



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 Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost

*Moses said, "I must turn
aside and look at this great
sight, and see why the
bush is not burned up."*

Exodus 3:2

"Holy Ground" and the "Burning Bush"

Have you ever had an epiphany about something and can mark that time in your life as a sacred moment? Can you remember the day or even the hour? God can have a way of arresting our attention in such a way that we never forget about how it happened or the message that we received. Moses can probably remember exactly when he saw the angel of the Lord appear to him as a burning bush. God spoke to Moses out of that bush when Moses *"turned aside"* to look at it. (Exodus 3:2-3) One of the first things that God told Moses was *"Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground."* (Exodus 3:5) God then proceeded to tell Moses who He was, and Moses was overcome with awe and reverential fear. Then God got to the heart of the message – that Moses was to deliver his people out of the hand of the Egyptians and get them to the Promised Land. (Exodus 3:6-13) Moses then spent the next forty years of his life doing just that.

Often, when God speaks to us, He will follow this pattern. He will get our attention in a way that makes us stop what we are doing and “turn aside”. Then God will impress upon us that He is speaking and that we are to treat it as a holy moment. If we can get that far, then God can give us a specific message that pertains to our particular situation. When we “know” that it is God speaking to us, it becomes much easier to listen and consider what He may be telling us. Later, we may even be able to pinpoint that moment as a milestone in our lives. Think it can’t happen today? Think again. Just like Moses, when we feel the stirring of God in our souls, we can say with a willing heart, “*Here I am.*” (Exodus 3:4) With that posture, what might God be speaking to us today?

Upcoming Events

Please Plan To Join Us!

9/11 Memorial Service

in the Church Sanctuary

Friday Evening,
September 11
5:30 pm

To honor those who lost their lives
on the fateful day
that changed our nation forever.





Please Join Us!

**ECW Opening
Eucharist Service**

Saturday, Sept. 19 at 11 am

We begin our ECW seasonal calendar with a Special Eucharist Service. Our music director, Tom Hall will accompany us as we sing God's praises with some specially chosen hymns. Add to the joyous occasion by wearing the ECW color, red!

The Rev. Michael Goldberg, our former Rector, will be our Luncheon Guest Speaker. The topic is "The Role of Women in the Church".

Please RSVP in the Narthex

Contact: Pam Wehrberger at gran459495@aol.com

For more information or any questions, please contact [Pam Wehrberger](#).

In our parish we offer fellowship and hospitality by reaching out to people in need and serving in our church ministries. We are part of a Christian foundation started in 1871 at the National level and are in Province IV in the Diocese of Central Florida, located in the SE Deanery.

For news and events, please check the weekly *Canterbury Tales*, our Parish Facebook Page or contact our ECW President, Pam Wehrberger.



Fellowship Ministry Puzzle Challenge!

You are invited to participate in a JIGSAW PUZZLE CHALLENGE on **Wednesday, September 23 from 6:30 - 8:30 pm in the Parish Hall.** Teams of 2 will compete to see who can come closest to completing a 500 piece jigsaw puzzle in 1.5 hours.

To participate, please sign up in the Narthex to be a Puzzle Challenge Contestant. If you have a partner that you would like to participate with, please indicate that on the signup sheet, otherwise you will be assigned one at the competition.

Meanwhile, on the other side of the hall, parishioners can enjoy a casual game night featuring Dominoes, Five Crowns, Bunko, Sequence, Marbles & Jokers, and other favorite board games. **No signup needed if not a puzzle contestant.**

Bring your favorite snacks and beverages! Questions? Contact [Valerie Daly](#).

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

CALENDAR

Looking to Deepen Your Faith?



Connections

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY GROUP

Connections: Women's Bible Study Group

Connections Bible Study will resume Tuesday, September 8th from 9:30am -11:00 am in the Library. This session will run through Tuesday, November 24. We will be studying the book of Acts, also called the Acts of the Apostles. The book of Acts serves as a transition of the ministry of the Holy Spirit from the Old Covenant to the New.

