



# St. Augustine Church

16777 St. Augustine Church Road  
Reed, Kentucky 42451

Christ the King - Solemnity: November 20, 2016

**Welcome to St. Augustine!!!**

Parish Website: [www.staugustinereed.org](http://www.staugustinereed.org)



We want to welcome our visitors and new parishioners! Please introduce yourself to Fr. Jegin. If you have not registered, we ask that you fill out a form from the back of church and mail or place it in the collection basket.

### **CONTACT INFORMATION:**

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### **Please Keep in Your Prayers:**

Father Jegin  
Mack Lacer  
Paula Mayfield  
Michele Alexander Johnson

### **BIRTHDAY'S FOR THIS WEEK:**

Hershel Smith 11/25

### **Ministries for 11/27**

Servers: Gabe & Sam McFarland  
Lectors: Barbara Smith  
Eucharistic Min: Sonny & Linda Evans  
Gifts: Andrew Boeglin Family  
Ushers: Jimmy Davis, Kathy Wolfe

### **Mass Intention 11/27**

Sunday 8:00 a.m. Donnie Brown

### **Church Cleaner:**

Lisa Raley 11/20 – 12/3

### **Local Confession Schedules**

St. Stephen Saturday 9:30am-11:30am  
St. Mary Magdalene Saturday 2:30pm  
Precious Blood Saturday 3:30pm

**WEEKLY BUDGET:** \$1,221.15

Regular: \$1,649.00

### **ANNIVERSARIES FOR THIS WEEK:**

Paul & Tracy Miller 11/26 28 years

## Announcements

**Thanksgiving Mass Times:** St. Augustine, November 23, 2016, Mass at 6:00 p.m.; St. Peter, November 24, 2016, Mass at 8:00 a.m.

**Immaculate Conception (Holy Day of Obligation)** Mass at St. Augustine on December 7, 2016, at 6:00 p.m. and Mass at St. Peter on December 8, 2016, at 6:00 p.m.

**OCHS Excellence Award** is given to honor the achievements of students in academics, club activities and parish involvement. This year Ellie Mitchell received the award from St. Augustine.

**Carmel Home Adorers and Subs** are needed for perpetual adoration. Hours include: Mondays 3-4 a.m.; Fridays 1-2am; Saturdays 2-3am and 3-4am. Please call Marti Castlen at 270-929-5839.

**Patriotic Rosary:** All are invited to attend the recitation of the Patriotic Rosary on Saturday mornings at **St. Augustine Parish at 10:00 a.m.** This is a very important time in our country's history. It is imperative that we beseech Our Lady for her help. Please come.

**St. Peter's Reverse Raffle** will be on Friday, December 2, 2016. Tickets are \$70 each. GRAND PRIZE is \$5,000 with other cash and numerous prizes given away throughout the night. Dinner will be provided, catered by Tres Bien. Drinks are also included. Tickets are limited. To purchase a ticket contact: Monica Rice (270) 302-8675; Nick Settles (270) 316-6761; Angie Morris (270) 316-6761; John Mitchell (812) 319-7767; Jason McPherson (270) 485-6011. You may text or leave a voicemail.

**Confirmation Classes 2016-2017 at St. Peters:** December 7, 2016. Retreat on January 14, 2017, from 12:00–4:30 p.m. w/Bishop Medley at St. Stephen's Cathedral.

### Complete schedule of Advent Penance Services for Owensboro East Deanery:

December 4, 2016	2:00 pm	Blessed Mother (meal after)
December 6, 2016	6:30 pm	St. William Parish Mission
December 6, 2016	7:00 pm	St. Mary Magdalene – Fr. Mark, Fr. Pat, Fr. Jegin
December 7, 2016	6:00 pm	St. Sebastian Parish – Fr. John, Fr. Jerry, Fr. Jamie, Fr. Tony
December 11, 2016	2:00 pm	St. Pius Tenth (meal after)
December 12, 2016	6:00 pm	Mount St. Joseph – All Priests if possible
December 13, 2016	6:30 pm	St. Lawrence
December 14, 2016	6:30 pm	Our Lady of Lourdes
December 15, 2016	6:00 pm	St. Alphonsus Parish - Fr. Jegin, Fr. Ray, Fr. Fid, Fr. Mark, Fr. John
December 15, 2016	6:30 pm	St. Mary of the Woods (meal after)
December 18, 2016	2:00 pm	St. Stephen Cathedral – All Priests
December 19, 2016	6:30 pm	Sts. Joseph and Paul (meal after)
December 19, 2016	6:30 pm	Precious Blood Parish–Fr. Suneesh, Fr. Pat, Fr. Jegin, Fr. Mark, Fr. Jerry, Fr. Jamie
December 20, 2016	6:00 pm	Immaculate Parish – All Priests
December 21, 2016	6:00 pm	St. Anthony
December 21, 2016	6:00 pm	St. Peter of Alcantra Parish – Fr. Mark, Fr. Jegin, Fr. Fid, Fr. Suneesh
December 22, 2016	6:00 pm	St. Augustine Parish – Fr. Jegin, Fr. Fid

St. Augustine Parish      **December      6:00 pm** - Fr. Fid, Fr. Jegin

St. Elizabeth Parish      **December      6:00 pm**

St. Martin Parish      **Hearing confessions each week of December**

**You Can Help Your Marriage** – Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. This program has helped thousands of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. For confidential information about or to register for the January program beginning with a weekend on Jan 13, 2017, call 270- 852-8346 or email: fl Elliot@audubon-area.com or visit the web site [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org).

