

St. Augustine Catholic Church

February 26, 2023



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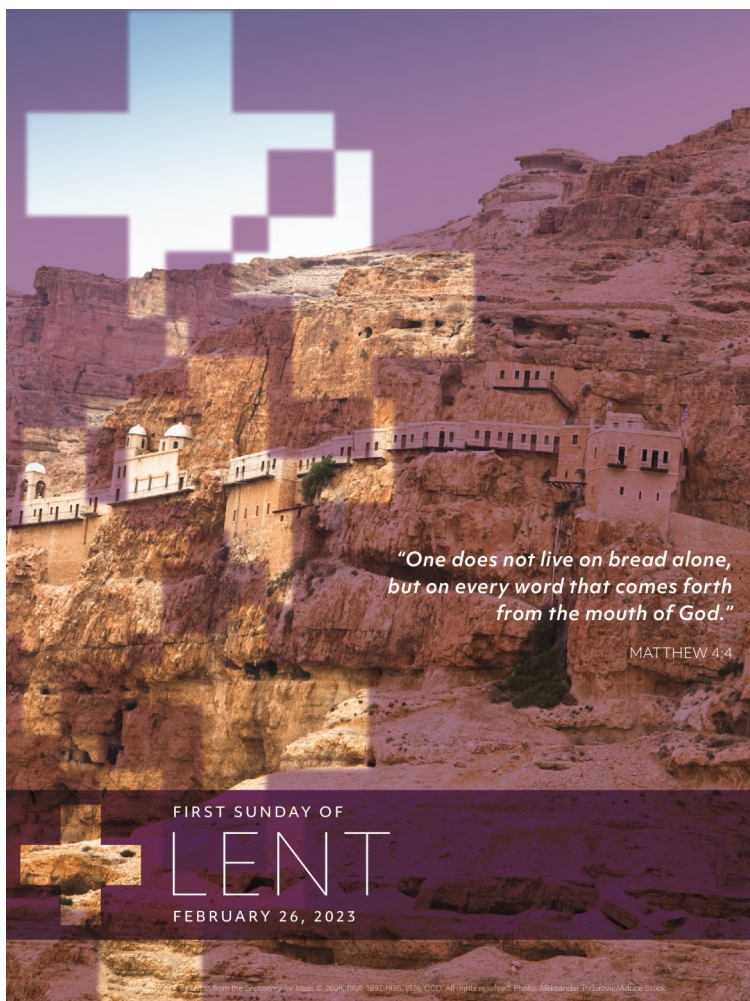
Welcome to Worship

on the Lord's Day

9:00 AM

Live Streamed 9:00 AM

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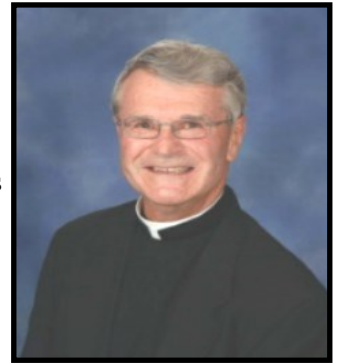
Dear Church Family,

We are finding out last Wednesday when we started Lent that we are ambassadors. That's a fancy term for one who brings good messages and information about what is going on in a country or organization in a very diplomatic, caring way. We are ambassadors for Christ with integrity as the gospel said, 'don't try to show off-- just do good deeds of fasting, alms giving, and prayer.'

We took our little pieces of papers, wrote on them, and burned them up. This symbol was a way of showing just how much we realize how blessed we are and how we want to try to do even better in loving the Lord. So, fill your life with some Lenten practices.

Today, in the Gospel we hear about temptation. We are all tempted with things that are not in our best interests but temptations are there. Sometimes temptations flow from deep emotions, like angry, lustful, evil, resentful thoughts and/or actions. So, we try to avoid temptation but sometimes it's hard to let them go. But we just have to let them go. So, you just have to try to avoid temptations and the near occasions of temptations. We need to be chaste and live a holy life as one who doesn't watch any pornography or do anything that is not of God. So, try to fill your days with Lenten practices so we can have a holy Lent.

Love, Father Bob



The More You Know: An Informed Catholic is a Well-formed Catholic

To gain a deeper understanding of the topic, follow the ACTS (*Adoration, Contrition, Thanksgiving, Supplication*) process and consider deeper reading and thinking about each topic using the appropriate, associated references. This is one small effort for Catholic Evangelization and Education. Always remind yourself of the Holy Trinity and of Christ's Redemption of our souls.

