

# St. Augustine Catholic Church

June 11, 2023



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**Welcome to Worship**

**on the Lord's Day**

**9:00 AM**

**Live Streamed 9:00 AM**

**YouTube: St Augustine Catholic Church St Louis**

**As often as you  
eat this bread  
and drink the cup,  
you proclaim the  
death of the Lord  
until he comes.**

*1 Corinthians 11:26*



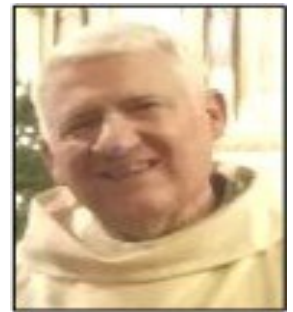
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## **The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ**

This Sunday we honor the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ. This past Thursday was the Feast of Corpus Christi. Were it not for the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Jesus, Heaven would still be closed to us. Today in the Gospel of St. John, Jesus is talking to His followers and telling them they must eat His body and drink His blood. This was certainly a shock to the people of His time and even today. He knew He was being followed by many gawkers and freeloaders, so He wanted only those who would accept Him as the Son of God.

Jesus said, "I am the living bread that came down from Heaven, whoever eats this bread will live forever, and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world". He was prophesying His own death and our participation in everlasting life through our acceptance of Him and the nourishing of our body and soul through His.



In the teachings of the Catholic Church, we are told that during the Holy Mass when the priest consecrates the bread and wine, it becomes the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ. We accept that on Faith. I have told you before that God has given me visions. I have seen the body of Jesus on the cross laying on the altar at the moment of consecration. God has shown me this many times. I know that because of His gift that when we receive the Holy Eucharist, we are truly receiving His body. In the prayers of Consecration, the priest says, "Let your Spirit come down upon these gifts and make them Holy, so that they may become for us the Body and Blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ." When we receive the Eucharist, we are filled with the light and spirit of Christ.

A former atheist tour guide in Croatia told Terry of her conversion to Catholicism. She had been a high-ranking member of the Communist party in Yugoslavia. She was kicked out because she felt their party should do more for its elderly members. She was without a job and no place to live when a tour company offered her a job leading tours to Medjugorje. On one occasion she was waiting for her group to come out of the Church of St. James in Medjugorje. She was tired and impatient and entered the church. When she entered, she saw the people in line, walking toward the altar. As they approached the priest they passed through a golden veil and received something from the priest. As they received it, their bodies from the waist up turned into a solid light. She was stunned and while she was standing there, she was approached by a middle-aged man in a tunic with a full beard. As her mind was wondering who he was, He said, "You have been seeking truth. I am Truth." He then showed her, her sins, and upon her expressing sorrow, He forgave them. She was infused with all knowledge and literally had a St. Paul moment. From that moment on her tour guiding became apostolic teaching.

Jesus is always present in the bread and wine after the consecration and He becomes one with us. God has fed us both literally and spiritually from the beginning. In our first reading from Deuteronomy, Moses talks about God granting the Jewish people manna on their journey out of Egypt. In the Book of Wisdom, manna is described as satisfying every taste conforming to the tastes of whoever was eating it at that moment. The manna is transformed into the taste each eater wishes. Jesus is our manna which we receive at communion. We each approach that moment seeking something different from Him. Manna was called Heavenly food, or the food of Angels. Just as Jesus said, He came down from Heaven. None of us know what our new Church experience will be. But we do know that it will be a Catholic mass and that we will receive the Body of Christ.

Our new pastor, Fr. Scott Scheiderer is a young priest of 7 years. He and Fr. Bob know each other well. Fr. Scott has asked to come to a North side parish and Fr. Bob has mentored him on occasions. Jesus, We Trust in You. Let us follow the Cross and it will lead us to Heaven.

Deacon Ed

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**\*\*\*\*\*Parish News\*\*\*\*\***

**Triple Trinity Congratulations to Miss Trinity Renee Kirk and Miss Trinity Marlene Rhodes** who received their First Holy Communion on *Trinity Sunday*. Continue to pray for them as they grow in Spirit, Mind, and Body in the Grace of God, Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit.

**Graduates** – The Church Family would like to recognize all students who are anticipating graduation this school year. Please provide the *graduate's name, school, and future plans* to the church office no later than today, **June 11**.

**Save the Dates: June 11, 17, and June 25, July 9, July 16**

Please join us on today, **Sunday June 11th** as we celebrate Simeon Layne, wish him well in his new pursuits and show our appreciation for his decades of service to our church family and our Lord!

**On June 17**, join the Archdiocese of St. Louis. At the second annual *Forgive Us Our Trespases* MAAFA Procession and prayer service from 9:00 a.m-12 Noon. The event commemorates the approximately two million lives lost during the Middle Passage of the Atlantic slave trade. The event begins at the Old Cathedral (209 Walnut St.) at 9:00 a.m. with a prayer service, followed by a one-mile procession to St. John the Apostle and Evangelist Church. A meal will be served following the procession.

