



The mission of St. Augustine of Canterbury parish is to grow closer to Christ and to 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.



BISHOP'S VISIT

THE RT. REV. DR. JUSTIN S. HOLCOMB

CONFIRMATION,
RECEPTION,
REAFFIRMATION,
AND NEWCOMERS

Bishop's Visit - Sunday, December 6, 2026

You have probably heard by now that Bishop Holcomb is coming to St. Augustine's December 6th! This means that **we will be offering Confirmation, Reception, and Reaffirmation.** Here are the details.

CONFIRMATION

Our prayerbook catechism defines confirmation as "the rite in which we express a mature commitment to Christ, and receive strength from the Holy Spirit through prayer and the laying on of hands by a bishop." There are two main components to confirmation.

First, it is for people who want to express a mature commitment to Christ. Maybe you have been attending church for a few years and are wondering

what the next step is. Maybe you were baptized as an infant and you want to claim your faith as your own and express your own commitment. Maybe you have been going to church your whole life and have realized lately how important the Christian faith is and want to dive deeper into it. Expressing a mature commitment to Christ through confirmation is a perfect step for anyone in these positions (and many more positions!). If you are having trouble discerning whether confirmation is a good next step for you please reach out to Fr. Wes or Fr. Tyler!

Second, in confirmation you receive strength from the Holy Spirit and the laying on of hands by the bishop. In the bible, the laying on of hands is a sacramental act that imparts the presence and power of the Holy Spirit. This is why the bishop lays hands on someone when he ordains them; why in our healing service we lay hands on the person we are praying for; and why the bishop lays hands on confirmands to pray for them.

If you would like to be confirmed, we will be beginning a confirmation class Sunday, October 25th at 9:00am during the Christian education hour in the Library. The class will last five weeks followed by one evening commitment to do a rehearsal for the confirmation service. In the class, we will cover the big picture biblical narrative, the Episcopal church's liturgy and sacraments, and talk about what confirmation means.

RECEPTION

Reception is for anyone who has already been confirmed in a different Christian tradition but would like to be received into the Episcopal church.

When the Bishop receives someone into the Episcopal church he lays his hands on them and says, "We recognize you as a member of the one holy catholic and apostolic church, and we receive you into the fellowship of this Communion. God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless, preserve, and keep you."

Reception is a great option for anyone who has found their church home in the Episcopal church and would like to recognize their new home in the Episcopal church in a formal way. **Those wanting to be received will also need to attend the class beginning Sunday, October 25.**

REAFFIRMATION

Reaffirmation is available to anyone who has been already confirmed or received into the Episcopal church. This is a special opportunity for the Bishop to pray for you during the Confirmation service. **There are no class requirements, the only requirement is that you be at the service!**

NEWCOMERS

Finally, newcomers! If you are new to St. Augustine's we invite you to **take your first step in becoming a member at St. Augustine's by attending**

the confirmation class beginning Sunday, October 25th. Because of the content of the class it is a great newcomers class as well. It will also be an opportunity for newcomers to discern if they would like to participate in Confirmation as they learn more about the Episcopal church.

Any questions? Please contact [Fr. Wes](#) or [Fr. Tyler](#)

The Feast of St. Francis of Assisi *Blessing of the Animals*



Blessing of the Animals Service THIS SUNDAY!

Please join us **THIS Sunday, October 4 at 4 pm** for a short service held outside. A time of animal blessings will follow the service. In case of rain, the service will be held inside the Parish Hall.

Please come with your pets on a leash, in a cage, or whatever means you need to keep them in control and safe. Questions? Please contact the office 772-770-3494.

The Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost



The law of the Lord is perfect
and revives the soul;
The statutes of the Lord
are just and rejoice the heart;
the judgments of the Lord
are true and righteous altogether.
More to be desired are they than gold,
more than much fine gold,
sweeter far than honey,
than honey in the comb.

