



“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.”

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To all who have donated, thank you! If you have *not* yet donated, please do! All of these supplies will go to Feed The Lambs this year and the 80 students in their summer program. Please click the link on the Amazon list below.

Donations can be shipped directly to the church, or you may drop off in Wes' office. Gift prices range from \$7 for a pack of pens to \$122 for a graphing calculator needed by older students and everything in between.

If you need any help in ordering, please contact [Laura Shields](mailto:lauragshields@gmail.com) (lauragshields@gmail.com).

Click below to view list: **Deadline is THIS Sunday, July 13, 2025.**
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Fifth Sunday After Pentecost

A PLUMB LINE, GOD'S WILL, AND LOVING YOUR NEIGHBOR

Plumb Line (noun)

A simple tool consisting of a weight (called a plumb bob) suspended from a string or cord, used to determine a vertical reference line or to check if structures are perfectly upright.

In Amos 7, God shows the prophet Amos a plumb line, a tool used to measure straightness, as a metaphor for how He is measuring His people by His standard of justice and righteousness. Amos is called to speak truth to those in power, even when it will not be received well.

A Plumb Line, God's Will and Loving Your Neighbor

We have a very tough reading Old Testament reading this Sunday, and it never bodes well when God give an instruction to tell people some very strong and harsh things. Amos was lucky. He could have been killed for the dire message that he brought to Amaziah, the priest of Bethel about the house of Israel. Instead, the priest basically tells Amos to buzz off and go earn his living as a prophet elsewhere. Amos tells him that he isn't a prophet, just a herdsman and a landscaper, but that God told him to come and say some really uncomplimentary things to the people of Israel, including that Amaziah's wife will become a prostitute, his kids will be killed, and his land will be given away. When was the last time you told a priest *that*? Poor Hosea can probably relate - his story will be in our Sunday lessons in two weeks!

Ok, this is all pretty extreme, but with the world scene being what it is today, this whole concept of Amos' "plumb line" vision as a measurement against the evil and corruption of the nations just might not be that far off. That said, probably most of us will not be walking up to people and telling them that their lives are doomed. But what happens when the Holy Spirit may give us a sense of a need to address a very controversial and prickly topic in our own lives and families? Most of us do not want to "rock the boat." Family

relationships and outside friendships are sometimes kept in balance within a very delicate and fragile ecosystem at best and most of us do not have the energy or the gumption to have a confrontation and enter into what most definitely would become a battle. Not with “those” relatives. Not even with “that” friend. We all have them. So, what to do?

In this Sunday's readings, once again, Jesus has the answer - *"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself."* (Luke 10:27) Paul says it like this: *"We have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God."* (Colossians 1:9-10)

Maybe the answer for us lies in first turning to God and “plumb lining” our own lives, making sure they are in order before we start pointing fingers at anybody else. We all know when things are out of whack and when we need to make some adjustments. “Loving yourself” might mean taking some action in that department. As it pertains to our “neighbors”, we could take a hint from the “Good Samaritan” in this Sunday's gospel who chose to help his “neighbor” rather than judging or avoiding him. Giving loving and practical help along with knowing what to say, what *not* to say, how to say it and to whom is key. How would we want someone else to approach us? If we approach others in a wise, loving and respectful way, there is a better chance that they will feel safer and be able to hear us. We also need to be prepared that they might not react well initially, but that shouldn't change how we treat them. This is all a very tall order and probably many situations call for ongoing “TLC”. But maybe in the “knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding”, the Holy Spirit can gently lead us through tough conversations and “teach us what we ought to say” (Luke 12:12) which over time can have a positive impact.



Upcoming Events



ST. AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY

Men's Breakfast

Tuesday, July 15, 9 am

CJ Cannon's

3414 Cherokee Dr. Vero Beach, FL 32960

Gentlemen, please join us! No sign-up necessary.

Questions? Contact: Al Glatz (alglatz@comcast.net)

Monthly Men's Breakfast

Who doesn't like a good breakfast? On the third Tuesday of each month, come out to CJ Cannon's (3414 Cherokee Drive, Vero Beach) and join with other gentlemen for our St. Augustine of Canterbury Men's Breakfast. This month's Breakfast will be held **Tuesday, July 15 at 9 am**. No sign-up necessary! Want to find out more? Please contact [Al Glatz](#).

