THE SACRAMENTAL LIFE OF OUR CHURCH

THE SACRAMENT OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST
THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

Saturday: Vigil - 5:00 PM
Sunday Schedule: 8:00 AM  10:00 AM
                           12 NOON  5:00 PM
Weekdays:
Monday through Saturday: 9:00 AM
Holy Day: See Schedule in Bulletin

COMMUNION TO THE SICK is taken by Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist on a regular basis to those confined to their homes. Please call the Parish Center.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM is celebrated on most Sundays at 1:30 PM (not during Lent). A family must be registered in the parish, attend the baptismal preparation class, and cooperate with the regulations established by the parish. Our baptismal class is held on the 2nd Monday of the month at 8:00 PM. Please call the Parish Center to register any time during your pregnancy.

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION is celebrated on Saturday between 11:30 AM and 12:30 PM in the Chapel or by appointment.

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION is celebrated once a year by the Bishop's delegate, here at St. Augustine. A candidate must successfully complete our Religious Education program. Adult Confirmation is held on Pentecost Sunday and any interested adults should contact the Parish Center.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE SICK is administered at home to any Catholic who is seriously ill. Please call the Parish Center. Any parishioner admitted to a local hospital should contact the Catholic Hospital Chaplain through the hospital. A family member should contact the parish when someone is admitted to the hospital. We will gladly pray for any members who are sick, whether at home or in the hospital, at our Sunday Masses; however, it is necessary for the family to “request” it.

THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY is celebrated by the Pastor or one of our deacons. Weddings may be scheduled on Friday evening, Saturday, or Sunday afternoon. Only a ceremony is permitted on Sunday. The pastor will confirm the date so couples should contact the Parish Center at least ONE YEAR in advance. All the necessary information will be sent to you. The attendance at Pre-Cana or an Engaged Encounter Weekend is required. One must be a registered member of the parish. Our parish upholds the Gospel values and the Church’s teachings regarding the sacredness of marriage and those couples choosing to live together in contradiction of those values, will receive a simple ceremony and all Diocesan regulations followed.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY ORDERS and RELIGIOUS LIFE: If you are considering serving God as a priest, deacon, or religious, you may contact your parish priest, deacon, or religious; or phone the Diocesan Office of Vocations at (732) 562-1990.

THE DEVOTIONAL LIFE OF THE PARISH:

The Liturgy of the Hours is prayed Monday through Saturday at 8:45 AM prior to Mass.

Eucharistic Adoration/Devotion is held Monday at 7:00 PM (not on national holidays or during the summer)

Novena in honor of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal is prayed on Saturday following the 9:00 AM Mass in the chapel.

Devotion in honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus is prayed on the First Friday of the month following the 9:00 AM Mass.

St. Elizabeth’s Guild Prays the Rosary after daily Mass.

Parish Center: (732) 297-3000
Monday—Friday Hours: 9 AM- 12 NOON & 1 PM-4 PM
2nd & 4th Thursday daytime-hours Office Closes at Noon
Catholic School: 297-6042
Religious Education Office: 297-3011
Outreach Ministry: 297-9713
Parish Center Fax: 940-1746
School Fax: 297-7062
Website: http://www.staugustinenj.org
March 24, 2019

Third Sunday of Lent

SATURDAY
5:00 PM Mary Beslanovitz: req. Roseanne & Nicolo DeBari

SUNDAY Third Sunday of Lent
8:00 AM Lawrence “Larry” Hudson: req. His Mother
10:00 AM Betty Lenart: req. Sr. Mary Lou & the ASLF
12:00 Noon Maria Barroso: req. The Barroso Family
5:00 PM Rose Aucello: req. Steven & Carmen Aucello

MONDAY The Annunciation of the Lord (relic of St. Lucy Filippini may be venerated after Mass)
9:00 AM All Living & Deceased Parishioners of St. A’s
7:00 PM Lenten Holy Hour

TUESDAY
9:00 AM John Zahodnich: req. Jean Zahodnich

WEDNESDAY
9:00 AM Deceased Family Members of the O’Shea & Yankowski Families: req. Lillian O’Shea

THURSDAY
9:00 AM Betty Lenart: req. Claire & Gary Schuller

FRIDAY
9:00 AM Betty Lenart: req. Bob & Pat Mate
7:00 PM Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY
9:00 AM Florentina Aqudong: req. Cherry Cua
5:00 PM Stephen Geydishek: req. Lorna Geydoshek & Family

SUNDAY Fourth Sunday of Lent
8:00 AM Margaret & Julius Weber: req. Elsie Ragany
10:00 AM Br. Robert Sheeley: req. St. Augustine Parish
12:00 Noon Intentions of Andrea Romeo: req. Guido Romeo
5:00 PM All Living & Deceased Parishioners of St. A’s

