



*“The mission of St. Augustine of Canterbury parish is to grow closer to Christ and one another through worship, prayer, learning and service, and to dedicate our lives to serving Christ in the world through the power of the Holy Spirit.”*

## A New Way to Serve Our Local Community!

This fall St. Augustine’s will launch a new hands-on Outreach initiative designed to serve the underserved in our local community. “St. Augustine Serves” Outreach team will be a new ministry of our parish, building a culture of hands-on service within our church and around our county. As a group, we will strive to raise our own personal awareness of the role of Christian service in our faith journey through education, group discussion, and reflection, and actively pursue small-group service opportunities, serving in teams and in partnership with our current Outreach partners. This new ministry will place a high value on the fellowship inherent in the work we do, as we shine a bright light on St. Augustine Church as a result of our community volunteer efforts.



Are you looking for ways to get engaged in our community with smaller, short-term commitments, and an opportunity to work closely with some wonderful people? [Join St. Augustine Serves!](#) Our new ministry is designed to respond to community needs, such as mentoring youth, sorting donated food or clothes, supporting resource drives, or helping to grow food for the hungry. Once a week, once a month ... You choose the projects that fit your schedule, and fit your need to serve. Find new purpose in serving those in need! Look for these upcoming opportunities to serve ...

## International Coastal Cleanup Day

On **Saturday, September 16 at 9 am**, the St. Augustine Serves team will meet at Riverside Park for the annual Coastal Cleanup Day. Come join us as we engage in creation care to beautify our God-given waterway. There will be a St. Augustine Serves tee shirt waiting for you! Please contact [Barbara McGowan](#) to sign up.

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## An Invitation from the Episcopal Church Women

***"We aspire to be a God spark - shining and sharing the love of Christ."***

Please join us **Saturday, September 16**, as we embark on a new season of our annual spiritual journey as Episcopal Church Women. **Wear Red!** Come share Holy Eucharist with us at **12 pm** with Fr. Wes Shields as our celebrant. Come sing with us! Tom will be there to accompany us. Lunch will follow with an informative and invigorating panel of ministry leaders to explain their services, so that we might consider where we can share our time, talent, and treasure in our church. Are you a "God spark?" **Please note that the service begins at 12 pm.** Bring a fellow parishioner, neighbor and/or friend! Please sign up in the Narthex for the luncheon count. Contact: [Carol Paris](#)



## September POPS Fund Campaign

St. Augustine's is so blessed to have the POPS Fund, established by an anonymous donor who donates \$10,000 annually. This donor is willing to contribute an additional \$5,000, provided that parish contributions match that amount. This fund provides critical support to local outreach organizations to carry out their charitable missions, empowering them to purchase needed equipment, make repairs, and support capital expenditures, often on an emergency basis. We greatly appreciate any donation you can give. Help show our generous donor how important this funding is to our parish. Pick up your "POPS" envelopes in the Narthex or send your check directly to the Parish Office. Please be sure to write "POPS Fund" on the check. Questions? Contact: [Dana Johnson](#)





## An Invitation to Join the Choir

The choir of St. Augustine is recruiting new members for all sections. This is a good time to join the choir, as Thursday rehearsals begin for the fall on August 31. There is plenty of time for new members to settle in before Advent and Christmas. The choir sings at the 10 am Choral Eucharist every Sunday morning throughout the year, and on various Holy Days. The ability to read music is not required, nor is previous choir experience necessary. If you have questions about any aspect of choir singing, or concerns about the choir schedule, please speak with Tom Hall in person or reach him by telephone at 772-770-3494 or by [email](#). And don't forget to tell your friends about the choir at St. Augustine!

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Find these and all our upcoming events at ...

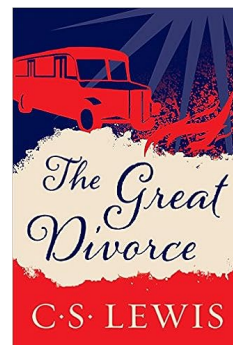
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## Looking to Deepen Your Faith?

### Sunday Morning Christian Education starts September 10!

On **Sunday mornings at 9 am** in the Library, and running through October 1, we will engage in a book study on "The Great Divorce" by C.S. Lewis. We will do four chapters a week, the first two weeks; and then three chapters, the last two weeks. You can buy this book on [Amazon](#).

