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Confessions: are heard each Saturday night from 4 to 4:45 pm and each Sunday from 8 to 8:20 am.

Parish Office Hours: Mondays and Thursdays, 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. Closed from 12 noon to 1:00 pm for lunch.

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THEME FOR EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD: On this day of days we offer a joyful sacrifice of praise to the Father who raised his Son from the dead. Let us be intent upon the life Christ offers us, Christ our Passover who has been sacrificed.

MASS INTENTIONS:

EASTER VIGIL, SAT. 3-31	**8:00 pm --** For Our Parish at St. Augustine's
EASTER SUNDAY 4-1	**8:30 am –** John Rheinecker
Tues. 4-3	8:00 am – Veronica Gregson (Month's Mind)
Wed. 4-4	8:00 am – Don Bruss
Thurs. 4-5	8:00 am – Deceased Members of Holy Name Society
Fri. 4-6	8:00 am – Deceased Priests or Religious from or Assigned to St. Augustine's Parish
Sat. 4-7	5:00 pm – Darrell Grohmann
Sun. 4-8	8:30 am -- For Our Parish at St. Augustine's

ORGANIZATIONS

BLESSED VIRGIN ALTAR SODALITY – The ladies meet the first Tuesday In September, November, January & March at 7:00 pm in the Parish Center. Details regarding the annual Christmas Party and Spring Breakfast are shared in the bulletins closer to those dates.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS – meet the second Wednesday of every month at 7:30 pm in the Parish Center. Any changes or special activities are given elsewhere in the bulletin.

QUILTING – ladies meet to quilt each Tuesday in the Parish Center from 8:30 am to 3:30 p.m. except during the summer. Any questions call Margie Holle at 473-2944 or Alice Kuehn 473-2817.

PARISH COUNT: 141
OUR SACRIFICE MADE TO GOD: 3-25-18
Sunday Envelopes (43) - $1,245.00
Loose – $99.00

Scholarship Fund - $873.00
(Total Donated since 8/1/2017)

Thank you very much for your generosity!

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, April 7th; 5pm
Ushers: Ralph Eckart & Jeff Biffar
Greeters: Sue Hepp
Servers: Brooke & Brady Biffar
Lector: Vicki Biffar
Extraordinary Ministers: Dennis Biffar, Ruth Wittenauer and Elaine Rader

Sunday, April 8th; 8:30am
Ushers: Dale Papenberg & Ed Schaefer
Greeters: Dale Papenberg
Servers: Grohmanns
Lector: Ryan Grohmann
Extraordinary Ministers: Angie Parker, Mary Ann Bruss and Roger Cortner

OFFERTORY FAMILIES

Sat. 3/31 – M/M Carl Hogan
Sat. 4/7 -- Sue Hepp
Sat. 4/14 – M/M Rich Kaiser

Sun. 4/1 – Ryan Grohmann Family
Sun. 4/8 – Josh Heck Family
Sun. 4/15 – Jaime Kaiser Smith Family

Please pray for the following:

Darlene Frisch, Ellen Daniels, Ranetta Adams, Edith Boling, Dave Bruss, Dorothy Vogler, Michelle Lester and baby Scarlett, Janet Hayes, Barb Reinholz, Elaine Goetting, Maxine Linnertz, Kathy Lynn Kromat, Ray Mavers, Pat Row, Richard Brandenburger, Rita Helfrich, Robert & Alice Mueller, Hank & Judy Bauer, Sherry Duffy, Bob Dennler, Bob Reed, Bernice Stroud, Pam Wilderman Woodward, and Clyde Kreher.

Submitted names will remain on the prayer list for one month's time. Please call the Parish Office 473-2217 to submit names for the prayer list.

