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Holy Sacrifice of the Mass
 St. Augustine.....Saturday, 5:00 pm
 Sunday, 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



As we approach the day when our elect will be baptized, confirmed, and receive the Eucharist for the first time, we celebrate three Scrutiny Sundays. The scrutiny rites are centered on the elect, but they need to involve the wider community. Together we pray that God may help the elect discover their spiritual weaknesses and strengths, may heal their tendencies toward sin, may protect them from temptation, and may guide them toward all that is good. We pray that God may continue to do so for the rest of us as well as we all journey together on the mission Jesus left us.

Today's first reading reminds us of the power of water. Without water, the Chosen People would have died of thirst in the desert. Moses brings forth water from a rock, revealing God's constant presence and care. In the story of the woman at the well in the Gospel, Jesus reveals himself as the source of living water, water that will well up in us to eternal life. After this incident, many people of that town came to believe in him. May hearing Jesus' words to the woman at the well strengthen our own faith.

When do I get the feeling that my spiritual well has run dry? How do I re-invigorate myself spiritually?

Mass Schedule

Mar 22 Saturday 5:00 pm	+Anniversary of Wesley & Ora Lee Conant, The Oscar Brossett Family, and +George and Sybil Lewis
Mar 23 Sunday 8:15 am	Culpepper & Schelette Families, & +Theresa Bayonne
Mar 23 Sunday 10:30 am	The People of the Parish
Mar 24 Monday	No Mass
Readings: 2 Kgs 5:1-15b; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3-4; Lk 4:24-30 Lk 4:24-30	
Mar 25 Tuesday 6:00 pm	+Stanley & Josephine Domingue
Readings: Is 7:10-14; 8:10; Ps 40:7-11; Heb 10:4-10	
Mar 26 Wednesday 6:00 pm	Chad Jones.
Readings: Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19	
Mar 27 Thursday 8:00 am	+Lewis E. Jones, Sr.
Readings: Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Lk 11:14-23	
Mar 28 Friday 8:00 am	+Simon & Bertha Fontenot
6:00 pm	Stations of the Cross
Readings: Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11b, 14, 17; Mk 12:28-34	
Mar 29 Saturday 5:00 pm	+Lula LaCour, +Fr. Johann Prey, +Donald Metoyer, +Rosaline Meziere, +Hercelle LaCour and +Wilkerson Couty
Readings: Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-21b; Lk 18:9-14	
Mar 30 Sunday 8:15 am	Culpepper & Schelette Families and +Theresa Bayonne
Mar 30 Sunday 10:30 am	The People of the Parish

Week's Offering:	March 16, 2025	St. Augustine	St. Anne
Weekly	\$ 5,409.72		\$ 364.00
Flower Fund	\$ 60.00		\$ 0.00
Black & Indian \$2.00 Church in Eastern Europe \$2.00			
Online 3/10-3/16 \$665.75		St. Anne \$75.00	Building \$5.00
Thank you for your generosity!			

Parish Service Schedule:

	LECTORS	USHERS	Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist
Sat Mar 22 5:00 pm	Bridget Metoyer	Donald Balthazar Mike Bordelon	Mary Wilmore
Sun Mar 23 10:30 am	Tina Antee	Ricky LaCour Darrell Roque	Jackie Delpin Tiffany Roque
Sat Mar 29 5:00 pm	Ted Duggan	John Coutee Kenneth Metoyer	David McGraw
Sun Mar 30 10:30 am	Jennifer Colbert	Barry Antee Patrick Jones II	Catherine Rachal Henry Rachal

The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom. 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, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally. May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, 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 ever. Amen,



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.

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

Christian Mothers meeting will be Thursday, March 27 at 6 pm

St. Anne Fish Fry on Friday, April 11 from 5 pm –8 pm

Stations of the Cross at 6 pm on Fridays during Lent



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

High School Seniors interested in applying for the **St. Joseph Scholarship** must have their applications in by May 10th 2025. The \$1,000.00 scholarship is open to students attending four year institutions. Contact Chris Sylvia at 318.554.9237 or csylvie@att.net

St. Augustine Catholic Church Men's ACTS Group invites you to join us for a life-changing weekend at Maryhill Renewal Center in Pineville, LA. It will be an opportunity for spiritual renewal and fellowship beginning Thursday evening, May 1st, and concluding Sunday morning May 4th, 2025. For information about the retreat, please contact Dominick Metoyer @ 318-663-2169 or dmetoyer@hospiceofnatchitoches.com or Ricky LaCour @ 318-663-2125 or Jerry Jones Jr. @ 318-332-9869.

The week of March 30 we will take up **The Catholic Relief Services Collection**. Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to vulnerable people here and abroad. Please give generously to the collection and reveal **Christ's love** to those most in need. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief

Easter Flower envelopes are available on the table near the entrance of the church. Funds will be used to decorate the church for Easter. You may contribute in honor/memory of someone living or deceased. Your intentions will be remembered at all masses throughout the Easter season (Easter Vigil April 19 – Pentecost June 8).

April 11-13 Seminary Come and See Weekend

St. Joseph Abbey Seminary College is scheduled to have its Spring Come and See weekend from April 11 -13. This is a great opportunity for any male 16 years old or older to come and see the seminary campus and what seminary life is like. For more information, please contact the Director of Vocations, Fr. Luke LaFleur at frllafleur@diocesealex.org.

April 18 Good Friday is obligatory day of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence. For members of the Latin Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Latin Catholic Church from age 14 onwards. Members of the Eastern Catholic Churches are to observe the particular law of their own *sui iuris* Church.

Triduum (Holy Week) Schedule

Thursday Evening of the Lord's Supper, 6 pm with Adoration until 11 pm - St. Augustine

Good Friday Services, 3 pm - St. Augustine

Easter Vigil, 8:05 pm - St. Augustine

Easter Sunday 8:15 am - St. Anne & 10:30 am St. Augustine