



“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.”



Now if you are unwilling to serve the Lord, choose this day whom you will serve. As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord.

JOSHUA 24:15

Stewardship Campaign 2026!

On **Sunday, November 2**, St. Augustine's begins its 2026 Stewardship Campaign—a time to pause, reflect, and give thanks for the many blessings God has shared with us. Together, as a community of faith, we continue to answer His call and support the work we are called to do.

Stewardship packets will be available in the Narthex at all three services. If you are unable to pick up your stewardship packets this weekend, you will receive it by mail next week. If you don't receive one, you may request one from the parish office. **Sunday, November 16th is the date by which we ask you to submit your pledge cards to the parish office.** If you prefer, you can [pledge online](#)

This week, find inspiration in the story of one of our own, **Valerie Reich**, as she shares what Stewardship means to her.



Twenty-First Sunday After Pentecost

Stewardship Sunday



“USE IT OR LOSE IT!”

“Use it or Lose it!”

Have you ever heard the saying “The rich get richer and the poor get poorer?” Seems unfair, right? Yet, when we don’t use what we have, it becomes wasted and is as if we never had it. We have all also heard the expression “*Use it or lose it!*” How many times have we stopped an activity, no longer utilized an outlet for expressing a talent, or had simply gotten lazy and refrained from “practice”? Usually, we will find that when we try to resume that activity, our skills are rusty at best or even non-existent at worst. It takes that much longer to get ourselves back to the place where we can do the activity again with the same level of competence at which we were able to do it before.

We can even hoard things, just because they “might” be useful one day. The result is clutter which can render movement impossible. This also happens when food in the refrigerator spoils, because we were waiting for exactly the right time to use it. The end result in both cases is a resource wasted.

But what does all of this have to do with this week’s Gospel lesson? Jesus is telling a parable about those who freely use what they have been given, and those who hoard what tiny little bit they have and do nothing, rendering it useless. On the surface it looks very unfair, since the person who had the least got what he had taken away from him, and the people who had the most got a lot more! But, let’s take a closer look at the servant who was fearful and was also classified as “lazy and wicked” (Matthew 25:29). First, that servant was controlled by his fear, and renders his resource useless by taking the easiest action possible by burying it in the ground. Then he insults the Master! At that point, the Master takes it back and gives it to the servant who had the most and was able to extract the highest value for the resource.

This week is all about “stewardship” and how we as servants are “stewarding” what we have been given. How many times have we fearfully held on to what little bit we have had, afraid that there will never be any more and sabotaged ourselves in the process? How many times have we said, “if I had just” (fill in the blank) and would have had so much more? How many times have we wasted our time, opportunities, potentials in seed form, and countless chances to allow God to direct our financial life?

This week, as we concentrate on Stewardship for our church, let us also examine the ways that we steward all of our resources, whether it be money or possessions, our abilities and talents, and even our relationships with our families or others. What changes can we make that will truly maximize the use of our resources and allow God to direct that process by how we give?



Upcoming Events



We're on a Mission

to...

Rise
AGAINST HUNGER
food • community • sustainability

Rise Against Hunger This Saturday, November 1

St. Augustine of Canterbury continues its partnership with Rise Against Hunger to help end world hunger by 2030 and you are invited to participate!

Rise Against Hunger is an international hunger relief organization that distributes food and life-changing aid to the world's most vulnerable, mobilizing the necessary resources to yes, end hunger by 2030.

St. Augustine parishioners, friends and neighbors are asked to help Rise Against Hunger pack 10,000 meals in two hours on Saturday, November 1 at 10 am in the Parish Hall. Families are welcome, children below fifth grade must be accompanied by an adult.

Spaces are still available! Even if you not signed up, please come and participate in this very worthwhile cause.



[Find out more about Rise Against Hunger](#)
Ministry contact: [Tony Tulumello](#)

The 33rd Annual



"Breaking bread together for the homeless"

SAVE THE DATE!

**Thursday,
November 6**

at 11:30 am

Please Join Us
in the Parish Hall !

Samaritan Soup Bowl 2025

On this day we come together for a light meal to experience the feeling of going without, and to raise funds for the Samaritan Center, so others may eat.

