



St. Augustine Church

16777 St. Augustine Church Road
Reed, Kentucky 42451

The Ascension of the Lord: May 8, 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.

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

Ministries for 5/15

Servers: Gabe & Sam McFarland
Lectors: Rob Mitchell
Eucharistic Min: Angela Peerman, Connie Williams
Gifts: Kathy Wolfe Family

Ushers: Hershel Smith, Steve Byrne

Mass Intention 5/15

Sunday 8:00 a.m. Dennis Peerman

Church Cleaner: Jane Johnson 5/8 – 5/21
Vickie Lacer 5/22 – 6/4

Please Keep in Your Prayers:

Father Jegin
Donnie Brown
Mack Lacer
Paula Mayfield
Michele Alexander Johnson

WEEKLY BUDGET: \$1,221.15

Regular Collection \$2,089.00
Maintenance \$135.00

BIRTHDAY'S FOR THIS WEEK:

Lois Payne 5/10
Sam McFarland 5/11
Davis Mitchell 5/11
Rosemary Murphy 5/14

ANNIVERSARIES FOR THIS WEEK:

Jeff & Lisa Raley 5/13 21 years

Announcements

UK T-SHIRTS needed for UK T-shirt Quilt for St. Augustine Reverse Raffle dinner need to be in by July 1, 2016. Please place your t-shirts in the back of church in the pew by the organ.

Stanley Masonic Lodge is hosting its quarterly breakfast on Saturday, May 14, 2016, from 6-9am. Cost is \$6.00 per person.

It's Graduation Time - Please call or email Stacy Cain (scain42966@att.net) with the names of your graduates - high school or college so they may be recognized in the bulletin. Please give their full names, parent's names and school name.

Religion Classes 2016-2017 - Sunday, May 1, 2016, we will begin sign-up for Faith Formation, First Communion and Confirmation. We need to start now so we can order the right amount of materials. I'd like to have the best estimate of numbers by the end of May. For the Sacrament programs, please give an email address so information may be sent to all parents at one time. (I don't text.) Thank you! Sister C.J.

Yard Sale Fundraiser for Religious Education will be Saturday, June 11, 2016, in St. Peter's parking lot. You may leave your donation on the basement tables marked YARD SALE. Spaces are available to rent for \$25. All vendors are welcome. Sell your stuff or come shop our stuff. Contact Terry Murphy 270-929-3082. Thank You!

Bethlehem Christian Families will be at St. Augustine after Mass on May 15th selling handmade Olive Wood Carvings from the Christian wood carvers of Bethlehem. These Christians make their livelihood through the selling of their hand carved Olive Wood religious items, such as Nativity Scenes, Crucifixes, Rosaries, Statues, Picture of the Last Supper, etc.

HENDERSON AREA CHURCHES BACKPACK MINISTRY: As many of you are aware, Eastern Kentucky, is a region in the state that faces severe financial hardships. This has become such an issue that many of the students walk to church and to school simply because their parents do not have enough money to afford gas. We, at New Beginnings, Spottsville Community and Watson Lane Baptist, would like for Henderson Area Churches to band together to help fight this financial disparity. To aid in this fight, we would like to help the young generation with backpacks and school supplies for the following year. In order to do this, we would like to request your financial assistance. Any donation would help, and we would greatly appreciate it. We respectfully request that all promissory notes be submitted as voted by the congregations and money be submitted at least a month in advance to Barbara Haire 7208 Reed Bluff City Road, Reed, Kentucky 42451. Any questions, contact Don Haire (270 454 4547), Jeff Osbourne (270 724 9081), and Brad Harrison (270 860 0740). Calf Creek Church, Inez, Kentucky June 24th through June 26th - 1032 backpacks needed and \$12,660.00 total needed for trip

Parish Council Meeting on Wednesday, May 18, 2016, at 6:30 p.m.

Finance Committee Meeting on Wednesday May 18, 2016, at 5:30 pm at the Church

Year of Divine Mercy: Pope Francis announced a Year of Divine Mercy 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.

Carmel Home Annual Picnic will be Saturday, May 21, 2016. They will have Bar-B-Q Chicken and burgoo, you may take out or eat in. Serving begins at 11:00 a.m. Raffle of 7 prizes 2 - \$250.00 and 5 - \$100.00.

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,

One Mother's day morning, two young children told their mother to stay in her bed. As she was laying on the bed, looking forward to morning coffee and breakfast in bed, the smell of bacon and egg floated up from the kitchen. Finally, the children called her to come down to the kitchen. The mother found that both children were sitting at the table and eating bacon and eggs. As a surprise for mother's day, one said, "we decided to fix our own breakfast today". Happy Mother's Day to all the mothers who are with us today. Thank you for choosing the vocation you did and for the dedication and love you freely give in following this vocation sincerely. Yes, we are all lucky that we all have a mother and so we are all born. Thanks to all the Mothers for all your wonderful way of being with us.

Besides being Mother's Day, today is also the feast of the Ascension of our Lord. As we reflect on this feast, I would like to share with you three important lessons. First, this feast gives us the understanding of who Jesus is. Many of you might have seen the image of Jesus sitting at the right hand of the Father and we say this on every Sunday when we pray the creed. Yes, through the ascension, Jesus entered into the presence of His father and sat at His right hand. Yes, it is the symbol of equality with His Father. This is what we pray in the Creed, "*Jesus is God from God, light from light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father.*" Yes, the ascension gives us the message that Jesus is the same as His father.

Second, this feast of ascension gives us an understanding of our own destiny. Our lives here on this earth are not everlasting, but temporary. Our lives become everlasting only when we live and die in Christ and live with Him forever in His Kingdom. That is why, on the last supper, Jesus said to His Apostles, "*I go to prepare a place for you and then I will come again and take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also.*" (John 14:2-3).

Thirdly, this feast of Ascension also gives us an understanding of our own responsibilities. Jesus said to His Apostles, "you will be my witnesses". Yes, the disciples were. At the same time, it is a wakeup call for each one of us to be a true witness for Christ in this world. As we celebrate Mother's Day, let us not forget that all our mothers are the witnesses of Christ's love in this world. Yes, the birth of every child in this world is also a great witness of Christ's love. But how sincerely are we living in this great vocation of motherhood? For Mathew 12:50 says, "*whoever does the will of my Father in heaven is my brother and sister and Mother.*" Yes, the Ascension of the Lord and Mother's Day will be meaningful only when we are serious about doing the will of the Father in Heaven. *May the Good Lord Bless you.*



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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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