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**26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 29, 2024**

Pastor: **Rev. William 'Bill' Gearheard**
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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

Little did Moses realize that his plea that concludes today's first reading—"Would that the Lord might bestow his spirit on them all?"—would eventually come to pass. At Pentecost, the Holy Spirit came down upon all the apostles. From that point on, the Holy Spirit came down upon all the apostles. From that point on, the Holy Spirit came down upon all who were baptized and even those who wished to be baptized. The Holy Spirit was bestowed on each one of us when we ourselves were baptized, be it as babies, children, or adults. At times like this, may we be reminded that we have the power to perform mighty deeds in God's name, for we have the Spirit within us.

Again and again in his letter, James commands Christians to put faith into action. Today we hear an explicit warning: "Behold, the wages you withheld from the workers who harvested your fields are crying aloud: and the cries of the harvesters have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts". For us to store up treasure is sinful. Let us imitate the generosity of the Father, as we have seen in so many of Jesus' parables, working toward a world where everyone from migrant workers who literally harvest our nation's fields to those who cannot seem to break out of the cycle of poverty are compensated with a just wage.

In the Gospel, Jesus gives his disciples pause when they accuse a stranger of appropriating their ministry. He turns the tables on them, absolving anyone who does good in his name while condemning them if they have something in themselves that causes them to sin. Do not judge others' motivations; look at your own. Then cut away those things that lead you to sin.

In what way am I like the one who stores up treasure? In what way am I like the one whose wages are withheld? What can I do from my position to properly reflect the lessons Jesus taught?

Mass Schedule

Sept 28 Saturday 5:00 +Joseph D. Roque, +Rod Nelson, +Ronald Adolph Prudhomme, Fr. Doiminic Pham Chi Hung, and +Chad Jones

Sept 29 Sunday 8:15 am Culpepper & Schelette Families

Sept 29 Sunday 10:30 am The People of the Parish

Sept 30 Monday No Mass
Readings: Jb 1:6-22; Ps 17:1-3, 6-7; Lk 9:46-52

Oct 01 Tuesday 6:00 pm +Rod Nelson
Readings: Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23; Ps 88:2-8; Lk 9:51-56

Oct 02 Wednesday 6:00 pm +Rod Nelson & The Spillman Family
Readings: Jb 9:1-12, 14-16; Ps 88:10b-15; Mt 18:1-5, 10

Oct 03 Thursday 8:00 am +Fr. Bill Recovery
Readings: Jb 19:21-27; Ps 27:7-9, 13-14; Lk 10:1-12

Oct 04 Friday 8:00 am +Earl Roque
Readings: Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5; Ps 139:1-3, 7-10, 13-14; Lk 10:13-16

Oct 05 Saturday 9:00 am 1st Saturday Mass
 5:00 pm +Lula 'Toot' LaCour, +Rod Nelson, +Ronald Adolph Prudhomme, Shea M. Goffe and The Poche Family
Readings: Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17; Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130; Lk 10:17-24

Oct 06 Sunday 8:15 am Culpepper & Schelette Families

Oct 06 Sunday 10:30 am The People of the Parish

Week's Offering:	September 15, 2024	
	St. Augustine	St. Anne
Weekly	\$ 3,185.00	\$ 563.50
Retired Priests	\$ 100.00	\$ 0.00
Online 9/2-9/8	\$885.75 Building \$5.00	St. Anne \$75.00

Thank you for your generosity!

This Week at a Glance
 St. Augustine Weekday Masses

Tues, 6 pm
 Wed, 6 pm
 Thurs, 8 am
 Fri, 8 am

Parish Service Schedule:

	LECTORS	USHERS	Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist
Sat Sept 28 5:00 pm	Doretta O'Brien	Donald Balthazar Farrell Christophe	Lireda Balthazar Bridget Metoyer
Sun Sept 29 10:30 am	Deloris Jones	Barry Antee Keith Sarpy	Carey Blanchard Jackie Delphin
Sat Oct 05 5:00 pm	Catherine Rachal	David McGraw Kenneth Metoyer	Lireda Balthazar
Sun Oct 06 10:30 am	Jerry Jones	Barry Antee Jacob Bellow	Rebecca Jones Henry Rachal

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

St. Augustine's Women's ACTS retreat Nov. 7-10.
 Applications are available in the entrance of church or by calling
Frances Sarpy @ 318-652-4124; Bridget Metoyer @ 337-378-8781 or Carmen Vanderlick @ 318-451-2169. APPLICATIONS DUE OCT. 13th

We're still accepting donations and sponsorship for the Festival, if you would like to donate or become a sponsor, please call the office.

"RUN FOR ROD" 5K to Benefit St. Augustine Catholic Church
Saturday, October 12, 2024 @ 8 am Cost:\$35 or T-Shirt Only \$25
To register or to buy a t-shirt, scan the QR Code or pickup a form on the table at the entrance of the Church



St. Anne Gumbo Supper will be on November 16 starting at 5 pm
Gumbo, Hot Tamales, Meat Pies, Sweets! Bingo begins at 6 pm



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 and Joyce Conant.

ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL (ADA) 2024

Goal	Pledged	Received
\$20,828.00	\$20,257.00	\$18,607.80
\$ 2,234.00	\$ 1,858.00	\$ 1,858.00

Please prayerful consider making a donation to the ADA appeal.

Oct 4 & 5 Collection: Next week we will take up a collection for **Catholic Charities of Central Louisiana**. Catholic Charities of Central Louisiana has helped hundreds of people in need by providing Mental Health Services, Disaster Response, and Basic Needs Assistance. Their efforts have impacted over hundreds of individuals and families across the four deaneries of the diocese. Interns and volunteers give their time and talent; however, this work requires funds to address the physical needs of residents. The Sunday, Oct. 6, second collection is for Catholic Charities; thank you for blessing them with the means to bring the corporal works of mercy to our communities. To learn more visit <https://ccenla.org>

October 8 EWTN World Premiere of "The Five Priests"

The Five Priests, a full-length documentary that recounts the lives of five Roman Catholic priests who died in the 1873 Yellow Fever epidemic in Shreveport and are now Servants of God in the Vatican canonization process, is receiving acclaim at international film festivals, including being a monthly WINNER at the Cannes World Film Festival. The documentary will make its world premiere on EWTN on Oct. 8 at 9:30 p.m. *The Five Priests* was produced by the LSUS Foundation in conjunction with the Cathedral of St. John Berchmans, and directed by Chris Charles Scott of Strategy Films in Las Vegas, Nevada. Visit ShreveportMartyrs.org for more on the heroic lives of these priests.

October 14 Bishop's Golf Tournament

Bishop's Annual Golf Tournament benefiting Seminarian Education will be held Monday, Oct. 14. **This year, the tournament moves to Links on the Bayou, Alexandria.** To sign up a team or to become a sponsor, contact Sandi Tarver at starver@diocesealex.org.