Please join us next Thursday, November 6 at 11:30 am in the Parish Hall. Soup, bread and a cookie will be served for a donation of \$5. A selection of hand-crafted soup bowls will also be sold for \$20. All proceeds go to sustaining the Samaritan Center's mission to provide transitional support to homeless families.

For more information, please contact [Tony Tulumello](#) or call Catholic Charities' Samaritan Center at 772-770-3039.



St. Augustine Serves at Shining Light Garden

Come join us at a truly inspiring place where we plant, weed and harvest vegetables for our neighbors in need, distributed via local food pantries, soup kitchens, homeless shelters, and other assistance programs throughout Indian River County. Our next service dates are Saturdays, November 8 and 22.

Like to get involved? Please contact [Barbara McGowan](#)



Episcopal Church Women

**"We aspire to be a Godspark -
shining and sharing the love of Christ!"**

In our parish we offer fellowship and hospitality by reaching out to people in need and serving in our church ministries.

We are part of a Christian foundation started in 1871 at the National level and are in Province IV in the Diocese of Central Florida, located in the SE Deanery. Please check the weekly Canterbury Tales and the parish Facebook or contact Pam Wehrberger, ECW President, for events and ongoing information at gran459495@aol.com



Join ECW for Protecting Oneself and Others, Part 2

Next Saturday, Nov 8th at 12 pm in the Parish Hall

We are delighted to invite you to Noon Day Prayer and Part 2 of an exciting series titled "Protecting Ourselves and Others", an initiative dedicated to fostering a safe and resilient community. This meaningful gathering is designed to equip individuals with the knowledge and tools needed to safeguard not only themselves but also those around them.

For "Part 2" of this series, **Steve Connell** will be our Guest Speaker and will present **"*Getting Along with your HOA*"**.

By attending this workshop you will:

- Gain valuable information regarding HOAs
- Learn how to interact and get along with your HOA board

Noon Day Prayer will begin at Noon, followed by a "Baked Potato Bar" and then Steve will give his presentation.

Gentlemen, You Are Invited!!!

Due to the nature of this topic we are inviting you to come to this event and learn how to "Get Along with your HOA".

Any questions, please contact Pam Wehrberger at gran459495@aol.com.



DOK Discernment Classes Next Saturday!

The Daughters of the King will be having Discernment Classes **Saturdays, November 8 & 15** at 10 am in the Library. **Please sign up in the Narthex!**

Any woman who is interested in joining our Order is welcome. In the meantime, if you would like more information about who we are and what we do, please contact Nancy Kelly 772-559-3271, or seek out anyone of us who wears the Cross of the Order.

Common Table Kickoff 2025!



New Groups are Forming for Common Table!

Join us **Wednesday, Nov. 12 at 5:30 pm** in the Parish Hall for our Common Table Kickoff! Common table groups are a great way to get to know your fellow parishioners, especially those you don't know. Common Table groups of 6 - 8 persons are randomly formed at the initial Common Table Kickoff Potluck Supper and plans are then made for monthly meetings at members' homes, local restaurants or other fun venues. Groups meet for 5-6 months, and then new groups are created.

No sign up necessary! Just bring a dish to share and join in the fellowship and fun. Questions? Contact: [John Robinson](mailto:rjlr6@aol.com) at rjlr6@aol.com



Thursday, November 27

*Thanksgiving
Dinner*

2 pm in the Parish Hall

Please join us Thanksgiving Day for Dinner!

Dinner will be served at 2 pm on Thanksgiving Day.

Please bring your favorite Thanksgiving-type sides (like mashed potatoes) and desserts! The church will provide the turkey, gravy, cranberry sauce, and non-alcoholic drinks.

Please sign up in the Narthex. Questions? Contact the [office](#).



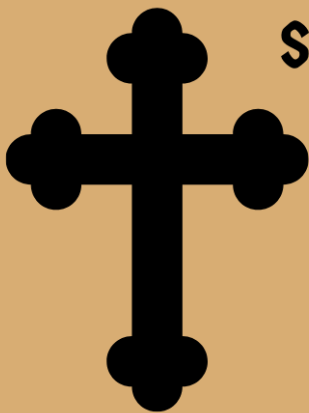
Help "Clean-Up" Afterward!

