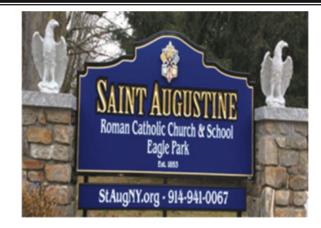
St. Augustine Parish

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AUGUST 20, 2023

REV. BRIAN T. McSWEENEY, PASTOR REV. JOHN FIGUEROA, PAROCHIAL VICAR REV. MATTHEW UGWOJI, IN RESIDENCE DEACON STEVEN A. DeMARTINO DEACON CLIFF C. CALANNI DEACON JOHN A. BARBERA DEACON JOSEPH L. SERVELLO

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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 ACTIVITIES

Adult Choir Altar Servers Children's Choir CYO Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Knights of Columbus Lectors Legion of Mary Scouts Boys/Girls Senior Center

COMMITTEES

Advocates for People with Special Needs Bereavement Support Group Cemetery Festival Planning Finance Home and School Midnight Run Social Ministry Parish Council

If you would like to make a one-time donation to our Church, please scan this QR code:



If you would like to join our Parish Monthly Giving Plan or to get more information, please scan this QR code; or log on to staugny.churchgiving.com; or call (877) 316-0260.





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.

PLEASE CONSIDER REMEMBERING ST. AUGUSTINE CHURCH IN YOUR WILL.



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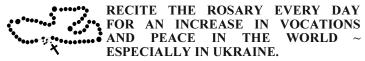


We continue to pray for those who are ill in our parish and ask Our Loving God to allow our prayers to lift them up in their continued illness. Please keep the following members of our parish family in prayer: Angela Ceparano, Finnegan & Autumn Fitzsimmons, Tom Johnson, Sharon Manzo, Barbara Boutross, Gertrude Pinckney, Maria Reynolds, Ellen Mitchell & Christopher Slattery.



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

Misael Garcia & Raquel Solis ~ III Christopher Berrisord & Emily Wheeler ~ I





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

Benjamin Phillip Drogan on August 20th Niko Antonio Campos on August 20th

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

There will be a brief informational meeting for all parents of boys aged 6 thru 10 who may be interested in joining Cub Scout Pack 49. Enrollment is open to all boys in our public and Parish schools. The meeting night is scheduled for Wednesday, August 30, in the Parish Hall at 7 PM.

If you have any questions, please call Jack Reilly at (914) 708-7985.



MONDAY, AUGUST 21 (St. Pius X): Jeanette Bello 6:30 AM 8:30 AM Patrick & Rose Carty TUESDAY, AUGUST 22 (The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary): 6:30 AM S. I. for Sr. Mary Raymond/S. I. for Susan Thye 8:30 AM Nancy Parise/Jo-Ann Cerussi WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 23: 6:30 AM S. I. for Annmarie & Rosemary Angiolino 8:30 AM Italia Santucci THURSDAY, AUGUST 24 (St. Bartholomew): 6:30 AM Elan Morsberger 8:30 AM Diane Pezzulich FRIDAY, AUGUST 25: S. I. for Merlyn Andrade 6:30 AM 8:30 AM Donald Cole/Eddie Blevins **SATURDAY, AUGUST 26:** 8:30 AM Catherine Corda/Regina Leary 5:00 PM Cyril McGinnis/Franco Cocucci **SUNDAY, AUGUST 27:** Shirley Perillo/Bridie Cardonne/Alberto Tolosa 8:00 AM 10:00 AM For all our Parishioners & Benefactors Carmela Santucci Margaret Daly/John DeGiorgio/Aura Maria Zelaya 12:00 PM Jo-Ann Cerussi/Henrietta Landrigan 6:00 PM



The Sanctuary Lamp will burn the week of August $21 \sim 27$ in loving memory of *James Berg.*



Last week's collection\$ 8,087Average Weekly Collection from WeShare Users\$ 7,882Last week's Total Weekly Collection\$ 15,969



Stay up to date with what is going on in our Parish by signing up for flocknote at **staugny.flocknote.com**. If you have not signed up for flocknote, you can also join via text to SAOSS to the short phone number 84576. If you do not have a smart phone and have not already signed up for flocknote, please get a Launch Card, which is on the table in the vestibule. Staying connected to us through email and text allows us to get important information to you when needed. Your information will be completely safe and secure and you can unsubscribe at any time. You may also receive important messages from the Archdiocese of New York for Catholics in our geographic area. However, the Archdiocese will not send you solicitations or requests for donation.