Please come join us Saturday, July 19 at 6:15 pm

A graphic for a parish event. It features a blue and white checkered cloth on the left side. The text "Parish Potluck & Hymn Sing" is written in a large, stylized font. "Parish Potluck" is in orange, "&" is in black, "Hymn" is in orange with a musical note, and "Sing" is in black with a musical note. Below this, it says "with Lisa, Danny & Donna" in orange and "Bring your favorite dish to share!" in black. At the bottom, a blue banner contains the text "Bring your voice! Bring your instrument! Bring your friends!" in white.

Parish Potluck & Hymn Sing
with **Lisa, Danny & Donna**
Bring your favorite dish to share!
Bring your voice! Bring your instrument! Bring your friends!

Parish Potluck and Hymn Sing

Plan to come **Saturday, July 19 at 6:15 pm** to the Parish Hall for a Parish Potluck and "Hymn Sing" led by Lisa, Danny and Donna. No need to sign up for this event, but **please bring your favorite dish to share**, as well as any small instruments that you may have to play, such as a guitar, tamborine, or even a hand drum or two. All are encouraged to sing and "make a joyful noise to the Lord!" All are welcome - if you have a friend who likes good food, fun and song, bring them along! If you have any questions, please contact [Carol Paris](#).

Caregiver's Support Group

The Caregivers Support Group will meet on **July 22** (the fourth Tuesday of each month), **at 2 pm** in the Parish Hall. If you are feeling weighed down by caregiving worries or concerns, connecting with other caregivers is great emotional support. Come share your practical advice on managing challenges in caregiver relationships. **Contact:** [Sally Munson](#)



EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN



"Let's Do Lunch!"
SATURDAY, July 26 at 12 pm

Ladies, Please Join Us!

SEAN RYAN PUB

2019 14th Avenue, Vero Beach 32960

Our own Donna Griffin will present songs and stories about her over 20 years of hospital and nursing home visitation ministry. Imagine a story line set to folk/gospel music: short, sometimes funny, sometimes poignant.



Please sign up in the Narthex by July 20th

Contact: Pam Wehrberger at gran459495@aol.com

ECW "Let's Do Lunch" at Sean Ryan Pub

There will be a sign-up sheet in the Narthex starting this Sunday! Donna Griffin will be the guest speaker and will present her story about her experience in the hospital and nursing home visitation ministry.

Find these and all our upcoming events at ...

[Calendar](#)

Looking to Deepen Your Faith?

Evening Bible Study



We are excited to announce that we will be beginning an evening bible study **Tuesday, August 19th at 6:30pm** in the parish library! **The bible study will meet weekly on Tuesday evenings in the library** and 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 you can contact [Fr. Tyler](#). Look forward to seeing you there!



Sunday School is on Summer Break

Sunday School is taking a break from our regular Bible lessons and gatherings for the summer. We have had a wonderful year learning and growing together, and **we look forward to resuming Sunday School on Sunday, August 10**. Have a safe and blessed summer!

Each month, on the first Sunday, children continue to have the opportunity to assist in worship by serving on the altar, even during the summer! If your

child is interested in becoming an acolyte, please reach out to [Fr. Wes](#) for training opportunities.

Outreach / Volunteer Opportunities



Your July Hospitality Guild Team!

Do you have a gift of hospitality? Do you like to serve and host? Then join with those like Bonnie Taylor, Sophie Issac, Wendy Bushong, Marolyn Findlay and Genie Bushell (pictured above) and consider serving 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](#)



Thanks so much to all who continue to routinely contribute to this ministry, as the three items that we donate every week to the Salvation Army continue to be a lifeline to families in need!

Please keep in mind the need remains ALL YEAR LONG. **With many of our parishioners going up north at this time of year, it is crucial for those of us here to continue with our support.** It has been reported that we are the ONLY church in town who is doing this on a weekly basis.

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!



Interested in volunteering for the Choir?

Summer is an ideal time to consider giving the choir a try! It is a "low pressure" time of year musically and a great way to explore participation in this ministry. Please contact our Music Director [Tom Hall](#) or call the office at 772-770-3494 if you have questions. We would love to hear from you!

This Sunday!

"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself."

LUKE 10:27

Come Worship with us this Sunday!

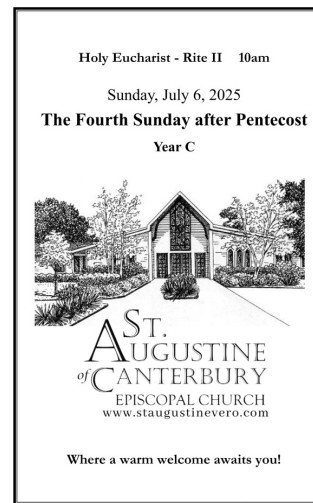
St. Augustine of Canterbury invites you to join us for worship this **Fifth Sunday after Pentecost**, either in person or at home via [Livestream](#) at 10 am. Or watch our livestreamed service anytime during the week on our [YouTube channel](#).

