



St. Augustine Church

16777 St. Augustine Church Road
Reed, Kentucky 42451

26th Sunday of Ordinary Time: **October 4, 2015**

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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Mass Intentions:

Sunday 9/27 Mass 8:00 a.m. Mary Angela Mitchell
Sunday 10/4 Mass 8:00 a.m. Peggy Payne

Ministries for 10/4

Servers: Davis & Ellie Mitchell
Lectors: Rob Mitchell
Eucharistic Min: Ben Blair, Christa Hundley
Gifts: Steve Raley Family
Ushers: Bucky & Vicki Lacer

Church Cleaner:

Connie Williams 9/27 – 10/10

Announcements

Wednesday, October 7, 2015, 5:30 p.m. Next Finance Committee Meeting

A special thank you to all who came and celebrated our 50th wedding celebration! God bless to all our family who made this day so very wonderful! Thanks, Sonny and Linda Evans

October 3, 2015, Highway 60 Yard Sale - St. Peter is renting out parking spaces for only \$25.00 for the Highway 60 Yard Sale on Saturday, October 3rd. We are also accepting donations for our Religious Education Program yard sale booth. There will be a Concession Stand that will open at 6:00 a.m. selling donuts and later in the day it will switch over to lunch items. All proceeds will go to the Religious Education fund. Contact Terry Murphy 270-929-3082.

Faith Formation News, from Sr. CJ - Religion classes got off to a super good start last Sunday! Teachers rounded up their kiddoes from the parish hall, went to their classrooms, and got right to business. It amazed me how much they did in such a short time! We WERE missing several families so I hope we have perfect attendance this week.

We do need registration forms for each child, so please remember to submit those to Sister C.J. or ask her for them if you have not received one yet. Material fee this year is \$25.00 per child. Please get this paid as soon as possible so that we can take care of our bill. If it's too much of a hardship, please talk with Father Jegin or Sister C.J. Thank you!

November 14, 2015 - Shopping/Bus Trip - Do your Christmas shopping early! Join us from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. for a fun, prize filled shopping trip to the Outlet Shoppes of the Bluegrass in Simpsonville, Kentucky. The cost is \$45.00 per person. The bus will leave St. Peter's parking lot with only 56 people so call early to reserve your spot. Contact Sally Moss (270) 993-7944 or Angie Morris (270) 316-6761.

Saturday, October 10, 2015, there will be **NO** Mass at St. Peter's Parish due to a wedding that night at 5:00 p.m.

<p><u>This Week's Birthdays:</u> Martha Miller 9/27</p>	<p><u>This Week's Anniversaries:</u> Steve & Rita Haire 10/3 45 years</p>	<p><u>Please pray for the following:</u> Fr. Jegin Paula Mayfield Donnie Brown Jamie & Andie McGehee</p>
	<p><u>Weekly Budget:</u> <u>\$1,221.15</u> Regular Collection \$762.00</p>	

Dear Friends in Jesus Christ,

Among God's creations, the most beautiful creation in the world is the Human Creation, the creation of each one of us. At the same time, the most misused creation in the world is the human creation because we don't fully realize the abundance of graces and blessings the creator has stored up in each one of us. As a consequence, looking at each other we always try to express our dissatisfaction in different ways.

In today's Gospel, we see John, the disciple of Jesus, who is said to be walking along with Jesus and witnessing all of Jesus' preaching and teaching, miracles and healings, failing to experience and know Jesus fully, he makes a selfish comment to Jesus, "Teacher, we saw someone driving out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he does not follow us." Having the physical presence of Jesus with him, poor John misunderstood that Jesus is his or their private property. But He is not, that is why in many places in the Gospels Jesus says "whoever believes in me will have eternal life."

Dear friends, as we are talking about the attitude of John in the Gospel, it is also a good time to examine our lives. Often we know we too on different occasions are wearing the mask of John in our lives. Like John in the Gospel, we too hear a lot about Jesus' preaching and teaching, miracles and healing and being a Catholic, we believe that we are walking with Jesus like the disciples were walking. But did we ever experience and know Him fully in our lives? The correct meaning of Christians is explained in the word 'Christians' itself, and if we break the word into three pieces, we get the answer- **Christ + in + us**. But as Christians, do we have Christ in us when we think, talk, and act in our lives? If the spirit of Christ is not reflected in our lives, Jesus very clearly reminds us that our life is a scandal in the world. Yes, every good deed that we do is a message to this world and people, and every act of sin is a scandal to this world and people. Also as Christians, we should keep in mind that every sin we commit will degrade the dignity of Jesus in this world.

As I said in the beginning, we are the most beautiful creation of God in this world, and so God wants each one of us back, without losing our beauty of innocence, holiness, etc. just like the little ones. That is why Jesus says, "if your hand causes you to sin cut it off... if your foot causes you to sin cut it off... if your eyes cause you to sin...pluck it out", and so you can be part of the Kingdom of God. By categorically saying this, Jesus does not want anyone of us to literally do this, but He warns us to stay away from the occasions of sin, thus He expresses His unconditional love for each one of us and invites us to be a messenger of His love and peace. So, by feeling sorry for our shortcomings, let us ask the Lord for the grace to experience Him in this Eucharist and become Eucharist in the world.

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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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