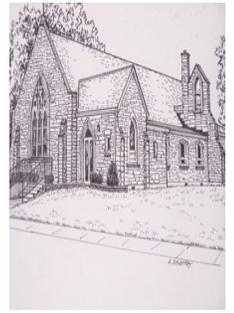




St. Augustine Church

16777 St. Augustine Church Road
Reed, Kentucky 42451



First Sunday of Lent: March 9, 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.

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Weekly Schedule - 3/8 - 3/16

Saturday	3/8	Mass	4:00 p.m. Leo Murphy
Sunday	3/9	Mass	8:00 a.m. Connie Mills
Monday	3/10	No Mass	
Tuesday	3/11	No Mass	
Wednesday	3/12	No Mass	
Thursday	3/13	No Mass	
Friday	3/14	No Mass	
Saturday	3/15	Mass	4:00 p.m. Leo Murphy
Sunday	3/16	Mass	8:00 a.m. Connie Mills

Ministries for 3/15 and 3/16

<u>Servers:</u>	4:00 p.m.	Volunteers
	8:00 a.m.	Volunteers
<u>Lectors:</u>	4:00 p.m.	Volunteers
	8:00 a.m.	Volunteers
Eucharistic Ministers:	4:00 p.m.	Volunteers
	8:00 a.m.	Volunteers
Gifts:	4:00 p.m.	Volunteers
	8:00 a.m.	Volunteers
<u>Ushers:</u>	4:00 p.m.	Dee Anna Booker, Gaylan Haire
	8:00 a.m.	Jimmy Davis, Kathy Wolfe

Announcements:

During the Lenten Season we will have Prayer Service with Mass, Adoration, Confessions, Stations and Divine Mercy devotions every Thursday at 6:00 p.m. All parishioners are encouraged to take advantage of this time before the Blessed Sacrament during Lent. If unable to come on Thursday, St. Peters has the same schedule on Wednesday of each week.

Lenten Choir Practice: Monday evenings at 6:30 p.m. It doesn't matter if you have a great voice, a mediocre voice or no voice at all, come to choir practice. Jesus likes for you to be there. All voices together make beautiful music!!!!!!!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Thursday, March 13, 2014

6:00 p.m. - Prayer Service, Mass, Adoration, Confessions, Stations and Divine Mercy devotions

Monday, March 17, 2014,

Choir Practice at 6:30 p.m.

Happy Birthday:

Zach Barnard	3/8
Mike Jackson	3/11
Michaela Boeglin	3/12
Jimmy Davis	3/12
Andrew Boeglin	3/14

Happy Anniversary:

Please continue to pray for the following:

Fr. Jegin
Mary Angela Mitchell
Paula Mayfield
Sue Wolfe
Debbie Ralph
Jimmy Davis
Joe Bill Merimee

Weekly Budget:	\$2,023.00
Actual Collection:	\$825.00
Maintenance:	\$115.00
Diocese Mandeville, Jamaica Campaign	\$102.00

Church cleaner Ruth Raley 3/2 - 3/15

Dear Friends in Jesus Christ,

Last weekend, Jesus came to us through the Gospel saying, " Do not get worried about what to eat, what to drink and what to wear, for those are the concerns and worries of Pagans." But as children of God, we were all encouraged to seek the Kingdom of God and His righteousness first in our lives so we may have peace.

As we have begun our season of Lent accepting the invitation of Jesus to repent, the first Sunday of Lent reminds us that temptations are part of human life, but our effort should be not to fall into temptations. This is what we pray in the Lord's prayer, "Lord lead us not into temptations". Today, Jesus invites us to learn from how He overcame the temptations in His life.

If we consider that we are only human beings, we can never win over temptations in our lives, but as children of God, we need not keep reminding ourselves that we are not only human beings, but also divine beings with the image and likeness of God. So our existence finds its meaning and purpose only in relation to God. Hence, the season of Lent invites each one of us to get closer to God by overcoming temptations with the help and grace of God.

All temptations happen to us only in relation to our bodily needs such as what to eat, drink and to wear. It is the same temptation method the devil always uses, and that is what we see in the story of our first parents, Adam and Eve, and also in the first temptation of Jesus. The devil gives the impression that the body is most important in our lives. Yes the body is important, but it is not the most important thing in our lives. Let us take a moment to reflect about the investment we make for the maintenance of our body and for the maintenance of our soul. Jesus reminds us very clearly, "one does not live by bread alone, but on the every word that comes forth from the mouth of God". Yes, the body needs food, drink and clothing, the same way the soul needs to be fed with the word of God, and do I care for my soul? Matthew 16:28, puts an important question to each one of us. What will it profit a man if he gains the whole world but loses his own soul?" As children of God, we should have the same food as Jesus. In John 4:34, Jesus says, "My food is to do the will of Him who sent me and to finish His work".

The feeling of temptation is part of human life, but we should be careful not to make falling into temptations a part of life since it is a sin. Every temptation is a testing. A testing of our divine energy and a testing our divine capability to do the works of the Lord effectively so that our Christian life may not be a scandal to others. In the second Temptation, we see Jesus is asked to throw himself down, and thus gain the popularity or the attention of others. Reflect, do we use our body for the sake of getting the attention of others rather than glorifying God? For Jesus says, "You shall not put the Lord your God to the test". Dear friends, St. Paul says our body is the temple or the dwelling place of the Holy Spirit, so it demands lot of respect and reverence for it is sacred, and it is not for all tests to be done for the attention seeking.

The third response of Jesus to the third temptation tells us how to overcome the feeling of temptations and falling into temptations. Jesus says, "You shall worship the Lord your God alone, and Him alone you shall serve". Yes, falling away from the love of God is the act of sin or the absence of love of God is sin. Neglecting God's love fills our hearts with human love, and it is the most dangerous love called selfish love which produces only selfish activities and worries. The real meaning of the word sin lies in the word SIN itself, and it could be understood as Self Interested Nature. Jesus' love was never been a self interested one, but an other oriented love. For Jesus says in John 15:13, "There is no greater love than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends".

Yes, my dear friends, during this Lenten Season, Jesus invites us to be with Him always by overcoming all temptations through His true love. Let us ask the Eucharistic Lord to fill our hearts with His Eucharistic Love. May the Good Lord Bless you.



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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.