



*"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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## **Please Plan to Join Us After the 10 am Service!**

Our annual Parish Picnic will be held **this Sunday, May 25** right after the **10 am service**. All are invited! The church will provide the hamburgers, hot dogs and beverages. For those who are able, please bring a side dish or dessert.

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## **Easter 6 - God's Peace**

In just about every place that we can think of, we hear about "God's Peace"



and how it is different than "our" peace or the "world's" peace. This type of peace seems very hard to find or to lay hold of in the frenetic and fast paced times of today. Yet people in biblical times also found this peace very difficult to come by as well, otherwise Jesus would not have been talking about it.

Jesus told us that He "leaves" his peace with us, and that He gives it to us (John 14:27). So, this should mean that we should already have it and don't need to go looking for it out in the

world. He makes it clear that we will not find peace there. And yet how many times that is exactly what we try to do; to find peace in a place that is outside of ourselves, and we begin to expect that something or someone will provide us that peace. Some of the places that we "look" for that peace might be in food, good health, good looks, friends, spouses, job performance, money, recognition or accolades, volunteer work, or any other place where we might develop an expectation of what we believe will make us feel better and solve all our problems.

While all of these things are certainly not bad in and of themselves and may provide us with a sense of security and well being, Jesus isn't talking about any of this either. He is talking about being able to enter into a place of peace that is not dependent on what is going on around us. Yes, it can be extremely difficult to choose peace in the throes of a medical trial, when our loved ones are ill, when we are broke and don't see a way out, when our friends and family are angry at us, when our job is anything but peaceful, when we have no job, and when people are tugging on us to do things that we would rather not volunteer to do. It is very easy to become angry, resentful, despondent and fearful, and it can happen very quickly in the blink of an eye.

However, that becomes the moment for us to make a very conscious choice to stop continuing on those negative emotional trajectories and to *"seek peace and pursue it"* as Psalm 34:14 says. This is when we need to lay hold of the fact that Jesus said that He has already given this peace to us. Maybe the simple act of taking some deep breaths while focusing on *"My peace I leave with you"*, is enough to begin a different thought process where we might be able to remember that Jesus also said that *"I will not leave you orphaned, I will come to you"* (John 14:18). Maybe as we grab onto that promise, the Holy Spirit will make His presence known and do what what only He does best, which is to comfort, guide, correct, and remind us of everything that Jesus has said, which then might then translate into insight and direction about our particular situation (see John 14 and 16).

Yes, it is true that Jesus said *"In this world you will have trouble"*, however, the second half of that statement is *"but be of good cheer, because I have overcome the world"* (John 16:33). Because Jesus overcame, we too have the Overcomer in us who gives us His peace. With that peace, Jesus helps us to overcome. We can then begin to enter into the place where the *peace of God passeth all understanding* (Phil. 4:7) and is not based upon any human

circumstances or reasoning. While things may not change outwardly, this does allow us to move ahead in a new way knowing that we have not been left alone, and that through the peace of Jesus, the Holy Spirit will be with us and will be our Helper no matter what we might be facing.

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## *Upcoming Events*

### **Caregiver's Support Group**

The Caregivers Support Group will meet on on **May 27** (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](#)

A movie night poster with a pink background. At the top, a black and white striped clapperboard graphic contains the text 'COME JOIN US!'. Below the clapperboard, the text 'AFTERNOON AT THE MOVIES' is written in pink. Underneath, 'KARATE KID - THE LEGENDS' is written in pink with a white outline. The date and time 'TUESDAY, JUNE 17 - 3:30 PM' are in white. At the bottom, a black box contains three columns of text: 'MAJESTIC THEATRE' in pink, 'SIGN UP IN THE NARTHEX' in white, and '940 14TH LANE, VB' in pink.

**COME JOIN US!**

**AFTERNOON AT THE MOVIES**

**KARATE KID - THE LEGENDS**

**TUESDAY, JUNE 17 - 3:30 PM**

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### **Save the Date! - Afternoon at the Movies**

All are invited to an *Afternoon at the Movies* on Tuesday, June 17, 3:30 pm at the Majestic Theatre (940 14th Lane, Vero Beach, 32960). The film is called "*Karate Kid - The Legends*". Afterward, feel free to plan dinner on



your own and invite a fellow parishioner along! The church covers the cost of the movie; everyone pays for their own dinner.

