



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.



Almighty God, source of wisdom and truth, bless all students, teachers, and staff as a new school year begins. Grant curiosity in learning, patience in teaching, and strength and support in schools across our country and world. Protect children in their coming and going. Keep schools safe. And be with families in support and love. We ask all this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

GriefShare

"HEALING FROM LOSS
IS A JOURNEY"

New Program! GriefShare is coming to St. Augustine's

Mondays at 1 pm, beginning September 14.

"Finding support is crucial. Grief is a journey that shouldn't be traveled alone. You may feel like no one understands and be tempted to isolate, but healing happens in the context of finding others who can help you. A GriefShare group is a safe place to find support." - David Bueno Martin, GriefShare Counselor.

If we have enough people interested, we are looking to host a GriefShare group at St. Augustine's this fall. GriefShare is a program developed to help people through their grief after the death of a loved one. The program explores what it means to grieve and how all people grieve differently.

Fr. Wes and Fr. Tyler will be leading this group beginning Monday, September 14th at 1 pm in the Parish Library. Please sign up in the Narthex. Questions? Please contact [Fr Tyler](#).



The Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost

*"Take heart,
it is I;
do not be afraid."*

Matthew 14:27

"Take Heart!"

This Sunday's Gospel plays upon a common theme in Scripture. Last week we saw it with Jacob pushing through his fear to meet his brother. This week

we see it with Jesus' disciples in a boat while Jesus appears to them walking on the lake. They were *"terrified, saying, it is a ghost!"* (Matthew 14:26) Fear is common to all of us and the disciples were no exception. Jesus immediately tries to allay their fears by saying *"Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid."* (Matthew 14:27) Peter then becomes a little bolder and says, *"Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water."* (Matthew 14:28) Jesus tells him to come and Peter steps out of the boat. But Peter, taking his eyes off of Jesus, instead focuses on the wind and begins to sink. Fear comes rushing back and Peter cries out *"Lord, save me!"* Jesus reaches out his hand and says *"You of little faith, why did you doubt?"* (Matthew 14:30-31).

This is what happens to us. We are afraid and receive encouragement that God is with us. Then something else happens and we are right back where we started, afraid that God will not help us, even after we have received guidance that He will! But then Jesus causes the wind and the waves to cease and the disciples worshiped him. However, what might happen if we were to worship in the trial, knowing Jesus was with us? Would we still be as buffeted about by winds and waves of fear? Perhaps, but it might be easier to move forward if we were truly convinced of God's ability to help us whether we are inside or outside of the boat. At times, we all need a reminder that Jesus still says to us, *"Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid."*

Upcoming Events



Come to the 2026 Soup Bowl Open House!

Every November, the St. Augustine parish family comes out in force to make soup, buy soup bowls, and/or eat soup to benefit the Samaritan Soup Bowl fundraiser. Here's a new opportunity to support this event ... **Come now to help make the pottery bowls!**

Once again, Indian River Pottery will be donating 1000 bowls to the Samaritan Center for their 34th annual Soup Bowl fundraiser. The sale of the bowls helps homeless families in our community.

THIS Saturday, August 8, from 10 am - 12 noon, St. Augustine Serves will be attending the Soup Bowl Open House **at Indian River Pottery** to help glaze the bowls. **Indian River Pottery is located at 1239 16th St, Vero Beach, 32960**. It is helpful if you have some pottery experience, but all are welcome to come help out. No registration needed!

Please RSVP below by clicking on one of the options to let us know if you will be attending:

[Yes](#)

[No](#)

[Maybe](#)

Can't make it this Saturday? We are hoping to collaborate with Indian River Pottery on other service events, and **don't forget to mark your calendar for the Soup Bowl Fundraiser on Thursday, November 5, 2026**. Hope to see you this Saturday! Bring a friend or neighbor!

Please contact [Barbara McGowan](#) with any questions about this event.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN



"Let's Do Breakfast"

**Kountry
Kitchen**

1749 Old Dixie Hwy, Vero Beach, FL 32960

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8 at 10 am

Kountry Kitchen accepts CASH ONLY!!!

Don't forget - THIS SATURDAY for Breakfast!

For those who have signed up for Breakfast at Kountry Kitchen, please note that **Kountry Kitchen only accepts CASH as payment for breakfast**, so please be prepared. Questions or cancellations? Please contact Pam Wehrberger gran459495@aol.com or 215-805-0092.

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. For news and events, please check the weekly Canterbury Tales, our Parish Facebook Page or contact our ECW President, Pam Wehrberger.



The graphic features a red and white checkered border. At the top left is a circular logo of a chef holding a silver platter. To the right of the logo, the text "That's Amore!" is written in a white cursive font on a red background. Below this, the text "Join us for our annual" is in a black cursive font, followed by "Italian Dinner" in a large red cursive font. At the bottom left, the text "Saturday, August 15" and "6:15 pm in the Parish Hall" is in a black sans-serif font. To the right of the text is an illustration of a slice of lasagna with a green leaf on top.

