



St. Augustine Church

16777 St. Augustine Church Road
Reed, Kentucky 42451

8th Sunday in Ordinary Time: February 26, 2017
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.

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Please Keep in Your Prayers:

Father Jegin
Mack Lacer
Paula Mayfield
Michele Alexander Johnson

BIRTHDAY'S FOR THIS WEEK:

Walter Wolfe 2/26
Ed Dunivan 2/27
Steve Byrne 3/4

ANNIVERSARIES FOR THIS WEEK

Ministries for 3/5

Servers: John & Henry Boeglin
Lectors: Jamie Boeglin
Eucharistic Min: Angela Peerman, Connie Williams
Gifts: Ben Blair Family
Ushers: Jimmy Davis, Kathy Wolfe

Need Volunteers for Ash Wednesday Mass!!!

Mass Intentions:

2/26 Jay & Mary Emma Blair
3/1 Jeff Millay
3/5 Marie Murphy
3/12 Harold & Emma Swift
3/19 Jean Coomes
3/26 Jean Coomes

WEEKLY BUDGET:

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| Regular Collection | \$1,221.15 |
| Maintenance | \$1,148.00 |
| | \$10.00 |

Church Cleaners:

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| Barbara Smith | 2/26 – 3/11 |
| Amy Sinnett | 3/12 – 3/25 |

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

Today is the last day for nominations for new Parish Council members. Nomination forms are in the pews.

Ash Wednesday Mass, March 1, 2017: St. Augustine @ 8:00 a.m. and St. Peters @ 6:00 p.m.

Lenten Devotions: "The Light is on for You" will be offered each Thursday evening during Lent at 6:00 p.m. There will be Mass, Rosary, Stations, and Confession. All parishioners are invited, encouraged and urged to attend.

The next Parish Council meeting will be on **Monday, March 20, 2017, at 6:30 p.m.** Always, parishioners are invited to attend any Parish Council meeting for whatever reason--if you have something to discuss or bring to the attention of the Council or if you just want to see what goes on there.

Choir Practice after Mass Sunday, February 26, 2017.

Confirmation Information:

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| March 14 th | 6:30 pm | St. Peter | Class |
| April 26 th | 6:30 pm | St. Augustine | Practice |
| May 7 th | 8:00 am Mass | St. Augustine | Confirmation |

Knights of Columbus Sausage Sale: KC's are taking orders for sausage until Monday, February 27, 2017. The price is \$3.75/pound, choices are smoked (bag or link) or fresh (bag or link). Sausage will be made Friday, March 3rd, pickup @2:00 pm. Contact Gilbert Connor (270) 764-1039 to place order.

Carmel Home Adorers Needed - Carmel Home adorers and subs are needed for perpetual adoration. Hours include: Mondays 3-4am; Wednesday Midnight-1 and 1-2am. Please call Marti Castlen at 270-929-5839 to volunteer.

American Red Cross: Please consider volunteering with the American Red Cross on 3-25-17 from 9:30 am to 12:00 noon to assist in installing smoke alarms in area homes and teaching home fire safety. Please register by calling 270.683.2438. Volunteers will meet at Chautauqua Park, 1301 Bluff Ave, in Owensboro. A Barbecue is also available for volunteers afterward at the Park from noon till 2:00pm. This is in honor of the Red Cross' 100th Anniversary.

Fr. Fid's 50th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood is scheduled at St. Augustine for **Sunday, June 25, 2017.** We have a potluck lunch to celebrate that afternoon at 1:00 p.m.

"A Story Worth Telling" The Ash Wednesday Collection on March 1, 2017, will again be for our Sister Diocese of Mandeville Jamaica. "Go out to all the world and tell the Good News!" Our Diocese is in partnership with the Diocese of Mandeville Jamaica to make those words a reality. We have a 15 year history together in this wonderful work. Your contributions to the Ash Wednesday Collection aid the Mandeville Diocese to share the Gospel with all the people in their region in both word and deed. Please consider a generous response to this collection again this year. Thank you.

The Ursuline Sisters of Mount Saint Joseph invite you to a special picnic supply sale on **March 4, 2017**. The Mount Picnic will be replaced with Maple Fest at the Mount this Sept. 8-10, so picnic items that are no longer needed are for sale at reasonable prices. Join us in the Mount Saint Joseph Gymnasium from **7:30 a.m. to noon** for a chance to purchase both a piece of history and something to help your picnic. Find out more about the Ursuline Sisters at ursulinesmsj.org.

Local Confession Schedules

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

St. Peter is also having confessions at 3:00 p.m. during this time of year every Saturday and when the day light saving time starts, the confession will be at 4 PM on every Saturday.

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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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“It is your choice to be happy or not to be happy in your life”

Dear Friends in Jesus Christ,

Before we reflect more about today’s Gospel, I would like to remind you that You are a special human being in this world. You are very unique. You are specially loved by God, different than others. However, we invite failures and problems in our lives by imitating the life style of others in our lives, or to say, we try to be somebody else instead of being who we are. Please keep in mind that *“We are created in the image and likeness of God”*. So to say, each one of us is created to make each step in tune with the music of the Kingdom of God. Yes, it is in our failure to make steps according to the music played in the Kingdom of God, that we invite problems and worries in our lives. Still, Jesus comes behind each of us and says **“DO NOT WORRY”**, because God can make today’s problems into tomorrow’s blessings. Do you have Faith to believe this?

There is a story about a Jewish teacher. The Jewish teacher had to flee from his home town with all his possessions due to religious persecution. His possessions were a Holy Bible; to read the Bible, a lamp; a cock to wake him up in the morning; and a donkey for his journey. After a long journey, he reached a new town, but no one would give him a place to stay. So he continued his journey and decided to spend the night on the roadside. After settling down there to read his Bible, he lights his lamp, and suddenly there came a heavy wind that blew his lamp out. As he was sitting sadly, a fox came and snatched away his cock. To save his cock he ran behind the fox, but could not catch it. By the time he came back he found that a lion was having a good dinner on his donkey. Being afraid of the lion, he ran away from there in darkness and reached another new town. As he was spending his time in prayer the next morning, he could not resist his sorrow. Tears were flowing down from his eyes thinking that God does not care for him. After sometime, he heard the news that a group of robbers attacked the town where he lost all his possessions and robbed all the people and killed them. It is then he realized that God cared for him so much that He sent the wind, fox and lion to protect his life in this world. Yes, dear friends, the Lord says to us through the book of the prophet Isaiah 55:8, *“For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither your ways are my ways.”* So, Jesus tells us in today’s Gospel that, *“Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink, or about your body, what you will wear, but seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these things will be given you besides.”* Yes, Jesus reminds us that the body and its needs are secondary.

As humans, the biggest mistake we make in our lives is that we make the secondary things (*body and its needs*) primary in our lives, and primary things (*Kingdom of God*) as secondary in our lives. Jesus says very clearly that this is the attitude of pagans. Yes, worry is the expression of our lack of faith in Jesus. Let us not forget that we said “YES” to the Lord and so we are called Christian. Do we love God with all our heart, mind and soul? Jesus says, *“You cannot serve God and mammon.”* Yes, dear friends, there is no doubt that we all lack faith in Jesus, and we all need to grow in our faith in Jesus. So, during this Mass, let us join with the Apostles and ask the Lord (Luke: 17:5) **“LORD INCREASE OUR FAITH”**
God Bless you!