We will be using the *"Knowing the Bible Series."* The study from this series was written by our own Bishop Justin Holcomb.

Please order your study guide here:

[Acts: A 12-Week Study \(Knowing the Bible\)](#)

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



Evening Bible Study

Evening Bible Study Resumes September 8

Evening Bible Study will resume on Tuesdays, starting September 8th at 6:30 pm in the Library.

Over the course of this 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 these teachings throughout the year.

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



Jesus Heals at Bethesda

Imagine waiting for something to change—not for a few days or even a few years, but for thirty-eight years. This week in Sunday School, our children will journey with Jesus to Jerusalem as we explore the powerful story of Jesus healing a man at the Pool of Bethesda (John 5:1–15).

Near the Sheep Gate in Jerusalem was a pool called Bethesda, surrounded by five covered porches. Many people who were sick, blind, or unable to walk gathered there, hoping to be healed. The people waited for the water to be stirred, believing that entering the pool at the right time could bring healing. Among them was a man who had been unable to walk for thirty-eight years. He had spent years waiting near the pool, but he had no one to help him into the water, and someone else always reached it before he could.

Then Jesus came to him. Jesus saw the man lying there and knew that he had been suffering for a very long time. He asked him, “Do you want to be made well?” The man explained his situation—that he had no one to help him into the pool when the water was stirred. But Jesus did not help him reach the water. Instead, He spoke the words that changed his life: “Stand up, take your mat and walk.” Immediately, the man stood, picked up the mat that had carried him for so many years, and walked away carrying it himself.

As we explore this story, our Sunday School children will discover that the miracle at Bethesda is about much more than a man being able to walk again. For thirty-eight years, the man had looked toward the pool believing that somehow the water held the answer he desperately needed. But when Jesus arrived, he discovered something extraordinary: his greatest hope was not in the pool. His hope was standing right in front of him.

We will also learn that Jesus cared about more than the man's physical condition. Later, Jesus found him in the temple and spoke to him about his life and sin. Jesus cared about the whole person—his body, his heart, his choices, and his relationship with God. The miracle helps the children see that Jesus was concerned not only with the man's physical healing, but also with drawing him closer to God.

Our memory verse this week will be John 5:8: "Jesus said to him, 'Stand up, take your mat and walk.'"

As we learn this story together, we hope the children will come away with a truth that is meaningful for all of us: Jesus sees us in our struggles and meets us where we are. The man at Bethesda spent years looking toward the pool for hope, but ultimately his hope was found in Jesus. We hope this lesson will help our children continue to grow in their understanding of who Jesus is and what it means to place their trust in Him.

If you have children, grandchildren, neighbors, or know of a family who may be seeking a place where their children can grow in faith, learn the love of Christ, and feel a true sense of belonging, we warmly invite you to connect with our Sunday School ministry. Please reach out to ministry leader [Michelle Guancione](#) for more information.



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, 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.



What is a Daughter of the King?

The Order of the Daughters of the King is an international group of Christian women who desire a closer walk with Christ. Upon admission, members take vows, promising to pray daily for their clergy and offering assistance in building up the spiritual life of the parish. We are recognized by the cross of The Order, which we wear every day. Praying for others daily is our main focus. When we meet there is laughter, prayer, love, encouragement, and study. Our Lord is with us and we rely on Him to guide us.

Our chapter, St. Michael the Archangel, meets once a month on the 4th Saturday in the Parish Library. All women of the parish are invited to attend a meeting and learn what we are about. **Our next meeting will be September 25.**

Please contact [Nancy Kelly](#) (President) for more information.



Let a Daughter Pray for YOU!

The Daughters of the King now have a prayer ministry after the 10 am 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 that are private and confidential for anyone who wishes.

Outreach / Volunteer Opportunities



PLEASE JOIN US IN
Hospitality!



Join the Hospitality Ministry!

Do you enjoy entertaining guests in your homes? Create fancy table settings, attractive food arrangements? Do you like decorating for the occasion? Do you serve just the right beverages? Does it make you feel good to make your guests feel welcome? If so, you might consider sharing some of your joy, talent and skills while serving on one of our Hospitality Guild Teams!