**On June 25**, there will be a synodal listening session and discussion on the Role of Women in the Church at 11:30 a.m. More details will follow.

**On July 9th** we will celebrate the 31st anniversary for our St. Augustine Parish. Details will follow.

**On July 16** we will have a reception to bid Fr. Bob farewell and wish him many blessings in retirement. There will be a special Mass at 9:00 am followed by a reception from 1:00 to 4:00 pm at Phyllis Wheatley Heritage Center, 2711 Locust Ave. 63103

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY to the following Parishioners celebrating Birthdays this week**

- Robin Norman            June 11
- Rodney Norman        June 11
- Mark Rhodes, Jr.      June 11
- Cora Laws              June 14
- Dr. William Hines     June 16



**Lector Schedule—9:00 a.m.**

**June 11**

**Lectors:** Flora Cole                      Shirley Robinson  
**Prayers of the Faithful:** Elaine Williams  
**Altar Servers:** Corliss Cox, David Williams  
**Thurifer:** Rodgerdreka Davis    **Crucifer:** David Williams

**June 18**

**Lectors:** Michele Brown    Abe Lopez  
**Prayers of the Faithful:** Gillian Killingsworth  
**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  
Rochelle Love  
Shirley McCleary  
Luci Rucker

**2nd and 4th Sunday**

Jean Anderson  
Linda Hancock-Ross  
John Hodge  
Bianca Jones  
Aretha Jordan  
Sheryl Mangum  
Stephanie Reed

**Youth Ushers— 5th Sunday**

**All Ushers—Special Masses**

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

Jean Anderson, Eric Bergmann, Elaine Billups, Jeanne Birkenmeier, Geraldine Brown, Stacy Carter, Harold Cole, Ann Gettinger, Fr. Bob, Deacon Ed & Terri Grotpeter, Vivian Hartfield, Kenneth Hearndon, Hazel Hinton, Geraldine Johnson, Gillian (Cookie) Killingsworth, Arsenia Kincade, Fr. Gerry Kleba, Finley “Gabby” Martin, Maria Maxwell, Arline Mc Daniel, Emanuel McDaniel, Angela McKissic, Edna Renfro, Linda and Henry Ross, Margaret Ross, Dorothy Sing, Lillie Tuckson, Salome Turner, Marsha Wheeler, Harriett White, Lonnie White.

*Pray for them that they will be healed.*

**Your Gifts To God and Parish**

**\*Sunday, June 4, 2023\***

*Sunday Envelope Budget \$5,424.00*

Envelopes	\$2,150.18
Online	3,222.00
Loose	88.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$5,460.18</b>



**TRUE GRATITUDE**

Let us remember that, as much has been given us, much will be expected from us, and that true homage comes from the heart as well as from the lips, and shows itself in deeds. —Theodore Roosevelt

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## The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ



### In Loving Memory



**JOAN FELLING**, loving wife of Jim for 67 years,  
mother of seven

*Remember all of our departed loved ones*

### Lwanga Center restoration continues

Regular operations in the building on Carter Ave. housing the St. Charles Lwanga Center remain delayed due to ongoing restoration. More definitive direction is anticipated with the upcoming Archdiocesan wide pronouncements about the *All Things New* initiative.

### *All Things New –By the Numbers* (from *St. Louis Review*)

The Archdiocese of St. Louis will be reshaped from 178 parishes into 135 as part of the *All Things New* strategic pastoral planning initiative. Here's a look at other restructuring numbers.

- 35 parishes will be subsumed (or merged) into neighboring parishes.
- 15 parishes will be merged to create 5 new parishes (including St. Augustine)
- 1 new personal parish for the Spanish Speaking Community in St. Charles County will be established. The new parish will be named St. Juan Diego.
- 17 religious order priests and close to 90 diocesan priests will serve as pastors, with many of them serving more than one parish.
- 155 priests assignments

### SUICIDE PREVENTION STRATEGIES:

Suicide is a serious public health problem that causes immeasurable pain, suffering, and loss to individuals, families, and communities nationwide.

If you believe someone may be thinking about suicide: Call 911 if danger for self-harm seems imminent and/or Call SAMHSA's *National Suicide Prevention Lifeline* at 1-800-273-TALK(8255) and follow their guidance.

**LITURGY NOTE: MASS TIME IS GOD'S TIME. IT IS NOT TWITTER, FACE BOOK, TIKTOK, OR ANY OTHER social medial platform time.**  
Please turn off all cell phones until mass is concluded.

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK June 12-18, 2023

For this week's daily readings visit the website of *United States Conference of Catholic Bishops* at <https://bible.usccb.org>

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ  
(Corpus Christi)

Tuesday: St. Antony of Padua

Wednesday: Flag Day

Friday: The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

Saturday: The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed  
Virgin Mary

### 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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**Faith** is taking the first step even when you don't see the whole staircase. - **Martin Luther King, Jr.**