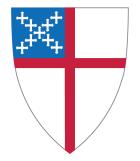


"The mission of St. Augustine of Canterbury parish is to grow closer to Christ and one another through worship, prayer, learning and service, and to dedicate our lives to serving Christ in the world through the power of the Holy Spirit."

From Fr. Wes

I am pleased to announce that our new Bishop, the Rt. Rev. Dr. Justin Holcomb, will be visiting us on **Sunday**, **December 3**. I will have much more information in the future about this visit, but I am telling you now for two reasons. First of all, so that you can put the date on your calendar. Secondly, I want to present the opportunity for anyone who would like to be confirmed, received, or have a reaffirmation of Baptismal vows to



let me know. Confirmation is a mature public affirmation of the faith for someone who has already been baptized. Reception is for someone who has made that affirmation in another tradition and would like to be formally acknowledged by the church. Reaffirmation is for someone who has already been confirmed but has fallen away from the faith or the church for a time and wants to be welcomed back formally. For a more thorough explanation please see the <u>Book of Common Prayer</u>, <u>Page 412</u> or <u>click to this link</u>.

I recognize this might not be crystal clear, so if you think one of these might be for you, then simply reach out and we can have a conversation about which one, if any, may apply to you. I will be hosting a preparatory class for anyone interested in these at the **9 am Sunday ADULT Christian education time** from October 8th to October 29th. This class will be beneficial to anyone, but for those who are seeking these pastoral offices they are required.

St. Augustine Serves at International Coastal Cleanup

St. Augustine Serves is officially launched with our first hands-on Outreach event scheduled. This Saturday, September 16, all parishioners are invited to join the St. Augustine Serves team at Riverside Park for the annual Coastal Cleanup Day. Event Info> Come join us as we engage in creation care to beautify our God-given waterway. There will be a St. Augustine Serves tee shirt waiting for you! Suggested arrival time is 8:45 am.



Click <u>here</u> for location, directions, and all you need to know to participate. To sign up, please contact <u>Barbara McGowan</u>

An Invitation from the Episcopal Church Women

"We aspire to be a God spark shining and sharing the love of Christ."

Please join us **Saturday**, **September 16**, as we embark on a new season of our annual spiritual journey as Episcopal Church Women. **Wear Red!** Come share Holy Eucharist with us at **12 pm** with Fr. Wes Shields as our



celebrant. Come sing with us! Tom will be there to accompany us. Lunch will follow with an informative and invigorating panel of ministry leaders to explain their services, so that we might consider where we can share our time, talent, and treasure in our church. Are you a "God spark?" Please note that the service begins at 12 pm. Bring a fellow parishioner, neighbor and/or friend! Please sign up in the Narthex for the luncheon count.

Contact: Carol Paris

September POPS Fund Campaign

St. Augustine's is so blessed to have the POPS Fund, established by an anonymous donor who donates \$10,000 annually. This donor is willing to contribute an additional \$5,000, provided that parish contributions match that amount. This fund provides critical support to local outreach organizations to carry out their charitable missions, empowering them to purchase needed equipment, make repairs, and support capital



expenditures, often on an emergency basis. We greatly appreciate any donation you can give. Help show our generous donor how important this funding is to our parish. Pick up your "POPS" envelopes in the Narthex or send your check directly to the Parish Office. Please be sure to write "POPS Fund" on the check. Questions? Contact: Dana Johnson



Men's Breakfast

Gentlemen, did you know that St. Augustine's has a Men's Breakfast once a month (on the third Tuesday) at C.J. Cannon's at 3414 Cherokee Dr, Vero Beach? Come join the fun, have a good meal and get to know one another better! The next

breakfast will be **Tuesday**, **September 19 at 9 am**. Sign up in the Narthex or contact <u>Al Glatz</u> for more details.

Find these and all our upcoming events at ...

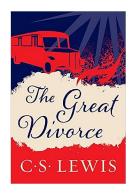
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Looking to Deepen Your Faith?

Sunday Morning Christian Education: Week 2

On **Sunday mornings at 9 am** in the Library, and running through October 1, we will engage in a book study on "The Great Divorce" by C.S. Lewis. We will do four chapters a week, the first two weeks; and then three chapters, the last two weeks. Catch up to us in chapter 8 and join us this week! You can buy this book on <u>Amazon</u>.

What is "The Great Divorce?" George MacDonald describes it as "a theological fantasy of an imaginary bus trip from Hell to the foothills of Heaven, where the ghosts of Hell meet the spirits of Heaven. This companion to 'The Screwtape Letters' explores how our pride and self-will act to separate us from God. No, there is no escape. There is no Heaven with a little of Hell in it - no plan to retain this or that of the devil in our hearts or our pockets. Out Satan must go, every hair and feather."