Join us NEXT SATURDAY for the Annual Italian Dinner!

Saturday, August 15 at 6:15 pm in the Parish Hall. Feast on homemade Italian lasagna, salad, and more while enjoying the live music of Tony & Holly. Invite your friends! A free will offering, as able, will be appreciated.

Sign up in Narthex by this weekend. Carol Paris ceparis1228@gmail.com



DONATE BLOOD

ECW Blood Drive

The Big Red Bus will be stationed in St. Augustine's parking lot **NEXT Saturday, August 22 from 9 am to 2 pm**, ready to take your blood donation. All donors will receive a \$20 gift card to a national retailer like Target, Walmart or Amazon and also a wellness check up which includes blood pressure, pulse, temperature, iron count, and cholesterol screening.

GIVE BLOOD



SAVE A LIFE

Fact: One in three of us will need a blood transfusion.

There is a need for all blood types right now. Trauma patients, cancer patients, newborns, and other people who need blood transfusions every day rely on you to give the gift of life and donate blood. Blood is essential to life and there is no substitute. It cannot be made.

Generous blood donors are the only source of blood for those in critical need. The need for blood never takes a vacation!

Please sign up in the Narthex - Appointments are available and walk-ins are welcome. Contact: [Pam Wehrberger](#)

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

CALENDAR

Looking to Deepen Your Faith?



Connections

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY GROUP

Connections: Women's Bible Study Group

Connections Bible Study will resume Tuesday, September 8th 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

Evening Bible Study will be taking a break for the month of August.

We will resume Tuesday, September 8th 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 resumes NEXT Sunday, August 16.

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. We are recognized by the cross of The Order, which we wear every day. Praying for others daily is our main focus.

WHAT WE ARE: Women who desire a closer walk with Jesus, vibrant, close-knit, and supportive of each other, happy to pray for others and support our clergy & parish.

WHAT WE ARE NOT: A social group, fundraisers, or nuns.

When we meet there is laughter, prayer, love, encouragement, and study. 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. **Our next meeting will be September 25.**

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 o'clock 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 for anyone who wishes. This Ministry is private and

confidential.

Outreach / Volunteer Opportunities



Join the Prayer Shawl Ministry!

Every Tuesday from 1:00–3:00 PM in the Library.

Do you enjoy knitting, crocheting, crafting, or simply spending time with others while making something meaningful? Come for fellowship, stay for the purpose, and help us wrap others in God's love, one stitch at a time.

The Prayer Shawl Ministry creates prayer shawls, lap blankets, and prayer squares that are given to those experiencing illness, grief, hardship, or simply in need of comfort and support. Every stitch is made with prayer and love. Whether you're an experienced knitter or crocheter, just learning, or looking for a new hobby and a wonderful way to serve others, we would love to welcome you. No special expertise is required—just a willing heart and a desire to help bring comfort to those in need.

New members are always welcome and we would love to have you! Interested? Please contact [Kathleen Hillcoat](#).



The Garden Angels Need YOU!

Many years ago, the Garden Angels had several members to help maintain and care for our beautiful plants and flowers. NOW, the Garden Angel consist of three members — Rosie Grant and Brian McIntyre, and new member, Carl Kerber.

Do you also feel called to this ministry? If so, we would be so grateful for any time you could volunteer. Even just a minimum of two hours on any Tuesday — whether once a month, once a week, or any Tuesdays you have free — would make a tremendous difference. Tasks are flexible and may include watering, potting, pruning, and other light garden care. **No heavy work required — just a willingness to help keep our grounds beautiful.** Interested? Please contact [Brian McIntyre](#).



Salvation Army Ministry 2026

This week's total - --- lbs

Even in the middle of summer, we are continuing our 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 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. Each week the Salvation Army arranges a pickup here at church and always express their gratitude and appreciation for your generosity!

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!

Jesus spoke to them and said, *"Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid."*

MATTHEW 14:27

Come Worship with us this Sunday!

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

Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28

Gradual Psalm:

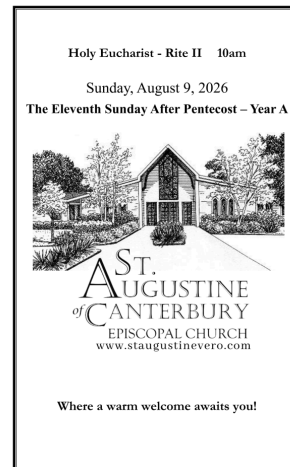
Psalm 105:1-6, 16-22, 45b

Second Reading:

Romans 10:5-15

The Gospel:

Matthew 14:22-33



[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/POTP/Server: Cris Vaccaro

Ushers: Jo Ann Kirchhoff, Valorie Stevenson

Coffee Hour: Byron & Inge Curcio, Donna Kerber



Sunday, 10 am

Ushers: Dick & Karen Monaco, Tom Wehrberger

Lessons: Anita Plummer

POTP: Lisa LaRusso

Chalice: Sally Munson, Tom White

Crucifer: Tom White

Torches: Carolyn Robinson, Sally Munson

LEM: Carolyn Robinson

Livestream: Leslie dela Vega

Sunday School Assistant:

Pam Wehrberger

Nursery Coordinator: Laken Been

Nursery Assistant: Linda Jones

Coffee Hour:

Brian & Karen McIntyre,

Leslie & Chris Valentine

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!



