



St. Augustine Church

16777 St. Augustine Church Road
Reed, Kentucky 42451

2nd Sunday of Advent: December 4, 2016

Welcome to St. Augustine!!!

Parish Website: 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 send your bulletin announcements to Stacy Cain by 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday. scain42966@att.net

Ministries for 12/11

Servers: John & Henry Boeglin
Lectors: Jamie Boeglin
Eucharistic Min: Angela Peerman, Connie Williams
Gifts: Tony Hundley Family
Ushers: Ben Blair, Hershel Smith

Mass Intention 12/11

Sunday 8:00 a.m. Donnie Brown
Thursday, 12/8 6:00 p.m. Donnie Brown

Local Confession Schedules

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

Please Keep in Your Prayers:

Father Jegin
Mack Lacer
Paula Mayfield
Michele Alexander Johnson

WEEKLY BUDGET:

\$1,221.15

Regular: \$ 1,043.44
Thanksgiving Collection: 55.00

BIRTHDAY'S FOR THIS WEEK:

Barbara Smith 12/4
Emma McFarland 12/5
Tracy Miller 12/6
Phyllis Schrecker 12/10

ANNIVERSARIES FOR THIS WEEK

Steve & Ruth Raley 12/8

Church Cleaners:

Gail Raley 12/4 – 12/17
Ruth Raley 12/18 – 12/31

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.

Announcements

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.

Christmas Dinner: On Sunday, December 11, at 1:00pm St. Augustine Parish will have their Christmas Dinner. Bring your favorite things to eat. Everyone invited.

Christmas baskets will be distributed again this year. If you know of a family who could use one, please let Linda Evans or Dee Anna Booker know. Containers are at each door for donations for the baskets. Monetary donations will also be accepted for perishable foods. Thank you!

Patriotic Rosary: All are invited to attend the recitation of the Patriotic Rosary on Saturday mornings at ***St. Augustine Parish at 9:00 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.

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
December 6, 2016	6:30 pm	St. William Parish Mission
December 6, 2016	7:00 pm	St Mary Magdalene
December 7, 2016	6:00 pm	St. Sebastian Parish
December 11, 2016	2:00 pm	St. Pius Tenth
December 12, 2016	6:00 pm	Mount St. Joseph
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
December 15, 2016	6:30 pm	St. Mary of the Woods
December 18, 2016	2:00 pm	St. Stephen Cathedral
December 19, 2016	6:30 pm	Sts. Joseph and Paul
December 19, 2016	6:30 pm	Precious Blood Parish
December 20, 2016	6:00 pm	Immaculate Parish
December 21, 2016	6:00 pm	St. Anthony
December 21, 2016	6:00 pm	St. Peter of Alcantra Parish
December 22, 2016	6:00 pm	St. Augustine Parish
St. Augustine Parish	December	6:00 pm
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: flelliot@audubon-area.com or visit the web site www.retrouvaille.org.

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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,

Many of us have Facebook accounts and many friends in it. But how many friends in your Facebook account or in your life know all about your positive and negative qualities? I am sure, the answer would be none. The Majority of you live as a family, but how many of you know each other well? The right answer would be none. Because we are all imperfect human beings, and we always keep a boundary in our relationship, and nicely we put it like this- I respect his or her privacy. Yes, this attitude is followed in our relationship with God too, and that makes our lives more miserable. But the truth is that, you and I have no privacy before God and that is why the Psalmist David says in 139:1-4, "*Lord you have searched me, and You know me. You know when I sit and when I stand; you understand my thoughts from afar. You discern my going out and my lying down; you are familiar with all my ways. Even before a word is on my tongue you, Lord, know it all.*" Yes, the Lord understands you and me through and through. But the tragedy of our life is that, we live as if God does not know and sees nothing about us.

Last weekend, the Holy Gospel was reminding us to be more watchful or be awake so that we may not fall into the trap of evil. Though, through the word of God, Jesus repeatedly reminds us to be watchful, He knows that we are all weak and fall into temptations. So, this weekend God has sent a messenger to all of us in the person of John the Baptist with a word; "***Repent, for the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand.***" Yes dear friends, "*to fall is not to fail, unless you fail to get up again.*" (The Canadian Actress Mary Pickford). The Bible says "*For a righteous man may fall seven times and rise again.*" (Proverb 24:16). Yes, Jesus knows that each of us fall many times and today Jesus is ready to raise you up from your fall, are you ready to hold on to His extended hands towards you? If you want to be helped by God, the only way is to **REPENT**. Yes, Jesus is coming and knocking at the door of your heart, and only you can open the door of your heart, and that is possible only through repentance.

St. John the Baptist is not only calling us for repentance, but he is also calling us to produce fruit as evidence of our repentance. Yes dear friends, a true repentance requires a produce of good fruits through our lives. Repentance without out good fruits is fake and so St. John the Baptist calls them "*You brood of vipers.*" Dear friends, every day in our lives is a God given chance to repent and produce fruit according to God's will. So, let us take this day seriously and think about our lives so far, and ask the Lord to give us the grace to change our lives according to His will. Yes, **Repent, for the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand.** *God Bless you!*