Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 19, 2021

St. Augustine Catholic Church



4TH SUNDAY OF

Office Hours: Tuesday through Friday 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

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Our Mission Statement ...

"We, God's People of St. Augustine Parish, welcome All people to celebrate liturgies with us. As a spirit-filled Community, we are dedicated to the continuation of the mission of our Lord through Scripture, Sacrament and Service."

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Mass Schedule

 Saturday
 5:30 p.m.

 Sunday
 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

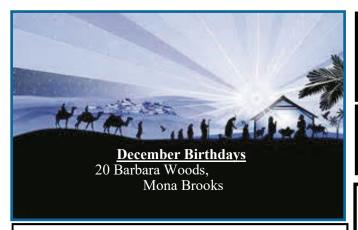
 (Spanish)
 7:00 p.m.

 Weekdays (Tues.-Fri.)
 12 noon

Holy Days 12 noon & 6:00 p.m. Confessions: Saturdays 4:30 p.m.-5:00p.m. and by appointment

Religious Education

September - May Wednesdays - 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Grades K-8



Spiritual Growth

The Living Rosary - If you, or someone you know, would like to be placed on the Living Rosary please contact Judy Busch at 541-614-0645 or jmbusch53@hotmail.com.

Holy Rosary is recited 30 minutes prior to Mass. "First" Friday Mass is Each Month at Noon followed by the Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament.

"First" Saturday Mass and Rosary of Reparation is Each Month at 8:30 am. Followed by St. Peregrine Healing Service.

Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament are on Fridays after the Noon Mass.

Spanish Mass is held every Sunday evening at 7 pm.

Centering Prayer Group meets at St. Augustine Church Mondays at 5:30 pm.

Pastoral Council Meetings are on the 3rd Tuesday of Jan., March, May, Sept, 6-7 pm.

Knights of Columbus meetings are the second Thursday of the month starting with the Rosary at 6:30pm Followed by the meeting at 7:00pm. The Finance Council meets on the 4th Tuesday of each quarter (January, April, June and October) at 6

Adult Education Classes meet on Mondays at 6 pm. The Altar Society meets on the first Tuesday of each month following the Noon Mass. Except for the months of June, July and August.

Sunday Offertory Collection Weekly donations needed to operate our church: \$3681,14 December 12, 2021 Regular Sunday Collection.....\$2180.50 Other donations.....\$2599.00 (Shortage)/Overage.....\$1098.36

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MASS INTENTIONS

Hundreds of local Catholics go to their parishes each week asking for Masses to be celebrated for special intentions. From urgent appeals for healing, to requests for blessings on a special birthday, to petitions for the peaceful repose of a deceased loved one, these intentions serve as a practical way of connecting the sacred liturgy with people's most heartfelt needs. It's a simple, familiar practice for many parishioners: Call the church office, drop it in the collection basket, and hear your intention announced at the pulpit. What some may not be aware of, however, are the deep historical roots behind Mass intentions and the many canonical laws that govern the beloved tradition.

MASS INTENTIONS Suggested Mass Stipend \$10

Mon. Dec. 20 No Service

Tues. Dec. 21 noon—†Joe Little Family

Wed. Dec.22 noon— †Lorenzo, Gloria, Suzanna

Thurs. Dec. 23 noon—†Joe Little Family

Fri. Dec. 24 -

5:30 pm—†Carl Williquette 11:45 pm—†Joe & Nita Miller

Sat. Dec. 25 —

10:00 am—†Dee Anderson

5:30 pm— †Frieda Van Altvorst Sun. Dec. 26—8:30 am— †Maria O'Brien

11:00 am— †Hartney & Evelyn Stickel

7:00 pm Spanish Mass— Parishioners/Guests

Fourth Sunday of Advent (12-19-2021)

Today, as we begin this fourth week of Advent, let us focus on the greatest gift that God has given to humanity over two thousand years ago: the gift of Jesus. Jesus comes as Savior of the world and as the majestic king – but also as the shepherd who cares deeply and personally for each one of us on our journey. Jesus is truly God's gift to all of us. The readings today give us much to reflect on about Jesus who is the Savior of the world.

In the first reading. Micah tells the Israelites that from Bethlehem shall come a ruler, whose origin is from of old, and he will stand firm and shepherd his flock, God's people. In the second reading, to the Hebrews, Paul writes that Christ said that he had come to do God's will and that all have been consecrated through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all. In the Gospel, Mary visits Elizabeth and the child in Elizabeth's womb leaps at the sound of Mary's voice. Elizabeth recognizes Mary's child who he is: the Son of God, the blessed fruit of Mary's womb.

We are assured throughout the readings about the greatness of Jesus: he is to be the ruler of Israel for all times, with greatness and majesty. God sanctifies these lowly and seemingly insignificant people. Through them, the Messiah is brought into the world for the salvation of all peoples. They share and demonstrate the joy and gratitude – even the infant, John. It is a joyful truth that we are invited to share the same joy. But Jesus is here in our midst and has given us the Holy Spirit to help us. The Season of Advent reminds us of the joyful anticipation of celebrating our Messiah's birth and of his second comina.

Like Mary and Elizabeth, we gather as a Christian family to share in this joyful anticipation. We can share our joys and triumphs, as well as our pains and difficulties. When we gather around this altar, we ask Jesus to be present in our midst to listen to our experience of life. Some of us gather around this altar with things to celebrate. Some of us gather around this altar to share our grief and sadness of our hearts. Some of us gather around this alter to participate in the Paschal Mystery of our faith.

As a faith-filled community, we are called to share Christ's body and blood and be strengthened by it, to embrace one another, to provide support, and most especially to share in the joy that Jesus is everything. Jesus is in our midst. Let us be glad and rejoice.

Father Joseph Sebasty

Weekly Readings

Monday, December 20, 2021 -First Reading: Isaiah 7:10-14

Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6

Gospel: Luke 1:26-38

Tuesday, December 21, 2021 -

First Reading: Song of or Zephaniah 3:14-18 Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21

Gospel: <u>Luke 1:39-45</u>

Wednesday, December 22, 2021 -First Reading: First Samuel 1:24-28

Responsorial Psalm: First Samuel 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8

Gospel: <u>Luke 1:46-56</u>

Thursday, December 23, 2021 -First Reading: Malachi 3:1-4, 23-24

Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14

Gospel: Luke 1:57-66

Friday, December 24, 2021 -

First Reading: Second Samuel 7:1-5, 8-11, 16 Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29

Gospel: Luke 1:67-79

Saturday, December 25, 2021 -

Readings for Mass at Dawn First Reading: Isaiah 62:11-12

Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 97:1, 6, 11-12

Second Reading: <u>Titus 3:4-7</u> Gospel: <u>Luke 2:15-20</u>

Readings for Mass during the day

First Reading: **Isaiah 52:7-10**

Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6

Second Reading: <u>Hebrews 1:1-6</u> Gospel: John 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14

Sunday, December 26, 2021 -

First Reading: Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14

Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 Second Reading: Colossians 3:12-21

Gospel: <u>Luke 2:41-52</u>

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