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Holy Sacrifice of the Mass
St. Augustine.....Saturday, 5:00 pm
.....Sunday, 10:30 am
St. Anne:.....Sunday, 8:30 am

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

Weekday Masses:
Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 8:00 am
Wednesday 6:00 pm

**Fourth Sunday of Advent
December 18, 2022**

My Beloved People,

Every human has a voracious yearning for more. This is a central reality of being a human person that we all experience. Animals do not and cannot have this inner aching need, for the simple reason that they are solely material, thus material things lead to satisfaction in them. But because we have intellects and wills (souls) that are spiritual, nothing finite and limited does, nor can, fill us. (This is why if you have lots of money, you still want more... because the physical things never completely satisfy.) Deep in our humanness is an ache for fullness, for infinity; thus, as spirits enrobed in flesh, you and I long for things beyond the material order, beyond what our senses can attain, beyond the cosmos itself. By its limited nature nothing created can satisfy us. God alone, the sole infinite One, can fill our endless yearnings. And this is why Christmas is so special, because at the heart of our humanity is a desire to be in a relationship and communion with the Divine. Even though the body can be filled with every possible pleasure; we still want more! We want the source! In this last week of Advent, be aware of both the physical desires and the spiritual ones; but know that the physical gifts, foods, and enjoyments will never truly satisfy you. Your spirit has much greater needs.

In Service to Christ and His Church, Fr. Charlie

Mass Schedule

Dec 17 Saturday 5:00 pm	Todd Roque, Enolia Narcisse, Arthur Metoyer, Elizabeth & Retta Metoyer, Benedict LaCour, Jr., Arthur Flick, Cynthia Lacour Nathaniel, Petey Hicks, Glen Conant, Madeline Wright & Brenda LaCour
Dec 18 Sunday 8:30 am	For World Peace
Dec 18 Sunday 10:30 am	The People of the Parish
Dec 19 Monday	No Mass
Readings: Judges 13:2-7, 24-25a; Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17; Luke 1:5-25	
Dec 20 Tuesday 6:00 pm	For Conversion of Hearts
Readings: Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; Luke 1:26-38	
Dec 21 Wednesday 6:00 pm	Charles Henry & Lisa Christophe, Madeline Wright and Patrick 'Petey' Hicks
Readings: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a; Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21; Luke 1:39-45	
Dec 22 Thursday 8:00 am	Linda Douglass and Madeline Wright
Readings: 1 Sam 1:24-28; 1 Sam 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd; Lk 1:46-56	
Dec 23 Friday 8:00 am	Theresa Roque
Readings: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24; Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 & 14; Luke 1:57-66	
Dec 24 Saturday 5:00 pm	Isabel D. Arceneaux, Charles Henry & Lisa Christophe, Benedict LaCour, Jr., Arthur Flick, Patrick 'Petey' Hicks, James L. Metoyer, Sr. & Joseph Joshua Metoyer and Madeline Wright
9:00 pm	St. Anne Midnight - St. Augustine
Dec 25 Sunday 8:30 am	Deceased Members of Gail Culpepper Family, Jarod Riley and Larry Phillips
Dec 25 Sunday 10:30 am	The People of the Parish

Week's Offering:		Dec 11, 2022	
		St. Augustine	St. Anne
Weekly		\$ 4,595.00	\$ 445.00
Building		\$ 100.00	\$ 0.00
Flowers		\$ 57.00	\$ 0.00
Religious Fund		\$ 829.00	\$151.00

Parish Service Schedule:

	LECTORS	USHERS	ALTAR SERVERS
Saturday Dec 17 5:00 pm	Agnes Ashby	Farrell Christophe Vanue Lacour	Volunteers
Sunday Dec 18 10:30 am	Minnie Metoyer	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.

This Week at a Glance

Tues, 6 pm Mass
Wed, 6 pm Mass
6:40 Lesson #7
CCD following Mass
AA Meeting Wed, 7:00 pm
Thurs, 8 am Mass
5-8 pm Adoration and Confessions
Fri 8 am Mass
Saturday 5 pm Vigil Mass
9 pm Vigil Mass
Midnight Mass
Sunday, Men's Prayer Group, 9:30 am

Interested in becoming Catholic, RCIA program will be starting soon.
Please contact the office Wednesday thru Friday from 8 am - 1 pm @ 318.379-2521 or email @ staugustine1803@gmail.com

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

Thursday, December 22, 5 pm—8 pm - Adoration and Confessions

Christmas Mass Schedule:

Saturday, Dec 24, Christmas Eve Masses: 5 pm St. Augustine; 9 pm St Anne ; Midnight Sunday, Dec 25, 8:30 am St Anne & 10:30 am St. Augustine

New Year's Eve Party: Saturday, December 31, 9 pm—1 am For tickets, contact office or Blaise LaCour (318) 228.5098

Please pray for our Sick and Shut-In:

Andrew Balthazar, Karen Pichon, Wilma Pichon, Joe Raggio, Sylvester Sers, Margaret Velasquez, Claudine M Metoyer, Hanna Powell, Steven Hines, Ron Jones, Christopher Metoyer, Jeannie Llorence, Maxine Christophe, Patricia Rachal, Ashley & Nicole Llorens, Ted Duggan, Sr., Allison Hillary, William Antee, Sister Sylvia Conant, Michael Thomas, Cuc Lam, Rose Mary Addison, Nick Jackson, Walter Delphin, Dee Hawthorne, Gerald LaCaze, Martha Jones, Jerry Jones, Dowl Bruce Dupree, Jr., David Christophe Sr., Darren Gallion, Diane Riley, Molly Rachal, Brian Conant, Jim Llorens, Clifton Rachal, Kurt Gulbrand, Betty Metoyer-Roque, Christener Metoyer, Lorean Stephens, Anna Harper, Vegas Jimmerson and Barry Antee.

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Christmas Flower envelopes are available on the table near the entrance of the church. Your intentions will be placed on the altar and remembered throughout the Christmas season. Donations may be made in honor of your living, or in memory of deceased loved ones.

Next Weekend Church Vocations.Traditionally at all Christmas Masses, a second collection is taken throughout our diocese for the education and formation of our priests. Through the Church Vocations collections, your generosity and prayers allow the church to continue to provide priests, sisters and brothers to serve our spiritual and physical needs. Please give generously.

40 Hours Devotion Natchitoches Deanery - January 12-14

The next 40 Hours Devotion will be at the Minor Basilica of the Immaculate Conception, Natchitoches. Thank you everyone who have participated in the 40-Hours Devotions so far! Signing up is not required but allows us to ensure someone will be present at all times during Adoration, even overnight. This devotion is an opportunity for a community to focus its prayer on the Most Holy Eucharist. You may sign up for specific hours to participate in Adoration as well as talks on the Eucharist, schedules of Masses, Liturgy of the Hours, rosaries, and other periods of public prayer. Sign up online for an hour or more of your choosing. We hope you join us for this event. For more information, visit www.diocesealex.org