Please sign up in the Narthex - contact the [office](#) if any questions.

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## ECW Blood Drive

The Episcopal Church Women have arranged for The Big Red Bus to be stationed in St. Augustine's parking lot on **Saturday, June 28 from 9 am to 2 pm**, ready to take your blood donation. Blood is essential to life and there is no substitute. It cannot be made. Generous blood donors are the only source of blood for cancer patients, newborns and others in critical need. Contact: [Pam Wehrberger](#)



Find these and all our upcoming events at ...

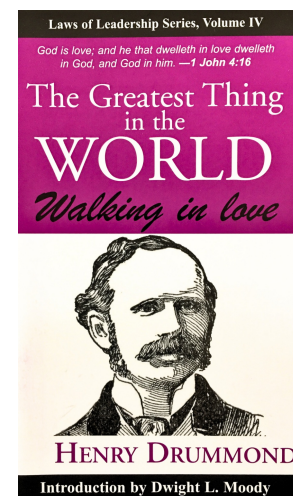
[Calendar](#)

## *Looking to Deepen Your Faith?*

### EASTER SERIES

#### Sunday Adult Christian Education

Please join us for our Sunday morning Adult Christian Education class from **9-9:45 am in the Library**, for our study on the classic book "The Greatest Thing in the World, Walking in Love" by Henry Drummond. This study focuses on the importance of 1 Corinthians 13 and the two commandments that Jesus gave; to "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, and mind", and to "Love your neighbor as yourself". If you are interested in this study, please contact [Father Wes](#) to receive a free copy of the booklet. All are welcome!





## Women's Bible Study: Make a Connection!

**Tuesdays through July 1, 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. This series will focus on the Fruit of the Spirit, as written in Galatians 5:22-23, love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.

We will gather on Tuesday mornings in the Parish Hall from 9:30 - 11:00 May 6 - July 1. Our facilitators will be Anita Plummer and Valerie Reich. We will be using the study guide "Fruit Of The Spirit" (Life Guide Bible Studies) by Hazel Offner. [Please order your study guide here](#)

Questions? Contact [Valerie Reich](#)

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## This Week in Sunday School

This week in Sunday School, we learned how God provided manna for the Israelites in the desert. After leaving Egypt, the people were hungry and began to complain. But God heard them and sent special food called manna from heaven every morning. He also gave them quail to eat in the evening. The people gathered just enough each day, and it reminded them to trust God to take care of them. This story teaches us that God always provides what we need and that we can trust Him every day.



## Please Come Join Us!

**Ages K-8 are welcome.** Come along with your friends and make new ones too!

Sunday School meets **Sunday at 10 am** in the last classroom at the end of the hall in the Christian Education Wing.

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](#).



## Daughters of the King: Let us Pray for You!

The Order of the Daughters of the King would like to remind everyone that the parish members are in our daily prayers. If you would like individual, confidential prayers, please get in touch with [Cheri Foster](#). She is the keeper of our prayer list, which is updated almost daily. Your requested prayers will stay on our list for one month, unless Cheri is notified to update. Prayers for those with cancer remain on the list for one year. Cheri can be reached at [DOKprayer@staugustinevero.com](mailto:DOKprayer@staugustinevero.com)

If you feel that you are called to a ministry of prayer and would like to find out more about joining the Order to serve with us in this incredible journey of faith, please contact [Nancy Kelly](#) or any one of us who wears the cross.

**DOK Meeting - THIS Saturday, May 24 at 10am in the Library.**

## *Outreach / Volunteer Opportunities*

### Join the Hospitality Guild!

The HOSPITALITY GUILD invites you to consider joining one of their 4 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](#)



**Our May Hospitality Guild Team**  
Ready to serve! Lisa, Barbara, Grace and Charlie (pictured above)

## Salvation Army Food Donations

As always, your generosity in helping to



serve local Vero residents in need is very much appreciated! However, the need continues, as the shelves that are filled with your donations 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. Thank you!



