



“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.”

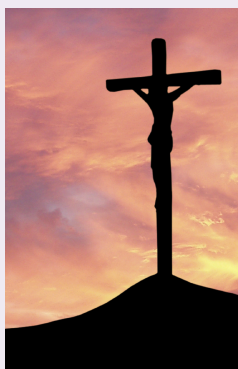
HOLY WEEK & EASTER SERVICES



Maundy Thursday

THURSDAY, APRIL 2, 5:30 PM

Maundy Thursday is the day that commemorates the Last Supper with Jesus and His disciples. The word "Maundy" comes from the Latin word *mandatum*, which means "commandment" and refers to Jesus's statement "A new commandment I give unto you: That you love one another, as I have loved you, that you also love one another." (John 13) This Scripture is what Jesus says in regard to the washing of one another's feet, which takes place during this service for all who wish to participate.



Good Friday

FRIDAY, APRIL 3, 5:30 PM

Good Friday is the day of the crucifixion and death of Jesus on the Cross. This service provides time for us as Christians to meditate on His ultimate sacrifice that opens the way for us to receive eternal life through His glorious resurrection. This service is very stark in comparison to Sunday services and does not include the Eucharist, yet is very meaningful in its austerity. The congregation will be asked to maintain contemplative silence both as they enter and exit the church.



The Great Vigil of Easter

SATURDAY, APRIL 4, 7:30 PM

This lesser known service is actually one of the most beautiful of all during the Church Year. It starts in with the lighting of a new fire (outside) and candlelight inside the church. The first part of the service in darkness features many readings to prepare us for the joyful and dramatic proclamation of "*Alleluia! Christ is Risen!*" which coincides with the dramatic turning on of all the lights in the church and culminates with a joyful Eucharist. Easter has officially begun!



Easter Sunday

SUNDAY, APRIL 5, 8 AM and 10 AM

This great service needs no introduction, as it is the church service most attended by Christians and non-Christians alike. Easter is the most joyous celebration of the Church as we rejoice over the defeat of death and the grave by the Resurrection of Jesus. This service will feature very joyful music at the 10 AM service including brass and timpani along with choir and organ.



Egg Hunt on Easter Morning

Bring your children or grandchildren to church on **Easter Sunday, April 5** and stay **after the 10am service outside by the tether ball courts** as kids encounter the Easter Bunny and search the grounds for hidden Easter eggs!



Come to all of our Holy Week and Easter Services!

This is the week of the church year where everything dramatically changes - we move out of Lenten contemplation and penitential practices into the joyous celebration of Easter. Each of our services will offer a particular emphasis on the Last Supper, the Crucifixion, The Great Vigil of Easter and of course, Easter Day. Father Wes exhorted each of us this past Palm Sunday to sit with this week's events in Jesus' life and not to gloss over the uncomfortable and painful bits. Our Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services are a great way to do that.

However, one of the lesser-known services, which is actually one of the most beautiful, is the Easter Vigil, held here on Saturday evening at 7:30pm. This service starts out in darkness, plainsong chant, and candlelight until it is dramatically proclaimed, "Alleluia! Christ is risen!" The lights in the church are flung on all at once, followed by boisterous congregational hymn singing, illustrating the abrupt shift from darkness to light. If you have never attended this service, I would urge everyone to experience it at least once. It will add a new dimension to your overall Easter experience and help set the stage for Easter Day, as well as officially ushering in the Easter season!

Our Easter Day service is of course a celebration of the resurrection of Jesus and will feature organ, brass, timpani, choir, great preaching, coffee hour, complete with an Easter Egg hunt after the service with "Bart the Bunny". Kids of all ages are encouraged to attend. See you there!



Easter Memorials and Dedications

Thanks to everyone who submitted an Easter memorial or dedication to honor loved ones in the Easter bulletins. You may view them [here](#).

Upcoming Events



The Nursery is Now Officially Open!

