



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.



The Fifth Sunday After Pentecost

God tested Abraham. He said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you."

Genesis 22:1-2

"The Lord Will Provide"

This Sunday's Old Testament Lesson begins with *"God tested Abraham."* (Genesis 22:1) While on the surface it looks like a very innocuous sentence, once we read on, it must seem inconceivable to us that God would test anyone in this way! Would we really be asked to "sacrifice" a child? Yet that is what Abraham was asked to do. What's even more is that Abraham was ready to obey! He literally took Isaac, his most precious son to the mountain believing that Isaac would have to die - to be "sacrificed" for God. But thankfully, Abraham also heard the angel tell him not to do this thing – that the "test" was over and that he passed with flying colors.

While it might be impossible for us to understand why God would ever ask such a thing, let it be said here that scholars and commentators agree that the will of God was never to have Abraham sacrifice Isaac. This was a test of Abraham's faith. There are many places in Scripture that speak out very

vehemently against child sacrifice and God was not advocating that. What we need to remember is that this particular event in the Old Testament was a prophetic foreshadowing of a Father who one day, *would* be sacrificing His Son at that very place. However, Abraham did not have to go through with the sacrifice, because Jesus would be the one who would die for the sins of the people, as this act could not be fulfilled by Isaac.

Instead, Isaac's role is the one that all of humanity has – as those who would be spared, as another died in his place. In this case, Abraham found a ram in a thicket to sacrifice, once the angel of the Lord told him to stay his hand. Abraham called that place "The Lord will provide". Just as the ram was provided to Abraham, Jesus was provided for us. The "test" of faith for each one of us, is as Jesus tells us in John 6:29 - that "*This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.*"



Upcoming Events

Monthly Blood Pressure Screening

Come have your blood pressure checked by our RNs **THIS Sunday, June 28 after the 8 am and 10 am services** (or any last Sunday of the month) in the Parish Hall. Blood pressure card is provided, or bring the one you had last time. Bring any questions you have to our Health & Wellness Team.



"Ask the Dietician"

The Health and Wellness Team will also host an "**Ask The Dietician**" session **after the 10 am service this same Sunday**. Church members will have the opportunity to speak one-on-one with Phillippa Norman, MS, RD/LD and ask questions about nutritional wellness. We will discuss how nutrition plays a vital role in managing chronic diseases and improving quality of life. Education informational will be provided. **Ministry contact:** [Sally Munson](#)



TECH TIME!

with Leslie dela Vega

Don't let tech issues confuse you or slow you down.
We are here to help!

SUNDAY
June 28th
after the 10 AM service



APPLE products
support for
laptops or phones



Church Center APP
and St Augustine
site help!

Have questions? Contact Leslie at communications@staugustinevero.com



Tech Time This Sunday!

Need help with your iPhone or confused about the Church Center APP? We've got you covered. Along with our Health and Wellness Team's monthly screenings, **join Leslie dela Vega THIS Sunday, June 28 during Coffee Hour after the 10 am service in the Parish Hall** for simple, stress-free help with photos, apps, texting, or anything else you've been meaning to learn. She will be there to guide you through your iPhone and answer any questions you may have. Bring your phone, bring your questions—we'll take it from there.

Still need a photo taken for the Church Center Parishioner Directory?

Leslie will take a quick headshot photo of you for the Church Center app. She will even upload the photo for you onto your Church Center profile online. It's super quick and easy!

Still no Church Center profile yet? No problem! We can help you with that and download the app onto your phone along with your picture. The Church Center app allows you to have secure access to the online Parish Directory, the Calendar, your Giving activity and more. The people who sign up and have a "profile" on Church Center are the ones who are included in the Parish Directory.

To download the app yourself, please follow these easy instructions:

[Church Center App Install Instructions>](#)

Please contact [Leslie Dela Vega](#) or the [Office](#) with any questions.

FEED THE LAMBS

ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

ENGAGING, EDUCATING, AND EMPOWERING YOUTH



Support Feed The Lambs for a Fish Fry Fundraiser!

Plan to join Feed the Lambs for their Fish Fry here in the Parish Hall on Saturday, July 11 from 11 am - 1 pm.

Ticket prices are \$12 each and include a fried fish sandwich, chips and a drink. Please contact the [Office](#) to reserve a ticket or call 772-501-2617.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN



"Let's Do Lunch!"

SATURDAY, July 18 at 12 pm

Ladies, Please Join Us!

