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18th Sunday in Ordinary Time August 3, 2025 Pastor: Rev. William 'Bill' Gearheard

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Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

St. Augustine......Saturday, 5:00 pmSunday, 10:30 am

Mission: St. Anne:.....Sunday, 8:15 am 3659 Old River Road, Natchitoches, LA 71457

*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—Saturday 4 pm

1st Friday, Holy Hour after Mass For an Emergency Call: 318.581.1612



"You can't take it with you." It's a reminder that the wealth we accumulate in this world does not transfer to the next. In our secular society, this saying often implies that you should spend your wealth now while you can enjoy it, but our faith demands that we look at wealth differently. Building up material wealth is irrelevant to our vocation as disciples and can distract us from what is truly im-

portant. Let us lift our hearts and raise our voices to God, who is the source of our true wealth.

"Vanity of vanities," we hear right off the bat today, a condemnation of our inclination to labor and obsess over the many material goods we have or hope to accumulate. In the Gospel, Jesus invites us to listen to a parable that addresses this pointless avarice. We get to hear the surprise awaiting the rich man whose harvest was so huge his barns couldn't hold it. In between, we hear Saint Paul's advice to the Colossians: "seek what is above." It's too late for the rich man in Jesus' parable, but it's always timely advise for us.

What or whom have I thought of when I have received an unexpected bounty? How can I be a more generous person?

Mass Schedule

Aug 02 Saturday 5:00 pm +Joseph Edward, +Kenneth James Conant, +John August Rachal, +Andrew

Balthazar, +Herman Faucheaux, +Curtis Bordenave, and +Gretta Burns

Aug 03 Sunday 8:15 am Culpepper & Schelette Families & +Andrew Balthazar

Aug 03 Sunday 10:30 am The People of the Parish

Aug 04 Monday No Mass

Readings: Nm 11:4b-15; Ps 81:12-17; Mt 14:13-21

Aug 05 Tuesday 6:00 pm +Todd Roque

Readings: Nm 12:1-13; Ps 51:1, 3-7, 12-13; Mt 14:22-36 or 15:1-2, 10-14

Aug 06 Wednesday 6:00 pm +Peyton Cunningham III

Readings: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Lk 9:28b-36

Aug 07 Thursday 8:00 am +Peyton Cunningham, Sr. Readings: Nm 20:1-13; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Mt 16:13-23

Aug 08 Friday 8:00 am +Cissy Cunningham

Readings: Dt 4:32-40; Ps 77:12-16, 21; Mt 16:24-28

Aug 09 Saturday 5:00 pm +Yvonne Jones, +Andrew Balthazar, +Joyce Daze Faucheaux, +Todd

Roque, +Lewis 'Sonny' Jones, +Lula LaCour and +Gretta Roque Burns

Readings: Dt 6:4-13; Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51; Mt 17:14-20

Aug 10 Sunday 8:15 am Culpepper & Schelette Families & +Andrew Balthazar

Aug 10 Sunday 10:30 am

The People of the Parish

Week's Offering:	July 27, 2025
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St. Augustine \$ 4,696,00

St. Anne \$ 311.00

The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son,

Jesus Christ, our brother, and the

hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the

May your grace transform us

into tireless cultivators of the

seed of the Gospel. May those

seeds transform from within both

humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new

heaven and a new earth, when.

May the grace of the Jubilee

a yearning for the treasures of

heaven. May that same grace

spread the joy and peace of our

Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally

blessed, be glory and praise for

reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope,

with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine

eternally.

ever. Amen.

flame of charity enkindled in our

coming of your Kingdom.

Online 7/20-7/25 \$835.00 St. Anne \$75.00 Building \$5.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Parish Service Schedule:

U———	LECTORS	USHERS	Extraordinary Minis- ters of the Eucharist
Sat Aug 2 5:00 pm	Catherine Rachal	Mike Bordelon Clyde Roque	Ted Duggan
Sun Aug 3 10:30 am	Chad Nelson	Henry Rachal Chris Sylvia	Tiffany Roque
Sat Aug 9 5:00 pm	Bridget Metoyer	Donald Balthazar James Conant	Lireda Balthazar
Sun Aug 10 10:30 am	Sister Stephanie	Lynwood Delphin John Scott	Minnie Metoyer



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

Festival Meeting, Wednesday, August 6 following 6 pm Mass.

Thanks to everyone who contributed to fund the purchase of the keyboard for Vacation Bible School and the Choir.



PARISH CARE MINISTRY - We ask for your prayers for: Nick Jackson, Carroll Poche, Cynthia LaCour, Sister Stephanie Langston, Fr. William Gearheard, Hillery Peter Narcisse, Anna Marie Christophe, Maxie Christophe, Marty Vienne, Janet Jones, Samuel Christophe, Sr., Leland & Gussie LaCaze, Mona Beaudion and Joyce Conant.

Christian Mothers have meat pies for sale \$30 per dozen. Contact: Gail Jones 318 652-4203 or Anita Evans 318 652-1642.

Annual Diocesan Appeal Status

	Goal	Pledge	Received
St. Augustine	\$17,129.00	\$16,004.25	\$11,903.75
St. Anne	\$ 2,073.00	\$ 1,898.00	\$ 1,773.00

Please prayerfully consider and make a donation to help us reach our goal!

August 6 An Evening with the Seminarians

Please join us for AN EVENING WITH THE SEMINARIANS – an open house to meet the current seminarians of the Diocese of Alexandria. This event will be held at St. Rita's Holy Family Center from 5:30-8:00 p.m. Please take advantage of this opportunity to meet and get to know the men who are discerning priesthood for the Diocese of Alexandria while enjoying food, drink and entertainment! Free of charge; donations for seminarian education gratefully accepted! Please RSVP by Thursday, July 31 so we can prepare! starver@diocesealex.org or (318) 556-6424 ext. 209.

August 10 The week of August 10, we will take up a collection for our beloved **Maryhill Renewal Center.** Established in the 1940s by Bishop Charles P. Greco, Maryhill is used extensively by many seeking a spiritual and restful place to hold retreats and functions throughout the year. It continues to serve as the spiritual heart of the Diocese of Alexandria. Funds from this collection will be used for the ongoing maintenance of the structures and grounds in order to keep this sacred gift available to us. Please be prepared to give generously.

August 15 Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Friday, August 15 is a Holy Day of obligation.

September 12-14 Genesis of Eve Women's Conference: "Be the One"

Join us for a weekend of spiritual renewal, personal growth, and community, centered on becoming the women God calls us to be. Throughout the weekend, you'll hear from nationally recognized speakers who offer inspiring and practical insights for deepening your faith journey. There will be opportunities to participate in Mass, Confession, and Eucharistic Adoration. At the Randolph Riverfront Center in Downtown Alexandria, LA.

Tickets available now! https://bit.ly/GenesisofEve2025

Prayer For Vocations

O God, Who wills not the death of a sinner but rather that he be converted and live, grant we beseech you through the intercession of the Blessed Mary, ever Virgin, St. Joseph, her spouse and all the saints, an increase of laborers with Christ to spend and consume themselves for souls, through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son,

Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever. Amen.