



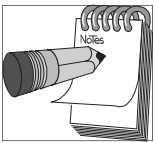
St. Augustine

Guided by the Holy Spirit, we strive to grow in loving support and forgiveness in union with Jesus Christ. We pledge our talents and resources through communal worship, Christian education, service, outreach, and witness, to love God and neighbor in the world around us. Prayerfully seeking to make the efforts of each the advantage of all, we invite, encourage, and welcome all to join us.

May 23, 2010

68035 Main Street - Richmond, Michigan 48062

(586) 727-5215



A Note From Fr. Joe

We are very grateful to Fr. Christopher Crotty for the outstanding and inspirational Parish mission that he conducted here this past week. Many who have attended were blessed in a special way, and I have already heard testimonials of healing and renewal in faith. If anyone has a particular testimony to share, I encourage you to write to me so that I can share your experience with others and encourage them in their faith.

There is another opportunity for spiritual growth scheduled for later this year, in the fall. We will be hosting a **"Life in the Spirit Seminar"** in the school building every Wednesday for eight weeks from September 8 through November 3. During this seminar you will have a faith experience called 'Baptism in the Holy Spirit.' This is an experience of the Holy Spirit at work in one's life, leading to a new level of holiness which could transform your life.

Before the activities in the Parish wind down for the summer, and before the staff meets to plan the Parish calendar for the next 12-month period, Fr. John and I are having an **"open forum" meeting on Wednesday, June 2, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the School Library.** The purpose of the meeting is to hear the ideas and suggestions for Parish improvements from interested Parishioners. Those who wish to attend must register for the meeting by leaving your name and phone number with Tina Kovalcik at (586) 727-5215, ext. 125. We look forward to hearing how we can offer more effective ministry, administration, and faith-building activities in the Parish.

Fr. Joe

Pentecost Sunday



**LORD,
send out
your SPIRIT,
and renew
the face
of the earth.**

St. Augustine Catholic Church

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Parish Office: (586) 727-5215 Fax: (586) 727-3760
E-mail: staugustinerichmond@comcast.net

Hours: Monday - Thursday, 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. and
1:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m., or by appointment

Rev. Joseph Plawecki, Pastor - Ext. 115
Rev. John Nedumcheril, Associate Pastor - Ext. 119
Bob Fillhart, Business Manager - Ext. 116
Colleen Baumgarten, Bookkeeper - Ext. 114
Joe Agosta, Director of Music - Ext. 171
Ted Suwalkowski, Director of Buildings and Grounds
Bev Clark,
Christian Service Coordinator/Parish Secretary - Ext. 110

Office of Faith Formation: (586) 727-9290

Tina Kovalcik,
Pastoral Associate/Director of Religious Education - Ext. 125
Lisa Hamel, After-School Program Assistant - Ext. 141
Betty Raska, Secretary - Ext. 111

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Website - <http://www.staugustinecatholicschool.com>

Jerry Bagierek, Principal - Ext. 131
Connie Miller, Secretary - Ext. 129
Judy Rey, Secretary - Ext. 130

Sunday Masses:

Saturday - 5:00 p.m.; Sunday - 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 a.m.

Daily Masses:

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday - 8:00 a.m.;
Tuesday - 6:30 p.m.; First Saturday of the Month - 8:00 a.m.

Holy Day Masses: 6:00 a.m., 8:00 a.m., and 7:00 p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday, Noon and 4:15 p.m. in Church; or by appointment.

Sacrament of Baptism:

Preparation is required. Please contact the Office of Faith Formation as far in advance as possible.

Sacrament of Marriage:

Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance; contact the Pastor for an appointment.

Sacrament of the Sick:

Notify the Parish Office of any need for hospital or home visits.

Registration and Parish Membership:

New Parishioners are always welcome!
Call or visit the Parish Office during business hours to request registration materials.
Please remember to notify the Parish Office of any change in your address, phone number, or membership status.

Richmond Knights of Columbus:
Michael Misteravich, Grand Knight



Stewardship

"... Wherever your treasure lies,
there will your heart be..."

