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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 THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: Isaiah, a man of unclean lips, beholds the Lord's glory in the temple and is sent on mission. Simon, a sinner, responds to the mission of Jesus by becoming a disciple. Paul, the persecutor, speaks of his call to preach nothing but Christ crucified and risen.

MASS INTENTIONS:

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| Sat. 2-9 | 5:00 pm -- For Our Parish at St. Augustine's |
| Sun. 2-10 | 8:30 am – Agnes & Cletus Gregson |
| Tues. 2-12 | 8:00 am – Catherine Mechler |
| Wed. 2-13 | 8:00 am – Deceased Holy Name Members |
| Thurs. 2-14 | 8:00 am – Deceased KC Members |
| Fri. 2-15 | 8:00 am – Bonnie Riesio |
| Sat. 2-16 | 5:00 pm -- For Our Parish at St. Augustine's |
| Sun. 2-17 | 8:30 am – Norbert Wittenauer |



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: 138

OUR SACRIFICE MADE TO GOD: 2-3-19

Sunday Envelopes (68) – 2,377.43

Loose – \$90.00

Scholarship Fund - \$262.00

(Total Donated since 8/1/2018)

Thank you very much for your generosity!

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, February 16th, 5pm

Ushers: Kevin Kreher & Ed Schaefer

Greeters: Sue Hepp

Servers: Koesters

Lector: Donna Rheinecker

Extraordinary Ministers: Alice Kuehn,
Dave Bruss and Barb Bruss

Sunday, February 17th, 8:30am

Ushers: Mark & James Neary

Greeters: Mark & Raeleen Neary

Servers: Gregsons

Lector: Cindy Grohmann

Extraordinary Ministers: Raeleen Neary,
Tiffany Gregson and Ruth Wittenauer

OFFERTORY FAMILIES

Sat. 2/16 – M/M Don Braun

Sat. 2/23 – M/M Gary Wittenauer

Sun. 2/17 – Gilbert Birkner Family

Sun. 2/24 – Mary Ann Bruss

Please pray for the following:

Darlene Frisch, Ellen Daniels, Edith Boling, Dave Bruss, Aaron & Dorothy Vogler, Janet Hayes, Maxine Linnertz, Kathy Lynn Kromat, Ray Mavers, Rita Helfrich, Robert & Alice Mueller, Bob Dennler, Bob Reed, Pam Wilderman Woodward, Shirley Wittenauer, Heddy Birkner, Madalyn Killebrew, Stephanie Amann Stosberg, Ranetta Adams, Nancy Grohmann, Sheila Zubrzyski, Lowell Powell, Renee Krebel, Heather Sensel, and Kristen Christ.

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.



PRAY FOR Mark Junker, brother of Janice Geolat, who died and was buried this past week. Please remember him and his family in your prayers. May his soul and all souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.



**The Choir will be singing on
Sunday, February 24th at the
8:30 am Mass.**

Thank you to everyone who sent cards, brought gifts, or visited during my recent illness. Special thanks to Fr. Von Deeke and Donna Rheinecker for bringing me the Sacraments.

Signed: May Stellhorn

THANK YOU



DIOCESAN EVENTS


RESPECT LIFE CORNER

National Marriage Week - Many in our culture today think that it is not possible to love another person for the entirety of one's life. Some protest that love "dies out" and say you can move on and find another person. Pope Francis, however, says that the fear of lifelong commitment is resolved by relying on Christ. In the Our Father, we say, "Give us this day our daily bread"; for Christian couples, we must also ask, "Give us this day our daily love." If a Christian couple entrusts their love to Christ, He will sustain and multiply it. "He has an infinite reserve!" Pope Francis, Valentine's Day Address to Engaged Couples, February 14, 2014

CATHOLIC URBAN PROGRAMS
TRIVIA NIGHT
\$15 PERSON (TABLE OF 8) | LIMITED TABLES AVAILABLE

**SATURDAY
FEBRUARY 16**
DOORS OPEN AT 5:00PM
TRIVIA STARTS AT 6:00PM
CATHOLIC PASTORAL CENTER
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BELLEVILLE, IL 62221
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- SILENT AUCTION
- WHEELBARROW OF BOOZE
- 50/50 RAFFLE
- POINTS FOR BEST DECORATED TABLE

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.