Psalm 19:7-10

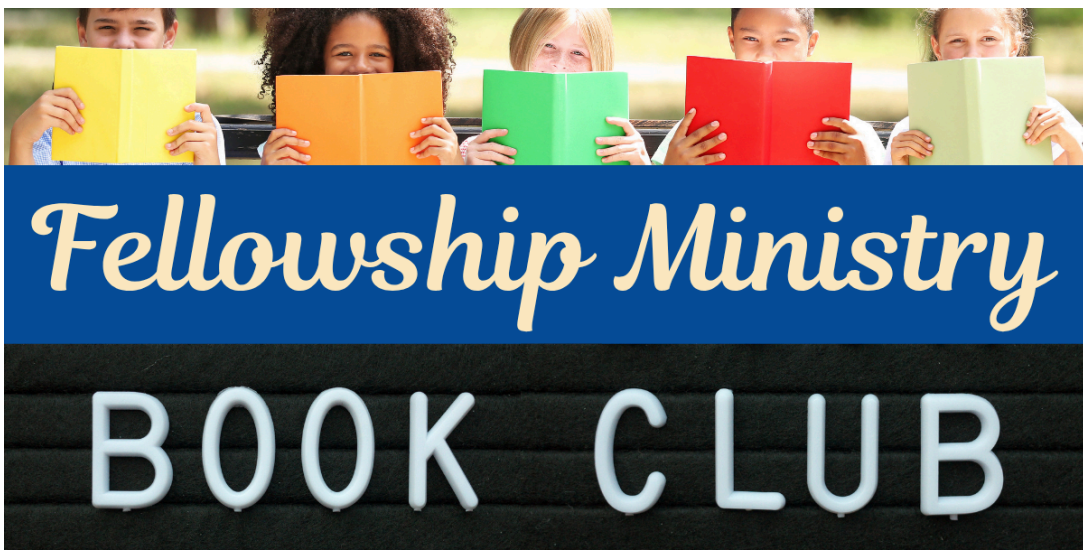
The Law of the Lord is Perfect

This week we are hearing all about laws. In our Old Testament reading, Moses gives us the Ten Commandments. (Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-17). In Psalm 19, the Psalmist says that *"The law of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul"*, and that *"the statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart"* (Psalm 19:7-8). In our epistle, Paul tells us about his heritage as a Pharisee, who were known for their extensive laws. Yet he tells us that *"whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ."* (Philippians 3:7-9) So which is it? Is the law "perfect" or a "loss" because righteousness cannot be imparted by the law?

Moses gave us the laws which were to keep us on the right path, but the laws themselves do not impute righteousness onto the doer of the law. It is possible to follow the laws and still come up short as Paul intimates. While God does call us to follow His laws, it is not the following of the laws that makes us "righteous". That only comes when we enter into relationship with Jesus and we receive righteousness from Him. Laws help us stay on the right path, but laws themselves cannot save our souls. That said, by following God's laws, it does give us an insight into the character of God and allows us to be free of the impediments of sin which can be a barrier to our relationship with God. Just as the laws in our cities are designed to keep us safe, so do the laws of God. How can we think about our lives in context of "laws" and "righteousness"? How can one help us with the other in terms of our progressing relationship to God?



Upcoming Events



Fellowship Ministry Monthly Book Club

Do you enjoy reading books and discussing them with others? Then come and join the Fellowship Ministry in the new Monthly Book Club! **Starting NEXT WEDNESDAY, October 7, we will meet on the first Wednesday of each month between 6:30-7:30pm in the Library.** The Book Club will explore a variety of genres; fiction and non-fiction.

For this first month, the book selected will be on a “checkout” system and is called “Dear Edward” by Ann Napolitano. It is now available for checkout – **please contact Valerie Daly by texting 989-860-0284 to receive a copy.** Participants have a two-week period to read the book before turning it back in.

Each month the facilitators of the Book Club will rotate between Marilyn Black Dussault, Donna Griffin, Father Tyler and Valerie Daly.

Any questions? **Please contact Valerie Daly at 989-860-0284.**



SAS at Shining Light Garden, Saturday, October 10

St. Augustine Serves volunteers at Shining Light Garden on the second and fourth Saturdays each month from 8:30 -10:30 am.

Come join us at a truly inspiring place where we plant, weed and harvest vegetables for our neighbors in need. The produce is then distributed to local food pantries, soup kitchens, homeless shelters, and other assistance programs throughout Indian River County. We are a warm & friendly group greatly inspired to celebrate God's creation and feed the hungry. All are welcome!