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38
Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43; Mt 18:21-35
Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9; Mt 5:17-19
Thursday: Jer 7:23-28; Lk 11:14-23
Friday: Hos 14:2-10; Mk 12:28-34
Saturday: Hos 6:1-6; Lk 18:9-14
Sunday: Jos 5:9a, 10-12; 2 Cor 5:17-21; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

SPIRITUAL REMEMBRANCE
TABERNACLE CANDLES
In Memory of Pietro Cacciatore
Donated by The Federico Family

We would like to thank “Ricky” for his devotional service that he gave to Saint Augustine over many years. Ricky, enjoy your retirement! You deserve it. All the best!
Father Bob & the Parish Staff

“He said to the gardener, ‘For three years now I have come in search of fruit on this fig tree but have found none.’” (Luke 13:7)

We can all be like the barren fig tree at times. Do you cling to what you have or do you generously share with others? How will you respond when God asks you what you have done with all the gifts He has given you? Remember, not only are we called to be generous, we are called to develop and nurture our gifts and return with increase.

March 17th $24,358.88
Snow Removal (Thank You!) $  4,738.00

Counting Team #11—March 31st
Cumbiettes/Kathy Michalski

MEDITATION FOR March 24, 2019
Jesus calls us to repent so that we might bear good fruit.

God’s ways are not our ways. In order to bear good fruit, we must allow Him to shape and mold our lives. This was not a new message that Jesus shared, but an affirmation of the covenant that God made with His people from the beginning. God is faithful—and so we are called to be. When we stray and wither or produce bad fruit, we have the opportunity to repent and try again.

In the first reading from Exodus, God speaks to Moses from the burning bush, announcing His presence as the God of His father. Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. In Saint Paul’s Letter to the Corinthians, he speaks of the Old Testament ancestors, many with whom God was not pleased. In today’s Gospel, the crowd tells Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate mingled with their sacrifices. Jesus calls them to repentance and tells them a parable of the fig tree that produces no fruit.

OUR LADY OF FATIMA STATUE & OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE ICON
This week the Fatima statue and Our Lady of Guadalupe “Lighting Hearts on Fire” icon during the Diocesan Year of Spiritual Renewal, will be in the home of Eileen & Gary Milotta. Please remember to also take the black & green bag which holds the crown of the Our Lady of Fatima statue.
SNOW REMOVAL APPEAL
FOR ST. AUGUSTINE PARISH

While the total amount of snow is down from last year, there have been several snow storms that occurred that needed immediate attention for the school and parish activities.

As of March 5\textsuperscript{th} the amount of bills have totaled over $17,000 \textit{(with November storm $19,000)} and there could be more storms in the future days of March! Unfortunately we have almost lost an entire Sunday collection to pay these bills. L & S Contracting has provided great services since I have been here for the past 24 years and a few years while Msgr. Capano was the pastor. These are the dates we had to clear the parking lot and sidewalks from the snow/ice storms:

November 15\textsuperscript{th} storm: (parish family donated $2,000 to pay that bill!!)
- January 13
- January 18
- January 30
- January 31
- February 11
- February 12
- February 20-21
- March 2
- March 4

And more to come?????

If you are able to help your parish pay these bills, over the next few weeks, kindly put in your own special envelope in the regular collection marked:

SNOW REMOVAL
Write your family name and envelope number so we can credit your parish account.

As always the parishioners of Saint Augustine are outstanding in their generosity and support of their parish! Thank you for allowing your pastor to sleep better! Be assured of my love and prayers!

\[Signature\]

DONATIONS FOR THE ALTAR PANEL

The Lord Jesus the Blessed Pelican
“Pie Pelicane Jesu Domine”

In Memory of:
- Deceased Members of the Lynam Family
- Deceased Members of the Yates Family
- The Yuras Family
- Family & Friends of the Almestica Family
- Paul Doscher
- Joseph & Doris McDonough
- Carmela DeLuca
- Morelli Family Members
- Antonio P. Morelli
- Albert N. Donnantuono
- Donnantuono Family Members
- Lucille Chouinard
- Marie & Jeanine McGrady
- The Eichler Family
- The Mainwaring Family
- Sharon Fraunberger
- Peter A. Campisano
- Giacomo G. Bruni
- Emmett McHugh
- Stanley & Carolyn Malinowski
- The Milotta Family

A Gift of:
- The Wiley Family
- The Bethusamy Family
- The Gopal Family
- Donna & Frank Morelli & Family
- The DeGagli Family
- Irene Sidun
- The James Family
- Carmelina (Millie) Morelli
- The Ungano Family

A special plaque will be placed on the back of the Altar panel with names of any deceased family members or friends, or as a gift from your family. The Altar is only covered during the Lenten season.
“Just give me an hour and I will give you a whole new life!”
Jesus to Peter from the movie, “Son of God”

Lenten Eucharistic Adoration
Mondays—7 p.m.