— Luke 12:34

Weekend Collection May 15-16, 2010

Budget Amount:	\$ 11,329.00
May 15-16, 2010	
Weekend Collection:	<u>\$ 11,465.23</u>
Net over/(under):	\$ 136.23

46th Week Year-to-Date	
Budgeted Total:	\$ 521,134.00
Weekend Collection	
Year-to-Date Total:	<u>\$ 484,762.02</u>

Net over/(under): **(\$ 36,371.98)**

This Sunday Collection included:

Number of adult envelopes used: 290
Loose collection: \$570
Number of children's envelopes used: 55
Children's collection: \$67.57
April EFTs: \$2,322.23

St. Augustine Parish Council 2009-2010

- † Gerry St. John, Chair
- † Steven Kovalcik, Vice Chair
- † Greg Rushlow, Secretary
- † Mary Lou Brickel
- † Otto Hohmann
- † Tanya Muylaert
- † Patty Smith
- † Mary Szczerbinski
- † Sue Thomas
- † Fr. Joe Plawecki



Our Parish Life

Please remember in your prayers this week ...

Scriptures

Intentions

Monday, May 24, 2010

1 Pt 1:3-9
Mk 10:17-27

7:30 a.m. -
Rosary
8:00 a.m. -
Mass

Helen M. Riley
req. by Her Children

Tuesday, May 25, 2010

**St. Bede; St. Gregory VII;
St. Mary Magdalene de Pazzi**

1 Pt. 1:10-16
Mk 10:28-31

6:00 p.m. -
Rosary
6:30 p.m. -
Mass

Bernadette Smith,
req. by Linda Leenknegt

Wednesday, May 26, 2010

St. Philip Neri

1 Pt 1:18-25
Mk 10:32-45

7:30 a.m. -
Rosary
8:00 a.m. -
Mass

Edwin & Frances Holmberg, Sr.
req. by Brother Adam Farkas

Thursday, May 27, 2010

St. Augustine of Canterbury

1 Pt 2:2-5, 9-12
Mk 10:46-52

7:30 a.m. -
Rosary
8:00 a.m. -
Mass

Marguerite Bailer LaConte -
Birthday Remembrance,
req. by Mr. & Mrs. David Kammer

Friday, May 28, 2010

1 Pt 4:7-13
Mk 11:11-26

7:30 a.m. -
Rosary
8:00 a.m. -
Mass

Richard Schneider, Jr.-
Anniversary Remembrance,
req. by Stepmother Gaylene Schneider

Saturday, May 29, 2010

Jude 17:20b-25
Mk 11:27-33

Noon-12:30 p.m.,
and
4:15-4:45 p.m. -
Reconciliation

Sunday, May 30, 2010

The Most Holy Trinity



Eucharistic Liturgies:

- Saturday -
5:00 p.m.

- Sunday -
7:30 a.m.; 9:30 a.m.;
11:30 a.m.

Scriptures:

Proverbs 8:22-31
Romans 5:1-5
John 16:12-15

Intentions:

Leo Weingartz,
req. by John & Linda Rhein

Virginia Bartoszek,
req. by Her Husband Louis Bartoszek

Joann Schubert,
req. by Margaret Hebel

David Raska,
req. by The Lloyd Suess Family

Fr. Lambert Smits,
req. by Maria Hampton

Please remember those who are ...

**Facing the challenges of illness at home,
Receiving extended care,
and**

**those who have gone on to
Celebrate Eternal Life in Christ**

God the Father, Hear Our Prayer,

Hear Us, God the Son,

Holy Spirit, Hear Our Prayer,

Mercy on Your People, Lord.

Sunday's Scriptures

~ May 23, 2010 ~

Pentecost Sunday

Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11
1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13
John 20:19-23

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Receive the Holy Spirit.

– John 20:22

On this day of celebration, we are brought back to the upper room to be with the disciples when they first met the risen Lord. John tells us that when Jesus came to them, He showed them His hands and side. There was something about seeing Jesus's wounds – now glorified – that thrilled their hearts.