Be sure to bring a hat, sunscreen, water, and gloves. Wear shoes that you don't mind getting dirty. Please contact [Lisa Margaret Grandage](#) with any questions.



ECW Arts & Crafts Fair 2026

Please join us and support our Arts and Crafts Fair on Saturday, October 17 from 9 am to 1 pm for a really great morning out and get an early start on Christmas shopping with lots of fun and unique gifts! While you are here, come and say hello to a few of our parishioners who have tables displaying their own handmade artistic creations at this event.

Along with our featured crafters, the following community wellness partners will be on-site in the parking lot:

- OneBlood Big Red Bus for blood donations
- VNA Mobile Unit
- Walgreens for flu shots and other immunizations

Appointments and Planning

Appointments are not required. However, if you plan to donate blood or receive an immunization, please contact [Pam Wehrberger](mailto:Pam.Wehrberger@aol.com) in advance. An estimated head count will help our partners prepare and serve everyone efficiently.

Any other questions? Contact [Pam Wehrberger at gran459495@aol.com](mailto:Pam.Wehrberger@aol.com)

A promotional graphic for a chili cookoff. On the left, a wooden cutting board features the text 'Chili' in red script and 'COOK OFF' in large black block letters. Below the text is a bowl of chili topped with corn, green beans, and tomatoes, with steam rising from it. On the right, a black background contains white text: 'Get ready to taste, vote, and crown the ultimate chili champion!'. Below this is a yellow banner with 'SATURDAY OCTOBER 24' in black and red. Further down, '6:15 pm' is written in large yellow letters, followed by 'after the 5:30 service' in red. At the bottom right, a red button says 'Sign up NOW to be a contestant!!' in white.

Chili
COOK OFF

Get ready to taste, vote, and crown the ultimate chili champion!

SATURDAY OCTOBER 24

6:15 pm
after the 5:30 service

Sign up NOW to be a contestant!!

Fellowship Ministry Needs Chili Cookoff Contestants

Get ready for the battle of the chilis! Right now, the Fellowship Ministry is encouraging people to sign up to make award winning chili for this event. If you know that this is YOU, please sign up in the Narthex or contact [Valerie Daly](#) at **989-860-0284** to compete!

Join us for the event!

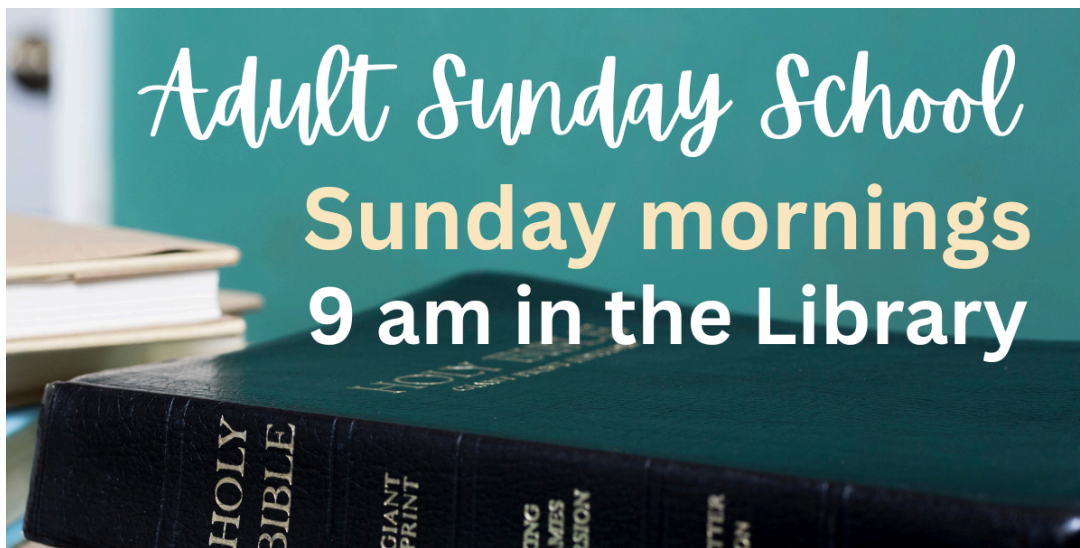
On **Saturday, October 24** at **6:15 pm** following our evening service, those who attend the event will sample a variety of chilis— some spicy, some mild, vegetarian, no meat, or white, cooked up by their fellow parishioners. All will receive a ballot to vote for their top 3 chilis. Prizes will go to these winners!