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

BAKLAVA IS MADE WITH 33 LAYERS OF DOUGH ~ FOR RELIGIOUS REASONS

The Ottoman Empire brought baklava to Greece. The Greeks gave it a particular twist, as a form of religious and cultural resistance.

The origins of baklava are uncertain. Its history is not at all well documented. Some ancient Greek desserts included in the famed Deipnosophistae ("The Dinner Experts," a 3rd-century-BC Greek text featuring classical recipes) might resemble baklava insofar as they're filled with nuts and honey, but lack the characteristic flakey dough. In its current form, food historians agree, baklava was most likely developed in the imperial kitchens of the Topkapi Palace in Constantinople - modern Istanbul. It is known that the Sultan presented trays of baklava to his Janissaries every 15th of the month of Ramadan, in a ceremonial procession. Baklava's arrival in Greece can be traced back to these imperial times. As the empire expanded its influence across the Middle East, the Balkans, and the Mediterranean, it brought with it the culinary traditions of the many territories it had already conquered, its imperial kitchens included. Baklava quickly became a popular sweet treat among both the royalty and commoners. The Ottomans ruled over Greece for centuries, introducing their culinary traditions, baklava included, to the region. As the Ottoman Empire reached its peak in the 16th and 17th centuries, baklava had firmly established itself in Greek cuisine. But then, the Greek gave it a particular twist – perhaps as a form of religious and cultural resistance. Typically, baklava is made with at least four layers of phyllo dough and two to three layers of nuts and syrup. Some more elaborate recipes call for up to 12 layers of phyllo dough and five or more layers of nuts and syrup. But Greek bakers and households make it with 33 dough layers, referring to the years of Jesus' life. Surely there are more changes to the traditional baklava recipe, incorporating local ingredients and regional variations. Today, Greek baklava is recognized for its use of honey and cinnamon, and a variety of nuts, such as walnuts and pistachios - but mainly because of its religious symbolism.



NEW YORK STATE EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS

As part of the National Eucharistic Revival, the bishops of the State of New York are hosting a state-wide Eucharistic Congress October 20-22, 2023 at the Shrine of Our Lady of the Martyrs in Auriesville, New York.

Featuring faith, fellowship, and Eucharistic Adoration, there will be music, talks, and more available at this historic event.

Tickets to the NYS Eucharistic Congress are being offered free of charge! Visit the website at <u>https://nyseucharisticcongress.org</u>for more information about the Eucharistic Congress and to register today.

The parish will reserve a bus for a Saturday, October 21 one day trip up and back if enough are interested. The plan would be to leave St. Augustine's at 6:00am arriving at about 8:30am to attend the day's events: Mass with Cardinal Dolan and other NY Bishops, inspiring talks, beautiful music and more. Then return the same evening. Please leave your name with the Parish Office if interested.



SAINT AUGUSTINE CEMETERY COLUMBARIUMS

Our cemetery recently added a second Columbarium for cremated remains. Our Columbariums are located by our shrine statue of Our Lady by Maryknoll Sister Marie Pierre Semler, titled the "Mother of the Thorn-Crowned". Each niche is designed to hold two urns. Please contact our Cemetery at (914) 941-6711 for more information.