March 25  Sister Ascenza Tizzano, MPF  
Feast of the Annunciation:  
“Let me speak of Mary and Lucy too”  Luke 1:26-38

April 1  Father Thomas Serafin, KCHS  
Fools for Christ: “We are fools on Christ’s account, you are wise in Christ”  
1 Corinthians 4:1,5-10:3-15

April 8  Father John Gabriel  
The 80th Anniversary of the Wizard of Oz: “The three gifts of the wizard”  
Romans 8:18-30

April 15  Chrism Mass 4:00 PM  
St. Francis Cathedral - Metuchen

On Monday, April 15, 2019 Bishop James F. Checchio will celebrate the Chrism Mass with the priests of the Diocese. At this Mass, the Bishop will bless the Holy Oils which each parish receives for the rites of anointing. Saint Ambrose (340-397) began this custom—which we now call the Chrism Mass—in his Cathedral in Milan. These Holy Oils, which are used to sanctify the Faithful have been channels of holiness for centuries! The Oil of Catechumens is used to anoint infants and adults before their Baptism; the Oil of the Sick is used on the forehead and hands of the infirm in the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick; and Sacred Chrism is used to anoint the head of the newly baptized, the foreheads of confirmandi, the hands of a priest at his ordination, the head of a bishop at his ordination, and the altar and walls of new churches. At the Mass, all priests make a Renewal of Commitment to Priestly Service, recommitting themselves to their Bishop and to their ministry to God and His People; the Bishop and all Priests then ask the people for a pledge of their prayerful support. All are strongly encouraged to join in the ancient, grace-filled Chrism Mass at the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi in Metuchen at 4:00 PM.
**THIS WEEKS CALENDAR**

**Monday**
Mar. 25
4:30 PM Living Stations of the Cross Practice
7:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration
8:00 PM AA Meeting
8:00 PM Outreach Ministry Meeting

**Tuesday**
Mar. 26
2:30 PM Senior Club Meeting
4:00 PM Children’s Choir Practice
6:00 PM Youth Choir Practice
7:00 PM NJHS Induction Ceremony
7:30 PM Folk Group Practice

**Wednesday**
Mar. 27
4:15 & 7:15 PM Religious Education Classes
6:30 PM Handbell Choir Practice
7:15 PM BOTW
7:45 PM Adult Choir Practice

**Thursday**
Mar. 28
10:00 AM Seniors Art Class
11:15 AM Chime Choir Rehearsal

**Friday**
Mar. 29
2:30 PM WOHO Night Grades 5 & 6
7:00 PM Stations of the Cross

**Saturday**
Tricky Tray Ticket Sales (Gathering Area after 5 PM Mass)
Mar. 30
8:00 AM Athletics-Diocesan Basketball
11:30 AM Confessions

**Sunday**
Tricky Tray Ticket Sales (Gathering Area after all Masses)
Mar. 31
7:00 AM Giving Cross Gift Sorting
8:00 AM RCIA
9:00 AM Parish Choir Rehearsal
1:00 PM Columbiettes Tea
6:30 PM Cornerstone Meeting

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**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION OUTFITS**

If anyone has new or used (clean) First Holy Communion dresses, veils, dress socks, white gloves, white sweaters, especially boy’s suits, and communion book sets to donate to those in need for the clients of the St. Vincent de Paul Society Food Pantry in Perth Amboy, as well as other needy children in the Catholic Community of Perth Amboy, please drop the items off at the Outreach Ministry office in the Parish Center before April 24th. Monetary donations toward the Communion outfits are also acceptable. As in the past, they particularly need dresses and boy’s suits sizes 10 through 16. If you have any questions, please don’t hesitate to call the Outreach Ministry at 732-297-9713. Thank you for our continuous support to these families.

-Outreach Ministry

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**The Lord Jesus the Blessed Pelican**

“The Lord Jesus the Blessed Pelican”

At the 12 Noon Mass on Sunday, March 3rd, 2019, Bishop Checchio blessed the new Altar panel with the ancient symbol of the Holy Eucharist, the “pelican.” This symbol dates back to the 4th century and a fresco of it can be found in the upper room in Jerusalem where the Last Supper took place.

I will be placing a special plaque on the back of the Altar panel with names of any deceased family members or friends. Every time Mass is celebrated at the Altar of Sacrifice they will be lifted up in prayer - or if you would like to make a donation as a gift from you or your family that would be possible. Your family would be remembered at every Mass as well. If you would like to make a donation, please fill out the form below and place it in the collection basket or drop it off at the parish center. Donations will be acknowledged in the bulletin.

The donation is $100. per name or as a gift from you or your family. Deadline for donations is Sunday, March 31st.