There will also be chili toppings, corn bread, and desserts available. We are kindly accepting free will offerings, and parishioners are also asked to bring their own beverages. Any questions? Please contact [Valerie Daly](#).

Find these and all upcoming events for St. Augustine's at ...

CALENDAR

Looking to Deepen Your Faith?



Adult Sunday school has resumed!

Please join us! We meet in the Parish Library at 9:00 am between the services. This fall, we will be studying different attributes of God with the help of A.W. Tozer's classic work *The Knowledge of the Holy*. Our goal is to deepen our understanding of who and what God is and learn why theology is a practical discipline. Questions? Please contact [Fr. Tyler](#)



Connections: Women's Bible Study Group

Connections Bible Study meets on Tuesdays from 9:30am -11:00 am in the Library. This session will run through Tuesday, November 24. We will be studying the book of Acts, also called the Acts of the Apostles. The book of Acts serves as a transition of the ministry of the Holy Spirit from the Old Covenant to the New.

We will be using the "*Knowing the Bible Series*." **The study from this series was written by our own Bishop Justin Holcomb.**

Please order your study guide here:

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

If you have any questions, please contact [Anita Plummer](#) or [Valerie Reich](#)



Evening Bible Study

Evening Bible Study Has Resumed

Evening Bible Study meets on Tuesdays at 6:30 pm in the Library.

Over the course of this year, our Sunday gospel readings will be taken from the Gospel of Matthew. Our hope is that this evening bible study will help us all dig deep into these teachings throughout the year.

Any questions? Please contact Fr. Tyler at tyler@staugustinevero.com. We hope you can make it!



Sunday School

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 children, grandchildren, neighbors, or know of a family who may be seeking a place where their children can grow in faith, learn the love of Christ, and feel a true sense of belonging, we warmly invite you to connect with our Sunday School ministry.

Please reach out to ministry leader [Michelle Guancione](#) for more information.



Morning Prayer

*Before the rush of the day begins,
take a moment to pause.*

**Anyone and everyone is invited to join our daily
8:00 AM dial-in prayer. It is a quiet space to breathe,
reflect, and place the day in God's hands.**

Morning Prayer | Daily 8 am, M-F

From wherever you are, 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 30 minutes long.

Newcomers, see the [Online Instructions](#) to set up the Daily Office App.
[Launch the Daily Office App>](#)

Want to get involved or need help? Please contact [Marianne Rowan](#) or call 772-321-1534.



What is a Daughter of the King?

The Order of the Daughters of the King is an international group of Christian women who desire a closer walk with Christ. Upon admission, members take vows, promising to pray daily for their clergy and offering assistance in building up the spiritual life of the parish. Praying for others daily is our main focus. Our Lord is with us and we rely on Him to guide us.

Our chapter, St. Michael the Archangel, **meets once a month on the 4th Saturday in the Parish Library.** All women of the parish are invited to attend a meeting and learn what we are about. Please contact [Nancy Kelly](#) (President) for more information.



Let a Daughter Pray for YOU!

The Daughters of the King now have a prayer ministry after the 10 am service. One or two of the Daughters will remain in the Sanctuary seated in the pews where the Sunday School children sit, to offer individual prayers that are private and confidential for anyone who wishes.

Outreach / Volunteer Opportunities



Salvation Army Ministry 2026

This week's total - 375 lbs.

Every week, YOU make a positive impact at the Salvation Army with our Spaghetti, Pasta and Peanut Butter donations, which continue to be a lifeline to families in need. The Salvation Army is extremely grateful and tells us **we are the ONLY church in town who is doing this on a weekly basis.**

The Salvation Army staff continues their weekly pickups here at church and are always expressing what a difference it makes. Each week the fully stocked shelves on Monday are empty by Wednesday.

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!