A REMINDER FROM CARDINAL DOLAN ON CREMATION

While cremation is considered licit for Catholics, the reverent burial of the body is still the norm. If cremation is chosen, the remains of the deceased should still be present at the Funeral Mass, and *must then be interred in a cemetery, not kept on the mantle, or scattered on the golf course, or stored in a closet, or worn as a trinket. As the ritual of the Church is clear:*

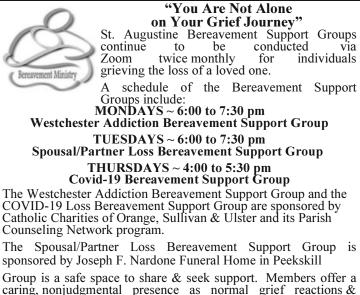
"The cremated remains of a body should be treated with the same respect given to the human body from which they come. This includes the use of a worthy vessel to contain the ashes, the manner in which they are carried, the care and attention to appropriate placement and transport, and the final disposition. The cremated remains should be buried in a grave or entombed in a mausoleum or columbarium. The practice of scattering cremated remains on the sea, from the air, or on the ground, or keeping cremated remains in the home of a relative or friend of the deceased are not the reverent disposition that the Church requires. Whenever possible, appropriate means for recording with dignity the memory of the deceased should be adopted, such as a plaque or stone which records the name of the deceased." (Order of Christian Funerals, Appendix No. 417)



We have beautified St. Augustine Cemetery by planting eight (8) Acer Rubrum – Red Sunset" trees in the new section. The trees are numbered for your convenience. Six of them have already been purchased.

If you are interested in memorializing a tree for a loved one, please complete the form that is on the table in the vestibule and return it to the Parish Office.

The cost will be \$2,500 per tree, which includes the bronze plaque. Payment can be made by check payable to: St. Augustine Church; credit card (please call the Parish Office for a Credit Card Payment Authorization form); or cash.



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

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



The Golden Eagles meet weekly on Wednesday mornings from 9:30 to 11 am in the parish hall. This Wednesday, August 23rd, Tony Musso, historian and author – "Setting

the Record Straight" - \$5 pay at door. The meeting will end at 11:15 am. Questions or comments? We can be reached at <u>golden.eagles@staugny.org</u> or on the hotline at 914-923-2268.



For information on our Religious Education classes for the 2023-2024 school year, please contact Patricia Barbera, our Coordinator of Religious Education, at (914) 941-6663.



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 at (914) 941-0067 X 102.

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

RCIA Inquiry Classes will be starting in September/October.

EMC FRONTLINE PREGNANCY CENTERS

Once again, the members of St. Augustine Parish have shown their wonderful generosity. The baby bottle drive netted $4,194 \sim 100\%$ of which goes to support the eight crisis pregnancy centers of Expectant Mother Care which are located near and sometimes in the same building as abortion centers. Thank you for your support, this truly makes a difference for mothers in crisis and their children.

Be-Informed ~ August 20th: We hope you are enjoying the parish subscription to <u>www.formed.org</u> 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 W3JKWN. Tuesday is The Memorial of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Study: Symbolon: Knowing the Faith, session 9: *Mary and the Saints;* The Bible and the Virgin Mary, lesson 7: *The Promised Mother*, or lesson 8: *Mother Crowned in Glory; Footprints of God: Mary;* or 33 Days to Morning Glory. Listen to: Mary, the Indispensable Mother of God or The World's First Love.



The Home & School has Gift Cards valid for purchases at Stop & Shop (\$25 & \$50 denominations) and ShopRite (\$20 & \$50 denominations). Cards can be purchased after the 8:00 am and 10:00 am weekend masses and in the school office from 9:00 am - 3:00 pm (cash or check ONLY). SAS reaps a small percentage (as a fundraiser) when you purchase the gift card. The cards make shopping easy for all or can be used as a gift!

Thank you for supporting St. Augustine School!

Mothers' Mount & Fathers' Court Stones

Commemorative stones to honor living or deceased fathers and/ or mothers are available for engraving with a donation of \$150 each. The stones are 10" x 8" x 3". Order forms are on the table in the vestibule.



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

If you are not registered, please fill out this form below and drop it into the Collection Basket or mail it to the Parish Office. Thank you.

Name:

Address: ______

Telephone:

____ Please send me a New Parishioner's Packet

____ Change of Address/Telephone Number

_ Moving, please remove our name from the Parish List.



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