



# St. Augustine Church

16777 St. Augustine Church Road  
Reed, Kentucky 42451

Second Sunday of Easter: April 3, 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.

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### **Ministries for 4/10**

Servers: Henry & Claire Boeglin  
Lectors: Rosemary Murphy  
Eucharistic Min: Dee Anna Booker, Connie Williams  
Gifts: Jeff Raley Family

Ushers: Larry & Joseph Schwartz

### **Mass Intentions:**

Sunday 4/10 8:00 a.m. Leon Cecil

**Church Cleaner:** Rachel Go 3/27 – 4/9  
Rita Haire 4/10 – 4/23

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

Father Jegin  
Donnie Brown  
Bucky Lacer  
Paula Mayfield  
Michele Alexander Johnson

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

Regular Collection: \$4,441.60  
Good Friday \$164.00  
Easter \$171.00  
Rice Bowl \$118.06

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

Connie McFarland 4/5  
Patrick Davis 4/8  
Debbie Merimee 4/9



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



## *Announcements*

**Reed Community Church (2068 Reed-Bluff City Road) Annual Wild Game Dinner-** Wild Game and City Foods – Dine-In or Carry-Out, Sunday, April 10, 2016, at 12:00 noon. Open to everyone. Everything furnished – just bring yourself!!!

**Year of Divine Mercy:** Pope Francis announced a Year of Divine Mercy on December 8, 2015 through November 20, 2016. The Door of Mercy was opened at St. Stephen's Cathedral and will remain open until November 13, 2016. All are invited and encouraged to make a pilgrimage during the Jubilee Year.

**Project UK T-shirt Quilt** for St. Augustine Reverse Raffle dinner. Need UK t-shirts for this project so if you would like to donate a UK t-shirt for this project, please place it in the back per of the church by the organ.

**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.



## **Dear Friends in Jesus Christ,**

These days, every morning welcomes us with disturbing news happening around the world. News about bombings, war, natural calamities, accidents, sickness of near and dear ones etc. Yes, we are all disturbed and peace remains a distant dream for many people in the world. Many ask the question, what happened to the world and what is happening to the people around the world? Yes, it is a fundamental existential question.

The Gospel of today, on this Divine Mercy Sunday, comes to us with an answer to this existential question. Yes, the answer is Jesus. In the midst of troubled situations of disciples, Jesus comes to them and says, **“Peace be with you”**, Yes, Jesus is the Peace. Today, as we celebrate this Divine Mercy Sunday, the greatest merciful act each one of us can do is to allow others to live peacefully or to say be an instrument of peace.

When we go through the Gospel, we can see that in the company of Jesus, the disciples had no fear of doing anything in their lives. They broke customs and traditions and ate without washing their hands, plucked grains on the Sabbath day and never bothered about fasting. Even St. Peter had no fear in cutting the ear of a soldier who came to arrest Jesus. But, after the death of Jesus, the whole situation is changed and the Gospel states that they were living in fear in the locked room. Yes dear friends, today, it is good to write in our hearts that Fear is the result of the absence of Jesus in our lives, and Peace is the result of the presence of Jesus in our lives. Ask yourself, are you scared of anything in your life? Is your heart troubled due to many things? If your answer is “Yes”, please ask the Risen Lord to come into your life for He is the only solution to all your problems.

Look at the attitude changes among the disciples after having seen the Risen Lord! The disciples tell St. Thomas that, **“We have seen the Lord”**. By saying their witness to St. Thomas, the disciples have already started their evangelization among themselves. Dear friends, this is the greatest evangelization we are also called to do. So, the criteria for evangelization is not knowledge about the Bible, but rather it is the personal experience of God and sharing it. The sharing of other disciples to St. Thomas so upset him that he lost his peace of mind and stated, *“Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger into nail marks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe”*. Yes, the determination of St. Thomas bears fruit, and he gets a chance to see the Risen Lord. Yes, the personal encounter of St. Thomas with the Risen Lord brought so much joy in his heart that he surrendered himself before the Lord and stated **“My Lord and my God”**. This is the profession of faith that St. Thomas is making before the Lord.

Today, as we celebrate the Divine Mercy Sunday, we are called upon to make the same surrendering before the Lord like St. Thomas. Only then can we experience peace within ourselves, become an instrument of peace in this world and thus experience the mercy of God continually in our daily living. ***May the Good Lord Bless you all with His MERCY.***

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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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