As we are all aware, many hands make light work, and pitching in after dinner makes for a pleasant time for all. If you are moved, please contact [Beth Weatherstone](#) if you would like to join or just help the "Clean-up Crew" for this event.

Find these and all our upcoming events at ...

Calendar

Looking to Deepen Your Faith?



St. Augustine's Newcomers Class

Sundays in the Parish Library at 9:00 a.m.

November 2nd: What is Liturgy?

November 9th: What is Baptism and Eucharist?

November 16th: Life in the Holy Spirit

November 23rd: Belonging at St. Augustine's

Newcomer's Class Is Now In Session!

Come check us out at our **Adult Education Newcomers Class on Sunday mornings at 9:00 a.m. in the Parish Library**. We will be talking about the Christian story by looking at the big picture story of the Old and New testament. We will talk about what liturgy is and what makes the liturgy of the Episcopal Church unique. We will discuss the sacraments of Baptism and Eucharist and why they are important. And finally, we will discuss how the Christian life is a life lived in the power of the Holy Spirit and what it looks like to belong at St. Augustine's. We hope you can make it!



Evening Bible Study

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Please come to our Evening Bible Study! We will meet **weekly on Tuesday evenings at 6:30pm in the library** and the study will last about an hour. Over the course of the fall we will be going through Paul's letter to the Romans. We are happy to be able to offer this opportunity for people who have expressed interest in an evening bible study in the past. If you have any questions please contact [Fr. Tyler](#). Look forward to seeing you there!



Connections

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY GROUP

Connections: Women's Bible Study Group

Tuesdays through November 18, 9:30 am - 11 am

Ladies, please join us for Connections - a weekly Bible Study ministry just for women. As iron sharpens iron, we will learn from each other, grow in our faith, and develop rich friendships as we study the Bible together. Our next study will focus on the Book of Genesis, providing the framework for

understanding the entire biblical narrative, from creation to the promise of a future restoration.

We will be using the study guide “Genesis” (Knowing The Bible Series) by Mitchell M. Kim. Please order your study guide here:

[Genesis: A 12-Week Study \(Knowing the Bible\)](#)



Children on the Altar

This Sunday, there will be no Sunday School, as our children will be serving on the altar as acolytes. Each month, on the first Sunday, children have the opportunity to assist in worship by serving on the altar. If your child is interested in becoming an acolyte, please reach out to [Fr. Wes](#) for training opportunities.

If you have kids, grandkids, neighbors, or anyone that might be interested in Sunday School, please contact ministry leader [Michelle Guancione](#).



Outreach / Volunteer Opportunities



Know someone going through a challenging time—or maybe you are yourself? Whether it's illness, recovery from surgery, welcoming a new baby, or simply needing a little comfort, we'd love to bring some warmth your way.

Would you like to volunteer? We'd love your help with making rolls, cookies, or delivering soups—it's as easy as pie! The process is very easy and simple. Please contact [Cherie Foster](#) at birchpoint5@gmail.com to volunteer or to receive soup.



Fellowship Ministry

Do you enjoy participating in the social events of our church and joining in the comraderie with fellow parishioners? Do you love attending the Italian and St. Patrick's Day dinners, and the New Year's Brunch? Would you like to ensure that these events continue to enrich our Parish life here? Then please consider joining the Fellowship Ministry!

The purpose of this Ministry is to plan social events that will help foster

increased fellowship among all our parishioners, welcome new members, and provide opportunities to invite others to learn more about our parishioners lives. Other examples of events that fall under the purview of the Fellowship Committee are Trivia Night, the Ice Cream Social and Music Bingo.

Contact: [Valerie Daly](#) or call (989)860-0284.

The Hospitality Ministry

Do you have a gift of hospitality? Do you like to serve and host? Then please consider volunteering for this ministry and serve on one of the 4 Hospitality teams that rotates monthly throughout the year.