We don't have to look too hard to identify the work of the Holy Spirit here. It was the Spirit who showed the disciples that Jesus didn't just come back from the dead, but that He had actually defeated death and had been declared Lord of heaven and earth. By the Spirit, they realized that because of

Jesus's wounds they too could be filled with divine life, just as their Master was. And this revelation filled them with excitement.

The Holy Spirit wants to give all of us the same revelation. After all, this is what Pentecost is all about – seeing Jesus in a whole new way. Whenever we pray, whenever we go to Mass, the Spirit wants to reveal Jesus to our hearts – His love, His mercy, and His power. He wants to break down the walls that keep us trapped in a narrow, shallow understanding of God's plan. He wants to do this so that He can form us into a people on fire with love for Him, willing to surrender our lives to Him, and eager to bring His good news to a wounded world.

We don't have to fear the Holy Spirit. He may come in fire, but only to burn away the things that keep us from Jesus. We can carry so much "baggage" in our hearts – fears, anxieties, and resentments. But by the power of the Cross, the Holy Spirit wants to lighten our load so that we can embrace Jesus as our just and loving Savior, who wants the very best for us.

"Jesus, I want to rejoice in You just as the apostles did. Holy Spirit, burn away everything that keeps me from Your presence. Come, Spirit, and give me a new revelation of Jesus."

Faith Formation

Live ~ Learn ~ Grow



The Year for Priests

Please help us say "Thank You" to our priests for giving their lives to us and to the Lord. During the weekend of June 5 and 6 we will have a table in Church with stationary available for those who wish to jot a note of appreciation to Fr. Joe and Fr. John. You may drop your note, or bring a card if you wish, in the appropriate box.

The Worship Commission and Altar Sodality would like to invite everyone to join us in the Parish Hall for a light reception immediately following the 11:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, June 6, to appreciate our priests.

Faith Formation Office Hours

Beginning May 25 until June 30, our Faith Formation Office hours will be as follows: **Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.** We will be closed beginning July 1 and will re-open Tuesday, August 17.

Calling All Teens!!

If you are in the **8th through 12th grade** and would like to help design and paint the hallway in the basement of the Church, please contact me at ext. 125 or by email at tinakovalcik@yahoo.com. We are in the planning stages of setting meeting times and painting times. Have ideas? Bring them with you. We may also be planning a June carwash! Stay tuned.

Do you have musical talents? Are you interested in joining a ministry? If so, contact Mr. Agosta or me. We are gearing up to plan our 11:30 a.m. Youth Mass! Now's the time to get on board and get involved! Together, *"we can make a difference, let's go and make a difference in the world!"*

See you at Mass,

Tina Kovalcik

Pastoral Associate/DRE



June Altar Sodality Meeting and Potluck

The next Altar Sodality meeting will be the annual June Potluck, Tuesday, June 1, at 6:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. For those ladies who will be attending 6:30 p.m. Mass, please drop off your food before you go.

Please note: We will be taking a group photo for the Parish Directory at this meeting, so plan to attend!

Ladies, new members are always welcome! This meeting is an especially good opportunity to come and meet us and find out what we do for our Church!

The Refreshment Committee for this meeting is: Sylvia Bryzik, Diane Demchak, Kathy Grande, and Darlene McVannel.

Did you forget
about placing your
"Abundant Harvest"
order for May?
You still have
a little time ...
Call the Parish Office
on Monday!!



Career Transition Ministry Meeting Monday Night at Holy Family

Join the Career Transition Team for a fun night of "surfing the net"! THE BIG SCREEN will be set up so everyone can see the exciting websites to visit and explore jobs! Surfing starts at 7:00 p.m. sharp this Monday, May 24, at Holy Family Parish hall, 79780 Main Street in Memphis. Contact John Mastej at Holy Family for more info: (810) 392-2056

~ The Week Ahead ~

Monday, May 24, 2010

8:00 p.m. AA Meeting (Hall)

Tuesday, May 25, 2010

10:00 a.m. OA Meeting (Room 5)

7:30 p.m. Parish Council Meeting (Room 3)

Wednesday, May 26, 2010

6:00 p.m. Festival Committee Meeting (Room 3)

7:00 p.m. Commissions Meeting (Room 2)

7:00 p.m. Bible Study (Library)

Thursday, May 27, 2010

6:30 p.m. 8th Grade Graduation Mass



Congratulations 2010 High School Graduates

On Sunday, June 6, at the 9:30 a.m. Liturgy, we will have our surrounding area High School Graduates with us. What a great way to say "Congratulations" on their many accomplishments.

