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September 21, 2025

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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 cannot serve both God and mammon," we hear Jesus tells his disciples in today's Gospel. He challenges us to decide where our priorities lie. Which do we spend more time and energy building up: our faith or our wealth? It is difficult to ignore the need for money, if only to have enough to get by, let so that we can live a we believe our treas-kingdom of God, in vant. May today's lit-truth.

Today's first read-psalm, and Gospel chants who cheat the God will not overlook

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psalmist promises that the Lord will lift up the poor and lowly. Jesus teaches his disciples to be trustworthy in handling worldly wealth so that they can be trusted with the true wealth that comes from God. Listening to today's selection from Scripture, let us consider our relationship to ma-terial wealth.

How do I value true wealth over material wealth? How can I do so more fully?



You cannot serve
both
God and money

Mass Schedule

Sept 20 Saturday 5:00 pm +Andrew Balthazar, +Lula LaCour, +Antonio Esparza, +Winnie Regan and +Lawrence Meziere, Jr.

Sept 21 Sunday 8:15 am Culpepper & Schelette Families & +Andrew Balthazar

Sept 21 Sunday 10:30 am The People of the Parish

Sept 22 Monday No Mass
Readings: Ezr 1:1-6; Ps 126:1b-6; Lk 8:16-18

Sept 23 Tuesday 6:00 pm +Lula LaCour
Readings: Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Ps 122:1-5; Lk 8:19-21

Sept 24 Wednesday 6:00 pm +Todd Roque
Readings: Ezr 9:5-9; Ps Tb 13:2-4, 7-8; Lk 9:1-6

Sept 25 Thursday 8:00 am +Gretta R. Burns
Readings: Hg 1:1-8; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 9:7-9

Sept 26 Friday 8:00 am +Joseph E. Conant II
Readings: Hg 2:1-9; Ps 43:1-4; Lk 9:18-22

Sept 27 Saturday 5:00 pm +Andrew Balthazar, +Joseph D. Roque, +Cleo Balthazar, +Winnie Regan, Selene B. Delphin, +Benedict LaCour, Jr. and +Lawrence Meziere, Jr.
Readings: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; (Ps) Jer 31:10-12b, 13; Lk 9:3b-45

Sept 28 Sunday 8:15 am Culpepper & Schelette Families & +Andrew Balthazar

Sept 28 Sunday 10:30 am The People of the Parish

Week's Offering:

September 14, 2025

	St. Augustine	St. Anne
Weekly	\$ 4,713.25	\$ 473.00
Building	\$ 150.00	\$ 0.00
Retired Priests	\$ 392.00	\$ 207.00
Online 9/8-9/14	\$1,080.00	St. Anne \$75.00 Building \$5.00

Parish Service Schedule:

	LECTORS	USHERS	Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist
Sat Sept 20 5:00 pm	Dianne Riley	Donald Balthazar Clyde Roque	David McGraw
Sun Sept 21 10:30 am	April Matt	Mike DeBlieux Patrick Jones II	Jackie Delphin
Sat Sept 27 5:00 pm	Catherine Rachal	Mike Bordelon Clyde Roque	Bridget Metoyer
Sun Sept 28 10:30 am	Rebecca Jones	Henry Rachal Chris Sylvia	Minnie Metoyer

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 will meet Thursday, September 25 at 6 pm

Festival Meeting, Wednesday, September 24 after 6 pm Mass



PARISH CARE MINISTRY - We ask for your prayers for: Nick Jackson, Hillery Peter Narcisse, Maxine Christophe, Janet Jones, Samuel Christophe, Sr., Leland & Gussie LaCaze and Mona Beaudion.

If you are interested in becoming a vendor for the Creole & Family Festival, please contact Chad Nelson @ 318.663.8584 or the office @ 318.379.2521

September 27 Mass Honoring Altar Servers, 10:00 am @ St. Frances Xavier Cathedral

This is for youth and adult servers. Please RSVP to 318.379.2521 or email: staugustine1803@gmail.com by September 20, 2025.

October 4 Steak Night Fundraiser

Come have an enjoyable night at St. John the Baptist Church, Cloutierville. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and dinner is served 6:00-7:00 p.m. followed by Music and dancing until 11:00 p.m. Menu includes: steak, baked potato, green beans, dessert and drink. Cost is \$25 per ticket and must be pre-purchased. Contact Elizabeth Metoyer at 318-792-5442; Catrell Sanders at 318-518-0064 or Nazy Metoyer at 757-323-9401 to buy tickets. All proceeds benefit St. John the Baptist Church, Cloutierville, LA.

October 5 The weekend of Oct. 5 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 cccenla.org

October 8 Spiritual Direction Formation Informational Meeting (Online)

Are you being called to become a Spiritual Director? Do others seek you out for spiritual conversations? You are cordially invited to attend a free virtual information session on Zoom to learn more about becoming a trained Spiritual Director. This free online informational meeting with Mike Van Vranken will be at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 8. Please register for this online meeting at <https://nolacatholic.org/internship-information-meetings>

October 10-12th St. Augustine Creole & Family Festival

Friday 6-11 pm Fried Fish & Trimmings, Festival T-shirts available & Music
Saturday—8 am 2nd Annual "Run for Rod"; 10 am—5 pm Fun & Games, Bingo, Food; 5 pm Mass; 6:30 pm—10:30 pm Gerard Delafosse & The Zydeco Gaters; Festival Closes at 11
Sunday—10:30 am Mass; 11:30 am Festival Activities continues 3 pm Closes

October 17 White Coat Mass honoring medical and healthcare professionals

The Diocese of Alexandria invites you to the 2025 White Coat Mass in honor of all medical professionals, St. Francis Xavier Cathedral, Alexandria, Friday, Oct. 17 at 12:05 p.m. For more information, contact Cathy Norris at 318-448-6797.

November 21-23, 2025 Red Bird Ministries Mother's Retreat

For mother of child loss - Pregnancy through adulthood. It's a Catholic Grief Support Ministry. Held at Jesuit Spirituality Center, 313 East MLK Drive, Grand Coteau, LA 70541 Registration Closes: 10/21/2025

December 6 Chris Padgett to Keynote Beyond the Limits Jr. High Conference

Please plan for your child to attend this event. For more information, please contact Deloris Jones @ 318.471.4168