Feb. 16th – Memories of Elvis; St. Agatha School New Athens; Held at Bullpen Bar & Grill; Opens 7pm; Show Begins 8pm; \$20 advance/\$25 at door; Cash bar; Snacks welcome; Full menu til 8pm; See flyer for ticket details.

Feb. 16th – Chicken & Beer Dance; St. Joseph Freeburg Parish Ctr.; 7-11pm; Opens 6:30pm & Chicken served at 8pm; \$20 per person/\$35 per couple; Live Music by Boulderdash.

Feb. 24th – Quilt/Cash Bingo; sponsored by Newman Auxiliary; held at St. John's Red Bud; Opens 11am; Lunch available at 11am; Bingo starts 1pm; Paper Cards-Bring Own Daubers; All proceeds support Newman Catholic Student Center at SIU-Carbondale.

March 3rd – Quilt Bingo; St. Liborius Parish; Legion Hall in St. Libory; 1pm; Sandwiches & Desserts @ 11am

March 5th – Feast then Fast; Pancake Supper; St. Joseph Hall, Rocher; 5-8pm; Benefits NCYC Trip.

March 9th – Fat Saturday; St. Mary's Ellis Grove; Mass 3:30pm; All Can Eat Chicken & Fish Dinners 4-8pm.

March 17th – Quilt/Cash Bingo; St. Joseph's Parish Ctr; Freeburg; Lightning Round 12:30pm; Bingo 1:30pm; Raffles; Lunch 11am-1pm; 10am Mass is held at St. Agatha's in New Athens on Sundays.

March 23rd – Spring Bash; St. Joe's Rocher @ Legion Hall; Craft Show 11am-4pm in Hall; Meat Raffle 1-5pm in the Bar; Euchre Tourn. 7pm; Fried Chicken Meal 4-7pm; Benefits new AC system for St. Joseph's 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 (9/6/18-5/23/19)



PLANNING MEETING FOR 2019 KIRCHENFEST FOR STAND CHAIRPERSONS WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20th AT 7:00 PM PARISH CENTER

If you are not able to attend, but have questions or something else to be shared, please call the Parish Office, 473-2217, or John Kaiser, 618/971-7591, or Denny Biffar, 618/920-9082.

Just a reminder...we are still looking for a chair for the Kids Basket Stand. Call John or Denny or the Parish Office if you are interested or have any questions.



Catholic Schools Week

We rounded out Catholic Schools Week with our annual SPPCS Talent Show. Our students shared their talents with each other and our community. We also were able to enjoy an afternoon of BINGO together as a school and watch our 8th graders take on the staff in the annual Volleyball game. We also added an 8th grade v. staff Dodgeball game this year, and everyone had a great time!
(Pictures: 8th graders after the talent show & a group of students playing bingo)

Polaris RZR 1000 4-Seater or \$10,000 Cash - Raffle Tickets \$50

The SPPCS Spring Gala committee is selling raffle tickets for a Polaris RZR 1000 4-seater or \$10,000 Cash. 2nd prize is \$2,000, 3rd prize is \$1,000. Only 700 tickets are being sold for \$50 each. All proceeds go towards SPPCS and the winner will be drawn at the gala on March 9th, 2019. You can purchase a ticket in the school office, find an SPPCS Student or email sppcsgala@gmail.com for more information.





The Youth Ministry of Ss. Peter and Paul which also includes the youth from St. Augustine's now has a new social platform...INSTAGRAM! The new Pastoral Associate of Youth Ministry, Mrs. Catherine Burkart, has set up an Instagram Account which she will use to promote prayer and social opportunities. **Any youth interested can follow on ssppyouth_waterloo.**

GroupMe. This is a new social media platform that the teens are using. It is a large group text option. Students can invite other teens to join or students can join by following the link below.

https://web.groupme.com/join_group/44062372/mlpvvgk



WATERLOO
Queen of Hearts
BENEFITS SPPCS ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

The SPPCS Queen of Hearts fundraiser is in full swing. \$1 tickets are on sale at the Stubborn German Brewing Company in downtown Waterloo during normal business hours. Drawing is at 7:00 p.m. every Tuesday.