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](#)

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



BISHOP'S VISIT

ST. AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY
EPISCOPAL CHURCH, VERO BEACH

**The Rt. Rev.
Dr. Justin S. Holcomb**

Sunday, December 6, 2026

Bishop's Visit - Sunday, December 6

We are excited to announce that Bishop Justin S. Holcomb will be coming to St. Augustine's **Sunday, December 6th**. Please mark your calendars! When the Bishop is here, he will do Confirmations and Receptions. More information will be posted in the weeks to come about what Confirmation and Reception is, so that people can begin to discern if they would like to participate. Questions? Please contact [Fr. Wes](#).



St. Augustine's is officially on Instagram!

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!

Sat. August 8 – ECW "Let's Do Breakfast" 10am-12pm Kountry Kitchen

Sat. August 8 – SAS Pottery Bowl Glazing 10am-12pm, Offsite

Tues. August 11, 18, 25 - Parish Prayer Shawl Group, 1 pm, Library

Tues. August, 11, 18, 25 – Evening Bible Study, 6:30 pm, Library

Sat. August 15 – Italian Dinner, 6-8pm, Parish Hall.

Sun. August 16 – Sunday School resumes.

Tues. August 18 - Men's Breakfast, 9 am, CJ Cannon's
Tues. August 18 - Outreach Committee Meeting, 11 am, Library
Tues. August 18 - Fellowship Committee Meeting, 12 pm, Library
Fri. August 21 - Third Fridays at the Source, 12 pm, Parish Hall
Sat. August 22 - ECW Blood Drive, 9am-2pm, Parking Lot
Tues. August 25 - Caregivers Support Group, **11am**, Parish Hall
Sun. August 30 - Blood Pressure Screening, 9 & 11 am, Parish Hall
Sun. August 30 - Ask the Dietician, 11 am only, Parish Hall
Sun. August 30 - Tech Time!, 11 am only, Parish Hall

Save the Date!

Tues. Sept. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 - Parish Prayer Shawl Group, 1 pm, Library
Thurs. Sept. 3 - Choir Rehearsals resume, 3:30 pm in the church
Mon. Sept. 7 - Labor Day, **OFFICE CLOSED**
Tues. Sept. 8, 15, 22, 29 – Connections Bible Study, 9:30am, Library
Tues. Sept. 8, 15, 22, 29 – Evening Bible Study, 6:30 pm, Library
Tues. Sept. 8 - Finance Committee Meeting, 11 am, Library
Mon. Sept. 14, 21, 28 - GriefShare Support Group, 1 pm, Library
Tues. Sept. 15 - Men's Breakfast, 9 am, CJ Cannon's
Tues. Sept. 15 - Outreach Committee Meeting, 11 am, Library
Tues. Sept. 15 - Fellowship Committee Meeting, 12 pm, Library
Fri. Sept. 18 - Third Fridays at the Source, 12 pm, Parish Hall
Sat. Sept. 19 – ECW Opening Eucharist, 11am, Church
Tues. Sept. 22 - Caregivers Support Group, **11am**, Parish Hall
Wed. Sept 23 - Fellowship Puzzle Challenge, 6:30pm, Parish Hall
Sat. Sept. 26 – DOK Meeting, 10 am, Library
Sun. Sept. 27 - Blood Pressure Screening, 9 & 11 am, Parish Hall
Sun. Sept. 27 - Ask the Dietician, 11 am only, Parish Hall
Sun. Sept. 27 - 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.

Please Keep in Your Prayers

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 **Leigh, Warren, Jake, Kathryn, Dakota, Josephine, Jeff, Sherri, Renee, William, Amy, Carol, Bonnie, Dan, Al, Ginger, Pat, Pam, Angie, Joanne, Sophy, Jacinth, Gail.**

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

10 – Joanne Jung
Valerie Daly
13 – Jean McLean
Chip Weismiller
15 – Lynn Kirby
Pat Waskow
Kathryn Berggren

Anniversaries

09 – Gary Robinson &
Elinor Silveira (1987)
09 – Chuck & Laurie Samuels
14 – Phyllis Parsons

This Week, We Remember

Departed

10 – David Scruggs (2011)
13 – Philip Wright (2021)
Alfred Adams (2021)



This Week's Altar Flowers



are given by Jane & Lorne Coyle in memory of our beloved niece, Kirsten Jane Vande Berg.

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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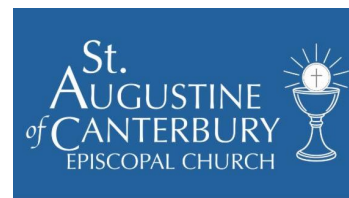
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