**DONATIONS FOR THE ALTAR PANEL**

I/we would like to make a donation towards the cost and installation of the Altar Panel with the ancient symbol of the Eucharist the “pelican.” The Latin inscription “Pie Pelicane Jesu Domine” is translated “The Lord Jesus the Blessed Pelican.”

Name: ____________________________

Church Envelope Number: ________

In Memory of ______________________

OR

A Gift of ________________________
SAVE THE DATE!!
Our Lady of Peace Church Columbiettes Council #11378
9th Annual Indoor Garage and Bake Sale!

Free Admission– Saturday, April 6, 2019 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. 70 tables packed with baby clothes, toys, household goods, clothes, costume jewelry, books, and much more! Theme Baskets to be raffled off and Bake Sale with home baked goods.

Our Lady of Peace Parish Center
1749 US Route 130
North Brunswick, NJ 08902

Rain or Shine!

Day of Prayer –2000 Hail Marys
In Honor of Our Blessed Mother

Date: Saturday, April 6th
St. Augustine of Canterbury Parish –McGivney Hall
Time: 8:30am –4:00pm

You are invited to come for the whole day or just drop in at any time and join in prayer

We begin with the Opening prayer at 8:30 followed by Rosary for each Joyful, Glorious, Luminous & Sorrowful Mysteries,
20 Petitions-100 Hail Marys are prayed for each Petition & Closing Prayers
We will take a short break at noon for lunch. Please bring a bagged lunch. Prayer books will be provided. Any questions or if you are interested in leading a Petition or Rosary, please contact Rita at 732-422-3136 or Anjanette at 732-398-9881,

Men’s Lenten Afternoon of Prayer with Coach Shurmur

St. James Parish in Basking Ridge will be hosting a Men’s Lenten Afternoon of Prayer featuring Coach Pat Shurmur, head coach of the NY Giants, as the guest speaker. The Event will take place on Saturday, March 30, 2019. The program will start at 2 pm in the Church. A closing Mass will be held at 4 pm celebrated by Bishop James Checchio. The event is free, however, registration is required. To register visit: http://diometuchen.org/mens-groups/ or call 732-562-1543.

Marriage Encounter

Now the SPRING is finally here, why not shake off those winter blues and pump some new life into your marriage.

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend gives you the time and tools to revitalize romance, deepen communication, and nourish the spirituality in your marriage.

The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will be held July 26-28.

Early registration is advisable as space is limited. Phone 1-732-904-9636 for registration and information.

For further information visit us at www.aweekendforyourmarriage.com

“24 Hours for the Lord”

Beginning March 29-In response to Pope Francis’ universal call and in recognition of the diocesan Year of Spiritual Awakening, a number of parishes in the Diocese of Metuchen will host “24 Hours for the Lord.” All are invited to deepen their friendship and spend time with the Lord in Eucharistic Adoration and the Sacrament of Penance, as they take a more intentional and serious walk with Him during this holy season of Lent. To view the full schedule of times and locations for “24 Hours for the Lord,” please visit: https://diometuchen.org/24HoursForTheLord/
February Food Pantry Report

The Food Pantry delivered 64 bags of food and household products to 9 families consisting of 15 adults and 7 children. Your continued generosity is much appreciated by our families.

Stations of the Cross for Those Touched by the Pain of Addiction or Loss—March 29, 2019

Many of us struggle to comfort and support our brothers and sisters who have suffered as a result of addiction and/or loss of a family member to an overdose. In an effort to offer spiritual support, a special Stations of the Cross will be held on Friday, March 29th at 7 PM at Immaculate Conception Parish, 18 South Street, Spotswood, NJ. Refreshments and fellowship to follow. Pastoral ministers will be present at the service to listen to and speak with participants and to offer healing resources. All are welcome. Call 732-243-4574 for more information.

Prayer for an End to Infanticide

Jesus, Lord of Life, transform the hearts of all elected leaders to recognize that infanticide is wrong and must not be tolerated. Open hearts and minds to recognize and defend the precious gift of every human life.

Note: To determine your Senators’ votes on the Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act, go to: http://www.usccb.org/about/pro-life-activities/born-alive-bill.cfm

2019 Bishops Annual Appeal

Help Build a Civilization of Love

Thank you to all who have given so generously to the 2019 Bishop’s Annual Appeal. If you have not made a pledge, there is still time to participate. Mail your gift to: Diocese of Metuchen, Bishop’s Annual Appeal, PO Box 4000, Metuchen, NJ 08840-4000 or give online at www.diometuchen.org/BBA.

KEEPE IN TOUCH WITH YOUR PARISH OFFICE

Are you new to the area? Are you a registered member of the parish?? Are you moving???

If you have recently moved into the area and have not yet registered in the parish, we encourage you to become a registered member. You may do so in a variety of ways: you can ask an usher for a registration packet after Mass; by stopping by or calling the Parish Office to obtain a registration packet. Once registered, you will receive quarterly mailing of parish offertory envelopes.