We have four teams. Each team serves for a month at a time and rotates three times each calendar year. The team is assigned a leader who keeps you informed of the occasions, dates and times where your team is needed to serve. **There is no cooking or shopping involved in this ministry.**

This invitation is open to all. We love families and currently have three couples on board! We are happy to welcome more.

Interested? Please contact [Robin Herow](#), Hospitality Guild Ministry Leader

FEED THE LAMBS ENRICHMENT PROGRAM



Feed The Lambs Volunteer Opportunity!

Hi, my name is Anne Bourne. I have been a parishioner at St. Augustine's for about 3 years. **I am looking for volunteers for Feed the Lambs.**

In our effort to help these children, every day there is a folder of worksheets focusing on basic math, reading, language arts and phonics skills for each grade level to reinforce skills they are learning in school. From second grade up almost all of the worksheets have answer sheets available.

In addition to the worksheets, there are literally hundreds of games available to reinforce the same skills- math tic-tac-toe games, 5 in a row reading skills games, slide & climb (Chutes & Ladders) phonics games, bingo games related to reading material from that week, and many more. Our first priority is to assist with homework. Once that is done, I find a combination of worksheets and games works best.

The elementary grade students are only there for about an hour or so each afternoon, so it's a commitment of about 6 hrs a week, but it's six hours that can really make a difference. My goal is one adult for each grade level.

If you think you might be interested, please contact me. Thank you!
Anne Bourne (954)290-1063 annebourne4@gmail.com



Salvation Army Ministry 2026

Last two weeks total - 480 lbs!!!

As we get ready for fall, every week we make a positive impact at the Salvation Army with our Spaghetti, Pasta and Peanut Butter donations, which continue to be a lifeline to families in need. **This week alone we donated 350 lbs!**

The Salvation Army is extremely grateful and tells us **we are the ONLY church in town who is doing this on a weekly basis.** The Salvation Army staff continues their weekly pickups here at church and are always expressing what a difference it makes. Each week the fully stocked shelves on Monday are empty by Wednesday. They are extremely grateful and they thank YOU 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!

"Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground. I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob."

EXODUS 3:5-6

Come Worship with us this Sunday!

St. Augustine of Canterbury invites you to join us for worship this **Fourteenth 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:

Exodus 3:1-15

Gradual Psalm:

Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, 45c

Second Reading:

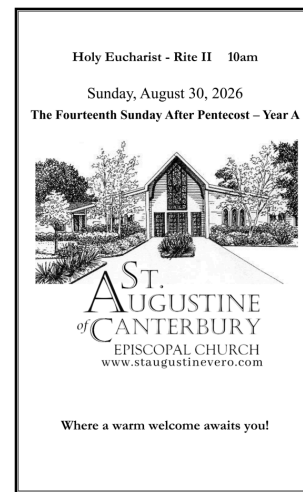
Romans 12:9-21

The Gospel:

Matthew 16:21-28

[Worship Schedule>](#)

[Download the Bulletin>](#)



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

Saturday, 5:30 pm

All duties: Carolyn Robinson

Sunday, 8 am

Lessons/Server/POTP: Mary Power

Ushers: Bill & Sandy Hawksworth

Coffee Hour: Byron & Inge Curcio, Donna Kerber



Sunday, 10 am

Ushers: Pam & Tom White, Cris Vaccaro

Lessons: Sally Munson

POTP: Heather Bennett

Chalice:

Heather Bennett, Tom White

Crucifer: Tom White

Torches:

Sally Munson, Heather Bennett

LEM: Sally Munson

Livestream: Tucker Shields

Sunday School Assistant:

Valerie Reich

Nursery Coordinator:

Julie Michaels

Nursery Assistant: Molly Michaels

Coffee Hour: Cheri Foster, Barbara & Charlie Houston



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) or [send us an email](#), and ask to be put on the Home Communion list. Or, you may contact [Sally Munson](#) directly who will be happy to schedule a home visit for you.

