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**Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time August 27, 2023** 

#### Pastor:

#### Rev. William 'Bill' Gearheard

Father's Email: frwgearheard@diocesealex.org Office Email: <a href="mailto:staugustine1803@gmail.com">staugustine1803@gmail.com</a> Deacon: Rev. Dr. Harlan Mark Guidry 409.656.4651 Deacon's Email: dcnmquidry@diocesealex.org

Website: staugustinecaneriver.com Office Hours: Wed—Fri 8:00 am—1 pm Parish Manager: Elizabeth Metoyer

#### **Holy Sacrifice of the Mass**

..Saturday, 5:00 pm St. Augustine..... ..Sunday, 10:30 am ...Sunday, 8:30 am

\*Holy Day's of Obligations & All Special Celebrations will be at 6:00 pm

Weekday Masses: 1st Saturday 9:00 am Tuesday and Wednesday 6:00 pm Thursday and Friday 8:00 am

Confessions 30 minutes before Mass

## My dear Parishioners,

I am inviting all of St. Augustine Parishioners (St. Anne Parish will have someone appointed) to submit up to 5 nominees you think would responsibly serve the needs of St. Augustine Parish for our Pastoral Council. Those interested are to be faithful Catholics who understand the need to serve without "title" or recognition. The period for service will be two to three years. Please pray and carefully discern your decision before submitting the 5 names by email. For those who are not comfortable using e-mail, index cards are located in the rear of the Church.

Submit your suggestions by Friday, September 8th by emailing nominees to staugustine 1803@gmail.com, or placing your completed index card and putting it in the collection basket. Once counted and selected our Pastoral Council will consists of 12 members: the 2 parish trustees: Henry Rachal and Pat Jones, 8 elected/appointed members, Deacon Mark and Fr. Bill. Members will be required to meet at least 3 times a year, or 4 times, if needed. Thank you for your continued prayers for our parishes.

"The pastor presides over the council in which the faithful, together with those who in virtue of office participate in the pastoral care of the parish, offer their assistance in fostering pastoral action. The parish pastoral council enjoys a consultative vote only and is governed by norms enacted by the diocesan bishop (Can. 536).

Fr. Bill

Mass Schedule

Aug 26 Saturday 5:00 pm Edna R. Gallien, Charles H. Christopher, Lisa Christopher, The Poche

Famiy, Raymond Waters and Special Intention

Aug 27 Sunday 8:30 am Amy Tobin and Joe Schelette

Aug 27 Sunday 10:30 am

The People of the Parish

Aug 28 Monday No Mass

**Readings:** 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Ps 149:1-6, 9; Mt 23:13-22

Aug 29 Tuesday 6:00 pm Margie Sylvia

**Readings:** 1 Thes 2:1-8; Ps 139:1-6; Mk 6:17-29

Aug 30 Wednesday 6:00 pm Chad Jones

**Readings:** 1 Thes 2:9-13; Ps 139:7-12b; Mt 23:27-32

Aug 31 Thursday 8:00 am James Felton Moran

**Readings:** 1 Thes 3:7-13; Ps 90:3-5, 12-14, 17; Mt 24:42-51

Sept 01 Friday 8:00 am Todd Roque

**Readings:** 1 Thes 4:1-8; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 10-12; Mt 25:1-13

Sept 02 Saturday 9:00 am 1st Saturday Mass

5:00 pm Anniversary of Pat Pichon, Bridgette Roque, Mary Llorance, The Spillman

Family and Raymond Walters

**Readings:** Jer 20:7-9; Ps 63:2-6, 8-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27

Sept 03 Sunday 8:30 am Amy Tobin

Sept 03 Sunday 10:30 am

The People of the Parish

# Week's Offering: August 13 & 20, 2023 St. Augustine St. Anne Weekly \$ 4,376.00/\$4,293.00 \$884.00/\$432.00 Building \$ 50.00 \$ 20.00 Maryhill \$ 50.00 \$ 50.00

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#### Parish Service Schedule:

	LECTORS	USHERS	ALTAR SERVERS
Sat Aug 26 5:00 pm	Jackie Metoyer	Kenneth Metoyer Keith Sarpy	Volunteers
Sun Aug 27 10:30 am	John Scott	Henry Rachal Chris Sylvia	Volunteers
Sat Sept. 2 5:00 pm	Catherine Rachal	Mike Bordelon James Conant	Volunteers
Sun Sept. 3 10:30 am	John Scott	Barry Antee Patrick Jones II	Volunteers

## On-Line Giving

To give online through our new platform, visit our giving page on our website https://

giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/staugustinecaneriver You can also give through text message by sending "Give" to 318-217-8833 or just scan the QR code.