The use of an Offertory envelope helps us to track Mass attendance which affects your status as an active or inactive parishioner. Mass attendance, not the content of the offertory envelope, is reviewed twice a year and a letter is sent to those who have not used their envelopes in a specified time period.

It is necessary to be an ACTIVE, REGISTERED member of the parish in order to obtain Sponsor Letters which are needed to act as Godparents for Baptism or Sponsors for Confirmation. Sponsor letters cannot be given to those considered inactive (or not registered). We also ask that anyone seeking to be married in our church or to baptize a child be registered in the parish.

If you are moving out of the parish, please contact the office around the time of your move so we may change our records accordingly and avoid sending you envelopes you don’t need.

Any questions, please call Liz at the Parish Office, 732-297-3000.

2nd QUARTER CHURCH OFFERTORY ENVELOPES FOR 2019 HAVE BEEN MAILED

The 2nd Quarter 2019 Church Offertory Envelopes have been mailed. ALL REGISTERED parishioners should have received your next quarter envelopes. Envelope numbers remain the same.

If you do not receive your envelopes by next week, please notify the Parish Center. In the cases of not receiving your envelopes, please write your envelope number and name on any envelope and place in the collection for proper credit.

If you do not receive offertory envelopes in the mail quarterly, you may not be an active registered parishioner of Saint Augustine. To rectify your status as a parishioner, please contact Liz for registration information or to update your records. One must be a registered parishioner in order to obtain sponsor letters for Baptism and Confirmation.

Thank you for your continued support of your parish through living the gift of stewardship of your time, talent, and treasure! May God continue to bless and sustain you!

HAPPY SPRING!
**2019 Bishop’s Annual Appeal**

As of March 15th, 2019, the Development Office has received pledges totaling $74,826.25 and payments totaling $63,788.75 from 255 parishioners. This represents 51.3% of our $146,000.00 goal. Thank you for your efforts.

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**Spiritual Direction**

Do you have a sense that something is missing in your life? Are you trying to discover what God desires from you? Perhaps you are struggling with a grief that needs understanding…the answer might be spiritual direction. The Church recognizes the ancient practice of having a “soul friend” or spiritual director. A spiritual director is a compassionate listener who walks with you and who helps you see the presence of God in your everyday life. As we learn how to notice His presence we find the healing and wisdom we need to move forward with more joy and love in our lives.

If you would like more information, please contact Donna Canvin at 908-420-3760 or donnamarie3@comcast.net. This ministry is strictly confidential.

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**Music Ministry Mass Schedule**

**Music Ministry Schedule for the weekend of March 30 & 31, 2019**

**Fourth Sunday of Lent**

- **Saturday 5:00 p.m.** – Organist & Cantor
- **Sunday: 10:00 a.m.** – Parish Choir
- **12:00 noon** – Organist & Cantor
- **5:00 p.m.** – Organist

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**RCIA Candidate**

**Rohan Pannikadavil**

Rohan is a baptized Catholic seeking the sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Eucharist. He will receive them at the St. Augustine Easter Vigil this year.

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**CRS RICE BOWL - ENCOUNTER WITH THE DHATHCROOS FAMILY**

The Dhathcroos family returned home, after fleeing violence in their country, to build a prosperous farm and become a vital contributor to their community. How can you assist refugees in your community to rebuild their lives? Visit crsricebowl.org for more information.

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**Auxiliary Council #6345**

**The Student Good Citizen Award**

St. Augustine of Canterbury Columbiettes Auxiliary will once again include in their State Youth Program the Student Good Citizen Award. This award is limited to Catholic females who are seniors in High School, who display evidence of Leadership, Dependability and Patriotism at home, school and in the community.

In addition to the State Award, Our Local Auxiliary will also be offering an additional monetary award.

Parishioners of Saint Augustine who are interested in applying for this award should contact Dorothy Cuccinelli at mralcty@aol.com or 908-208-1078, before April 1st, 2019.

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**St. Augustine of Canterbury School**

**“70’s Disco Night”**

**TRICKY TRAY**

**Save the Date**

**Friday, May 17, 2019**

**Baskets 50/50 Door Prizes**

Registration Information coming soon!
Dear Pastors, please offer this to the women of your parish.

OASIS 2019
Day of Prayer for Women

Women of Faith

Hosted by:
The Religious Teachers Filippini
Villa Walsh
455 Western Avenue
Morristown, NJ 07960

For More Information, contact:
Sr. Elaine Bebyn, MPF
srelaine@villawalsh.org
973-538-2886 x 143

April 6, 2019
9:30 AM-3:00 PM

"Weaving a Tapestry of Holiness"
with
Avis Clendenen
Author and Speaker

 Spend a day of spiritual reflection and renewal with women from all across New Jersey and New York.
The day includes:

- Two Multimedia Conferences
- Mass
- Reconciliation
- Rosary

Bring your own lunch. Beverages will be available throughout the day.
There is also a Religious Gift Shop.

