

# St. Augustine Church

16777 St. Augustine Church Road, Reed, Kentucky 42451



## Second Sunday of Lent: February 24, 2013

Welcome to St. Augustine!!!

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.

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### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- ✓ No First Friday of the month prayer service in March.
- ✓ Sunday, March 3, 2013, Potluck breakfast after 8:00 a.m. Mass
- Tuesday, March 5, 2013, 6:00 p.m. Confirmation Class
- ✓ Wednesday, April 10, 2013, 6:00 p.m. Confirmation Class
- Tuesday, May 21, 2013, Penance Service time to be announced
- Wednesday, May 22, 2013, Confirmation Practice time to be announced
- ✓ Friday, March 22, 2013, Parish Penance Service at 6:30 p.m.
- ✓ Monday, March 25, 2013, at 6:20 p.m. Parish Council meeting
- Tuesday, March 26, 2013, Diocesan Chrism Mass at the Sportscenter at 6:00 p.m.
- Thursday, March 28, 2013, Holy Thursday Mass
- Friday, March 29, 2013, Good Friday Services
- Saturday, March 30, 2013, Holy Saturday Mass
- ✓ Sunday March 31, 2013, Easter Sunday Mass at 8:00 a.m.

March CCD

March 3rd and March 17th

10:30 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.

February Youth Group

February 24th

6:00 p.m.

## WEEKLY SCHEDULE - February 23 - March 3

Saturday	2/23	Mass	5:30 p.m.	Bonnie Ralph		
Sunday	2/24	Mass	8:00 a.m.	Violet Newman		
		RCIA	6:00 p.m.			
Monday	2/25	No Mass				
Tuesday	2/26	No Mass				
Wednesday	2/27	No Mass				
Thursday	2/28	Mass followed by Adoration, Way of the Cross, Rosary and Confession				
Friday	3/1	No Mass	, <del>-</del> .			
Saturday	3/2	Mass	5:30 p.m.	Fitzie Fulkerson		
Sunday	3/3	Mass	8:00 a.m.	Violet Newman		

My Dear Friends in Jesus Christ,

Greetings of love and prayerful wishes to you from Fr. Jegin Puthenpurackal. Hope and pray that these few lines of mine will find you in the best health of mind and body. At the outset of this, may I request you to send your prayers to the Lord for our Holy Mother Church and for the New Pope. Yes, only sincere prayers can bring forth the needed blessings for our life and to the world. Yes, the prayer of the faith will see the glory of God. Let us all join together in one heart so that we may have the chance to witness the glory of God just like Peter, James and John.

The Princes of Calcutta, Mother Theresa says, "The fruit of Silence is Prayer, The fruit of Prayer is Faith, The Fruit of Faith is Love, The Fruit of Love is Service, The Fruit of Service is Peace." Yes, the whole saying of Mother Theresa could be found in today's gospel of Jesus' Transfiguration. A beautiful process beginning with the silencing of the Heart-Prayer-Faith-Love-Service-Peace. This is the process that should happen in our lives because we are the so called people of prayer. But is it happening in our lives? I think in the starting itself we are losing the track. Yes, every prayer should lead each one of us to witness the glory of God and transfiguration of ones own self. That is a wonderful experience which no one would like to lose and that is why Peter says to Jesus, "Master, it is good that we are here. Let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah". Since we do not find this glorious experience, we don't find time for prayer, and we don't enjoy praying either. It is not the problem of Jesus, but rather problem of ones own self. Lack of personal holiness.

Sr. Nirmala, the Superior General of Sisters of Charity, the nun who succeeded Mother Theresa, shares a personal experience. As Superior General, she was making her visit to one of the communities in America. Since there was the Eucharistic Adoration in the Parish Church everyday after Mass, she thought after her breakfast she would come back and pray in the church for sometime. So she came back to the church and started praying. After sometime she was experiencing a different atmosphere in the church. She sees the angels moving around in the church and singing Glory to the Lord, and Sr. Nirmala was enjoying every bit of that heavenly experience. Then suddenly, she got a phone call from someone, and she had to go to the convent. To get back to the church and experience that heavenly atmosphere, she quickly finished the call and went to the church. As she was climbing the stairs of the Church, she saw a beggar asking for some help for food. She thought, she will go to the church and come back later and take care of the beggar. So she went into the church and started praying but after 30 minutes she was not able to have the same heavenly experience again. She was so sad and disturbed in her mind. Suddenly, she thought about the beggar who was sitting on the stairs of the church. She went out and gave the beggar \$10.00 for food. The beggar left and she went back to the church again for prayer. To her surprise, as soon as she knelt down before the Eucharist she began to experience the heavenly experience again. She understood her mistake and begged pardon from the Lord for delaying Him on the stairs without giving help.