**SHINING LIGHT GARDEN** is 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. Like to get involved? Reach out to ministry contact: [Barbara McGowan](#)

## ***This Sunday!***

"But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid."

JOHN 14:26-27

### ***Come Worship with us this Sunday!***

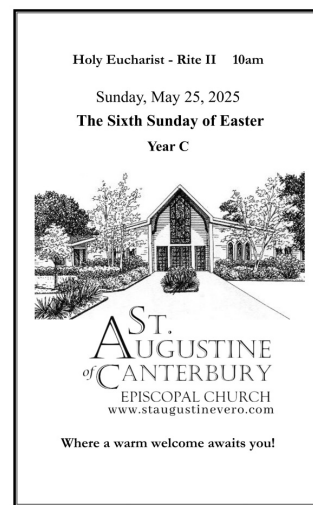
St. Augustine of Canterbury invites you to join us for worship this **Sixth Sunday of Easter**, either in person or at home via [Livestream](#) at 10 am. Or watch our livestreamed service anytime during the week on our [YouTube channel](#).

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:** Carolyn Robinson

**Sunday, 8 am**

**All duties:** Mary Power

**Ushers:**

Linda Beardslee, Ralph Chilton

**Coffee Hour:**

Byron & Inge Curcio, Donna Kerber

**Sunday, 10 am**

**Ushers:** David & Glenda Altman,  
and Tom & Pam White

**Lessons:** Sally Munson

**POTP:** Marilyn Black Dussault

**Chalice:**

Carolyn Robinson, Heather Bennett

**Crucifer:** Sally Munson

**Torch:**

Carolyn Robinson, Heather Bennett

**LEM:** Sally Munson

**Livestream:** Emma Shields

**Sunday School Assistant:**

Julia Wiggins

**There will be NO 10 am Coffee Hour  
due to Parish Picnic.**



## *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>](#)



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**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***

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## ***Calendar***

### ***Mark Your Calendars!***

**Sat. May 24** - Daughters of the King Meeting, 10 am, Library

**Sun. May 25** - Parish Picnic after the 10 am service, Parish Hall

**Tues. May 27** - Connections Women's Bible Study, Parish Hall, 9:30-11 am

**Tues. May 27** - Parish Prayer Shawl Group, 1 pm, Parish Hall

**Tues. May 27** - Caregivers Support Group, 2 pm, Parish Hall

### ***Save the Date:***

**Tues. June 3, 10, 17, 24** - Connections Bible Study, 9:30 am, Parish Hall

**Tues. June 3, 10, 17, 24** - Parish Prayer Shawl Group, 1 pm, Library

**Tues. June 17** - Men's Breakfast, 9 am, CJ Cannon's

**Tues. June 17** - Afternoon at the Movies, 3:30pm, Majestic Theatre

**Fri. June 20** - Third Fridays at the Source, Parish Hall Kitchen/Offsite

**Sat. June 21** - ECW Luncheon Meeting, 11 am, Parish Hall

**Tues. June 24** - Caregivers Support Group, 2 pm, Parish Hall

**Sat. June 28** - Daughters of the King Meeting, 10 am, Library

**Sat. June 28** - ECW Blood Drive, 9 am-2 pm, Church Parking Lot

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

**CALENDAR**

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## 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 Sharon, June, Linda, Kaylin, Kloe, Brad, Eddie, Jacira, Samira, Melanie, Rolado, Dennis, Angie, Martha, Mickey, Theresa, Edith, Gloria, Sannina, Jenny, Linda Sue, Kathleen, 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**

25 - Patricia Brother  
28 - Tonia DeGroote  
David Verbeke  
29 - Roland Parris  
Dorothy Martin  
30 - David Rowan

#### **Anniversaries**

25 - Anthony & Carol Barreiro  
27 - Ed & Ann Golden

### **This Week, We Remember**

#### **Departed**

None this week.



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### **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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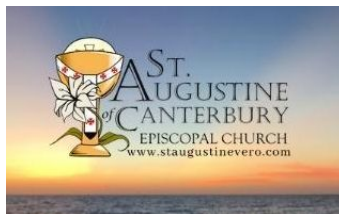
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