Registration Fee: $15.00
The entire day will be spent in the Auditorium which is handicapped accessible.

OASIS 2019 Registration Form

Please complete the following information and mail with your payment to:

Sr. Elaine Bebyn, MPF
Villa Walsh, 455 Western Avenue, Morristown, NJ 07960
Please make checks payable to Villa Walsh.

Name: ________________________________

Address: ________________________________

Phone: ___________________________ (Day/Night)

Registration Fee: $15.00

Kindly register by March 20, 2019
CatholicGear.com will be at St. A’s on March 30th before and after all of the Masses. CatholicGear.com (think Book-mobile) will offer 1st Communion and religious gifts for all occasions! Prayer books, rosaries, Saint Medals & Crucifixes are some examples of what will be on board this brand new religious shop on Wheels! Please stop by and check it out! Any questions, please visit CatholicGear.com online or call 908-722-4788.

SUNDAY, APRIL 7TH

HOUSE OF CUPCAKES TRUCK IS COMING TO ST. A’S

After the 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00pm & 5:00pm Masses

20% of their sales will go to help the St. A’s Tricky Tray
The Sisters of Christian Charity at the Mallinckrodt Convent in Mendham, NJ, have sent special personal thank you cards to Father Bob and our parishioners for their generous gifts.

“My good people what an over-whelming gift you gave us for our retirement! You thought of all our needs from head to foot. It took many hours to gather and pack your gift. We appreciate all you did. May our dear Lord bestow generous blessings upon you and all whom you hold dear.”

Your ever grateful,
Sister Gracemary

“The card says it all but I’m expressing my personal thanks for the “super” gifts I received from your parish. Such generosity “passed down and overflowing” and practical and gourmet taste! I don’t have to run to CVS for awhile. I can relax with a cup of special tea or a hot bowl of soup when I wish. Thank you and the good women who packed and delivered the gifts. You and your parish are in my prayers. God bless you all!

Gratefully,
Sister Mary Thomas

I am a little late in sending you a “thank you note! Please forgive me! But, I do want to tell you how much I appreciated your lovely and “large” gift to me. I had said I would want one gift and instead I received a box of gifts! I couldn’t believe it! God reward you! All the gifts were practical! Could I ask you to thank the three ladies, too; Janine, Lisa and Colleen. They brought the gifts to our convent and placed each one in each sisters’ room. How thoughtful and time-consuming. You brought us much joy and pleasure! May God reward you and bring you, too, much happiness and joy! Be assured of a special place in our prayers. Have a very happy St. Patrick’s Day too!

Sincerely and gratefully,
Sister Edmund Joseph

A hearty Thank You for the wonderful supply of goodies I received recently from your kind parishioners. The box was overflowing with items I had requested in addition to so many other goodies to spoil me. I will be well supplied for a long time. A sincere Thank You too, to all the people involved in gathering and packing the items. GOD BLESS them. Be assured of my SPECIAL PRAYERS for You and your kind parishioners. GOD BLESS YOU AND ALL.

Gratefully,
Sister Mary Marzen

What a delightful surprise! Thank you for your kindness and generosity in providing so many useful and enjoyable gifts. We appreciate you generosity. God Bless your ministry for Him!

Your grateful,
Sister Concetta

Words could never express my deepest gratitude for the box of goodies plus useful articles I received from your kind, thoughtful parishioners. They sure did go all out to bring joy to us. You must have a wonderful parish with great members. My prayer of gratitude for you and your parish family is many years of happiness, health. Thanks Father. Smile, God loves you and so do I.

Gratefully,
Sister Nivarda Filip

Thank you ever so much for your wonderful generosity and great kindness in these practical supplies you kindly gave us here in our Motherhouse in Mendham. Know these were very much appreciated. God bless you for your thoughtful goodness that meant so much and be assured you all will be remembered in our prayers. We wish you many blessings and a grace-filled Lent.

With much gratitude,
Sister Mary Lawrence

Special Thanks, Prayers, Happiness and Good Health to Dear Reverend Pastor, Sister Ruthann and Most Generous Parishioners.

I must in all my deepest honesty say I have never, never received such a wholesome gift box filled with every daily needed uses. Each item is a daily need. Let me tell you I have had the pleasure of using many already. I am going to celebrate my 75th Jubilee on May 4th here with Sr. Ruthann. She and all members in St. Augustine will be prayed for and also in my daily Masses. I colored one of the Art Pieces from the Art Book you gave me (Journey to Heaven) and the other from another Therapeutic Coloring Book. So far since having a stroke (at 90 years of age) I am becoming a Junior Artist. It keeps me “Out of Trouble” and gives a tap on my shoulder. So again I say “God Bless St. Augustine Pastor, Sister Ruthann & the People.”

