and Korea but also for all of humanity." In March, Father Kapaun's remains were identified by the U.S. Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency from among nearly 800 unknown soldiers buried around 1956 in the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific in Honolulu. The transfer from North Korea was the result of the 1953 Korean Armistice Agreement.

His remains will be flown to Kansas after a Mass Sept. 23 in Honolulu's Cathedral Basilica of Our Lady of Peace. A vigil will be held the evening of Sept. 28 at Hartman Arena in Park City, Kansas, just outside Wichita. A morning funeral Mass will be celebrated at the arena the next day. Afterward the priest's remains will be entombed in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Wichita. Father Kapaun will be in front of the large crucifix in the east apse of the cathedral, which was moved closer to the wall to make room for Father Kapaun's tomb. The foundation originally under the cross is being reinforced for the 5,500-pound marble vault. "In addition to the liturgical events, we're working with officials to give Father Kapaun all the military honors and we're receiving a lot of RSVPs from all over the country from those in the military and lay faithful who wish to pay their respects." Scott Carter, coordinator of the Father Kapaun Guild, told The Catholic Advance, Wichita's diocesan newspaper. "It's going to be a momentous event." Diocesan officials are preparing for visits and pilgrimages to the cathedral after Father Kapaun's remains are entombed. "There are a lot of people excited to have him back," Carter said. "There is a lot of attention now nationally and internationally." In South Korea The Korea Times also reported that Moon said that Father Kapaun's "sacrifice and commitment" — and that of the others he honored the same day from 22 countries — "have become the pride of the Republic of Korea." Carter said a Catholic publishing company in Korea is republishing "The Story of Chaplain Kapaun: Patriot Priest of the Korean Conflict," published in 1954 by the late Msgr. Arthur Tonne. The book was translated into Korean by a South Korean cardinal when he was a seminarian.

In a 2013 White House ceremony, Father Kapaun was awarded the Medal of Honor posthumously for his heroic actions on the battlefield. It is the United States' highest military honor.



There will be NO meeting this Wednesday, August 18, for the Golden Eagles. On Tuesday, August 17th, we will be going to Aqua Turf Club in Connecticut for an afternoon of music, fun, and a lovely 3

course lunch. The bus will depart St. Augustine Senior Center at 9am. Questions or comments? We can be reached at golden.eagles@staugny.org or call us on the hotline at 914-923-2268.



"You Are Not Alone On Your Grief Journey ..."

St. Augustine Bereavement Support Groups continue to be conducted via Zoom twice monthly for individuals grieving the loss of a loved one.

A schedule of the Bereavement Support Groups include:

MONDAYS ~ 6:00 to 7:30 pm Westchester Addiction Bereavement Support Group

TUESDAYS ~ 6:00 to 7:30 pm Spousal/Partner Loss Bereavement Support Group

> THURSDAYS ~ 4:00 to 5:30 pm Covid-19 Bereavement Support Group

The Westchester Addiction Bereavement Support Group and the COVID-19 Loss Bereavement Support Group are sponsored by Catholic Charities of Orange, Sullivan & Ulster and its Parish Counseling Network program.

Group is a safe space to share & seek support. Members offer a caring, nonjudgmental presence as normal grief reactions & emotions are explored. The Group experience provides comfort on your grief journey towards hope & healing.

An intake interview is a prerequisite to attend Group. For more information, contact Gae Savino, LCSW, CT at (914) 391-5966 or ghsavino@aol.com. All faiths welcome. Individuals over 21+ are invited. No fees to attend.



RCIA CLASSES WILL BEGIN SOON...

Are you someone or do you know someone who...

- * has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
- * has a child over the age of seven who has not been baptized?
- * was baptized Catholic as a child but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?

At St. Augustine's, we offer an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharistic and Confirmation during the Easter season. You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights and your faith story in

a warm, accepting setting.

For more information, please contact Patricia Barbera at (914) 941-6663 or Deacon John Barbera.

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is not a program, it is a process for life that begins now.





Support the 2021 Appeal at Saint Augustine. Help us to reach our goal by giving today at cardinalsappeal.org/donate.

Your Cardinal's Appeal contributions are currently allowing 27 men to attend Saint Joseph's Seminary. Seminary, like any college, costs money — but seminarians are not eligible for the same types of financial aid that students in typical colleges are. Your dollars enable them to become the priests who will lead our parishes into the future. If you have not yet made your pledge to the Cardinal's Appeal, please make your commitment today. Remember, you can pledge your gift now and make payments in the coming months. To date, \$137,964 has been received from 202 donors. Please join them in order for us to meet our goal of \$178,500.

Be-Informed ~ **August 15th:** We hope you are enjoying the parish subscription to www.formed.org which gives parishioners and members of the community free 24/7 access to over 300 quality Catholic on line programs, 99+ movies, 101+ audios, & 98+ E-Books. Simply register with parish code www.MSJKWN and enjoy. Today is the Solemnity of The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Study: The Bible and the Virgin Mary, lesson 11: *The Assumption.* Listen to: *Answering Common Objections: Mary, Mary: Handmaid of the Lord,* or *The World's First Love.* Watch: *The Woman.* On the 18th Read: *St. Helen and the True Cross.*



25th & 50th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Couples who will be celebrating their 50th and 25th anniversary this year will be honored in our Parish on Sunday, October 3rd, during the 12:00 Noon Mass. If this year is your 25th or 50th Wedding Anniversary, please notify Joan Pires in the Parish Office (941-0067) as soon as possible.

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Our warmest welcome to all who celebrate with usWhether long-time residents or newly arrived in this parish, we thank God for you!
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