SS PETER & PAUL PARISH, WATERLOO
WURSTMARKT & BINGO
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2019

All-You-Can-Eat sausage dinner with homemade desserts served from 11:00am - 5:00pm on Sunday, February 24th. You can enjoy your meal in the school cafeteria or take home a carry-out. Cash and quilt Bingo begins at 1:30pm in the school gym. Other attractions include theme basket booth raffle, 50/50 drawing, pull-tabs, and Mary & Martha quilt raffle. Invite your family and friends for a delicious meal and fun afternoon. If you have any questions, please contact Staci Wittenauer (618.791.7131). Thank you for your support.



Today we celebrate the Vocation of Marriage with the observance of World Marriage Day. World Marriage Day (WMD) honors husband and wife as the foundation of the family, the basic unit of society. It salutes the beauty of their faithfulness, sacrifice and joy in daily married life. Today provides an opportunity to focus on building a culture of life and love that begins with supporting and promoting marriage and the family.



Will you help promote Vocations? The Serra Club of St. Clair County is seeking Catholic men and women to help encourage Vocations to the Priesthood and Consecrated Religious Life. Join us on Wednesday evening, March 20th, at 6:30 P.M. at Holy Trinity Parish in Fairview Heights to find out more about our Club. The evening begins with hors d'oeuvres and fellowship. Our Diocesan Vocation Director, Fr. Junker, will offer some remarks on encouraging Vocations. Please RSVP by March 15th to Marvin Winkeler, 402-214-1155 or mewinkel51@gmail.com.

LOVE IS ALL AROUND!

A Valentine weekend special event! Feb. 16 at 6:30 pm OR Feb. 17 at 12:30 pm

Enjoy a great meal and LIVE MUSIC from stage & screen celebrating love all around us, with 18 singers and an orchestra!

Belleville Eckert's, Green Mount Road off I-15

SHARE THE LOVE with donated items for St. Vincent de Paul & Catholic Urban Programs. Receive one ticket for a deluxe Valentine-themed basket raffle for each non-perishable food item, clothing item or blanket you bring.

Admission: Adults \$10, Children \$8, under age 5-free. Food & drinks available for purchase. Tickets at the door or call 618-409-0015 to reserve a table in advance.



6th Annual BABY BOTTLE COLLECTION

Here is an opportunity for you and your family to have hands-on involvement in a project that saves lives of unborn children and makes an eternal difference in the life of their mothers and fathers.

Each financial gift placed in a bottle, whether great or small, will be a simple way to support Life Network of Southern Illinois and will enable us to continue offering free and confidential services to the men, women and families in this area facing an unplanned pregnancy.

You are encouraged to take home one of the small baby bottles located at the entrances to church. Then we just ask that you **return the bottle to church no later than Sunday, February 24th**. If you have any questions, please call the Parish Office at 473-2217.

NEWS FROM GIBAULT CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL...

Military Wall of Honor

Gibault Catholic needs your help! Our newly constructed Military Wall of Honor is in need of names of Gibault graduates who entered the service. Please send as much information as possible- name, GCHS graduation year, branch of military, rank- to Kara Hoke (khoke@gibaulthawks.com). Thank you for your help and thanks to our veterans for their service!

Gibault Scholarships

Scholarship application packages and variable tuition instructions for incoming freshmen have been mailed out to those who have completed applications on file. If you have not received one, please contact Pat Herzing (pherzing@gibaulthawks.com)

A Day in the Life of a Hawk

Students who wish to check out high school life at Gibault are invited to shadow a current student. Contact Pat Herzing (pherzing@gibaulthawks.com) to schedule a visit!



THANK YOU...

The students who traveled to the March for Life in Washington, DC last month would like to thank everyone who helped to make this trip possible! \$1,402 was collected from parishioners and parish organizations of St. Augustine of Canterbury Church. We had an amazing experience thanks to all of your prayers and support!

Thank you from the Gibault Students for Life!

Messenger Subscription Renewal Weekend is February 2-3, 2019



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that you won't miss any issues!!! REMEMBER TO PAY
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THE MESSENGER!!!**

THANK YOU...

To everyone who helped in any way to make our Super Bowl Sunday dinner, raffle, and bingo such a success!!! It takes a lot of volunteers to prepare & serve the meal, to make sure all the games are played successfully, and to set up & clean up the Community Center. So we thank all of you who volunteered because we couldn't have done it without your help!!!