SEAN RYAN PUB

2019 14th Avenue, Vero Beach 32960

Enjoy a Fabulous & Fun-filled Luncheon and bring your friends!



Please sign up in the Narthex by July 12th

Questions? Contact Pam Wehrberger gran459495@aol.com or 215-805-0092.

Parish Potluck

Hymn Sing

with Lisa, Danny & Donna
Bring your voice, your instrument and your friends!

**Saturday, July 25th
at 6:15PM**

B.Y.O.B. Iced tea and water will be available.

Bring your favorite dish to share!

Questions? Contact Carol Paris, ceparis1228@gmail.com

Parish Potluck and Hymn Sing 2026

Plan to come **Saturday, July 25 at 6:15 pm** to the Parish Hall for a Parish Potluck and "Hymn Sing" led by Lisa, Danny and Donna. All are welcome and encouraged to sing and "make a joyful noise to the Lord!" No need to sign up for this event, but **please bring your favorite dish to share and your favorite beverage**, as well as any small instruments that you may

have to play, such as a guitar, tamborine, or even a hand drum or two. The church will provide iced tea and water.

If you have any questions, please contact [Carol Paris](#).

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

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Looking to Deepen Your Faith?



Our Last Sunday School Session

As we approach our final Sunday School class before summer break, I find myself reflecting on what a truly wonderful year it has been. It has been such a blessing to walk alongside these children as they have grown in their faith, deepened their understanding of God's love, and learned more about the life and teachings of Jesus.

Throughout the year, we have explored Scripture together, asked questions, shared prayers, and celebrated God's promises. From the birth of Jesus to His miracles, His death and resurrection, and most recently His Ascension and the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, the children have shown curiosity, enthusiasm, and a genuine desire to learn. Watching them make connections between the Bible stories and their own lives has been one of the greatest joys of this ministry.

Being their Sunday School teacher is a privilege I do not take lightly. I have loved every moment spent learning, laughing, creating, and growing together. Each child brings something unique and special to our class, and I am continually grateful for the opportunity to be a small part of their faith journey. They have blessed me far more than they know.

This Sunday will be our final gathering before summer break, and we will celebrate with a special end-of-year party as we give thanks for all that God has done this year. We will miss seeing our Sunday School family each week, but we look forward to hearing about everyone's summer adventures and welcoming the children back when Sunday School resumes in August.

Thank you to our families for sharing your children with us and for supporting their faith formation throughout the year. We pray that each child has a safe, joyful, and blessed summer, and we look forward to continuing our journey together when Sunday School resumes in August.

As we close another wonderful year, we are reminded of Jesus' words:

"Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." — Matthew 19:14

May God continue to bless, guide, and watch over each of our children throughout the summer months. We can't wait to see them again in the fall!

With gratitude and love,

Michelle Guancione
Sunday School Ministry Leader

If you have kids, grandkids, neighbors, or anyone that might be interested in Sunday School, please contact ministry leader [Michelle Guancione](#).



Connections: Women's Bible Study Group

Tuesdays, 9:30 am - 11:00 am in the Library.

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.

We are now studying the book of Hebrews, a pivotal book for bridging the Old and New Testaments. Join us as we continue to grow in faith by examining the eternal divinity and priesthood of Christ our Redeemer. This session will run through Tuesday, July 7.

Please order your study guide here:
[Hebrews: A 12-Week Study \(Knowing the Bible\)](#)

If you have any questions, please contact [Anita Plummer](#) or [Valerie Reich](#)



Evening Bible Study

Please join us Tuesdays, at 6:30pm as Evening Bible Study focuses on the Gospel of Matthew. Over the course of the next 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 the Gospel of Matthew this next year.

Any questions? Please contact Fr. Tyler at tyler@staugustinevero.com. We hope you can make it!

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, please 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.



Receive Personal Prayer on Sunday!

The Daughters of the King have begun a new 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. This Sunday, let a Daughter pray with YOU!



Would you like to become a Daughter? It will not take up much of your time, but it does enrich your life in ways you never expected. Please contact [Nancy Kelly](#) (President, St. Michael the Archangel Chapter) for more information.

Our next meeting will be in September.

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 the 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 Your Help

Many years ago, the Garden Angels had several members to help maintain and care for our beautiful plants and flowers. One by one the gardeners moved away to be near family or were up in years and retired. Today the Garden Angels consist of only two members — Rosie Grant and Brian McIntyre and they need help!

Do you have a green thumb and like to work in the garden? **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](#).