Each team serves 3 months out of the year and provide hosting services for special events, potluck gatherings, Lenten suppers and Celebrations of Life. All are welcome to join, including snowbirds and couples!

No cooking, shopping, heavy cleanup, or serving at Sunday Coffee Hours is involved, as these entities operate as separate ministries.

Contact: [Carol Paris](#)

Sunday Morning Coffee Hour

Serve once a month on one of 4 teams that rotate weekly, or on a team that only serves when there are 5 Sundays in the month.

Contact: [Brian McIntyre](#)



WEDNESDAY



Salvation Army Ministry

The three items that we donate every week to the Salvation Army continue to be a lifeline to families in need! The Salvation Army tells us we are the ONLY church in town who is doing this on a weekly basis, and that the fully stocked shelves on Monday are empty by Wednesday. **Please help us to continue our support of this ministry!**

We only accept three items: pasta, spaghetti sauce and peanut butter (at their request). Please place your contributions in the collection box in the Parish Hall. And as always, your faithfulness in helping to serve our local community is very much appreciated. **Thank you!**

This Sunday!

“Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things...for to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away.”

MATTHEW 25:21, 29

Come Worship with us this Sunday!

St. Augustine of Canterbury invites you to join us for worship this **Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost**, either in person or via [Livestream](#) at 10 am. Watch our livestreamed service anytime during the week on our [YouTube channel](#).

This Week's Scripture Readings:

First Reading:

Joshua 24:14-18

Gradual Psalm:

Psalm 119:137-144

Second Reading:

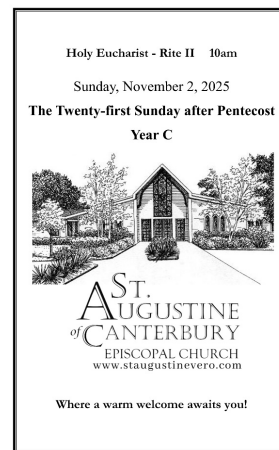
1 Peter 4:7-11

The Gospel:

Matthew 25:14-30

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

Saturday, 5:30 pm

All duties: Carolyn Robinson

Sunday, 8 am

Lessons/Server/POTP:

Cristine Vaccaro

Ushers:

Linda Beardslee, Ralph Chilton

Coffee Hour:

Byron & Inge Curcio, Donna Kerber



Sunday, 10 am

Ushers: Tom & Pam White,
and Deb Kavanagh

Lessons: Cody Shields

POTP: Emma Shields

Chalice: Cody & Tucker Shields

Crucifer: Julianna Guancione

Torches:

Jack Guancione, Margaret Been

LEM: Emma Shields

Livestream: Laura Shields

Sunday School Ass't:

Julia Wiggins

Coffee Hour:

The Daughters of the King

Home Communion

Are you unable to worship with us in person due to illness or mobility issues and would like to receive communion at home? Just call the church office (772-770-3494) and ask to be put on the Home Communion list or contact [Sally Munson](#) to schedule a home visit.



Join us this Week for ...

Sunday Morning Coffee Hour

Please come join us each Sunday at Coffee Hour after the 8 am and 10 am services in the Parish Hall. Enjoy great coffee and treats as well as the company of your fellow parishioners. You never know who you might meet!

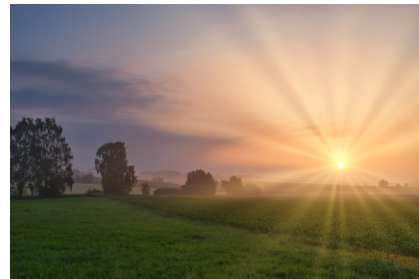


Sunday Morning Coffee Hour Needs Volunteers!

Serve once a month on one of 4 teams that rotate weekly, or on a team that only serves when there are 5 Sundays in the month. Contact [Brian McIntyre](#)

***Morning Prayer* | Daily 8 am, M-F**

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 | Library

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

Evening Bible Study | Tuesdays at 6:30 pm | Library

Healing Eucharist | Wednesdays at 10 am | Sanctuary

Bible Study | Wednesdays at 11 am | Library

News & Notes

Look who was at the Craft Show this year!