**Church Cleaners:** Cleaning the Church is an act of your love and gratitude to God for our Church. If for some reason you are unable to clean when it is your turn, please contact Herschel Smith (270) 302-0601 and for a fee of \$30.00 he will clean for your two weeks. If you are physically unable to clean, please contact Herschel so other arrangements can be made.

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**Sacrament of Baptism:** *The Sacrament of Baptism for infants is administered upon request. Parents and Godparents must attend an evening class on Baptism in the Catholic Church. Please contact the pastor and set up an appointment for this class at least a month in advance. At least one parent must be a practicing Catholic for their child to be baptized in the Catholic Church. Godparents must be at least 16 years of age and at least one must be a practicing Catholic.*

**Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick:** *The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is celebrated upon request, and at least four times a year at all the weekend Masses. Please notify the pastor or call the parish office if you know of anyone who might need this sacrament, but may not be able to notify the pastor personally. Please inform the pastor if you or any one in your family is in the hospital. If you notify us before surgery, we can celebrate this sacrament before you are admitted to the hospital. If your doctor is willing, we can also have a blessing for him/her at the time of your anointing.*

**Sacraments to the Home Bound:** *Please inform the pastor if you know of anyone who is homebound so that we can insure that they are afforded ample opportunities to receive the Sacraments. We would rather be notified by several people than to not be notified at all, so please don't presume that someone else has already notified us.*

**Sacrament of Marriage:** *A couple wishing to marry must contact the priest at least six months prior to the desired wedding date. According to the guidelines of our diocese, you should not make absolute plans for a specific wedding date until after meeting with the priest. The couple will be required to attend a marriage preparation course which will include at least one formal program such as an Engaged Encounter Weekend or the Sponsor Couple Program.*

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## Dear Friends in Jesus Christ,

There is a little story about a boy who was visiting London with his family, and this boy wanted to see the king. Of course, when he arrived at the palace, the gates were closed and the soldiers refused to let him in. The boy took the case to a nearby policeman who said, "I am afraid you are not allowed in there". At that time, a well-dressed gentleman had walked up and heard the conversation. He turned to the boy and asked, "What is the matter?" The boy said, "I want to see the king". The gentleman took the boy by the hand and said, "Come with me". As they reached the palace gate, the soldier stood in attention and a guard suddenly opened the gate for them to enter. The gentleman led the boy into the palace and no one tried to stop them as they went right into king's office. The reason is that the well-dressed gentleman was the Prince of Wales, the king's son, and he was the one who could give the boy access to his father, the king.

Today, as we are celebrating the feast of Christ the King, the church reminds us that only Jesus Christ, the Son of God, alone can give us access to God the Father. He purchased that access with His own blood shed on the cross, and today, Jesus says to each one of us, "*Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in paradise*". I am sure, as children of God, everyone wishes to hear this welcome from the Lord. At the same time, I am sure many of us are not sure whether we will be able to hear this welcoming from our Jesus at all because of our sinful nature. I want to assure you that the Gospel of today reminds us that the greatest opportunity we can have is to accept Him as the King or profess our faith in Him. The Gospel very clearly says that Jesus promised paradise to a criminal, and this criminal could have the taste of paradise only by accepting Jesus in his life. Though we are sinners, we can also receive the Mercy of God only by accepting Jesus in our lives as a king and ruler.

Yes, it is difficult to experience mercy and love from a person who is hurt by us, but in the case of Jesus it is different, because we see the most beautiful acts of mercy from the Lord when Jesus was suffering in pain. Yes, it was in the most painful situation of Jesus' life we experienced the most merciful act of forgiveness from Him when He said. "*Lord, they do not know what they are doing forgive them*". In today's Gospel, we also see another act of mercy of Jesus when He offers paradise to a criminal. Jesus, by being faithful to His father said, "*Be merciful as the heavenly father is merciful*". Today, we live, move and have our existence in the mercy of God. We experience this mercy of God not because of our merits, but because of Jesus' love for all of us. As we continue to experience the mercy of God in our lives, let us continue to be merciful to others by accepting Jesus in our lives as our King. Thus, the closing day of the Year of Mercy is not the closing day of showing mercy to others in our lives. So can pray together sincerely "*Thy Kingdom Come, Thy Will be done, on earth as it is in Heaven...*" **God Bless you all!**