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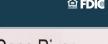


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**Our Lord Jesus Christ,** King of the Universe November 26, 2023

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

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

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

Mission: St. Anne:.... ....Sunday, 8:30 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 1st Friday, Holy Hour after Mass For an Emergency Call: 318.581.1612

This entire year, Jesus has been calling us to discipleship. Week after week, we have heard Jesus' teachings through the Gospel of Matthew. Jesus has taught us to be poor in spirit, to let our light shine upon others, to love our enemies, to avoid hypocrisy, to take up our cross, to take God's word to heart, to forgive others seventy-seven times, to bear fruit, to accept his invitation, to love God with all our being, to love our neighbor as ourselves, to practice what we preach, to humble ourselves, to always be ready for his coming in glory, to be good and faithful servants, and to make disciples of all nations. Today, on this final Sunday of the liturgical year, Jesus, in a scene with his disciples that Matthew says occurred just two days before he would be crucified, gives them the key to gaining the treasure he'd said was worth selling everything one has to get: eternal life in the kingdom of God.

What is the secret? How can we gain the kingdom? Easy. Give food to Jesus when he is hungry, drink when he is thirsty. Welcome him and clothe him as a poor stranger. Care for him when he is ill. Visit him when he is in prison. But clearly it will not be the Son of God personally that is any of these things. No, it will be the least of his brothers and sisters. The secret, then, is to see beyond our superficial vision. Our eyes may see a homeless person, a poor beggar, a refugee, a person in pain, a convict. Our eyes of faith must look harder. With eyes of faith, we can see Christ in everyone in need.

Near the end of his first letter to the Corinthians, in the passage we heard today, Paul tells them in the end God will be all in all. From God came all of creation. All of creation, as it developed and reproduced and evolved, is connected ultimately to God. All creation is connected to each other, for all is connected to God. At the end of time, all creationfrom Christ himself to the least of his sisters and brothers—will return to God.

### Mass Schedule

Nov 25 Saturday 5:00 pm +Ann. Adoph Conant, +Ann. Glenn Conant, +Eugene & +Elizabeth Metoyer, +Justin Picou, Josh Picou & Family, +Todd Roque, +Ryan Rickett, +Phillip Brossett, Sr. & Benedict

LaCour, Jr.

Nov 26 Sunday 8:15 am +Amy Tobin

Nov 27 Monday

No Mass

Readings: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Dn 3:57-61; Lk 21:1-4

Nov 28 Tuesday

No Mass

Readings: Dn 2:31-45; Dn 3:52-56; Lk 21:5-11

Nov 29 Wednesday 6:00 pm +Fr. Noel Hehir, SJ

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**Readings:** Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Dn 3:62-67; Lk 21:12-19

Nov 30 Thursday 8:00 am +Anniversary of Jared Riley Readings: Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 4:18-22

Dec 01 Friday 8:00 am

+Todd Roque, +James Felton Moran, +Justin Picou, Josh Picou & Family,

+Vicky Villemarette, Benedict LaCour, Jr. and Walter Meziere, Sr.

**Readings:** Dn 7:2-14; Dn 3:75-81; Lk 21:29-33

Dec 02 Saturday 9:00 am

1st Saturday Mass - +JoAnn Rachal

5:00 pm +E

+Bridgete Roque, +Mary Llorance, +Glenn Conant, Ryan Rickett, +Dennis Jame Velasquez,

+Phillip Brosset, Jr., +Benedict LaCour, Jr. & +Alberta Marie Meziere

Readings: Dn 7:15-27; Dn 3:82-87; Lk 21:34-36

Dec 03 Sunday 8:15 am

+Amy Tobin

Dec 03 Sunday 10:30 am

The People of the Parish

Week's Offering:	November 19, 2023		
	St. Augustine	St. Anne	
Weekly	\$ 3,320.25	\$ 375.00	
CCHD	\$ 413.00	\$ 103.00	
Online 11/13-19	\$ 935.75 Building \$5.00	St. Anne \$50.00	
Thank you for your generosity!			