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a light reception immediately following Mass for the graduate families.

While we acknowledge the completion of this stage in their lives, we pray for them and support them in their on-going journey. And... we look forward to celebrating yet another graduation or ceremony of some sort with them! Life is full of stages – may St. Augustine always be a part of it.

*"We give thanks to God always for you all,
making mention of you in our prayers,
and remembering without ceasing your
work of faith, labor of love, and patience of hope
in our Lord Jesus Christ
in the sign of our God and Father...."*

– I Thessalonians 1:2-3

✿ St. A's Wish List ✿

The St. Augustine School Cafeteria is in need of

**Used or new stainless steel
forks, knives, and spoons**

The silverware is used for all occasions – funerals, fish fries, chicken dinners. Any and all donations will be gratefully accepted! Please contact the School or the Parish Office if you have items to donate.



Remembering Those Who Serve

- FNE3 Nathan Bilbrey
- Cpt Kevin Chamberlain
- LCpl Kyle Dupuis
- Spc Samuel Feldman
- Mid3 Adam Haag
- Cpt Christopher Haag
- LT USN Ryan Haag
- Sgt Michael R. Hagan
- Cpt Michael A. Hoffman, D.D.S.
- Sgt Daniel Johns
- Cpl Christopher Lemke
- SP4 Cory Moore
- Cpt Christopher Platz
- Cpt Lisa Marie Platz
- TSgt Jeffrey Platz
- PFC Ryan Pryslak
- MSgt Kevin Quant
- Lt Col Matthew Rettke
- POHM2 John-Christopher Sbraccia
- SPC Kurtis Schneider
- PFC Nicholas Spens
- SMSgt Joseph Stevens
- SSG Raymond Stier
- PFC Christopher Tishler
- Sgt Nathaniel Wirgau
- SSgt Jeffrey Yelencich



18th Annual Postal Food Drive a Success!

Once again, the annual food drive held by the National Association of Letter Carriers was a complete success. A special thanks to the Richmond Post Office employees and their families and friends, along with Boy Scout Troop #84, who braved the cold weather and blustery winds to fill the Richmond Community Food Pantry to capacity. No pantry donations will be needed over the next several months.

A special thank-you is extended to the generous people of the surrounding areas, who helped make this year's food drive a success.

The Richmond Community Food Pantry

**National Domestic Violence Hotline
1-800-799-7233**

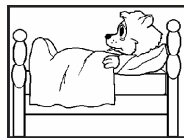
**Family Violence Hotline
1-800-996-6228**

Do not suffer in silence ... You are NOT alone.

These hotlines are staffed with trained counselors who will provide crisis assistance and information.

Remember The Sick

Please include the following name(s) on the Prayer List during June 2010



Inner Healing Prayer Day

Saturday, June 5 – 10 a.m. - Noon

In the Chapel of St. Mary Queen of Creation Church
50931 Maria Street, New Baltimore
Hosted by Family of Jesus Prayer Group

Two prayer teams who are experienced in the Healing Prayer Ministry will be readily available to minister Inner Healing prayer. No appointment necessary. Come as you are.

What is Inner Healing Prayer?

Inner Healing prayer is asking God to heal the root of emotional, mental, or spiritual brokenness, and healing those hurts and painful memories in your life that have interfered or prevented you from living in the full beauty that God created. It is God's love drawing you closer to Him in love, peace, and grace; and your surrender of all to God. It is also in God's healing that you may seek forgiveness and give forgiveness. "I will heal them and lead them; I will give full comfort to them and to those who mourn for them, I the Creator, who gave them life. Peace, peace to the far and the near, says the Lord; and I will heal them." (Isaiah 57:18-19)

For more information, please call St. Mary Queen of Creation Parish: (586) 725-2441.