**“FOOTPRINTS OF GOD”
SAINT AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY PARISH –
HECKER PRESENTS:**

“FOOTPRINTS OF GOD”

“JESUS THE WORD BECAME FLESH”

- In this edition in the Footprints of God series, join Stephen Ray as he catches fish in the Sea of Galilee, camps along the Jordan, and explores the places Jesus lived and performed his miracles. Follow the incredible journey through the streets of Jerusalem to Calvary and the tomb, to the Resurrection and Pentecost. Gain a deeper appreciation for our Savior and the salvation he purchased for the world. All this in a fast-paced, entertaining biography, travel documentary, Bible study, apologetics course and Church history study rolled into one remarkable adventure.

First Half of the Video on Sunday, February 24th at 9:45 am

Second Half of the Video on Wednesday, February 27th at 8:45 am

JOB OPENING

**ST. AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY PARISH
MOWING AND MAINTENANCE**

We are searching for someone to take on the position of either Lawn & Grounds Care and/or General Maintenance.

Applicants must be at least 21 years of age and able to perform various duties involved with mowing and trimming the church grounds, snow removal from sidewalks and steps, and various types of general maintenance work around the parish grounds and buildings. There is also the expectation of “after hours” contact as issues come up unexpectedly, especially with weather related issues.

This position is considered to be a part-time position with no benefits available.

If you are interested in applying to perform all or some of these tasks, please contact Joan Powell at the Parish Office by calling 473-2217 or sending an email to St. Augustine’s Church at staug@htc.net by Wednesday, February 20th, 2019. After that date, if necessary, we will advertise outside of the parish.



The First Luminous Mystery

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

1. John is baptizing in the Jordan proclaiming a baptism of repentance.
2. "I am the voice of one crying in the desert, make straight the way of the Lord."
3. "One mightier than I is coming after me."
4. "I have baptized you with water, He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."
5. Seeing Jesus, John exclaims: "Behold the Lamb of God."
6. Against protests of his unworthiness, John baptizes Jesus in the Jordan.
7. After Jesus' baptism a voice from Heaven: "This is my beloved Son in whom I am well pleased."
8. The Spirit descends upon Jesus in the form of a dove.
9. In this heavenly manifestation the sacrament of baptism is prefigured.
10. The divine Trinity is manifested: the voice of the Father is heard as the Spirit descends upon the Son.

Spiritual Fruit: Pray for our country, that our prayers will help resolve the conflicts among our leaders. May God lead all of them to serve to better the lives of those who reside in our country...from conception to natural death.

As you are reviewing your finances for the year, please consider remembering St. Augustine's Parish in your estate plans...also remember that it is possible to have Qualified Charitable Distributions (QCDs) or gifts of \$100,000 or less made directly from your IRA to a qualified charity. This is only available to individuals aged 70 ½ or older...you should check with your tax or financial advisor to set this up.

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AND FAITH SHARING.**

From the Catechism ... Matrimony

For this week, let's look at some paragraphs from the Catechism of the Catholic Church on Matrimony:

1601 "The matrimonial covenant, by which a man and a woman establish between themselves a partnership of the whole of life, is by its nature ordered toward the good of the spouses and the procreation and education of offspring; this covenant between baptized persons has been raised by Christ the Lord to the dignity of a sacrament."

1602 Sacred Scripture begins with the creation of man and woman in the image and likeness of God and concludes with a vision of "the wedding-feast of the Lamb." Scripture speaks throughout of marriage and its "mystery," its institution and the meaning God has given it, its origin and its end, its various realizations throughout the history of salvation, the difficulties arising from sin and its renewal "in the Lord" in the New Covenant of Christ and the Church.

1603 "The intimate community of life and love which constitutes the married state has been established by the Creator and endowed by him with its own proper laws. . . . God himself is the author of marriage." The vocation to marriage is written in the very nature of man and woman as they came from the hand of the Creator. Marriage is not a purely human institution despite the many variations it may have undergone through the centuries in different cultures, social structures, and spiritual attitudes. These differences should not cause us to forget its common and permanent characteristics. Although the dignity of this institution is not transparent everywhere with the same clarity, some sense of the greatness of the matrimonial union exists in all cultures. "The well-being of the individual person and of both human and Christian society is closely bound up with the healthy state of conjugal and family life."

So, we see that God created marriage at the beginning of humanity's existence and that Jesus raised it to a sacrament when entered into by two Christians.

Fr. Von