St. Augustine Serves at Shining Light Garden



Another Great Season at Shining Light Garden!
SLG will be closed this Saturday. There will be no Shining Light Garden work dates until September.

Saturday, June 13, was the last day of the season for St. Augustine Serves at Shining Light Garden. It's been another great year, our third! In the past six months alone, we have doubled the number of days per month that we work, increased our regular attendance and expanded the age range of participants from 4 years old to ... well, we won't say.

St. Augustine Serves has found great joy in the work we do, from replanting sweet potato vines to harvesting watermelons. And Shining Light Garden has been so good to us, sending us home with an armful of fresh produce and fully grounded in God's creation. Many thanks to all our participants who have taken on this important ministry of feeding our neighbors the healthy food they need. To our volunteers, be on the lookout for an end-of-season potluck celebration - details to follow.

Contact: [Barbara McGowan](#)



Salvation Army Ministry 2026

This Week's Donation Total: 160 lbs.

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!

So Abraham called that place *"The Lord will provide."*

GENESIS 22:14

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 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 22:1-14

Gradual Psalm:

Psalm 13

Second Reading:

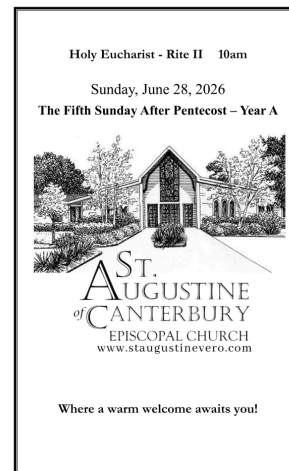
Romans 6:12-23

The Gospel:

Matthew 10:40-42

[Worship Schedule>](#)

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

Saturday, 5:30 pm

All duties: Laurita Samuels

Sunday, 8 am

Lessons/Server/POTP: Cris

Vaccaro

Ushers:

Jo Ann Kirchhoff, Valorie Stevenson

Coffee Hour: Byron & Inge Curcio,
Donna & Carl Kerber



Sunday, 10 am

Ushers: Tom & Pam White,
Richard Calkins

Lessons: David Rowan

POTP: Marianne Rowan

Chalice:

Carolyn Robinson, David Rowan

Crucifer: David Rowan

Torches:

Carolyn Robinson, Marianne Rowan

LEM: Marianne Rowan

Livestream: Leslie dela Vega

Sunday School Assistant:

Julia Wiggins

Nursery Coordinator: Laken Been

Nursery Assistant: Pam

Wehrberger

Coffee Hour: Dick & Karen Monaco,
Donna Copeland, Tom Elwood



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) and ask to be put on the Home Communion list or contact [Sally Munson](#) to schedule a home visit.

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

2026 ECW Brunch & Fashion Show!!!

The Models ...



The Food ...



The Guests!!!





Special thanks to EVERYONE who came and supported this popular event, and to all the very special people who worked very hard behind the scenes to make this year's Brunch and Fashion Show a smashing success! All fab photos by Leslie dela Vega.



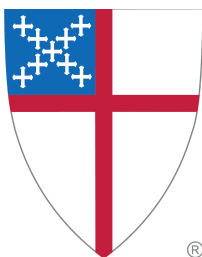
Would you like to sing with us?

The St. Augustine Choir is looking for new singers in all sections. As we are taking a summer break from Thursday rehearsals, summer is an ideal time to consider giving the choir a try and the perfect time for anyone who has thought about singing with the choir but wasn't sure about making the commitment.

Right now, **the only required commitment is on Sunday mornings from 9 am until a little after 11 am**, which includes a brief rehearsal before singing at the 10 am Sunday morning service. Most Sundays, the service lasts approximately an hour.

If you would like to join us, or have questions, we would love to hear from you! Please contact our Music Director, [Tom Hall](#) or you may contact the [Office](#).

A New Episcopal Church Initiative For Our Veterans



Dear Diocesan Family,

Earlier this year, LTC Rob Soeldner, (USA Retired and St. George's, The Villages) and The Rev. Canon Ellis Brust were appointed to serve on a new commission of The Episcopal Church focused on ministry with veterans, active-duty service members, and their families. We are grateful to Bishop Ann Ritonia, Suffragan Bishop for Armed Forces and Federal Ministries, and a veteran of the United States Marine Corps, for this appointment and for her leadership in this important work.