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!



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

Lisa Taylor de Vergie Memorial Service

Lisa was the daughter of Bonnie and Dan Taylor, who are parishioners here. All are invited to attend the service for their daughter **THIS Saturday, August 29 at 3pm**. The service will immediately be followed by an interment in the Memorial Garden and a reception in the Parish Hall.



BISHOP'S VISIT

ST. AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY
EPISCOPAL CHURCH, VERO BEACH

**The Rt. Rev.
Dr. Justin S. Holcomb**

Sunday, December 6, 2026

Bishop's Visit - Sunday, December 6

We are excited to announce that Bishop Justin S. Holcomb will be coming to St. Augustine's **Sunday, December 6th**. Please mark your calendars! When the Bishop is here, he will do Confirmations and Receptions. More information will be posted in the weeks to come about what Confirmation

and Reception is, so that people can begin to discern if they would like to participate. Questions? Please contact [Fr. Wes](#).



St. Augustine's is officially on the 'Gram!

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

Calendar

Mark Your Calendars!

Sun. August 30 - Blood Pressure Screening, 9 & 11 am, Parish Hall

Sun. August 30 - Ask the Dietician, 11 am only, Parish Hall

Sun. August 30 - Tech Time! 11 am only, Parish Hall

Save the Date!

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

Thurs. Sept. 3 - Choir Rehearsals resume, 3:30 pm in the church

Mon. Sept. 7 - Labor Day, **OFFICE CLOSED**

Tues. Sept. 8, 15, 22, 29 – Connections Bible Study, 9:30am, Library

Tues. Sept. 8, 15, 22, 29 – Evening Bible Study, 6:30 pm, Library

Tues. Sept. 8 - Finance Committee Meeting, 11 am, Library

Fri. Sept. 11 - 09/11 Memorial Prayer Service, 5:30 pm in the church

Mon. Sept. 14, 21, 28 - GriefShare Support Group, 1 pm, Library

Tues. Sept. 15 - Men's Breakfast, 9 am, CJ Cannon's

Tues. Sept. 15 - Outreach Committee Meeting, 11 am, Library

Tues. Sept. 15 - Fellowship Committee Meeting, 12 pm, Library

Fri. Sept. 18 - Third Fridays at the Source, 12 pm, Parish Hall

Sat. Sept. 19 – ECW Opening Eucharist, 11am, Church

Tues. Sept. 22 - Caregivers Support Group, **11am**, Parish Hall

Wed. Sept 23 - Fellowship Puzzle Challenge, 6:30pm, Parish Hall

Sat. Sept. 26 – DOK Meeting, 10 am, Library

Sun. Sept. 27 - Blood Pressure Screening, 9 & 11 am, Parish Hall

Sun. Sept. 27 - Ask the Dietician, 11 am only, Parish Hall

Sun. Sept. 27 - Tech Time!, 11 am only, Parish Hall

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

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 **Jack, Shelly, Carol, Lockwood, Leigh, Warren, Jake, Linda, Bill, Kathryn, Dakota, Josephine, Bonnie, Dan, Al, Ginger, Pat, Angie, Joanne, Jacinth, Gail.**

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

30 – Paul Hanson
31 – Bill Hawksworth
Eric Findlay
02 – Dereck Prince
David Askren
03 – Aileen Hoguet
04 – Serina Kratz
05 – William Shield

Anniversaries

30– Matthew & Sarah Erpenbeck
(2003)
01– Lew & Clare Gwyn (1968)
Jerry & Beth Weatherstone
David & Lesley Verbeke (1991)
02– Lorne & Jane Coyle

This Week, We Remember

Departed

01 – Prima Lectura (2021)
Barbara Hardy (2024)
04 – Herbert Grandage, III
(2010)



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](#) in the parish office at 772-770-3494.

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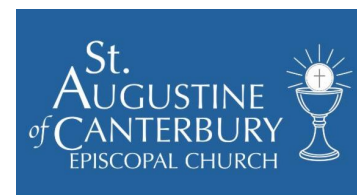
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