Bring your small children and grandchildren to church! Our Nursery is now up and running at the 10am service with Laken Been as our Nursery Coordinator, and she will be joined by at least one Nursery Volunteer each Sunday to help care for your children. The Nursery under Laken's direction has been upgraded and spruced up with a new coat of paint, new changing tables, new toys, and a new rug. Come and check it out!



Please join us for our Hospitality



“Show and Tell”

Hospitality Ministry Show and Tell!

Come and learn more about what is new in the Hospitality ministry! Join us at our light breakfast meeting on **Saturday, April 11th, at 10 am** in the Parish Hall to see if this is a ministry you would like to serve in. No cooking, shopping, heavy cleanup, or serving at Sunday Coffee Hours is involved.

Please sign up in the Narthex to be included in the food count.
Contact: Carol Paris at ceparis1228@gmail.com



ECW Blood Drive

The Big Red Bus will be stationed in St. Augustine's parking lot **Saturday, April 11 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

GIVE BLOOD



SAVE A LIFE

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: [Pam Wehrberger](#)



St. Augustine Serves at Shining Light Garden

It's not just all about weeding, there's some planting of seeds and harvesting new friendships, as well! **Come Saturday, April 11 at 8:30 am for our next service date.** All are welcome!

Be sure to bring a hat, sunscreen, water, and gloves. Wear shoes that you don't mind getting dirty. Questions? Ministry contact: [Barbara McGowan](#)

Hosted by the Fellowship Committee

Pizza Party!



Thursday, April 23

5:30 pm

Please join us in the Parish Hall for pizza and a show with Dave DeLuca of Black Tie Talent!

A freewill offering for the pizza will be gladly accepted.

BLACK TIE TALENT™ Presents ...

Dave DeLuca

in Concert with

"Remember Then"



Jukebox Hits of the 50s, 60s, & 70s

Pizza Party and a Show

Come out and join us on **Thursday, April 23 at 5:30pm** in the Parish Hall for a night of fun at a Pizza Party and a show by Black Tie Artist, Dave DeLuca! Dave is a local entertainer who will be presenting his show *"Remember Then" Jukebox Hits of the 50s, 60s & 70s*. Dave tells us this show "brings back the greatest radio hits of the 50s, 60s, and 70s from several genres: doo wop, Motown, rock 'n' roll, British Invasion, bubblegum, classic soul and R&B. Songs include *Blueberry Hill, Chantilly Lace, Shake Rattle & Roll, Venus, Kansas City, Dreamin', Margaritaville, Blue Suede Shoes, La Bamba, and Baby It's You.*"

Please sign up in the Narthex! A freewill offering for the pizza will be gladly accepted. Questions? Please contact [Valerie Daly](#)

Find these and all our upcoming events at ...

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Looking to Deepen Your Faith?



Easter Sunday: He Is Risen!

This Sunday, our Sunday School children will gather to celebrate the joy and wonder of Easter with a special lesson titled "He Is Risen!" Together, we will explore the story of the Resurrection—discovering the empty tomb, hearing the angel's message, and reflecting on the incredible truth that Jesus is alive. Through Scripture, discussion, and activities, the children will be invited to understand not only what happened on that first Easter morning, but why it matters for their lives today.

As we reflect on this sacred moment, we will help the children connect the journey we have been walking throughout Holy Week—especially the Stations of the Cross—with the hope and joy of the Resurrection. They will be reminded that the story does not end at the tomb, but opens into new life, new hope, and the promise of God's everlasting love. Our prayer is that each child leaves with a deeper understanding of Jesus' love and the assurance that because He lives, we too can live with hope and joy.

We are also especially grateful for the children who will be serving as acolytes during our Easter service. Their participation is a meaningful and reverent way to be part of our worship, and we celebrate their willingness to serve. For those attending Sunday School, it will be a joyful and engaging time of learning and reflection as we come together to celebrate the risen Christ.

We also look forward to a joyful time of fellowship as the children gather for the Easter egg hunt following the church services—a wonderful way to continue celebrating together as a church family.

We look forward to sharing this beautiful and holy day with your children.

Please Come Join Us!