The law of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul; the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.

PSALM 19:7

Come Worship with us this Sunday!

St. Augustine of Canterbury invites you to join us for worship this **Nineteenth 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:

Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20

Gradual Psalm:

Psalm 19

Second Reading:

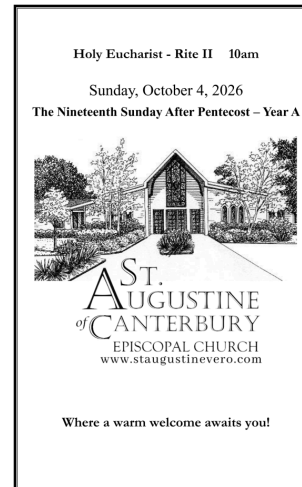
Philippians 3:4b-14

The Gospel:

Matthew 21:33-46

[Worship Schedule>](#)

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

Saturday, 5:30 pm

All duties: Beth Weatherstone

Sunday, 8 am

Lessons/Server/POTP: Mary Power

Ushers:

Bill & Sandy Hawksworth

Coffee Hour: Byron & Inge Curcio, Donna Kerber



Sunday, 10 am

Ushers: Jerry & Valerie Reich, Deb Kavanagh

Lessons: Cody Shields

POTP: Jack Guancione

Chalice:

Julianna Guancione, Tucker Shields

Crucifer: Jack Guancione

Torches:

Margaret Been, Blakely Grey

LEM: Cody Shields

Livestream: Laura Shields

Sunday School Assistant:

Julia Wiggins

Nursery Coordinator: Laken Been

Nursery Assistant: ---

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) or [send us an email](#), and ask to be put on the Home Communion list. Or, you may contact [Sally Munson](#) directly who will be happy to schedule a home visit for you.



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!



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

FIRST PLACE!



Fellowship Jigsaw Puzzle Challenge Winners!

Be sure to congratulate our First Annual Jigsaw Puzzle Challenge winners when you see them in church! Thanks to all who participated.

First Place: (above, left to right) Lisa LaRusso and Kathleen Hillcoat

Second Place: Barbara & Charlie Houston

Third Place: Laurie Henson & Mary Power

2ND PLACE



3RD PLACE





St. Augustine's is officially on the 'Gram!

Every great community starts somewhere. Please follow us and help spread the word by inviting family and friends to join too. **Our Instagram page** will feature parish life, worship, outreach, special events, inspiring moments, and the wonderful people who make St.

Augustine's such a special place.

Follow us at: @staugustineverobeach

<https://www.instagram.com/staugustinevero/>

Questions? Please contact Leslie at communications@staugustinevero.com

Calendar

Mark Your Calendars!

Sun. Oct. 4 - Blessing of the Animals Service, 4pm, Outside

Mon. Oct. 5, 12, 19, 26 - GriefShare Support Group, 1 pm, Library

Tues. Oct. 6, 13, 20, 27 – Connections Bible Study, 9:30am, Library

Tues. Oct. 6, 13, 20, 27 - Parish Prayer Shawl Group, 1 pm, Library

Tues. Oct. 6, 13, 20, 27 – Evening Bible Study, 6:30 pm, Library

Wed. Oct. 7 – Fellowship Ministry Book Club, 6:30 pm, Library

Sat. Oct. 10 – SAS at Shining Light Garden, 8:30 am, Offsite

Tues. Oct. 20 - Men's Breakfast, 9 am, CJ Cannon's
Tues. Oct. 20 - Outreach Committee Meeting, 11 am, Library
Tues. Oct. 20 - Fellowship Committee Meeting, 12 pm, Library
Sat. Oct. 24 – SAS at Shining Light Garden, 8:30 am, Offsite
Sat. Oct. 24 – DOK Meeting, 10 am, Library
Sat. Oct. 24 - Fellowship Chili Cook-Off, 6:15pm, Parish Hall
Tues. Oct. 27 - Caregivers Support Group, **11am**, Parish Hall
Sun. Oct 25 - Blood Pressure Screening, 9 & 11 am, Parish Hall
Sun. Oct 25 - Ask the Dietician, 11 am only, Parish Hall
Sun. Oct 25 - Tech Time! 11 am only, Parish Hall

Save the Date!