Sunday School

Would your child/grandchild like to engage in games and art using all different kinds of media? St. Augustine's Sunday School meets on all but the first Sunday of the month, during the 10 am service. Children in Kindergarten through 6th grade gather in our classrooms down past the Old Parish Hall, in the education wing of the church. On the first Sunday of the month, kids (who are willing and trained) may serve on the altar, and eventually as readers, ushers, etc. If you have kids, grandkids, neighbors, or anyone that might be interested in



Sunday School, please call or text ministry leader <u>Linda Jones</u> at 772.778.7743. If they would like to help serve on the 1st Sunday, please contact <u>Fr. Wes</u>.

Daughters of the King

The next DOK meeting is **Saturday**, **Sept. 23 at 10 am** in the Parish Hall. All women are welcome to attend the meeting if they would like to find out more about our Order. Contact: <u>Nancy Kelly</u>



This Sunday!

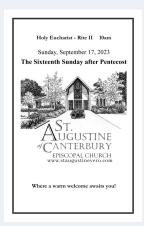
Peter came and said to Jesus, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times."

MATTHEW 18:21-22

Come Worship with us this Sunday!

St. Augustine of Canterbury invites you to join us for worship in person or at home this **Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost.** Watch our Livestreamed service online anytime during the week. Interested in receiving Home Communion? Just call the church office (772-770-3494) and ask to be put on the Home Communion list.

Worship Schedule>
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Special Guest Preacher

This Sunday, Rich Kunz will be with us, the former executive director of El Hogar in Honduras. In his travels around the country, Rich meets with Episcopal churches to bring them up to date on progress with the school, its children and their mission. El Hogar provides a quality education and a safe and nurturing home to children living in vulnerable conditions in Honduras. Their goal is to break the cycle of poverty so that students can fulfill their potential as productive and independent Honduran citizens. This Sunday will be a special celebration of the long-time connection El Hogar has enjoyed with St. Augustine's.

Livestream Technical Difficulties

Sincere apologies to our online viewers for the technical difficulties we have been experiencing with our Livestreaming. We are working hard to update our technology and solve these issues. We ask for your patience as we work through this process. Know that you can always go to our <u>YouTube channel</u> and watch previously recorded Sunday Services. Note: there was no recording for Sunday, Sept. 10. Please email your questions or concerns to <u>Barbara McGowan</u>.

Sunday Morning Fellowship

Please come join us Sundays for Coffee Hour after the 8 am and 10 am services in the Parish Hall. Enjoy the fellowship of your fellow parishioners. You never know who you might meet!

Readers and Servers

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

Saturday, 5:30 pm

Lessons: Laurie Samuels

Psalm & Prayers of the People: Laurie Samuels

Chalice Bearer: Laurie Samuels

Sunday, 8 am

Lessons: Janice Meehan

Psalm & Prayers of the People: Pat Waskow

Chalice Bearer: Pat Waskow

Sunday, 10 am

Lessons: Sharon Goldberg

Prayers of the People: Lisa LaRusso Chalice Bearers: Nancy Kelly, Tom White Lay Eucharistic Minister: Emma Shields

Crucifer: Tom White

Torches: Nancy Kelly, Jack Guancione

Ushers: Brian & Karen McIntyre, Pam Wehrberger

Livestream: Laura Shields



Altar Guild to Meet

The Altar Guild will meet **Sunday, Sept. 24 at 11:30 am**. This meeting is for current members or anyone interested in joining. Contact: <u>Glenda Altman</u>

Outreach

Salvation Army Food Contributions

Food contributions for the Salvation Army may be placed in the collection box in the Parish Hall. We only accept three items: pasta, spaghetti sauce and peanut butter (at their request). Thank you for your generosity in helping to serve local Vero residents in need. Ministry contact: Stuart Weismiller



We are only collecting these items at this time Thank you!

FOOD COLLECTION

Please donate: Pasta Spaghetti Sauce Peanut Butter

Join us this Week for ...

Morning Prayer | Daily at 8 am

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 Instructions</u> to set up the Daily Office App. Launch the Daily Office App>



Note from the Parish Office: A few parishioners have been having issues with using their landlines to call the Morning Prayer line. After some investigation with our service provider, it was suggested that a cell phone may work better to call the Prayer line rather than calling in with a landline. If you are having difficulty calling in with your landline, please use your cell phone instead.