Love you all!
Sister Mara Beadle

Thank you for the great love, kindness you have for the Sisters. I was very stunned and speechless as I unpacked your package. Words seem so empty when trying to express my gratitude for the many practical and personal items. How can I repay you and your parishioners? I promise to pray daily for you, dear Father and for God’s blessing on your parish. May the Lord bless you with His love.

Your ever grateful,
Sister Charlene
PARISH WOMEN’S RETREAT
Need a break from the world? Looking for some way to enhance your Lenten experience? Try the Parish Women’s Retreat! An opportunity to take some time away from your daily routine and renew your spirit in tranquil surroundings. The annual Women’s Retreat, held at Sacred Heart Spirituality Center, run by the Salesian Sisters in Newton, NJ, will be held on April 5, 6, 7. Fr. Timothy Christy, Vicar General of the Diocese of Metuchen will be the Retreat Master. The retreat is open to parish women; non-parishioner women are accommodated if space allows. Cost for the weekend is $215 which includes 5 meals, and 2 nights. For information or to reserve your place, please call or email Barbara Corio at 732-297-8287 or barbaracorio@gmail.com. Registration for the retreat is now open. Payment in full upon registration is required for late registrations after March 1, 2019. Checks are made payable to St. Augustine’s Church, with a note on the Memo line “Women’s Retreat”.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL 2019-2020
TUITION ASSISTANCE
ONLINE APPLICATION PROCESS OPEN
Families interested in applying for tuition assistance to attend an eligible Diocese of Metuchen Catholic elementary or high school may do so now. The application process is online through FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment. Online applications (including supporting documentation) must be completed by no later than March 31, 2019. Applications are available in English and Spanish.

Families that need assistance completing the online application, or need access to the technology to apply, may attend one of two Application Workshops that are scheduled for January 23 and February 7 at Perth Amboy Catholic School, 500 State Street, Perth Amboy from 2 to 4 pm and from 6 to 8 pm. A Spanish translator will be available.

ARE YOU REGISTERED?
Are you a registered parishioners at St. Augustine? If you come to St. Augustine regularly and do not use our offering envelopes, you are not considered registered parishioners. Those seeking sponsorship forms for Baptism or Confirmation must be registered parishioners. Registration is also necessary for Baptisms and Marriage.
Please contact the Parish Office to obtain registration papers.

OUTREACH MINISTRY
When we feel lost or lonely we usually reach out to those we love to help us feel better. When someone is all alone, poor and feels lost or lonely, that person reaches out to you for help. Are you there? (Envelopes can be found in the Gathering Area of the Church).

Breaking Open the Word
Wednesday Evenings
7:15-8:15 P.M.
School Cafeteria
There is a BOTW meeting this Wednesday,
March 27, 2019

Senior Club Meeting
March 26 Spring Fling
**April 9 Princeton Health Care - CPR for the Layman Presentation
** This program is open for any adult parishioner.

ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASSES
Parishioners, 18 years and older, who have not yet received the Sacrament of Confirmation and would like to do so, please fill in the form below and return it to the Parish Center by April 5, 2019. The form may also be placed in the collection basket. Classes are to begin on Thursday, April 25, 2019 from 7:30-8:30 PM. Confirmation will be administered on June 9, 2019.
If the candidate for Confirmation is married, the marriage must be recognized by the Roman Catholic Church. If you need assistance in validating your marriage, please contact the Parish Center.
For additional information, please call Sr. Diana or Roseanne DeBari at 732-297-3011.

Once the form below is returned, you will receive a registration packet in the mail that will need to be filled out and returned on the night of the first session.

ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASS
RETURN TO SR. DIANA (PARISH CENTER)
NAME:
ADDRESS:
TELEPHONE:
Calling All Bible School Campers
It's Time to Register

St. Augustine of Canterbury Church invites children ages 4 to 10 to ROAR Vacation Bible School. At ROAR Vacation Bible School, the children discover that even though life gets wild, God is good. They will see it, touch it, sing it, and do it with wonderful arts and craft projects. As they travel from station to station, they will go deeper into their understanding and relationship with God. More importantly children will come to understand more about his or her faith journey, more about prayer and church teaching. Vacation Bible School will be the week of July 8 - 12, 2019 from 8:30am - 11:30 am. Registration forms can be picked up in the Parish Office. If you have any questions, please contact the Parish Office at 732-297-3000.

Attention Eighth Graders & High School Students

Bring your energy, creativity and enthusiasm by volunteering for ROAR Vacation Bible School at St. Augustine of Canterbury Church. We need students who like doing arts and crafts, singing, theatre and storytelling. Help our young campers learn about God and our faith. If you are interested, please pick up your volunteer form from the Parish Office. Vacation Bible School will be the week of July 8-12, 2019. This is a week-long commitment. You will be contacted as to when the training session will be taking place. Attendance at the training session is mandatory. If you have any questions, please contact the Parish office at 732-297-3000.