Sunday School meets Sunday **at 10 am** in the last classroom at the end of the hall in the Christian Education Wing. **Ages K-8 are welcome.** Come with your friends and make new ones too!

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



Evening Bible Study

Please note that there will be **NO Bible Study this Tuesday, April 7.**

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 on Matthew 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!



Connections: Women's Bible Study Group

Our current study has ended, but **save the date** for our new study starting **Tuesday, April 21** and running every Tuesday through July 7 in the Library.

We will be 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.

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](#)



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.

Outreach / Volunteer Opportunities

Salvation Army Ministry 2026

We are continuing our positive impact at the Salvation Army with our Spaghetti, Pasta and Peanut Butter donations! The three items that we donate every week to the Salvation Army 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.



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!

"I have seen the Lord!"

JOHN 20:18

Come Worship with us this Sunday!

St. Augustine of Canterbury invites you to join us for worship this **Easter Sunday**, 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:

Liturgy of the Palms Gospel Reading:
Matthew 21:1-11

First Reading:

Acts 10:34-43

Gradual Psalm:

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

Second Reading:

Colossians 3:1-4

The Gospel:

John 20:1-18

[Worship Schedule>](#)

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

Maundy Thursday

Ushers: Steve & Moe Connell

Lessons: Jane Ferguson/Laurie Samuels

POTP: Deb Kavanagh

Chalice/Torch: Jane Ferguson,
Deb Kavanagh

LEM/Crucifer: Laurie Samuels

Psalm at Altar Stripping: Eugene Tobey

Sunday, 8 am

Lessons/Server/POTP:

Lisa Margaret Grandage

Ushers: Joann Kirchhoff,
Valorie Steveson

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

Sunday, 10 am

Good Friday

Readers: Laurie Samuels,
Marilyn Black Dussault
Crucifer: Laurie Samuels
Cantor: Dana Johnson
Usher: Steve Connell

Easter Vigil, Saturday, 5:30 pm

Epistle: Carolyn Robinson
POTP: Bob Stasonis
Crucifer/LEM: Russell Kratz
Chalice/Torch: Carolyn Robinson,
Heather Bennett
Usher: Bob Stasonis

Vigil Lesson Readings:

First Reading: Marilyn Black Dussault
Second Reading: Eugene Tobey
Third Reading: Lisa LaRusso
Fourth Reading: Russell Kratz

Ushers: Tom & Pam White,
Deb Kavanagh

Lessons: Cody Shields
POTP: Emma Shields
Chalice: Cody & Tucker Shields
Crucifer: Tucker Shields
Torches:
Margaret Been, Cody Shields
LEM: Sally Munson
Livestream: Laura Shields
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The Daughters of the King



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

News & Notes

Palm Sunday Service

See our parishioners, choir and Father Wes for our Palm Sunday procession into the church! Photos by Leslie Dela Vega.



Mark Your Calendars!

Thurs. Apr. 2 - Maundy Thursday Service, 5:30 pm

Fri. Apr. 3 - Good Friday Service, 5:30 pm

Sat. Apr. 4 - Easter Vigil Service, 7:30pm

Sun. Apr. 5 - Easter Sunday Services, 8 & 10 am

Sun. Apr. 5 - Easter Egg Hunt, right after the 10 am service, outside

Mon.-Tues. April 6-7 - **OFFICE IS CLOSED**. Will re-open on Wednesday.

Sat. Apr. 11, 25 - SAS at Shining Light Garden 8:30-10:30 am, offsite

Tues. Apr. 14, 21, 28 – Connections Bible Study, 9:30 am, Parish Hall

Tues. Apr. 14, 21, 28 - Parish Prayer Shawl Group, 1 pm, Library

Tues. Apr. 14, 21, 28 – Evening Bible Study, 6:30 pm, Library

Fri. Apr. 17 - Third Fridays at the Source, 12 pm, Parish Hall

Mon. Apr. 20 - Vestry Meeting, 7 pm

Tues. Apr. 21 - Men's Breakfast, 9 am, CJ Cannon's

Thurs. Apr. 23 - Fellowship Pizza and Music Party, 5:30pm, Parish Hall

Sat. Apr. 25 – DOK Meeting Library, 10 am, Library

Sun. Apr. 26 - Blood Pressure Screening, 9 & 11 am, Parish Hall

Sun. Apr. 26 - Ask the Dietician, 11 am only, Parish Hall

Tues. Apr. 28 - Caregivers Support Group, 2 pm, Parish Hall

Save the Date!