Please register with the Parish by calling 318.379.2521 during office hours.

#### This Week at a Glance

Tuesday - 6 pm Mass
Wed 6 pm Mass
(AA Meeting Wed, 7:00 pm at
St. Anne's)
Thurs 8 am Mass
Fri 8 am Mass followed by
Adoration
1st Sat. 9 am Mass
1st Sun. 6 pm Vespers

## ACT of SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already here, and unite myself wholly to You. Amen.



#### Men's Prayer Group meets every Sunday @ 9:30 am

Creole Heritage Center presents its Strategic Plan update on Wednesday, August 30th—6:30 pm - 7:30 pm at St. Augustine Church Hall Everyone is invited!

CCD: There will be a training for all CCD teachers on Wednesday, Sept. 6 at 6:30 pm given by Deacon Jason Lavergne. CCD classes will start on Sept. 13 with 6 pm Mass, class will begin immediately after Mass and students will be dismissed at 7:40 pm. Students Wednesday night supper will be on the 3rd Wednesday after class is dismissed. Registration forms will be on the table at the entrance of church or online. Registration Fee is \$15. For more info, please contact Deloris Jones @ 471.4168.

In preparation for **St. Augustine Creole Festival**, hot tamales will be made on September 23rd at 8:00 am. Please come out and help!



PARISH CARE MINISTRY - We ask for your prayers for Anthony Lacour (Illinois), Barbara Moran (Shreveport), Noble Moran (Shreveport), Sister Sylvia Conant (California), Brian Conant (California), Kathy Batten (Bermuda) Teresa Basco (Alexandria); Mollie Rachal (Natchitoches), Van & Riley LaCaze (Natchez); Robert Eugene (Connecticut) and Bruce Metoyer (St Anthony's); Darrin Gallion (Shreveport) Leonard LaCour (Georgia) and Kasey Sparish

(Natchitoches) **Parishioners** - Dee LaCour, Nick Jackson, Donald Metoyer, Andrew Balthazar, Carroll Poche, Sylvester Sers, Donald Gallion, Henry Llorence, Jr., Cynthia LaCour, and Lizzie Metoyer. To add others to the list, contact Dcn. Mark @ 409.656.4651 or anyone in the ministry group (Henry Rachal, Catherine Rachal, Dianne Moran, Sylvia Lacour, Deloris Jones, Roosevelt Washington, Pat Jones, Angela Jones, PJ Jones, Dominick Metoyer, Joy McGraw, Tiffany Roque, and Tommy Roque).

**Bingo Prizes** are needed for the **St. Augustine Creole Festival**, please drop them off in the basket at the entrance of the Church.

All parishioners have a subscription to **FORMED** and **AMEN**. Please utilize these great programs! Call the office for more information.

## Special Collection date: September 3

Since 1903, **The Catholic University of America** has been blessed by the generosity of parishioners around the country through the National Collection. James Cardinal Gibbons, our first chancellor and the ninth Archbishop of Baltimore, affectionately called the collection "the people's endowment." Catholic University is the national university of the Catholic Church. Gifts to the National Collection — the only second collection taken for higher education in the U.S. — support students during this crucial time and help the University conduct critical research that will serve parishes and dioceses throughout the country. Please be generous. For more information visit: <a href="https://engage.catholic.edu/giving/how-give/national-collection">https://engage.catholic.edu/giving/how-give/national-collection</a>

## October 13-15 2023 Annual Creole Festival

Celebrating more than 200 years of culture, cuisine, faith, family and friends! Join us on the grounds of St. Augustine Church in Isle Brevelle starting at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 13 for a fish fry while listening to the music of Deep Water Rehab band. On Saturday, the fun begins at 10:00 a.m. and includes a bike tour, river tour, bingo, raffles, gumbo, meat pies, tamales and more! Mass will be celebrated at 5:00 p.m. On Sunday, activities begin again following 10:30 a.m. Mass. Music for Saturday and Sunday provided by DJ Doc Couty. Please do not park on the river bank. For more information contact the church office at (318) 379-2521 or watch our Facebook page: <a href="mailto:facebook.com/staugustineontheisle">facebook.com/staugustineontheisle</a>

St. Augustine Women's ACTS Retreat will be held on November 9-12, 2023.