# Parish Service Schedule:

	LECTORS	USHERS	MO Holy Eucharist
Sat Nov 25 5:00 pm	Catherine Rachal	Mike Bordelon James Conant	ТВА
Sun Nov 26 10:30 am	Minnie Metoyer	Chris Sylvia Patrick Jones II	ТВА
Sat Dec 2 5:00 pm	Diane Riley	Vanue Lacour Clyde Roque	ТВА
Sun Dec 3 10:30 am	Chad Nelson	Ricky LaCour Darrell Roque2	ТВА

### This Week at a Glance

Wed 6 pm Mass followed by CCD (AA Meeting Wed, 7:00 pm at St. Anne's) Thurs 8 am Mass Fri 8 am Mass Sat 9 am Mass

# 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.



# **On-Line Giving**

To give online through our new platform, visit our giving page on our website <a href="https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/staugustinecaneriver">https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/staugustinecaneriver</a> You can also give through text message by sending "Give" to 318-217-8833 or just scan the QR code.

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

The church is in need of a Maintenance Team. If you would like to join the Maintenance Team for St. Augustine Catholic Church, please contact Lynwood Delphin @ 318.228.5033 for more information.



**PARISH CARE MINISTRY** - We ask for your prayers for: Nick Jackson, Andrew Balthazar, Carroll Poche, Sylvester Sers, Donald Gallion, Henry Llorence, Jr., Cynthia LaCour, Lizzie Metoyer, Vanue Lacour, Sister Stephanie Langston and Theresa Roque.

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 and Tiffany Roque).

# December 8, The Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Holy Day of Obligation

Mass Schedule: St. Anne Vigil, Dec. 7, 4 pm St. Augustine Vigil, Dec. 7, 6 pm and Dec. 8, 8 am

# **Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion Workshops**

The next workshops for Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion will be held on the dates, times and locations below. The average time for the workshop is about three hours so please plan accordingly. The same information will be presented at each session. If you would like to sign up, please visit <a href="www.diocesealex.org">www.diocesealex.org</a> or contact Dcn Jason Lavergne at (318) 445-6424 ext 207 or by email at <a href="mailto:dcnjlavergne@diocesealex.org">dcnjlavergne@diocesealex.org</a>.

Date, time and location is: <a href="mailto:Dec. 9">Dec. 9</a>, 9:00 a.m. – St. Augustine Church, Isle Brevelle

# **Lector Formation Workshops**

The Diocese of Alexandria will be offering Lector workshops for those individuals who are interested in serving or who currently may serve as a Lector in their parish. To serve in this role, one must be of good standing with their Catholic faith and need the approval of their pastor. If you have any questions, please email or call Deacon Jason Lavergne at <a href="mailto:dcnjlavergne@diocesealex.org">dcnjlavergne@diocesealex.org</a> or 318-445-6424, ext. 207. All training workshops will present the same material and will last no longer than two and a half hours. Please sign up for the session that best fits your schedule at the Diocese website at <a href="www.diocesealex.org">www.diocesealex.org</a>. The next time and location is: <a href="Dec. 9">Dec. 9</a>, 2023, 12:30 p.m. – St. Augustine Church, Isle Brevelle

Advent Lenten Mission - December 12, 13 & 14, 2023 @ 6:45 pm Tuesday, December 12th — Advent Hope & Anticipation Celebration Wednesday, December 13th —The Theology of Purgatory (Phillip Brocato) Thursday, December 14th—The Theology of Reparation & Indulgences (Fr. Bill)

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

# Beyond the Limits Junior High Conference—December 2-3

Registration for this year's Beyond the Limits Junior High Conference is open!! "Outsiders" will be held December 2-3 at the Randolph Riverfront Center in Alexandria., featuring Dustin Bertrand as our Keynote speaker and Ragan Savedra as the weekend's emcee. To register, please email <a href="mailto:info@steubenvillesouth.com">info@steubenvillesouth.com</a>