St. Augustine Columbiettes
Interfaith Spring Tea

Sunday, March 31, 2019
1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.
St. Augustine of Canterbury School Cafeteria
45 Henderson Road, Kendall Park, New Jersey 08823

$15 per person; includes finger sandwiches and desserts, including scones

Join us for a fun-filled day with Door Prizes!

For more information or tickets contact: "Karen Caruso" at (732) 422-7801
PARISH STAFF
Elizabeth DeLuca, Administrative Assistant
Kate O’Donnell, School Assistant to Pastor
Mary Ann Almestica, Secretary
Roseanne DeBarri, Religious Education Secretary
William R. Berg, Director of Music
Daria Dragan, Leader of Song
Bobby Beaton, Facility Manager
Anthony Beaton, Asst. Facility Manager
Debbie Jarosz, School Maintenance

PASTORAL BOARD
John Golubieski, Kathleen Lakarosky, Trustees
Barbara Corio, Elizabeth DeLuca, Byron Dyer, Peter Frein, Donald Joworisak, Sister Joanne Manns, MPF, Deacon Denis F. Mayer, KHS, Sister Ruthann McGoldrick, SCC, Edward Modzelewski, Jr., Leilani Okamura, Deacon James Rivera, Sister Mary Louise Shulas, MPF, LHS, Peter Varisco, Sister Diana Yodris, MPF

SOCIAL MINISTRIES
(under the patronage of St. Vincent de Paul)
Adventures in Reading
Joan Hoffmann 297-3000
Archivists/Historians
Marc Kollar 672-4544
Bereavement Ministry
Deacon Jim Rivera 672-3636
Elijah's Promise Soup Kitchen
Barbara Corio 297-8287
Fix-It-Up Ministry
John Burke 355-0562
Food Pantry
Lorelei Berkery 297-2787
Pat Lombardi 609-642-8437
Helen Weachock 297-0933
Food Pantry/New Brunswick
Marsha & Harold Byron 329-2954
Giving Tree/Giving Cross
Janine Rosamilla 991-5333
Hands Across The Sea
Rita Taylor 247-8396
Hospital Ministry
Barbara A. Corio 297-8287
House of Hope—Prison Ministry
Paul Dwyer 794-3069
Manna Ministry
Lisa Jackson 422-8675
Pat Lombardi 609-642-8437
Mother's Circle
Helen Rivera 422-1611
Nursing Home/Hospital Ministry
Sister Ruthann McGoldrick, SCC 297-3000
Outreach Ministry
Sister Joanne Manns, MPF 297-9713
Parish Breakfast Ministry
Tom DeLuca/Jim Crowley 821-0412
Parish Family Ministry
Denise Federico 917-846-4186
Parish Prayer Link
Elizabeth DeLuca 297-3000

SOCIAL MINISTRIES—contd.
Respect Life Ministry
Our Lady of Guadalupe
Donna Canvin 908-420-3760
VITA Len & Laura Riccardi 422-2232
Sanctuary Guild
Janine Rosamilla 732-991-5333
Welcoming Ministry
Rita Taylor 247-8396

SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT MINISTRIES
Family Life Ministry
Donna DiPane 422-1446
Youth Ministry
Colleen Paras parasministry@gmail.com

LITURGICAL LIFE MINISTRIES
Lectors
Denise Avrutik 422-6692
Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist
John Taikina 421-5675
Choir Director—(Adult/Young Adult/Youth/Children)
William Berg 297-3000
Folk Group
John Seber 821-0257
Ushers
Joseph Buono 422-4899
Altar Servers
Mary Burke, Senior MC—Scheduling 297-0289
Austin Forsythe, Scheduling 428-0652
Jason Cordova, Scheduling 821-1774
Caroline Pascasio, Accountability 821-0746
Bridget Lobo, Accountability 939-1783
Alex Romano, Accountability 329-6873
Sacristans
Lupe Limjuco, Barbara Corio, Liz DeLuca, Ed Johnson
Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
Deacon Denis Mayer & the RCIA Team 297-3000

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS
Athletic Association
Edward Modzelewski, Director 821-1115
Columbiettes Council #6345
Kathleen Michalski, President 297-1282
Home School Association
Leilani Okamura, President 908-829-5229
Knights of Columbus
Byron Dyer, Grand Knight 821-7585

COMMUNITY GATHERINGS
Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) meetings on Monday
Evenings at 8:00 PM in Fr. McGivney Hall

MINISTRY TO OUR “LITTLE ONES!”
CHILDREN'S MASS is celebrated on the 3rd Sunday of the month at the 10 AM Mass (Oct. - May)

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION—All children in grades first through eighth must be registered in our Religious Education Program or be attending our School. Call: 732-297-3011.