Parish Prayer Group | Mondays at 1:30 pm | Christian Ed wing

Prayer Shawl & Knitting Ministry | Tuesdays, 1 - 3 pm | Parish Library

Healing Eucharist | Wednesdays at 10 am | Sanctuary

Bible Study with Fr. Wes | Wednesdays at 11 am | Parish Library

News & Notes

The Bishop's Cross Recipient

On September 9, parishioner Nancy Kelly attended the Daughters of the King Fall Assembly at Canterbury Conference Center in Oviedo, where she was chosen as the recipient of the Bishop's Cross. The drawing for the Bishop's Cross began in 1937. A gold cross was donated and designated to be worn by a member who is



faithful in carrying out the purpose of the Order and whose life upholds the cross. At one point the cross was lost. The Bishop decided it should be replaced so the tradition could continue. A new cross was made from silver jewelry donated by Daughters and that same cross is worn today. The Cross is not a reward. It is to be worn with humility and thankfulness that God is doing great work in her life, her chapter, and her parish. The cross is a special honor and is to be worn for one year. Pictured here is the Rt. Rev. Bishop Holcomb presenting the cross to Nancy Kelly.

Also at Fall Assembly a check for \$18,888. was presented to John and Kenya May, Directors of Feed the Lambs. Our parish contributed another \$1000. Thank you all for your generosity!





Various Common Table groups have reported in on the fun they are sharing. Carol Paris reports that the recent Common Table gathering held on Sept. 12 at her home was "filled with lots of laughter and delicious food contributions. Just a delightful time."





John Robinson shares that on August 13, Common Table 4 group of Dave, Glenda, Roy, Jean, Mary, Sunny, John and Sheila had a very enjoyable dinner and time together at Bobby's on the beach. The evening was highlighted by singing Happy Birthday to several of the other patrons!

Karen Monaco reports that their group has had two meetings. The first one was a barbecue at the Monaco's. The group consisted of six people, and Father Wes, Laura and their children joined them. Their next outing was on August 16 at Armani's in Vero Beach where they had a great dinner.

Wha-a-a-t? Your Picture Isn't in the Church Directory?!?

Over 160 Parishioners are now using our Church Directory and counting! But many have

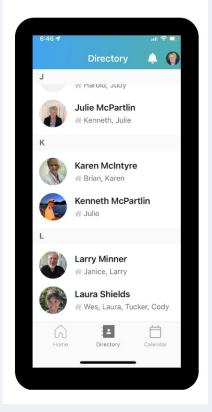
not taken advantage of including a picture with their profile. Here's how you do it, easy as 1-2-3!

- 1. Launch Church Center on your phone or computer, and click on the circle in the top, right of your screen.
- 2. Click on "My Profile & Settings," and then "Contact & profile information. Then click on "Add Photo." You will be given the option to take a photo or choose one from your photo library. Once you complete this step, the image will appear at top. Click "update."
- 3. One last step ... Go back to "Profile & Settings" and click on "Directory Profile." Click next to "Include profile photo" and this will publish it to the directory.

If you haven't installed Church Center yet, no problem. It is easy to install. <u>Just follow these simple instructions></u>

See you in Church Center! Questions?

Contact: Barbara McGowan



Upcoming Events

Mark Your Calendars! Be Sure to Save these Dates ...

- Saturday, Sept. 16 ECW Opening Luncheon, 12 pm, Sanctuary
- Saturday, Sept. 16 Coastal Cleanup, 9-11 am, Riverside Park
- Monday, Sept. 18 Outreach Ministry Meeting, 11am, Library
- Tuesday, Sept. 19 Men's Breakfast, 9 am, CJ Cannon's
- Sunday, Sept. 24 Monthly Blood Pressure Screening, 9 am/11 am, Parish Hall
- Sunday, Sept. 24 "Ask the Dietician," 11 am, Parish Hall
- Tuesday, Sept. 26 Caregiver's Support Group, 2 pm, Library
- Wednesday, Sept. 27 Parish Potluck, 5:30 pm, Parish Hall

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

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Useful Links

- Daughters of the King Prayer List
- Morning Prayer info and downloads
- Livestream Services
- 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, and those impacted by natural disasters. We also pray for Denise, Zach, Jerry, Amira, Michael, Janice, Jacinth, Joanne, Andy, Gerry, Ronald, and Gayle.

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

- 17 John Robinson
- 17 Ray Hulse
- 18 Marianne Rowan
- 18 Faith Schreiner
- 20 Linda Beardslee
- 21 Bill Beardslee
- 21 Donna lannotti
- 21 Lyn Brinkman
- 22 Roy Moriarty
- 23 Rosetta Grant
- 23 Janice Minner

Anniversaries

22 - Serena & Russell Kratz

This Week, We Remember

Departed

- 06 Patricia Kroepke (09/06/23)
- 20 Marilyn Henson (2020)





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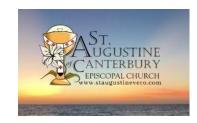




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