LENT

is a solemn reminder of human mortality and the need for reconciliation with God and marks the beginning of the penitential Lenten season observance of Christ's journey to Calvary for the salvation of our souls.

A Lenten Forty-Day Bible Rosary is available to help make this Lenten time more spiritually rewarding. This devotional aid is a compendium of the Gospel in the hope that it will give it fresh life and enkindle renewed interest in the Rosary's place within Christian spirituality. Pick up a copy in the back of the church.

Rice Bowls are available

One good deed encouraged during the Lenten season is almsgiving. The Catholic Relief Services (CRS) Rice Bowl is one way to bring Lent to life. Rice Bowls are available on the stairs at the altar or you may donate online at crsricebowl.org/donate. Your rice bowl may be turned in at the end of Lent.

The North City Deanery is hosting a *Eucharistic Revival* on **Saturday, April 29** at **10:30 a.m.**



A procession will begin at Sts. Teresa and Bridget and end at St. Alphonsus Ligouri "Rock".

Attendees are encouraged to park at the Rock and walk or ride shuttles to Sts. Teresa and Bridget. Refreshments will be served at the Rock following the procession.

The mission of the Eucharistic Revival is to renew the Church by enkindling a loving relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist.

Experience a Cursillo Weekend

What if you could spend a weekend that helps you experience your Catholic faith more fully and encourages you to engage in a spiritual life filled with love joy, and enthusiasm? You can by participating in a *Cursillo Weekend*.

The women's weekend recently concluded. **The Men's weekend is March 2-5, 2023** You may register at Cursillostl@wordpress.com. Look under the EVENTS tab. If you have questions about the upcoming weekends, contact Kim Reid or Simeon Layne.

Liturgy Note: MASS Time is GOD's Time. It is not Twitter, Face Book, TikTok, or any other social media platform time. Please turn off all cell phones until mass is concluded.

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*******Parish News*******

Join us Wednesday Evenings for Mass, 7:00 p.m.

Lent is a solemn reminder of human mortality and the need for reconciliation with God. During Lent, there will be Mass every Wednesday evening at **7:00 P.M.** in the church. You are encouraged to attend.

Black History Month Event today

You are invited to join a conversation of healing that will begin to repair the damage caused by discrimination. We will attempt to acknowledge and speak the truth about past wrongs and address present-day consequences for people, communities, and institutions. The conversations will take place in the church hall **after mass today Sunday, February 26.** Please join us for an opportunity to talk about the impact of discrimination and the need for love, justice, and healing. See Kim Reid or Carmen Charleston for more information.

A great Mardi Gras celebration!

The Mardi Gras party held last Sunday was a huge success with fellowship, games, prizes and great food! Thank you to the *Women of Faith* for this much needed social gathering of our parishioners.

Testimonial Dinner Tickets are available

Congratulation once again to the St. Charles Lwanga Center honorees. From St. Augustine the honorees are, *Simeon Layne, Bria McWoods and Rogerdreka Davis.* Tickets are available for the 39th Annual Testimonial Dinner and Auction on **Sunday, April 23.** Tickets, which are \$65, may be purchased after mass and in the coming weeks. Make checks payable to **St. Augustine Catholic Church.** If you are interested see Kim Reid. Raffle tickets may also be purchased from Kim for \$10 each.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to the following Parishioners celebrating Birthdays this week

Cora Williams March 1
Carmen Charleston March 2
Monica McClanahan March 3
Felicia Jones March 3
Cecilia Shipp-Anakwe March 5



**Your Gifts To God and Parish
*Sunday, February 19, 2023**

Sunday Envelope Budget \$5,424.00
Envelopes \$2,197.83
Loose 200.00
Total \$2,397.83



Usher Meeting today

All ushers are encouraged to attend today's usher meeting in the back of church immediately following Mass.

Lector Schedule—9:00 a.m.

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Lectors: Shirley Robinson
Prayers of the Faithful: Carmen Charleston
Altar Servers: Corliss Cox, Rogerdreka Davis, Mark Rhodes, Kiwele Rhodes
Crucifer: Derek Moore

March 5

Lectors: Kathy Beasley William Hines
Prayers of the Faithful: Robin King
Altar Servers: Corliss Cox, Rogerdreka Davis,
Crucifer: Derek Moore

Usher Schedule— 9:00 a.m.

