

"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."

## The Been Family Welcome Reception!

While the names of those attending are too numerous to list, rest assured that the Parish turned out for this joyous event! With good food and of course a cake to commemorate the Beens' auspicious start here, everyone was smiling as they greeted Father Tyler, Laken, Margaret, Julian and Millie while socializing with one another. All of the fabulous photos were taken by our new Communications Coordinator, Leslie Dela Vega!





# The Spirit and the Bride say, "Come!"

The disciple John, "the one whom Jesus loved" is in the midst of having a holy vision in which "water" is featured prominently. But not just any water. Jesus referred to it as "living water" and "the water of life". John has heard Jesus talk about this water throughout His ministry, and sees it in his vision as the "river of life, clear as crystal", as we heard in last week's readings.

This week, we find John at the end of this vision, where he hears Jesus call for everyone to come and drink of this water who is thirsty. Isaiah also heard this call from the Lord - "Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat...without money and without price." (Is. 55:1) Jesus talks about "living water" to the "woman at the well" in John 4, saying that she should be asking *Him* for a drink, and that He would give her the kind of water where she would not thirst again. She replies that she would like to have that water, thinking that she would never again have to go back to the well. She believes that Jesus is talking about physical water. However, like many ideas in Scripture, there can be many layers to understanding spiritual realities and the "water" that Jesus promised was not a "what"; it is a "Who" that has been sent to us in Jesus's stead that leads us to eternal life (John 4:13-14).

"Living water" refers to the Holy Spirit, whom Jesus promised to give to all his followers (John 7:39). The Holy Spirit will flow out into our lives and also into the lives of others as He flows through us, if we "drink" from Him first. The Holy Spirit is a gift. He is available to anyone who believes in Jesus and without price. Even more astonishingly, Jesus prayed that as the Father is in Him (and Jesus in the Father), that they would also be *in us*! (John 17:20-21)

Jesus takes it even further. He then states that the *glory* that the Father had given Him was now being given to *us*. This was so that "we may be one" as He and the Father are one. Jesus also prayed that *we would be where He is*, and that we would see that glory "so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me" (John 17:23-24). Jesus then finishes off the prayer with a flourish - "Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them" (John 17:25-26).

What a revelation! How John must have known this love and this reality intimately - how it must have sustained him through all of his trials, and

opened such wonderful new realms to him where he could clearly see the glory of Jesus, heaven, and the "New Jerusalem". How our lives would be different if we could grab hold of this love that Jesus promises, and if we collectively as the Church could live into our true identity as the Bride of Christ!

What would that really look like? How would this affect our relationship to Him as Christians? Our relationships with each other? How would our lives be changed; here, today? How would we view and live out our life's purpose from this perspective? How would this affect all of our choices? John was able to "drink" and experience "living water" daily while still here on this earth. What about us?

# Upcoming Events



## Shining Light Garden

**Saturday, June 7, 8:30 -10:30 am.** Join us at this 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. Come surround yourself with God's creation as we help others. Reach out to ministry contact: <u>Barbara McGowan</u>



#### Join us for an 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.



# Join ECW on Saturday, June 21 at 11 am in the Parish Hall

We are delighted to invite you to Part 1 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.

By attending "Protecting Ourselves and Others" you will:

- Gain valuable insights from seasoned professionals.
- Learn actionable steps to positively impact your community.

 Join a network of like-minded individuals working towards a safer future.



This will be a BYOL (Bring Your Own Lunch) event. ECW will supply drinks and desserts. Questions? Contact: Pam Wehrberger



### **ECW Blood Drive**

The Big Red Bus will be stationed in St. Augustine's parking lot on **Saturday**, **June 28 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.



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: <a href="Pam Wehrberger">Pam Wehrberger</a>

Find these and all our upcoming events at ...

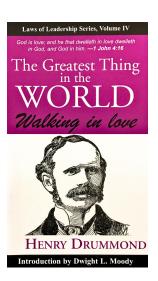
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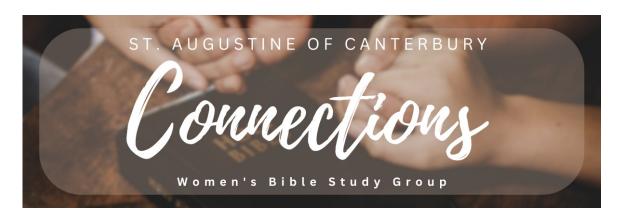
# Looking to Deepen Your Faith?