**What is "The Great Divorce?"** George MacDonald describes it as "a theological fantasy of an imaginary bus trip from Hell to the foothills of Heaven, where the ghosts of Hell meet the spirits of Heaven. This companion to 'The Screwtape Letters' explores how our pride and self-will act to separate us from God. No, there is no escape. There is no Heaven with a little of Hell in it - no plan to retain this or that of the devil in our hearts or our pockets. Out Satan must go, every hair and feather."

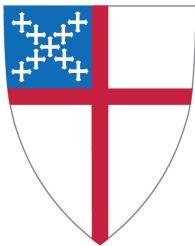


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## Sunday School

St. Augustine's Sunday School meets on all but the first Sunday of the month, during the 10 am service. Children in Kindergarten through 6th grade gather in our classrooms down past the Old Parish Hall, in the education wing of the church. On the first Sunday of the month, kids (who are willing and trained) may serve on the altar, and eventually as readers, ushers, etc. If you have kids, grandkids, neighbors, or anyone that might be interested in Sunday School, please call or text ministry leader [Linda Jones](#) at 772.538.9826. If they would like to help serve on the 1st Sunday, please contact [Fr. Wes](#).

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## Safeguarding our Children

Safeguarding God's Children is a two-hour training program provided by The Episcopal Church for the prevention of sexual abuse of children and youth. The program provides participants with information they need to protect the children they know and care for in their personal lives and in the ministries in which they serve.

While this course is required for anyone working directly with children at the church, including our Sunday School teachers, St. Augustine's is making this program available to any parishioner interested in taking it. Jesus Christ calls us to loving relationships that are healthy and helpful to each other. In our ministry with children and youth, every child, youth and adult deserves to be treated as Jesus would treat them, that is, with love, respect and kindness. If you are interested in pursuing this program, please contact [Laura Shields](#).

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## Where Do You Find God?

*Five weeks of spiritual armchair adventures! Who knows where the Holy Spirit will move us next? Many thanks for your feedback and encouragement during this journey. Please keep your own personal adventure stories coming. We would love to hear about them!*



## Finding God in Service

*Shared by Sally Munson*

Serving on the Altar is an honor for me and a time when I feel close with God. When I look out at all the beautiful faces worshipping together, I feel it. Reading the Prayers of the People, I feel it. Listening to all the voices joyously singing, I feel it. God's presence surrounds us all as we hear the Word



and receive the Sacraments. Most of all, I see His Grace in your eyes as you come to the Altar to humbly receive the Gifts of God for the people of God. I see God when I am visiting people or participating in a support group ... I see God in HIS people.

### ***Do Share!***

Please think about the expected or unexpected places where you have found God in your travels at home or far away, and share them! **Please drop a note or a photo, or both to share in this space.**

**[SUBMIT HERE:](#)** Where Do You Find God?

## ***Health & Wellness***

### **Monthly Blood Pressure Screening**

Come have your blood pressure checked by our RN's on **Sunday, September 24 after the 8 am and 10 am services** (or any last Sunday of the month) in the Parish Hall.



### **"Ask the Dietician"**

The Health and Wellness Team will also have an "Ask The Dietician" session **after the 10 am service Sunday, September 24**. Church members will have the opportunity to speak one-on-one with Phillippa Norman, MS, RD/LD and ask questions about nutritional wellness. We will discuss how nutrition plays a vital role in managing chronic diseases and improving quality of life.

Education informational will be provided. Ministry contact: [Sally Munson](#)

## ***Outreach***

### **Salvation Army Food Contributions**

*Shared by Lew Gyn*

Total of 87 pounds this week! Great timing too, as today we had ZERO PB left, no sauce, and just a few pounds of pasta! Maybe we can't feed everybody, but those we can feed certainly do appreciate the difference we make. Thanks and thanks again.

Food contributions for the Salvation Army may be placed in the collection box in the Parish Hall. **We only accept three items: pasta, spaghetti sauce and peanut butter (at their request).** Thank you for your generosity in helping to serve local Vero residents in need.

Ministry contact: [Stuart Weismiller](#)



We are only collecting these items at this time.  
Thank you!