In April, there are 5 Sundays; so once again, we will conduct a 2nd Collection at Masses the weekend of, April 28th and 29th. This collection will benefit St. Vincent de Paul (Waterloo) and The Fontebella Home. We appreciate your generosity during these 5th Sunday Collections. Once again, if you wish to have your donation listed on your annual financial statement, please indicate on your check memo line or put cash in an envelope with the designation of 5th Sunday Collection. Thank you!

THANK YOU...

A heartfelt "thank you" to all who supported us through the passing of our mom, Veronica Gregson. Whether you visited the funeral home or came to the funeral, gave flowers or memorial gifts, sent cards or phone calls, brought food to the luncheon or kept us in your thoughts and prayers, we deeply appreciate the love and kindness you gave to us. Your thoughtfulness will always be remembered.

Sincerely, The Gregson Family

DIOCESAN EVENTS

RESPECT LIFE CORNER

Easter Joy – *This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad!* The darkness of the winter is gone and the gloom of Good Friday is behind us. Today is a wonderful day to celebrate Christ's love for us. **Learn, Act, Connect, Pray:** Let us go forth today with a song in our hearts. After you leave Mass, do you ever have a few lines of a hymn that stick with you the rest of the day? The song resonates in your heart so much that you want to sing it or carry the tune in your heart the rest of the day. That's joy! Let's share it! Share joy with everyone you encounter today – smile, be happy, greet strangers, go out of your way to be nice to people. Slow down. Appreciate the small moments of joy today, and then share it with others.

All are invited to the **Annual Diocesan Spring Blessing of the Farm**, which will be held on Tuesday, April 10, 2018, at 1:00 P.M. at Keasler Farms. Keasler Farms is located at 4300 Eldorado Blacktop Rd.; Ridgway, IL 62879. Their farm can be arrived at by traveling on Hwy IL-1 to Ridgway. Then turn west onto Eldorado Blacktop Road (just south of the turn off to Ridgway. Go less than one mile. Farm will be on your left. Farm Blessing signs will also lead you to the farm. Those attending are invited to bring seed and soil in marked containers along with animals and farm machinery to be blessed. Food will also be collected for the needy of the area. Please join us for food and fellowship following the Blessing!

National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows – Shrine Visitors Center
Our Sacred Earth, Our Common Home: Reflection and Action On Laudato Si'
Saturday, April 21, 9 am – 12:30 p.m.
Presenter: Mary Evelyn Tucker, Ph.D., Senior Lecturer, Yale Divinity School
The keynote address will be delivered by Dr. Mary Evelyn Tucker, who collaborated for many years with eco-theologian and Earth scholar Fr. Thomas Berry. The participants will then take part in a series of "hands-on" break-out sessions. The morning will conclude with a feedback and takeaway session. This event devoted to the study and implementation of Pope Francis' encyclical *Laudato Si'* is intended for individuals and parish groups looking for practical ways to care for our common home, our sacred Earth**.** Cost: $25 for adults, $15 for students - Registration required. For more info, call 618-394-6270 or go to snows.org/programs

There will be a Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration following the 8:00 am Mass on Friday, April 6th, from 8:30 to 9:30 am.

Forgot to Subscribe to The Messenger? No problem! **Call 618-233-8670.** To subscribe online go to www.bellevillemessenger.org.

REMINDER – please make sure that all flowers at the St. Augustine Cemetery are attached to the monuments or are in vases attached during the upcoming mowing season (April to October). Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