#### **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 <a href="Father Wes">Father Wes</a> 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

# No Sunday School This Week

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 <u>Fr. Wes</u> for training opportunities.

Next week in Sunday School, we will be studying the story of David and Goliath!

## 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.

If you have kids, grandkids, neighbors, or anyone that might be interested in Sunday School, please contact ministry leader <u>Michelle Guancione</u>.







## 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 <u>Cheri Foster</u>. 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 <a href="mailto:DOKprayer@staugustinevero.com">DOKprayer@staugustinevero.com</a>

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.

# 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 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!



# This Sunday!

Jesus prayed for his disciples, and then he said. "I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one."

JOHN 17:20

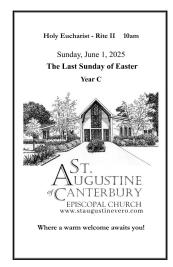
# Come Worship with us this Sunday!

St. Augustine of Canterbury invites you to join us for worship this **Last Sunday of Easter**, either in person or at home via <u>Livestream</u> 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: Jane Ferguson

Sunday, 8 am

All duties: Lisa Grandage

**Ushers:** 

Steve & Moe Connell

**Coffee Hour:** 

Byron & Inge Curcio, Donna Kerber



Sunday, 10 am

Ushers: Jerry & Valerie Reich,

and Jackie Davis

**Lessons:** Emma Shields **POTP:** Cody Shields

Chalice:

Cody & Tucker Shields
Crucifer: Jack Guancione

Torches:

Julianna Guancione, Jeremiah Wilson

**LEM:** Emma Shields

Livestream: Laura Shields Sunday School Assistant:

Julia Wiggins Coffee Hour:

The Daughters of the King

# 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 <u>Daily Morning Prayer</u> 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 <u>Online</u> <u>Instructions</u> to set up the Daily Office App. <u>Launch the Daily Office App></u>



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**

## Parish Picnic 2025

Between good food, happy babies and cute dogs, the Parish Picnic was a great success! Thanks to all who came and participated by bringing great potluck offerings. Special thanks go out to all of our cooks (you know who you are!) for their yummy offerings on the grill as well as all of those who helped in the kitchen, with set-up, and clean-up. We couldn't have done it without you! (Photos by Leslie Dela Vega)



# Calendar

#### Mark Your Calendars!

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, Libraryl

Sat. June 7 - SAS at Shining light Garden, 8:30 - 10:30 am, Offsite

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

#### Save the Date:

Tues. July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 - Connections Bible Study, 9:30 am, Parish Hall

Tues. July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 - Parish Prayer Shawl Group, 1 pm, Library

Fri. July 4 - Independence Day, OFFICE CLOSED

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 & Singalong, 6:15 pm, Parish Hall

Tues. July 22 - Caregivers Support Group, 2 pm, Parish Hall

Sat. July 26 - Daughters of the King Meeting, 10 am, Library

Sat. July 26 - ECW "Let's Do Lunch" 12-2 pm, Sean Ryan's Pub

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

**CALENDAR** 

## **Useful Links**

- How to Choose a Bible> by the Rev. Wes Shields
- <u>Church Center</u> To access our Church Center database app on the web
- Daughters of the King Prayer List
- Morning Prayer info and downloads
- <u>Livestream Services</u>
- St. Augustine's Facebook Page
- <u>St. Augustine's YouTube Channel</u> To subscribe: Sign in to YouTube on your computer. Go to <u>St. Augustine's YouTube channel</u> 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 Sarah, 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: <u>Dana Johnson</u> at 772-770-3494.

## This Week, We Celebrate

#### **Birthdays**

- 01 Mary Ann Wise
- 01 Cristine Vaccaro
- 01 Richard Horton
- 01 Joann Tuttolomondo
- 02 Catherine Rowan
- 03 Pete Thompson
- 04 Charlie Kirk
- 04 Doug Munson
- 05 Eileen Hynes

#### **Anniversaries**

03 - David & Marianne Rowan (2000) Sally & Doug Munson (1967)

### This Week, We Remember

#### Departed

- 05 Betty Davis (2019)
- 07 Gavin Delph (2021) Stacy Lerch (2021)





#### This Week's Altar Flowers.

This week's Altar Flowers are given by Patricia B. Daniels-Lindley to honor her June 7th marriage anniversary of five years to her late husband, James Lindley.

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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