### **FOOD COLLECTION**

**Please donate:**

**Pasta**

**Spaghetti Sauce**

**Peanut Butter**

## ***Join us this Week for ...***

### Morning Prayer | Daily at 8 am

Join in on [Daily Morning Prayer](#) services over the telephone. Simply dial (339) 209-4611 before 8 am, Monday through Friday to participate. The service is easy to follow and is about 20 minutes long. Newcomers, please see the [Online Instructions](#) to set up the Daily Office App. [Launch the Daily Office App>](#)



**Parish Prayer Group | Mondays at 1:30 pm | Christian Ed wing**

**Prayer Shawl & Knitting Ministry | Tuesdays, 1 - 3 pm | Parish Library**

**Healing Eucharist | Wednesdays at 10 am | Sanctuary**

**Bible Study with Fr. Wes | Wednesdays at 11 am | Parish Library**

WHAT WOMEN ARE  
WEARING TO CHURCH  
THESE DAYS



The Daughters of the King want to help  
you deepen your relationship with God.  
Ask any one of us who wear the cross.

Next Meeting:  
Sat., Sept. 23, 10 am in the Parish Hall

## This Sunday!

*Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it."*

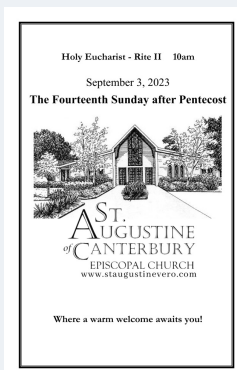
MATTHEW 16:24-25

### Come Worship with us this Sunday!

St. Augustine of Canterbury invites you to join us for worship in person or at home this **Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost**. [Watch our Livestreamed service](#) online anytime during the week. Interested in receiving Home Communion? Just call the church office (772-770-3494) and ask to be put on the Home Communion list.

[Worship Schedule>](#)

[Download the Bulletin>](#)



### Technical Difficulties

Sincere apologies to our online viewers for the technical difficulties we have been experiencing with our Livestreaming. We are working hard to update our technology to solve these issues and ask for your patience. Know that you can

always go to our [YouTube channel](#) and watch a recording of the Sunday Service. They are usually posted by Sunday at 5 pm. Please email your questions or concerns to [Barbara McGowan](#).

### ***Sunday Morning Fellowship***

Please come join us Sundays for Coffee Hour after the 8 am and 10 am services in the Parish Hall. Enjoy the fellowship of your fellow parishioners. You never know who you might meet!

### **Readers and Servers**

This week's Readers and Servers will be ...

#### **Saturday, 5:30 pm**

Lessons: Carolyn Robinson

Psalm & Prayers of the People: Carolyn Robinson

Chalice Bearer: Carolyn Robinson

#### **Sunday, 8 am**

Lessons: Kate Schmidt

Psalm & Prayers of the People: Kate Schmidt

Chalice Bearer: Kate Schmidt

#### **Sunday, 10 am**

Lessons: Deb Kavanagh

Prayers of the People: Marolyn Findlay

Chalice Bearers: Emma & Cody Shields

Lay Eucharistic Minister: Nancy Kelly

Crucifer: Tucker Shields

Torches: Julianna & Jack Guancione

Ushers: Jo Stewart, Jackie Davis, Maggie Daniels

Livestream: Laura Shields

## ***News & Notes***



### ***Raising the Roof!***

With all the wild rain we have had lately, how wonderful it is to have a new roof over our heads! The construction was an arduous process that was spearheaded by Steve Connell. There were four bids, each requiring comprehensive review, discussion among the vestry, questions back-and-forth to the vendors, and final discernment. Total Roofing was selected in part because they actually manufactured the roof panels onsite rather than depend

on suppliers. They also had sufficient manpower to do the job quickly. On the first day there were over a dozen workers on site. Wouldn't you know that pulling all the old roof off unfortunately coincided with some of our record rainfall, requiring the staff to break out the buckets to catch water stemming from a host of new leaks. It also required the replacement of over 60 ceiling tiles.

**Show your thanks for this monumental effort by sending in a contribution to the Roof Fund today!** To date, the total amount of contributions is \$174,478, with 28 contributors and donations ranging from \$5 to over \$30,000, all of which were gratefully received.

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### *In Memoriam*

A Memorial Service for Shelba Bobet will be held on **Saturday, Sept. 9 at 2:30 pm**, with a reception following in the Parish Hall. The parish is invited to attend. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