Interested in receiving Home Communion? Just call the church office (772-770-3494) and ask to be put

on the Home Communion list.

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

Saturday, 5:30 pm

All duties: Laurie Samuels

Sunday, 8 am

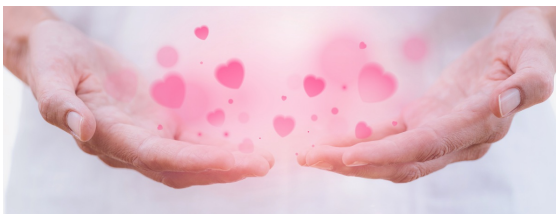
Lessons/POTP/Server: Lisa Grandage

Ushers:

Bill Hawksworth, Valorie Stevenson

Coffee Hour:

Byron & Inge Curcio, Donna Kerber



Sunday, 10 am

Ushers: Dick & Karen Monaco
and Tom Wehrberger

Lessons: Marilyn Black Dussault

POTP: Marolyn Findlay

Chalice: Pam & Tom White

Crucifer: Tom White

Torches:

Carolyn Robinson, Pam White

LEM: Carolyn Robinson

Livestream: Emma Shields

Sunday School Assistant:

Pam Wehrberger

Coffee Hour:

Brian & Karen McIntyre,

Leslie & Chris Valentine

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!



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

Healing Eucharist | Wednesdays at 10 am | Sanctuary

Bible Study | Wednesdays at 11 am | Library

News & Notes



Dana is out of the office for 2 weeks

Dana is out of the office for two weeks from **Wednesday, July 9** through **Wednesday, July 23** and will be "in residence" singing in Truro Cathedral in England!

Please be aware that no one will be physically answering the phone during

office hours during this time. While phone messages will be checked regularly by staff, please use email for a more prompt response.

If you have a pastoral emergency, or "office question", please email [Fr Wes](#).

If you have an event question, email communications@staugustinevero.com

If you have a financial question, email bookkeeper@staugustinevero.com.

Ministry Heads - please, no requests for new posts in the Canterbury Tales or the bulletin until after July 24 when I get back.

Prayer requests - To put someone's name on the POTP, please contact [Fr Wes](#). If you desire prayer for you or a loved one, please contact the DOK for at DOKPrayer@staugustinevero.com

Thanks for your patience!

Calendar

Mark Your Calendars!

Fri. July 11 - SAS Cooking Class Mentors, 3:30-5 pm, Parish Hall
Tues. July 15, 22, 29 - Parish Prayer Shawl Group, 1 pm, Library
Tues. July 15 - Men's Breakfast, 9 am, CJ Cannon's
Fri. July 18 - Third Fridays at the Source, Parish Hall Kitchen/Offsite
Sat. July 19 - Parish Potluck & Hymn Sing, 6:15 pm, Parish Hall
Tues. July 22 - Caregivers Support Group, 2 pm, Parish Hall
Sat. July 26 - ECW "Let's Do Lunch" 12-2 pm, Sean Ryan's Pub

Save the Date:

Tues. August 5, 12, 19, 26, - Parish Prayer Shawl Group, 1 pm, Library
Fri. August 15 - Third Fridays at the Source, Parish Hall Kitchen/Offsite
Sat. August 16 - Italian Dinner 6 pm, Parish Hall
Tues. August 19 - Men's Breakfast, 9 am, CJ Cannon's
Sat. July 26 - ECW "Let's Do Lunch" 12-2 pm, Twisted Lime
Tues. August 26 - Caregivers Support Group, 2 pm, 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 Linda, Barbara, Diane, Frank, Chad, Susan, Peter, Gina, the Romig family, Gloria, Melanie, Sarah, June, 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

13 - Marie Smith
 15 - Joan Kingston
 15 - Jackie Davis
 15 - Janet Langan
 15 - Stephanie Hurtt
 16 - The Rev. Lewis Gwyn
 17 - Lisa LaRusso
 18 - Inge Curcio

Anniversaries

16 - Stuart & Chip Weismiller (2010)
 18 - Rick & Faith Schreiner

This Week, We Remember

Departed

None this week



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

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