LOOKING FOR CLASS PHOTOS FROM ST. AUGUSTINE'S PARISH SCHOOL THROUGH THE YEARS…

Here are some of the years that I am still looking to borrow pictures to scan & copy:
1940-1949; 1950-52; 1954-1956, 1958-59
From the 1960's – 1962-63 Grades 3 & 4; 1963-64 Grades 3 & 4; 1964-65 Grades 1&2; 3-5; 1963-64 Grades 3&4; 1964-65 Grades 1&2, 3-5; 1965-66 Grades 1 & 2 and 5 & 6; 1966-67 Grades 3 & 4; 1967-68 Grades 5-8; 1968-69; 1969-70; 1970-71; 1971-72; 1972-73; 1973-74 All grades; 1975-76 3 & 4 and 5 & 6; 1976-77 Grades 5-6; 1977-78 Grades 5-6 and 7-8; 1978-79 Grades 1-2 and 7-8; 1979-80 Grades 7-8; 1980-81 Grades 3-4; 1981-82 Grades 1-2; 1982-83 Grades 5-6; 1983-84 Grades 3-4 & 7-8; 1984-85 Grades 1-2 & 7-8; 1985-86 Grades 1-2 & 5-6; 1986-87 Grades 1-2 & 3-4; 1987-88 Grades 1-2, 3-4 & 5-6; 1990-91 Grades 3-4, 5-6 & 7-8; 1991-92 Grades 3-4, 5-6 & 7-8; 1992-93 Grades 3-4, 5-6 & 7-8; 1993-94 All Grades; 1994-95 All Grades; 1995-96 All Grades and 1996-97 All Grades.

I appreciate any assistance you can give me. Any questions, call the Parish Office 473-2217 or send an email to staug@htc.net. Pictures can be dropped off at the Parish Office on Mondays and Thursdays.

Thanks,
Joan Powell

NEWS FROM GIBAULT

The Gibault Catholic High School Men's Club and Sunset Ford will be hosting a Ford Motor Company "drive for your school" event on **Saturday, April 7th from 9am until 4pm** in the Gibault gymnasium parking lot. Ford will donate $20 to Gibault for each driver that is 18 years or older (one driver per household) that test drives one of Ford's vehicles. The entire process will take less than 10 minutes. The Gibault Men's Club will be selling burgers, brats, hot dogs and fries. 100% of all Ford and BBQ proceeds will go to benefit Gibault Catholic High School.

Gibault Women's Club Spring Rummage Sale – Saturday, April 21st; 8am-3pm
Donations accepted during school hours and until 8pm beginning Monday, April 16th – Thursday, April 19th. Will NOT accept large furniture, beds, exercise equipment, TV's or computers.
Special deals from 1-3pm so mark your calendars and clean out your clutter!!!

NEWS FROM SPPCS…

SPPCS gained some new friends in kindergarten last week. Our kindergarteners welcomed 11 new baby chicks that hatched in their classroom! The students enjoyed watching them hatch, begin to walk and start to chirp. Special thanks to Walter Rau for making this experience happen. What a great learning opportunity and a wonderful way to celebrate spring!

Summer is just around the corner! We will once again offer our Summer Splash program--it will be run by Joanie Harbaugh who will be assisted by Becky Brooks. **Summer Splash will be open from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. based upon need and will begin on May 23rd. NEW THIS YEAR... *we are excited to announce that we will also be including preschool-age children who are 3 years of age and potty-trained***. (Please note: our preschool children will not participate in the field trips and will, therefore, have a $25 activity fee, rather than the $95 activity fee for the K-8th grade students. To get more information or to enroll your child/children in our Summer Splash program, please visit our website at www.sppswaterloo.com. We urge you to do so as soon as possible so that we can provide adequate staffing.

The First Glorious Mystery

THE RESURRECTION

1. **The body of Jesus is placed in the tomb on the evening of Good Friday.**
2. **His soul descends into the realm of the dead to announce to the Just the tidings of their redemption.**
3. **Fearing the body of Jesus will be taken, the chief priests place guards at the tomb.**
4. **On the third day Jesus rises from the dead, glorious and immortal.**
5. **The earth quakes as the angel rolls back the stone, the guards flee in terror.**
6. **The holy women coming to anoint the body of Jesus are amazed and frightened to find the tomb open.**
7. **An angel calms their fears: "He is not here. He has risen as He said."**
8. **Jesus appears to Mary Magdalen and Peter and two disciples on the way to Emmaus.**
9. **That evening He appears to the apostles behind locked doors: "Peace be unto you... do not be afraid."**
10. **Jesus breathes on them and gives them the power to forgive sin.**

Spiritual Fruit: Offered for the St. Augustine First Holy Communion Class of 2018 – that this sacrament will increase their faith and commitment to a life of Catholic values and beliefs.