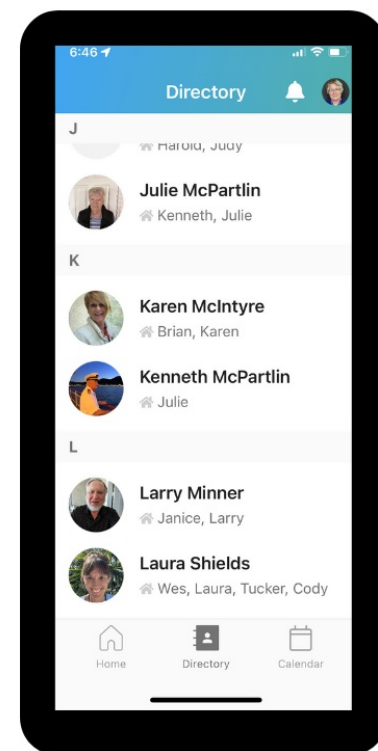


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### *Wha-a-a-t? Your Picture Isn't in the Church Directory?!*

Over 160 Parishioners are now using our Church Directory and counting! But many have not taken advantage of including a picture with their profile. Here's how you do it, easy as 1-2-3!

1. Launch Church Center on your phone or computer, and click on the circle in the top, right of your screen.
2. Click on "My Profile & Settings," and then "Contact & profile information. Then click on "Add Photo." You will be given the option to take a photo or choose one from your photo library. Once you complete this step, the image will appear at top. Click "update."
3. One last step ... Go back to "Profile & Settings" and click on "Directory Profile." Click next to "Include profile photo" and this will publish it to the directory.



**Piece of cake, right?** Maybe not ... If you still need some help, please come to **Coffee Hour on Sunday, Sept. 3 at 11 am in the Parish Hall** and see me at the Tech Help Table. I'd be happy to take your picture and help you get it uploaded.

If you haven't installed Church Center yet, no problem. It is easy to install.

[Just follow these simple instructions>](#)

See you in Church Center! Questions? Contact: [Barbara McGowan](#)

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## ***Office Closure on Labor Day***

The St. Augustine parish office will be closed **Monday, Sept. 4** in observation of the Labor Day holiday. All church activities will be suspended that day.



## ***Flower Requests: Remembering our Loved Ones***

Would you like to make a flower request to remember a loved one? Flower request envelopes may be found in the brochure rack on the wall in the Narthex. Please submit your completed form and contribution to the parish office. Questions? Contact: [Dana Johnson](#)

## ***Upcoming Events***

### ***Mark Your Calendars! Be Sure to Save these Dates ...***

- **Monday, Sept. 4** - Office Closure/Labor Day
- **Saturday, Sept. 16** - ECW Opening Luncheon, 12 pm, Sanctuary
- **Saturday, Sept. 16** - Coastal Cleanup Day, 9 am, Riverside Park
- **Tuesday, Sept. 19** - Men's Breakfast, 9 am, CJ Cannon's
- **Sunday, Sept. 24** - Monthly Blood Pressure Screening, 9 am/11 am, Parish Hall
- **Sunday, Sept. 24** - "Ask the Dietician," 11 am, Parish Hall
- **Tuesday, Sept. 26** - Caregiver's Support Group, 2 pm, Library
- **Wednesday, Sept. 27** - Parish Potluck, 5:30 pm, Parish Hall

Find these events and more on our St. Augustine's church calendar ...

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## ***Useful Links***

- [Daughters of the King Prayer List](#)
- [Morning Prayer](#) info and downloads
- [Livestream Services](#)
- [St. Augustine's Facebook Page](#)
- [St. Augustine's YouTube Channel](#) To subscribe: Sign in to YouTube on your computer. Go to [St. Augustine's YouTube channel](#) and select a video to play. Click "Subscribe" under the play window.

# Please Keep in Your Prayers

**Please pray for ...** all who are affected by violence, and those impacted by natural disasters. We also pray for Amira, Michael, Janice, Edwin, Emma, Melanie, Craig, Gary, Melissa, Arden, Carol, Eleanor, Laura, Fawn, Patricia, Niza, Jacinth, Joanne, Andy, Gerry, Ronald, and Gayle.

## **Parish Prayer List Reminder!**

*The Parish Prayer List names are reviewed on a monthly basis. Names remain on the list as long as the Office is aware that they are to remain. Names of those we have not received updates are removed from the list unless the parish office is otherwise notified. Please let us know who is in the hospital and who is deceased. Contact: [Dana Johnson](#) at 772-770-3494.*

## **This Week, We Celebrate**

### **Birthdays**

03 - Aileen Hoguet  
04 - Serina Kratz  
04 - Meghan Berggren  
05 - William Shield  
06 - Kate Schmidt  
07 - Larry Minner  
08 - Mo Connell  
08 - June Piper

### **Anniversaries**

None this week

## **This Week, We Remember**

### **Departed**

04 - Herbert Grandage, III (2010)



## **Parish Directory**

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