

# St. Augustine Church

16777 St. Augustine Church Road Reed, Kentucky 42451

# 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time: November 16, 2014 *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 baskets.

CONTAC	Weekly Schedule - 11/15 - 11/23					
Pastor:	Fr. Jegin Puthenpurackal	Saturday	11/15	Mass	5:30 p.m. Richard Dunbar Family	
Cell Phone	(270) 929-2294	Sunday	11/16	Mass	8:00 a.m. Richard Dunbar Family	
Email: jputhenpurackal@stpeterandstaugustine.com		Monday	11/17 No Mass			
		Tuesday	11/18	No Ma	SS	
Website Administrator:	Kristin Miller	Wednesday	11/19	No Ma	ISS	
		Thursday	11/20	No Ma	SS	
Parish Council President:	Jerry Ralph	Friday	11/21	No Ma	SS	
	•	Saturday	11/22	Mass	5:30 p.m. Richard Dunbar Family	
Finance Committee Chair:	Rob Mitchell	Sunday	11/23	Mass	8:00 a.m. Richard Dunbar Family	
Parish Hall Rental:	Rosemary Murphy	Ministries for 11/22 and 11/23				
Bookkeeper:	Rosemary Murphy	Servers:	5:30 p.ı		Olivia Miller	
Email address:	rmurphee@hotmail.com		8:00 a.ı		Gabe McFarland, Davis Mitchell	
	,	Lectors:	5:30 p.i		Dee Anna Booker	
Please send your bulletin announcements		F ab a wiatia	8:00 a.m.		Rob Mitchell	
to Stacy Cain by 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday.		Eucharistic Ministers:			Bucky & Vickie Lacer Ben Blair, Christa Hundley	
scain42966@att.net		Gifts:	5:30 p.m.		Paul Miller Family	
30aii142300@att.i10t		Oilto.	8:00 a.i		Paul Johnson Family	
		Ushers:	5:30 p.		_arry & Joseph Schwartz	
		23110101	8:00 a.i		James Davis and Kathy Wolfe	
Dear Friends in Jesus Christ						

#### Dear Friends in Jesus Christ,

Once a woman after a vain search for a parking space, parked the car in a no-parking space. Hurriedly she put a note under the windshield wiper that read, "I have circled this block for 25 minutes and could not find a space. I have an important and urgent appointment and if I don't do this I will lose my job. I am sorry, forgive my trespass." When she returned, she noted thankfully that there was no objection to her parking and quickly she drove away. At the corner, however, the traffic officer signaled her to stop the car. The officer taking off his cap wished her good day and gave her a paper with a note; "I have circled this block 25 times, and if I don't do this, I will lose my job. I am sorry too. Lead us not into temptation." Pinned neatly to this little note was a ticket.

The Gospel of today reminds us about the need to be responsible and faithful children of God to succeed in our lives. The entire Bible speaks about the wisdom that each one of us should accept on different occasions of our lives to succeed even in the midst of troubles. Very often most of us hear only what we want to hear in the Gospel. We enjoy hearing about God's mercy and love and tend to ignore the places and sayings where Jesus tells us about our responsibilities. The parable of today very clearly gives us the message that Heaven is not an easy place to enter into and is not automatic. Yes, we need the grace of God and unquestionably everyone is gifted with the grace of God, but the question is how many of us make use of this grace of God responsibly? Often we have time for complaining, I do not have this or I do not have that etc., and this attitude is the worst tragedy of our lives and the biggest crime that we do to the grace of God. Yes this is the same Jesus saying in Matthew 13:12, "To the man who has will be given more and they will have in abundance. Whoever does not have even what they have will be taken from them."

The Gospel also acknowledges the greatest truth of God's creation that everyone is unique and special and that is why the Gospel mentions that the man gave talents to each according to his ability. Yes, the same way we have received grace and talents from God according to each ones ability, and so the challenge for each one of us is to be an individual in the given situation with the given talents and be successful. Yes "winners don't do different things, they do things differently."

Now, as Christians how can we become responsible, faithful and successful Christians with the gifts and talents that we have in our hands? The easiest way is to use all our talents for the glory of God. The greatest gift and talent that God has given us is our Christ and His word. However, as Christians how much effort do we make to grow in His love and peace and share that love and peace with others? This is the primary responsibility of every Christian. If we look around the world, undoubtedly we can say often most of us are very passive in doing our primary responsibility as Christians, and as a result, we do partake in building a broken world in stead of the Kingdom of God. Remember, we are named after Christ and so we are Christians. As Christians, we have the most beautiful and powerful talent in our hands, Christ Himself. Do not be like the lazy servant in the Gospel. The Gospel reminds us that "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few". So wake up, be prepared and work hard, for the kingdom of God is at hand.

#### **Announcements**

Choir Practice: No practice 11/16; next practice 11/23 at 6:00 p.m.

# November 19, 2014, at 6:30 p.m. Parish Council Meeting

There will be a **Table of Remembrance** set up in church during the month of November. Please place photos of your deceased loved ones in church in front of the Sacred Heart statue.

There will be a **Parish Christmas Dinner on Sunday**, **December 7**, **2014**, **at 1:00 p.m.** in the Parish Hall. Everyone is invited to bring a potluck dish.

There will **not** be a first Sunday breakfast in December.

# **IMPORTANT DATES:**

## **Thanksgiving Mass**

- Mass at St Augustine will be on Wednesday, 11/26/2014 at 6:00 pm
- Mass at St. Peter's will be on Thursday, 11/27/2014 at 8:00 am

#### **Feast of Immaculate Conception:**

- Mass at St. Augustine will be on Monday, December 8<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm
- Mass at St. Peter's will be on Monday, December 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm

# **Advent Penance Services Schedule:**

•	Precious Blood	12/9 at 6:00 pm
•	St. Mary Magdalene	12/14 at 1:00 pm
•	Mt. St. Joseph	12/16 at 6:00 pm
•	Immaculate	12/17 at 6:00 pm
•	St. Peter	12/18 at 6:00 pm
•	St. Augustine	12/19 at 6:00 pm
•	St. Stephen	12/21 at 3:00 pm
•	St. Alphonsus	12/22 at 6:00 pm

#### **Christmas Mass - St. Augustine:**

- Christmas Eve Mass will be December 24<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 pm
- Christmas Day Mass will be December 25<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 am

# Solemnity of Mary (New Year's Eve)

- Mass at St. Augustine will be December 31<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 pm
- Mass at St. Peter's will be January 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

## This Week's Birthdays:

Trevor Raley 11/17
Billy Joe Bollinger 11/18
Anna Dee DeMar 11/19
Ciara Sauer 11/21

#### This Week's Anniversaries:

Billy Joe & Philomena Bollinger 11/18 53 years

#### Church cleaner:

Brenda Dunivan 11/9 - 11/22

Weekly Budget: \$1,221.15 Collections: \$948.00 Maintenance: \$5.00

#### Please pray for the following:

Fr. Jegin Mary Angela Mitchell Paula Mayfield Debbie Ralph Joe Bill Merimee

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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.