



# St. Augustine Church

16777 St. Augustine Church Road, Reed, Kentucky 42451



## Third Sunday of Easter: April 14, 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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*Please send your bulletin announcements to Stacy Cain as early in the week as possible.*

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

Monday, April 15, 2013, Finance Committee Meeting at 5:30 p.m.  
 Monday, April 15, 2013, Parish Council Meeting at 6:30 p.m.  
 Tuesday, May 21, 2013, Penance Service at 6:00 p.m. for students going to be confirmed and their parents  
 Wednesday, May 22, 2013, Confirmation Practice - time to be announced

### WEEKLY SCHEDULE - April 13 - April 21

Saturday	4/13	Mass	5:30 p.m.	Violet Newman
Sunday	4/14	Mass	8:00 a.m.	Hershel & Barbara Smith Anniversary
Monday	4/15	No Mass		
Tuesday	4/16	No Mass		
Wednesday	4/17	No Mass		
Thursday	4/18	No Mass		
Friday	4/19	No Mass		
Saturday	4/20	Mass	5:30 p.m.	Boonie Ralph
Sunday	4/21	Mass	8:00 a.m.	Violet Newman

### Ministries for April 20 and April 21

<u>Servers:</u>	5:30 p.m.	Mason & Nick Jackson
	8:00 a.m.	John Boeglin, Gabe McFarland
<u>Lectors:</u>	5:30 p.m.	Gaylan Haire
	8:00 a.m.	Emily Mitchell
<u>Eucharistic Ministers:</u>	5:30 p.m.	Phyllis Schrecker, Connie Williams
	8:00 a.m.	Ben Blair, Christa Hundley
<u>Gifts:</u>	5:30 p.m.	Doug Evans Family
	8:00 a.m.	Neil Rudy Family
<u>Ushers:</u>	5:30 p.m.	Bucky & Vickie Lacer
	8:00 a.m.	Sonny & Linda Evans
Church cleaner	4/14 - 4/27	Patricia Byrne

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 written for Jesus Christ will find you in the best health of mind and body. I hope all of you are back after the spring break and had a good time with your dear and near ones. May the Risen Lord continue to bless each one of us in every moment of our lives.

The gospel of today explains to us about the installation ceremony of St. Peter as the head of the Church.

I would like to divide this gospel passage into two sections: In the first part, we see the attitude of the disciples after the death of Jesus, going back to their old way of life and interference of Jesus. In the second part, we see Jesus is giving a training of discipline to Peter to become a true disciple of Jesus.

From the first part of the gospel, we should draw the message that without depending upon God all our efforts will be in vain. There could be situations when we feel deserted by everyone, and even by God, but as a fact God cannot do that. God will never do that. In the Gospel, we see that Peter and other disciples felt that with the death of Jesus their life is lost. In this desperate situation, they go back to their old way of living but the presence and intervention of Jesus fills their hearts with new hope and courage and gives them the assurance that He will never leave them because they were called by Jesus with a special purpose. The same way as Christians, we should believe that our call to follow Jesus is also a special call given to us by Jesus, and so, believe that He will never desert us but He will be with us always. We need patience to wait for Him. Yes, in the Bible we see Joseph waited 13 years; Abraham waited 25 years; Moses waited 50 years; and Jesus waited 30 years for the will of God to take place in their lives. So we need to have patience with God. This is what Peter 5:6 says, "So humble yourselves under the mighty power of God and at the right time He will lift you up in honor."

In the second part of the gospel, we see Jesus is measuring the depth of Peter's love for Him by asking the same question three times. Simon, son of John, do you love me? By asking the same question repeatedly, Jesus wants to emphasize the importance of it. Here the importance is on love. So by asking this question three times, Jesus makes it clear that a true follower of Jesus should have an unconditional love for Him, which itself, is the first commandment God, Yahweh, has given to us too. So as disciples of Jesus, every Christian should have the quality of LOVE, the ability to love and to be loved. St. John the disciple and evangelist experienced the warmth of this true love when he was sitting along side of Jesus at the Passover table. It is because of this, that towards the end of John's earthly life when he was not able to move by himself, his disciples used to carry him on the chair and keep him before the congregation to preach. He would preach only one sentence to the people. Jesus is love, and He is only love. After saying this, he would just cry aloud. Yes, this is the power of Jesus' love. It is to this experience Jesus is calling us. In another point of view, we can understand this incident as Jesus is forcing Peter to do a Penance by asking the same question three times. It was three times Peter denied Jesus during His passion so by this repeated questioning, Jesus is strengthening Peter's fidelity towards Him. Those who have taken the oath of fidelity should understand that from the time of oath he/she shall comply to the spirit of the Lord rather than following his own spirit of the flesh. As Christians, we all have taken this oath of fidelity towards Christ, and how many of us are faithful to that?

So the whole gospel passage is a scene where Jesus is disciplining the disciples according to God's will. At the same time Jesus asks each one of us too, to discipline ourselves according the will of God by filling our hearts with Love. Every Holy Eucharist is the expression of God's love for us and for our world. So let us ask God for this great gift of Love in our lives, because a life of Love makes a disciple's life a true disciple. Amen.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **Bunco Party**

The St. Peter of Alcantara Ladies Auxiliary will be hosting a Bunco Night on Friday, April 26 at 6:30pm in the Parish Hall. All who are over the age of 18 are welcome. The cost is \$10 per person. Cash prizes will be awarded. Tea, lemon aid & snacks will be provided. You may bring your own drinks to this event.

## **First Communion Schedule:**

Sunday, April 14, 2013, Retreat - 3:00 - 5:00 (we will make banners and have rehearsal)

## **CCD calendar REVISION:**

We will not have CCD on May 12<sup>th</sup> (Mother's Day)

Classes will be held at 10:30 a.m. on April 14<sup>th</sup>, April 28<sup>th</sup> and May 19<sup>th</sup> (last class)

**Weekly budget: \$2,219.00**

**Actual Collection: \$1,368.00**

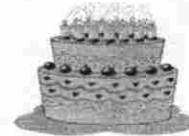
The public is invited to Eucharistic Adoration at Maple Mount and St. Stephen's on the **2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of every month** to pray for vocations. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will occur from 1:00-5:00 p.m. at the Motherhouse Chapel in Maple Mount, 8001 Cummings Road. Public is also welcome 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. For more information visit [www.ursulinesmsj.org](http://www.ursulinesmsj.org).

### Happy Anniversary:



### Happy Birthday:

Gabe McFarland	4/13
Jane Johnson	4/14
Sidney Cain	4/16
April Mitchell	4/17



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***Please continue to pray for the following:***

Stan Embrey, Fr. Jegin, Leo Murphy, Mary Angela Mitchell, Paula Mayfield, Sue Wolfe, Debbie Ralph, Jimmy Davis, Vicki Rudy

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<p><b>Sacraments to the Home Bound</b> 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.</p>	<p><b>Sacrament of Baptism</b> 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.</p>
<p><b>Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick</b> 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.</p>	<p><b>Sacrament of Marriage</b> 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.</p>

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