Yes my dear friends, if an ordinary woman like Sr. Nirmala could have a heavenly experience, we have that same possibility, but we need to follow the procedure as Mother Theresa. During this Lenten Season, Jesus invites each one of us to have the transfiguration experience and get transformed according to His will. Yes, through this Holy Eucharistic Celebration, we are experiencing this transfiguration and transformation of bread and wine into Jesus' Body and Blood, but why is it that we are not feeling like that of Peter to stay awake and enjoy this heavenly experience: As I said earlier, we should learn to silence our heart, it was to that Jesus invited us last Sunday. To be with Him by casting out the devil from us. Yes, we need to cast out the devil of temptations of distractions in our prayer, and it is only then we can have the true prayer with Jesus, have faith in Jesus, fell love in our hearts, transform the love into service thus become a true instrument of peace in this world. May the Good Lord Bless you and give you an experience of His Kingdom through Prayer, Faith, Love, Service and Peace.

Ministries for March 2 and 3					
Servers:	5:30 p.m.	n. Brendan Haire and Olivia Miller			
	8:00 a.m.	John Boeglin and Gabe McFarland			
Lectors:	5:30 p.m.	Gaylan Haire			
	8:00 a.m.	Makayla Boeglin			
Eucharistic Ministers:	5:30 p.m.	Phyllis Schrecker and Connie Williams			
	8:00 a.m.	Theresa Sauer and Krista Hundley			
Gifts:	5:30 p.m.	Paul Miller Family			
	8:00 a.m.	Lois Payne Family			
<u>Ushers:</u>	5:30 p.m.	Dee Anna Booker and Gaylan Haire			
	8:00 a.m.	Jimmy Davis and Kathy Wolfe			
Church cleaner: 3/3 - 3/16		Jamie Boeglin			

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Owensboro Catholic** - Pre-Registration for all families will begin on Monday, March 4th and will conclude on Friday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**Holy Name School** will hold its annual "Come and See" open house on February 25, 2013, at 6:00 p.m. to give potential new families a chance to see the school and hear about their mission. New family registration begins on March 4, 2013.

All families who wish to be Parish Sponsored are required to include a copy of their Parish Voucher with the completed Pre-Registration Form given to the respective school. The parents and child/children will need to meet with Father to receive their voucher. Please contact Father to set up a time to meet. He will be available by appointment after Saturday night mass at St. Augustine, or in his office in Stanley. Every family must have a signed voucher to be sponsored by the parish.

The public is invited to Eucharistic Adoration at Maple Mount and St. Stephen's on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of every month to pray for vocations. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will occur from 1:00-5:00 p.m. at the Motherhouse Chapel in Maple Mount, 8001 Cummings Road. The adoration will conclude with evening prayer with the Ursuline Sisters. The public is also welcome to attend Eucharistic Adoration at St. Stephen's Cathedral on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of every month from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. which will also conclude with evening prayer. For more information visit <a href="https://www.ursulinesmsj.org">www.ursulinesmsj.org</a>.

Weekly budget: \$2,219.00 Actual Collection: \$1,634.00

## Happy Anniversary:



Happy Birthday:	
Walter Wolfe	2/26
Ed Dunivan	2/27
Brianna Payne	2/28
Joseph Schwartz	3/3
Macey Peerman	3/3



Stan Embrey, Fr. Jegin, Leo Murphy, Sherry Schwartz, Mary Angela Mitchell, Paula Mayfield, Sue Wolfe, Debbie Ralph

#### 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.

#### 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.

#### 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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