Tues. May 5, 12, 19, 26 – Connections Bible Study, 9:30 am, Parish Hall

Tues. May 5, 12, 19, 26 - Parish Prayer Shawl Group, 1 pm, Library

Tues. May 5, 12, 19, 26 – Evening Bible Study, 6:30 pm, Library

Sat. May 9, 23 - SAS at Shining Light Garden 8:30-10:30 am, offsite

Sat. May 16 - ECW Meeting, 11am

Mon. May 18 - Vestry Meeting, 7 pm

Tues. May 19 - Men's Breakfast, 9 am, CJ Cannon's

Fri. May 22 - Third Fridays at the Source, 12 pm, Parish Hall

Mon. May 25 - **OFFICE IS CLOSED**. Memorial Day

Sat. May 23 – DOK Meeting Library, 10 am, Library

Sun. May 24 - Blood Pressure Screening, 9 & 11 am, Parish Hall

Sun. May 24 - Ask the Dietician, 11 am only, Parish Hall

Tues. May 26 - Caregivers Support Group, 2 pm, 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](#)
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Please Keep in Your Prayers

Update to the 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.** A name 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, as that list will match the one in the bulletin.

ALL names that are in the bulletin have been submitted to our chapter of the Order of the Daughters of the King, which means that **even if a names comes off from the bulletin list, that person is still being prayed for** according to their 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 **Irene, Maureen, Dave, Al, Ginger, Brian, Nancy, Patrick, Irene, Clelia, Melanie, Gloria, Carol, Patty, Richard, Dina, Jacira, Paulo, Joanne, Jacinth.**



Do You Need Prayer Now?

Life can get busy and stressful. 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 on it 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.

Discover the vibrant work of the Daughters of the King!

Our *St. Michael the Archangel* Chapter of *The Daughters of the King* is alive and busy! The DOK is a religious Order of the Episcopal Church whose members have taken vows and live by a Rule of Service and Prayer. It seems much of what we do goes on behind the scenes. A large part of our work involves prayer for others, including our clergy, staff and parish daily. It also includes supporting a non-profit Service Project each year, traveling through the Diocese for meetings, retreats and other Christ centered events, and assisting other Chapters. We are a close-knit, welcoming group of women looking to deepen their relationship with Christ. All women of the parish are encouraged to come see what we are all about, and are welcome to join! We meet on the fourth Saturday of the month at 10 o'clock in the Library. If you would like to become a Daughter, please contact [Nancy Kelly](#).

This Week, We Celebrate

Birthdays

06 – Fr. Wes Shields
06 – Elaine Murphy
06 – Julian Been
08 – Lisa Blaicher
10 – Karen Davis
11 – Carolyn Robinson

Anniversaries

11 – None this week.

This Week, We Remember

Departed

04/01 - Roland Parris (2026)
04/11 – Edith Goldberg



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.

NOTE - all slots for April have been filled. If you would like to make a flower dedication, please do so beginning in May. Thank you!

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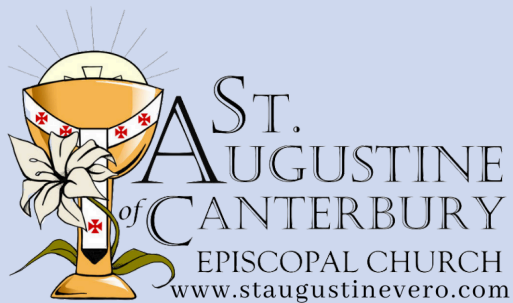
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