COMING AREA EVENTS

FLYERS WILL NOW BE LOCATED IN A 3-RING BINDER AT THE FRONT ENTRANCE TO CHURCH. FEEL FREE TO CHECK OUT THE BINDER IF YOU NEED ADDITIONAL INFO ABOUT AN EVENT.

April 3rd—Noon Luncheon; St. Luke's Belleville; $8 Tally includes lunch, games, bingo etc.
April 15th – Breakfast & Bake Sale; St. Joseph Church Hall Apple Creek, MO; 7:30-11:30am
April 29th – Quilt/Cash Bingo; Newman Auxiliary hosting; to be held at St. John's Red Bud; Doors Open 11am; Lunch at 11am; Bingo starts at 1pm; Bring daubers-paper bingo cards. Proceeds to Newman Catholic Student Center at SIU-Carbondale.
BINGO - BINGO - BINGO on Monday nights at CKL of I in Swansea. Bingo (no machines) begins at 7pm and proceeds benefit Althoff Catholic High School. Food and drinks are available
Euchre -- Every Thursday afternoon starting at 1:00; St. Michael's Paderborn

A Pilgrimage of Peace to the Holy Land -- Prayer - Solidarity - Peace

Co-Sponsored by: Catholic Relief Services in the Diocese of Belleville
Diocese of Springfield in Illinois

You are invited to join us on a once-in-a-lifetime 'Pilgrimage to the Holy Land,' 12-days November 26 to December 7, 2018 Includes visits to Nazareth, Cana, Sea of Galilee, Mt. Tabor, Mt. of Beatitudes, Jericho, Jerusalem, Bethlehem, CRS Projects in the area, and much more! Only $3,399 from Chicago (ORD) plus $195 in tips. Spiritual director for the trip is Rev. Msgr. David Hoefler, Vicar General of the Springfield Diocese. Pilgrimage coordinator will be Cheryl Sommer, CRS Coordinator for the Belleville Diocese. To download the free color brochure and registration form, visit www.GoCatholicTravel.com/18017, or for more information, please contact Cheryl Sommer at 618-234-1166 or send an email to crsdiobelle@gmail.com. Space is limited. Register today!

Immaculate Conception, Columbia

The ICCCW invites all to a SUNDAY FUNDAY card and game party on **SUNDAY, April 8, 2018.** Doors open at 12:30, festivities begin at 1:00 and end at 4:00. Bring your favorite board games and card games, bring your family and bring your friends! Enjoy a Sunday afternoon of games, a buffet of appetizers and desserts, fabulous attendance prizes, a quilt raffle, 50/50 drawing and gift card pull all for only a $5 admission. Located at 411 Palmer Road, Columbia, lower level.

6TH ANNUAL DERBY DASH – ST. AGATHA'S NEW ATHENS

Get your running/walking shoes on! It's time for our 6th Annual Derby Dash on **Saturday, May 5th**. The 5k begins at 9am, the ½ Mile Fun Run will start at approximately 10am. There is a cash prize again this year! The top male and female finisher will get $50 cash each! Extra bonus if a new course record is set! Entry Fee $20 if received by April 9, $25 if received after April 9th or on the day of the race. T-shirts are guaranteed to those who register by April 9. Toolen's Running Start will be timing the race this year. Since it's a Kentucky Derby theme, you are encouraged to wear a festive hat! Visit https://www.athlinks//school.stagathaparish.com/images/Derby_Dash_Flyer_2018.pdf.

We prayed, fasted and gave alms – and now we celebrate Easter joy! Our Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl ends as we encounter our Risen Lord. We reflect on our brothers and sisters we have walked with and we commit to bringing Easter joy to each person we meet in our daily lives. Don't forget to turn in your CRS Rice Bowl at the front entrance to church, if you haven't already.
Visit crsricebowl.org for more.