1st and 3rd Sunday

Carolyn Brown
Yvonne Harris
Eleanor Hickerson
Leslie House
Aretha Jordan
Rochelle Love
Shirley McCleary
Luci Rucker

2nd and 4th Sunday

Jean Anderson
John Hodge
Bianca Jones
Sheryl Mangum
Stephanie Reed

Youth Ushers— 5th Sunday
All Ushers—Special Masses

Registration is open for Women's Conference

The Catholic Women for Christ conference will be held on **Saturday, March 11th.** Become inspired. Please register at catholicwomenforchrist.org or archstl.org

*****Please pray for our sick and shut-in*****

Eric Bergmann, Elaine Billups, Jeanne Birkenmeier, Geraldine Brown, Samvester Brown, Harold Cole, Ann Gettinger, Deacon Ed & Terri Grotper, Vivian Hartfield, Kenneth Hearndon, Hazel Hinton, Geraldine Johnson, Arsenia Kincaide, Fr. Gerry Kleba, Finley "Gabby" Martin, Maria Maxwell, Arline Mc Daniel, Emanuel McDaniel, Angela McKissic, Edna Renfroe, Henry Ross, Margaret Ross, Dorothy Sing, Vincent Taylor, Lillie Tuckson, Salome Turner, Marsha Wheeler, Harriett White, Lonnie White.

Pray for them that they will be healed.

REMEMBER "PRAYER CHANGES THINGS."

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In Loving Memory

ROBERT "BOBBY" ANDERSON, loving father of Robert Jr., nephew of *our own* Arsenia Kincade

MADLINE CLIPPER, Loving mother of *our own* Trish Manning, grandmother & great-grandmother of Michael, Kennedy, and Clara Rush

CARL N. BANKS, loving son of Pauline Cooper and Frank Banks, brother of Andre', Frank Jr, and Tonya

STANLEY G. BODY Jr., loving son of Sherisa Franks, brother of Jeff and 5 other siblings

JOHSALLE BOOTH, loving father of Jamesha and Jainaya, son of Marshel Candies and Larry Jawaun Booth, brother of Jawaun Jr., Osha, and Jaria, grandson of Josephine Booth,

FRANK BRIGGS, loving brother of Antoinette Briggs

DEIDRIC COOK, loving son of Deirere Willard and Billy Boone

BILL GRAY, loving husband of Dolores, father of Mike and Nancy, Gail and Paul Hemmann, and Lynn Weber

CHARLES GRAY, Jr., loving brother of Charlotte Gray-Caldwell and 5 other siblings

IESHA JACKSON, loving daughter of Glenda Robinson, mother of Elijah, Gabrielle, Jackson, Daviona, and one deceased son, sister of Tish, Henrietta, Marcell, Robin, and Jackson

MARGARET MAASSEN, loving mother of JoAnn, Dave, Kay, Kevin, and Rick

LARRY PEEBLES II, loving father of Kiriaye Peebles

KATHY ANN REED, loving mother of Shareba Collins and Vernon Reed

MARK WOODEN, loving brother of Cecelia Wooden

Our own **Deacon BOB BIRKENMAIER**, loving husband of Jeanne, father of two, faithful, ordained-servant of the archdiocese for 20 years.

Remember all of our departed loved ones

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK
February 27—March 5, 2023**

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday: Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32
Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12
Friday: Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26
Saturday: Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48
Sunday: Gn 12:1-4a; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; 2 Tm 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: First Sunday of Lent
Monday: St. Gregory of Narek;
Julian Calendar Lent begins
Friday: St. Katharine Drexel; Abstinence;
First Friday; World Day of Prayer
Saturday: St. Casimir; First Saturday

MASS & SACRAMENTS

Sunday: 9:00 a.m.
Live Streaming on YouTube—St. Augustine Catholic Church St. Louis MO
Monday-Friday: 8:00 a.m. (Rectory)
Saturday: 9:00 a.m. (Adoration)
Holy Days & Holidays: 9:00 a.m.
Baptism: Infants & Pre-Schoolers
Series of 3 classes for parents
(1) Baptism of Jesus
(2) Easter Sunday morning
(3) Feast of St. Augustine
Reconciliation: Anytime by Appointment
Matrimony: See priest 6 months before date.

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS & MONTHLY MEETINGS

Fr. Bob's Outreach-(Energy Assistance)
314-385-1934 ext. 3
Parish Council-1st Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.
Liturgy Committee-1st Monday at 6:00 p.m.
Finance Committee-3rd Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.
(No committee meetings held in July or August)
St. Vincent DePaul Society-2nd Saturday at 10:00 a.m. (No meetings held July & August)
Information for Bulletin Deadline: Monday, 9:30 am

***Please submit in writing or email
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