



St. Augustine Church

16777 St. Augustine Church Road
Reed, Kentucky 42451

13th Sunday of Ordinary Time: June 26, 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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Ministries for 7/3

Servers: Henry & Claire Boeglin
Lectors: Shelley Payne
Eucharistic Min: Rob & April Mitchell
Gifts: Angela Peerman Family

Ushers: Jimmy Davis, Kathy Wolfe

Mass Intention 7/3

Sunday 8:00 a.m. Leo & Thelma Murphy

Church Cleaner: Janet Medley 6/19 – 7/2
Debra Merrimee 7/3 - 7/16

Please Keep in Your Prayers:

Father Jegin
Donnie Brown
Mack Lacer
Paula Mayfield
Michele Alexander Johnson

WEEKLY BUDGET: \$1,221.15

Regular Collection \$2,577.00
Peters Pence \$20.00

BIRTHDAY'S FOR THIS WEEK:

Debby Lear 6/26
Bucky Lacer 7/2

ANNIVERSARIES FOR THIS WEEK:

Announcements

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. Anyone who walks through the Holy Doors of a designated Holy Year of Mercy site can obtain a Plenary Indulgence, if they are in the state of grace when they pass through the Doors. To be in the state of grace, go to Confession within 8 days before or after going through the Holy Doors. **For those interested in making a Pilgrimage for the Holy Year of Mercy, we are offering the opportunity to travel on a bus to St. Meinrad Archabbey on Saturday, August 6, 2016. The costs will be \$20.00 per seat, and the bus holds 56 people. The program begins at 11:00 a.m. A monk will speak to us about the Holy Doors, we go through the Doors. Lunch will be served at St. Meinrad at 12:00 noon, and the cost is \$8.00 per person. Buffet style with a hot bar and cold bar. Tour at 1:30 p.m. If you are interested in going, please sign up on the sheet in back of Church.**

Please keep in your prayers the Holy Name Junior and Senior Youth Group as they travel to Cleveland, Ohio this week for their Mission Trip.

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.

Parish Council Meeting – Thursday, July 14, 2016, at 6:30 p.m.

16th Annual Holy Name Reverse Raffle – Thursday, July 21, 2016

6:00 p.m. SOCIAL HOUR

6:45 p.m. DINNER FOR 2 - \$150.00

7:30 p.m. Drawing Begins

1st ticket - \$150.00

25th - Kindle Fire & Case – Field and Main

50th – HD Television – Independence Bank

75th – Kate Spade Purse – Rudy Rowland Funeral Home

100th 8x10 rug – Square Yard Carpet

125th - \$200.00 gas card – Palmer Oil

150th – Recliner – Ashley Furniture

175th – GPS system – Henderson Chev-Buick-GMC

200th – I-Pad – Tomblinson Funeral Home

225th - \$200.00 Sureway Gift Card

250th - GRAND PRIZE OF \$10,000.00

Must be 21 Years Old to Attend

Dear Friends in Jesus Christ,

It is easy to be a Christian through the sacrament of Baptism, but being a Christian is not that easy because it demands much more sacrifice and courage from us. Christian life is a special vocation gifted by God. The Christian life is not a finished system, but it is an ongoing journey, a journey everyone is called to make from Bethlehem to Calvary or to Jerusalem. To complete this journey. Jesus sent an invitation to all of us last weekend by saying "*if anyone wishes to come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me*". Yes, the entire life of Jesus was a journey from Bethlehem to Calvary or to Jerusalem.

After having confirmed His mission to be the Christ of God in last weekend's Gospel, today we see Jesus begins His journey to Jerusalem to be revealed as the Christ of God through His Passion, Death and Resurrection. Yes, His journey is already accompanied by rejection from Samaritans. The Jews and Samaritans had been divided for centuries. Jewish pilgrims who passed through Samaritan territory were often treated badly and even assaulted. In spite of knowing their bad relationship, Jesus makes a firm decision to pass through Samaritan territory to go to Jerusalem. Above all, we see Jesus is sending messengers to Samaritans to prepare hospitality for Jesus in one of their villages. Jesus' offer of friendship was rejected and the disciples, James and John, really wanted to punish them by bringing fire from heaven to destroy their territory. But the response of Jesus was different because Jesus came to this world not as a messenger of war, but as a messenger of peace. Jesus came not to abolish but to fulfill. Yes dear friends, during our earthly journey, we too face the same kind of situations of rejection in many ways. So, how do we respond to those situations? By taking revenge against our enemy will never take our life and world to prosperity but only to destruction. Today, by taking revenge against our own enemies, we have destroyed this world to a great extent and now it is time for us to repair the destruction through tolerance and love.

Yes, tolerance is a much needed virtue today. A true disciple of Jesus always seeks the highest good of both one's neighbor and one's enemy. When Abraham Lincoln was criticized for his tolerance towards his enemies during the American Civil war, he responded; "*Do I not destroy my enemies when I make them my friends?*" Yes, war is not a solution but it is pollution, but love is a solution and revolution to obtain peace. Every Christian is called to make a revolution of love in his or her life by being a Christian.

As I said in the beginning, being a Christian demands a great sacrifice. Sacrificing our own comfort, pleasures and worldly securities and even sacrificing family obligations. So to say, our primary priority should be to obey God and honor Him more than anything in this world as stated in our first commandment. Yes, we can live as a true Christian only as long as we give first priority to God in our lives.

During this Mass, let us ask the Lord for the grace of His love and tolerance in our lives. The love and tolerance He showed even on the cross: "*Lord, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing.*" *God Bless you all.*

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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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