Pray
for Vocations

Hallelujah!! He is Risen! All our souls have been redeemed. What a wonderful legacy! We need to share this Redemption story with others – our Calling as Catholics. This is what we commemorate through each celebration of the Eucharist which allows us to receive our Lord in Holy Communion. We need to witness to this fact through our daily lives – talking with our classmates, taking care of our spouses and children, engaging with our friends and family, with our co-workers – in all we do! This is our vocation - a Call to Holiness.

The 2018 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal

Please Support The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal!

Easter Blessings

We pray that God may bless you and your loved ones with the peace, the hope and the love that the Lord gave to us all through the Resurrection of Jesus.

Ministries and Agencies Funded by
The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal
Catholic Diocese of Belleville

Our parish participation goal for the appeal is 58 households and our financial target is $6,000.00. Please be as generous as you are able.

Pledges to Date: 18 **$3,190.00** **53% of Total Goal**

Flower Donations during Easter were made in memory of the following:

Cyril & Emma Haudrich; Wally Amann, Deceased of Amann & Voellinger Families; Joseph Schulte; George H. Christiansen; Marion & Dean Keim and Henry & Mae Doerr; Deceased of Kreher & Eckart Family; Virgil Gregson; Frank Gregson; In Honor of LouAnn Castens and In Memory of Wallace Castens & Quentin Gregson; Frank Gregson, Virginia Miller, & Thomas Wesley; Dale Griffin; Gene & Teresa Triller and Ken Grohmann; Don Haudrich & the Leo Toenjes Family; Hogan/Pryor Families; Deceased Members of John & Alice Kuehn Family; David Lovelace; Patricia Mavers; Wittenauer & Mollet Family Members; Deceased Members of Neary & Wiegard Families; Clem Orlet; Edward & Helen Kohler, Victor & Elizabeth Papenberg, Fern Papenberg, and Kathy & Kadin Baxmeyer; Edward Parker; Deceased Members Powell & Huss Families; Eugene & Flora Reno; Orville & Myrtle Rist and George H. Christiansen; Deceased of Schaefer & Wiegard Families; Grace Volpert; Nobert Wittenauer and Deceased of Wittenauer-Neary-Kern Families.

BE SURE TO MARK YOUR CALENDARS…OUR ANNUAL KIRCHENFEST IS SCHEDULED FOR SATURDAY, AUGUST 18TH! In the coming weeks we will have various announcements in the bulletin; but for right now, keep in mind, we will be looking for items for our Kids and Adult Basket Stands, for the Silent Auction, home grown & hand crafted items for the Country Store! Any questions call the Parish Office at 473-2217 or send Joan at email at staug@htc.net.

Catholic Sisters Exhibit

Parishioners and friends of the Belleville Diocese are invited to visit an exciting exhibit that celebrates Catholic Sisters – including the Adorers of the Blood of Christ – in the greater St. Louis area.

“Catholic Sisters: The Spirit of St. Louis” will be on display March 3 through April 28 in the third-floor Carnegie Room of the St. Louis Public Library, Central Branch, 1301 Olive Street in downtown St. Louis.

The exhibit will feature historic photos and artifacts from 15 congregations of women religious who have left their mark in education, health care, social services, spiritual guidance and other areas.

The exhibit is free and open to the public, and open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Mondays through Saturdays.

25 Years of

Building A Brighter Future

...whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.
-Matthew 25:40

Life Network of Southern Illinois

Annual Fundraising Dinner

Thursday, April 5, 2018

OR **Friday, April 6, 2018**

Doors open at 5:30 p.m.
Event begins at 6:30 p.m.