Many thanks go out to all our parishioners who came out and made our annual Arts and Crafts Show a success! There were many vendors inside and out, with lots of volunteers to make sure everything ran smoothly.

Special thanks go out for the very hard work of ECW President, Pam Wehrberger (top left) with a lot of behind-the-scenes help from Carol Paris and many others who helped sell raffle tickets, be "food runners" to the vendors who had ordered a delicious lunch onsite from The Source's Dignity Food Truck, and other duties.

Mark Your Calendars!

Sat. Nov. 1 - Rise Against Hunger, 10 am, Parish Hall
Sat. Nov. 2 - Stewardship Campaign begins, all services
Mon. Nov. 3, 10, 17, 24 - Parish Prayer Group, Library
Tues. Nov. 4, 11, 18, 25 - Connections Bible Study, 9:30 am, Parish Hall
Tues. Nov. 4, 11, 18, 25 - Parish Prayer Shawl Group, 1 pm, Library
Tues. Nov. 4, 11, 18, 25 - Evening Bible Study, 6:30 pm, Library
Thurs. Nov. 6 - Samaritan Soup Bowl, 11:30 am, Parish Hall
Sat. Nov. 8, 22 - Shining Light Garden, 8:30-10:30 am, Offsite
Sat. Nov. 8, 15 - DOK Discernment Class, 10 am, Library
Sat. Nov. 8 - ECW Noonday Prayer & Luncheon, 12 pm, Parish Hall
Tues. Nov. 11 - Outreach Ministry Meeting, 11 am, Parish Hall
Tues. Nov. 11 - Finance Committee Meeting, 10:30 am, Children's Wing
Wed. Nov. 12 - Common Table Kickoff, 5:30pm, Parish Hall
Sun. Nov. 16 - Angel Tree Kickoff, all services
Mon. Nov. 17 - Vestry Meeting, 7 pm
Tues. Nov. 18 - Men's Breakfast, 9 am, CJ Cannon's
Fri. Nov. 21 - Third Fridays at the Source, 12 pm, Parish Hall Kitchen/Offsite
Sat. Nov. 22 - DOK Meeting Library, 10 am, Library
Tues. Nov. 25 - Caregivers Support Group, 2 pm, Parish Hall
Thurs. Nov. 27 - Thanksgiving Dinner, 2pm, Parish Hall
Wed-Fri. Nov. 26-28 - **Office Closed**, Thanksgiving Holiday
Sun., Nov. 30 - Blood Pressure Screening, 9 & 11 am, Parish Hall
Sun., Nov. 30 - Ask the Dietician, 11 am only, Parish Hall

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

CALENDAR

Useful Links

- [How to Choose a Bible](#) by the Rev. Wes Shields
- [Church Center](#) To access our Church Center database app on the web
- [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, conflict or impacted

by natural disasters. We also pray for Darlene, Bob, Peyton, Ken, Jane, Al, Ginger, Josephine, Dan, Valerie, Sean, Jerry, Steve, Kathryn, Kira, Paulo, Rosanjela, Maryoni, Jacira, Hannibal, Carol, Page, Sarah, Linda Sue, Dakota, Arden, Elinor, Jacinth, Andy, Joanne.

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

None this week.

Anniversaries

02 - Irene & Roland Parris
04 - David & Glenda Altman
08 - Harvey and PK Lynch

This Week, We Remember

Departed

Peggy & Reginald Leopold Pearson
03 - Dick Polhamus (2021)
05 - Shirley Langley (2013)
Julia Yeiser (2021)
06 - Charlie Jacobs (2024)
07 - Jan Schneider (2024)



This Week's Altar Flowers

Today's Altar Flowers are given by Mary Power in loving memory of her parents Peggy & Reginald Leopold Pearson in honor of their wedding anniversary.

If you would like to remember a loved one with Altar Flowers, please fill out a flower request envelope found in the brochure rack on the wall in the Narthex, or on the Slat Wall in the Parish Hall. It can be submitted to the office or in the offering plate, or by contacting [Dana Johnson](#) at the parish office at 772-770-3494.

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