



St. Augustine Church

16777 St. Augustine Church Road
Reed, Kentucky 42451

5th Sunday of Lent: April 2, 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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Ministries for 4/9

Servers: Zachary Peerman, Claire Boeglin
Lectors: Jamie Boeglin
Eucharistic Min: Angela Peerman, Connie Williams
Gifts: Volunteers
Ushers: Ben Blair, Dee Anna Booker

Mass Intentions:

4/2 Jean Coomes
4/9 Donnie Brown
4/13 Jeff Millay
4/15 Donnie Brown
4/16 Jeff Millay
4/23 Donnie Brown
4/30 Jeff Millay

Please Keep in Your Prayers:

Father Jegin
Mack Lacer
Paula Mayfield
Michele Alexander Johnson

WEEKLY BUDGET:

Regular Collection	\$1,221.15
Catholic Relief	\$902.00
	\$25.00

BIRTHDAY'S FOR THIS WEEK:

Lilly Sinnett 4/2
Connie McFarland 4/5
Patrick Davis 4/8

ANNIVERSARIES FOR THIS WEEK

Church Cleaners:

Linda Sinnett 3/26 – 4/8
Connie William 4/9 - /22

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

Please pray for the children who will receive Sacraments this spring.

Being Confirmed at 9:30 Mass at St. Peter, April 30th: Sydney Bolton, Maddi Boswell, Andrew Daugherty, Eli Fogle, Kaylee Fulkerson, and Katelyn Mitchell;

Being Confirmed at 8:00 Mass at St. Augustine, May 7th: Claire Boeglin, John Boeglin, Amy Simon, Emma Simon, Veronica Simon, and Lily Sinnett;

Receiving First Communion at St. Peter, May 7th: Grace Arvin, Blake Coomes, Myles Grant, Benjamin Millay, and Addison Stogsdill.

Confirmation practice at St. Augustine on April 26, 2017, at 6:30 p.m.

Knights of Columbus Fish Fry: Knights of Columbus in Sorgho will have a fish fry on Friday, April 7, 2017. Serving starts at 5:00 p.m. They will have fiddlers/fillets, coleslaw, french fries and hushpuppies. Lemonade, tea and coffee to drink. Adults \$11.00; children ages 4-12 \$5.00; children under 4 free.

Let's pray for our country! A group of people are meeting each Saturday morning at 9:00 a.m. at St. Augustine Parish to pray the Patriotic Rosary for the United States of America. You are invited to attend -every Saturday or any Saturday that you can. This is important work!

Chrism Mass will be held at the Owensboro Sportscenter on **Tuesday, April 11, 2017, at 6:30 p.m.** (*The Sportscenter is located across the street from Owensboro Catholic High School at 1215 Hickman Avenue.*)

Request for Lawn Care Bids: The Diocese of Owensboro is entertaining bids for lawn care at three separate locations: 1) St. Raphael (cemetery & picnic area) West County; 2) Bishop Cotton Apartments behind Carmel Home; 3) Diocesan Office (600 Locust, 513, 515 & 559 Cedar Streets) Call (270) 852-8378 or email ernie.taliaferro@pastoral.org for additional information. Bids will close at noon on April 3, 2017, and should be turned in at the McRaith Catholic Center @600 Locust Street.

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. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

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.

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.

Local Confession Schedules

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

Fast & Abstinence Rules: Every person 14 years of age or older must abstain from meat (and items made with meat) on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all Fridays in Lent. Every person between the age of 18 and 60 must fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Every person 14 years of age or older must abstain from meat (and items made with meat) on all other Fridays of the year, unless he or she substitutes some other form of penance for abstinence.

Penance service dates and times for Lent:

St. Peter is having confessions every Saturday at 4:00 p.m. during this time of year.

April 3	Precious Blood	6:00 p.m.
April 9	St. Stephen's Cathedral	2:00 p.m.
St. Alphonsus	Leave the Light On	
St. Elizabeth	No Penance service	

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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,

As we are a week away from the Holy Week, Jesus comes to us today and reminds us that He is the Resurrection and the Life through the miracle story of raising Lazarus from the dead. By raising Lazarus from the dead, Jesus gives us great hope in our lives, and at the same time, reminds us that life without hope is the same as life in the tomb. As Christians, we are not called to live our lives in the tomb, but we are called to live our lives in Hope. We are not the children of a dead God, but we are the children of a living God.

Dear friends, if you will notice, this is the third consecutive Sunday we witness the transformation of life through the gift of faith in Jesus as the Christ/Messiah. In the first transformation of life, we witnessed the Samaritan woman who met Jesus at the well, and in the second transformation of life, we witnessed a man born blind able to see. The third transformation of life, we experience today through the life of Lazarus by the faith of Martha and Mary. On many occasions, people ask if there is a need to pray for the dead ones as we are living. The story of Lazarus is the answer to that question. Yes, it is because of the faith of Martha and Mary that Jesus could raise Lazarus. Martha and Mary professed their faith by saying, “*Yes, Lord. I have come to believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who is coming into the world.*” As believers, we do believe in the resurrection of the dead, and so we have every reason to pray for the dead, drawing inspiration from the faith of Martha and Mary.

As we reflect about this Gospel, we see that Jesus again attacks the wrong belief of the people of His time who always related sickness with their sins or the sin of their parents. Today, Jesus says to us that, “*the illness of Lazarus is not to end in death, but is for the glory of God, that the Son of God may be glorified through it*”. This is the same explanation Jesus gave to his disciples last weekend regarding the blindness of a man. Yes, Jesus came not to condemn the sinner but to condemn the sin. Jesus came to seek and save what was lost in the darkness of sin. Yes, Jesus came not to call the righteous, but the sinners to repentance. Today, our salvation/resurrection is possible only through our repentance which is the effect of our true faith in Jesus. Are you ready to believe and feel resurrection in your life?

Coming to the very act of raising Lazarus before performing the miracle of raising Lazarus Jesus says “Take away the stone.” Today, Jesus wants to raise us all to a better situation. Jesus wants to raise us from our sufferings, problems, difficulties and sinful situations, but He needs our helping hand to take away the stone of sin against oneself, others and God. Dear friends, are you ready to show the sign of repentance and have faith in God? If so, be sure a miracle is going to happen right at this moment. No matter the situation you are in right now, Jesus is ready to raise you up from that situation. All we must do is to have faith in Him. “*For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.* (Jn: 3:16). *May God Bless You.*