The Falls Reception Center
300 Admiral Weinel Blvd.
Columbia, IL 62236

Keynote Speaker: Jason Jones
American Film producer, author,
pro-life activist, and human rights worker

Dinner is complimentary (Sunday attire)
An opportunity to make a financial contribution will be extended.
RSVP by March 23, 2018 • Adults only please – seating is limited.

If you are interested in attending the annual Life Network Banquet, please contact Donna Rheinecker at 618/420-9989.

METRO-EAST VICARIATE (MEV) SPRING DAY OF PRAYER FOR WOMEN
Thursday, April 26th, 2018
Holy Trinity Catholic Church, Fairview Heights
8:30 am Registration – concluding at 2pm
$10.00 cost

The morning begins with Mass at 9:30 am followed by a presentation by speaker Scott Biggers which will center on the Shroud of Turin. Lunch will be served at noon, and a short MEV meeting will follow. Reservations are due by April 19th. Contact Rhonda Farrell at 618/416-4499.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Conference

We are a Catholic lay organization providing service to the needy and suffering. Our Conference includes the parishes of:

- St. Augustine of Canterbury-Hecker
- St. Mary-Valmeyer
- St. Patrick-Tipton
- Saints Peter & Paul-Waterloo

Telephone numbers are 939-0605 and 618-792-4059
Mailing address is P.O. Box 443, Waterloo, IL 62298
Meetings are held on the first Tuesday of the month at Adult Faith Formation House at 7:00 PM. New members are always welcome.

SEXUAL ABUSE HOTLINE:

Anyone wishing to report an allegation of sexual misconduct by a priest or other diocesan personnel please call the hotline:

800-640-3044.

Purchase SPPCS "*Scrip Cards*" for your shopping and gift giving needs!

Scrip cards make great gifts and in addition, consider purchasing "scrip cards" to use in place of cash, checks or credit cards for purchases you make.

How does that help St. Augustine families? Each SPPS student family is required to earn $250 each year in fund raising. Plus, each student must pay $400 registration and book fees. Then the tuition begins. At the end of each month the rebates from scrip sales are tabulated and applied to the family's account. You may designate a particular family or St. Augustine students as a group in which case it will be equally divided. Order forms are located in magazine rack in front vestibule of church. Please consider trying this program and perhaps add an item each month to help our parish support the SPPS/St Aug. families with absolutely no cost to you. Order forms may be returned in collection basket with check or given to Betty or Annette Schreder or any SPPS student family. Any questions may be directed to same people.

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INVITING ALL LADIES OF THE PARISH
ANNUAL SPRING BREAKFAST
SUNDAY, MAY 6TH, 2018 FOLLOWING THE 8:30 AM MASS
ST. AUGUSTINE'S PARISH CENTER

The Knights of Columbus will be making and serving breakfast to us this year; so in order to have enough for everyone, we would ask that you **call in your RSVP no later than Sunday, April 22nd.** You may call the Parish Office, 473-2217; Debbie Harbaugh, 618/971-8021; or Annette Schreder, 473-2925 or email the Parish Office at staug@htc.net.

Our friends from Ss. Peter and Paul Mary & Martha Society will be joining us again this year and plans are underway for a speaker.

If you have any questions, please call the Parish Office 473-2217.

INVITATION FROM SPPS MARY & MARTHA CLUB

SPPS Mary and Martha Club has invited St. Augustine's Altar Sodality to a Spring party. Pizza, salad and dessert will be served. A special game of M and M Bingo will be played for prizes!

The date is Wednesday, May 23 at 6:00 pm in the School cafeteria. Please RSVP by May 15 to Joan's office or by calling Debbie Harbaugh 618/971-8021.

This is an excellent opportunity to have fun and share good times with our Partner Parish! All ladies are invited. If you have kids or grandchildren that attend SPPS this is a wonderful opportunity to meet some of the ladies that help to make the school great! If you attend Mass on occasion at SPPS, this is good time to socialize with the ladies! Join us!!!! Watch for details closer to the date about carpooling from Hecker.