Our first step as a Commission is both simple and significant: we are seeking to better recognize and understand the presence of veterans and military families in our parishes. To assist the Commission in this work, **we are asking every parish to invite veterans, active-duty service members, and the families of each, to complete a brief survey** (link below). This will help us understand:

- Who are the veterans and military families in our churches

- What kinds of support are already bearing fruit
- Where there are opportunities for deeper care
- How can local churches build connections to local military installations

Your responses will help shape how the Church strengthens this ministry in the years ahead—so that our care is attentive, faithful, and grounded in the Gospel.

Please fill out the survey here or scan the QR code:

https://dfms.formstack.com/forms/veterans_ministry_survey



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



Building Maintenance Endowment Fund

One of the greatest challenges facing churches today is maintaining buildings and grounds. For most churches that end up closing, they cite the financial pressure of maintaining their buildings as the number one factor, while focus upon outreach and ministry slowly dwindle. When I look at our parish, I can certainly see how that could happen. When maintenance expenditures occur (such as with our many A/C units), they can be quite large and have the potential to drain financial resources in a hurry.

I am pleased to announce that our brand new Building and Maintenance Endowment Fund has received its first generous gift through the Wood family. We are incredibly grateful for this gift and are excited by the future possibilities of what this fund can help accomplish for our parish facilities.

If you would like to donate, or you would like to discuss naming rights for this fund, please reach out to me anytime.

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Calendar

Mark Your Calendars!

- Sat. June 27** - SAS at Shining Light Garden 8:30-10:30 am, offsite
- Sun. June 28** - Blood Pressure Screening, 9 & 11 am, Parish Hall
- Sun. June 28** - Ask the Dietician, 11 am only, Parish Hall
- Sun. June 28** - NEW!!! Tech Time with Leslie dela Vega, 11 am only
- Sun. June 28** - Ask the Dietician, 11 am only, Parish Hall
- Tues. June 30** – Connections Bible Study, 9:30 am, Parish Hall
- Tues. June 30** - Parish Prayer Shawl Group, 1 pm, Library
- Tues. June 30** – Evening Bible Study, 6:30 pm, Library

Save the Date!

- Fri. July 3** – **OFFICE CLOSED.** Independence Day Holiday
- Sat. July 4** – Independence Day
- Tues. July 7, 14, 21, 28** – Connections Bible Study, 9:30 am, Parish Hall
- Tues. July 7, 14, 21, 28** - Parish Prayer Shawl Group, 1 pm, Library
- Tues. July 7, 14, 21, 28** – Evening Bible Study, 6:30 pm, Library
- Sat. July 11** – Feed the Lambs Fish Fry in the Parish Hall. Time TBD.
- Sun. July 12** - Feed the Lambs School Supply Drive Deadline
- Tues. July 14** - Finance Committee Meeting, 11:15 am, Library
- Fri. July 17** - Third Fridays at the Source, 12 pm, Parish Hall
- Sat. July 18** – ECW "Let's Do Lunch" 12-2 pm, Sean Ryan's downtown
- Tues. July 21** - Men's Breakfast, 9 am, CJ Cannon's
- Tues. July 21** - Outreach Committee Meeting, 11 am, Library
- Tues. July 21** - Fellowship Committee Meeting, 12 pm, Library
- Sat. July 25** - Parish Potluck & Hymn Sing 6:15 pm, Parish Hall
- Sun. July 26** - Blood Pressure Screening, 9 & 11 am, Parish Hall
- Sun. July 26** - Ask the Dietician, 11 am only, Parish Hall
- Tues. July 28** - Caregivers Support Group, **11am**, Parish Hall

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

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 **Bonnie, Dan, Al, Ginger, Bemer, Pat, Sophy, Jacinth, Morgan, Lisa, Judy, Gail, Donny, Warren, Ed, Carol, Megan, Peyton, Bill, Melanie, Kirt, Jussara, Dakota.**

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

This Week, We Remember

Departed

- 29 – Julia Morris
- 30 – Frank Volpini
- 03 – Mary Thorpe

None this week.



Anniversaries

- 28 – Ken & Julia McPartlin (1969)
- 29 – Brian & Elaine Murphy



This Week's Altar Flowers

This week's Altar Flowers are given by Leigh MacDougall in loving memory of her husband Don MacDougall on their wedding anniversary.

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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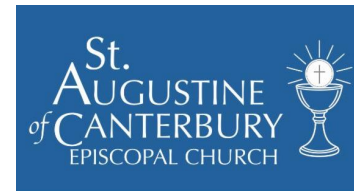
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