Mon. Nov. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 - GriefShare Support Group, 1 pm, Library
Tues. Nov. 3, 10, 17, 24 – Connections Bible Study, 9:30am, Library
Tues. Nov. 3, 10, 17, 24 - Parish Prayer Shawl Group, 1 pm, Library
Tues. Nov. 3, 10, 17, 24 – Evening Bible Study, 6:30 pm, Library
Wed. Nov. 4 – Fellowship Ministry Book Club, 6:30 pm, Library
Sat. Nov. 7 – Rise Against Hunger, 10am, Parish Hall
Tues. Nov. 10 - Finance Committee Meeting, 11:15 am, Library
Sat. Nov. 14 – SAS at Shining Light Garden, 8:30 am, Offsite
Sat. Nov. 14 – Operation Christmas Child, 9 am, Parish Hall
Sun. Nov. 15 – Angel Tree Kickoff, all three services
Tues. Nov. 17 - Men's Breakfast, 9 am, CJ Cannon's
Tues. Nov. 17 - Outreach Committee Meeting, 11 am, Library
Tues. Nov. 17 - Fellowship Committee Meeting, 12 pm, Library
Sat. Nov. 21 - ECW Meeting and Luncheon, 11am, Parish Hall
Tues. Nov. 24 - Caregivers Support Group, **11am**, Parish Hall
Thurs. Nov. 26 - Thanksgiving Dinner, 2 pm, Parish Hall
Sat. Nov. 28 – SAS at Shining Light Garden, 8:30 am, Offsite
Sat. Nov. 28 – DOK Meeting, 10 am, Library
Sat. Nov. 28 – Feed The Lambs Breakfast Fundraiser, 8 am, Parish Hall
Sun. Nov. 29 - Blood Pressure Screening, 9 & 11 am, Parish Hall
Sun. Nov. 29 - Ask the Dietician, 11 am only, Parish Hall
Sun. Nov. 29 - Tech Time! 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.

Parish Prayer List Guidelines



Please keep in mind that **we can no longer handle blanket requests to keep someone on the prayer list in the bulletin indefinitely.** All names in the bulletin may be renewed after one month once the name comes off by contacting the [office](#). This will also be true for the Canterbury Tales.

ALL names in the bulletin have been submitted to our DOK chapter (Daughters of the King). **Even if a names comes off from the bulletin list, that person is still being prayed for according to DOK chapter guidelines.** If it is known that if someone has a long term illness, such as cancer, that name stays on their list for at least a year, and that time can be adjusted according to the need of the individual involved.

This week, please pray for ... all who are affected by violence, conflict or impacted by natural disasters. We also pray for **Audry, Sandra, Gloria, Jacira, Sannina, Larry, Carol, Elizabeth, Patrick, Dakota, Josephine, Jacinth, Scott, Dick, Lockwood, Warren, Leigh, Chad, Al, Ginger, Angie, Joanne.**

Do You Need Prayer Now?

If you or a loved one needs prayer, please contact the Daughters of the King at dokprayer@staugustinevero.com or fill out a blue card in the Narthex with your contact information, and slip it into the wooden box where the cards are found. All prayer requests are kept confidential. Someone from the DOK will respond to you about your request, and your loved one's name and need will be distributed among their membership for prayer. Communicate with them regularly and give them updates, so that they may pray with you according to up-to-date information about your loved one's situation.

This Week, We Celebrate

Birthdays

05 – Nancy Kelly
Wayne Elliott
08 – Charlotte Perez
09 – Gary Robinson
Richard Calkins

Anniversaries

04 – Dan & Jane Ferguson
09 – Charles & Patti Kirk
10 – Al & Ginger Vidiri

This Week, We Remember

Departed

08 – Jan Grandage
Mavis Wiggam (2018)
09 – June Piper (2025)



This Week's Altar Flowers

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](#) in the parish office at 772-770-3494.

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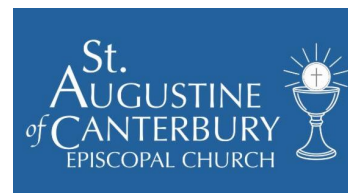
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