

# Saint Augustine Catholic Church

Second Sunday of Easter

May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011



We wish to extend a warm welcome to all visitors to Saint Augustine Church. We are delighted that you have come to worship with us, and we very much hope that you feel at home here. Please introduce yourself to Father John so he may personally welcome you to our parish community.

## TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

One of the great Easter traditions is "mystagogy," an ancient word meaning "reflection on the mysteries." It is a style of catechesis, or passing on the faith. People who have shared an experience, in this case those who have been baptized at Easter, are urged to recall their experience, reflect on its meaning, and apply their insights to their new way of life. There is an aspect of an experience that is simply not available until you've had it. For example, you may think you know weddings inside out; you've been to dozens, seen hundreds in the movies or on television, but until you've said "I do" to another, there is a certain knowledge unavailable to you. Those who go down into the waters of baptism as adults have similar experiences; they have all taken baths before, but not like this one! Mystagogy helps such persons to uncover the deep meaning of the experience, their sense of a new beginning, of God's abundant love, of forgiveness, of community. It takes time for the power of the Easter Vigil to work its wonders for us. Those who are newly baptized are called "neophytes," meaning "newly planted." The tender buds of spring need care and nurturing, and our new brothers and sisters need your prayer and your faithful example. -James Field, © Copyright, J. S. Paluch Co.

## St. Augustine's Card Ministry

St. Augustine cares about our fellow parishioners. To express our care and concerns, we will be sending cards to parishioners who are sick, hospitalized, recuperating from surgery, experiencing a terminal illness, or homebound. Cards of sympathy can also be sent to those who have had a death in their immediate family. We can also send congratulatory cards to parishioners who are celebrating births and marriages. If you know of a parishioner who would like to receive a card, please contact Connie at 301.582.4394.

The prayer list published in the bulletin each week is a vehicle to notify parishioners of those in need of prayer. We focus on praying for the sick, those who have died, and for those who are serving in the military. Please call to add names to the listing by calling the church office or contacting Pat Palmer at 301.223.7992.

## Please Pray For

Jim Adenhardt, Edith Altshuler, Pat & Jim Baer, Vedah & Jim Beaver, Father Carter, Donald Christensen, Debbie Crawford, Genevieve Casper, Kathleen Combs, Jean Cushwa, Laura DiGiambattista, Marian DiMarcantonio, Lisa Deleo, Betty & Jack Dove, Whitey Eaton, Kathryn Folley, George Gildersleeve, Arnold Gozora, Will Gordon, Debra Grogg, Joe Kallas, Beulah Keller, Danny Keller, Jonathan Knight, Dot Komarinski, Patty & George Koons, Our Military Men & Women, Betty Moore, Israel Newswanger, April Nitzell & baby, Betty Nordmann, Keegan Oursler, Pat Palmer, J.P. Peters, Pam Mackley, Toni Rickard, Ginny Russell, Anita Saloom, Don Sanders, Michael Sirbaugh, Teresa & Harry Sirbaugh, Milton Streifel, Theresa, Vocations, Norm Walker, June Wiederhold, Priscilla Wines, Jane Yeakle, Katie Yentsch.

## Mass Schedule

Date	Church	Time	Mass Intention
April 30	St. James	4:00 PM	The People of the Parish
April 30	St. Augustine	6:30 PM	Earl Wyand
May 1	St. Augustine	8:30 AM	Norm Walker
May 1	St. James	11:00AM	Helen Lashinsky
May 2	St. James	11:30AM	Allen Smith
May 3	St. Augustine	8:30 AM	Larry Everhart
May 4	St. Augustine	8:30 AM	Regina Eaton
May 6	St. Augustine	8:30 AM	Bertha Howard
May 6	St. James	11:30 AM	George R. Egloft

## Mother's Day Spiritual Bouquet

There is no better gift than the gift of prayer! Give the gift of a spiritual bouquet for that special mother in your life, living or deceased. Saint Augustine's will offer Mass for all mothers included in the spiritual bouquet on Sunday, May 8<sup>th</sup>. Beautiful Mother's Day Cards may be found in the parish hall or in the back of church. Please complete the envelope and return with your offering by Sunday, May 1<sup>st</sup>, and present your card to your loved one. On Mother's Day there will be a special insert for those enrolled.

## LOOK

Sorrow looks back, worry looks around, faith looks up.

—Anonymous

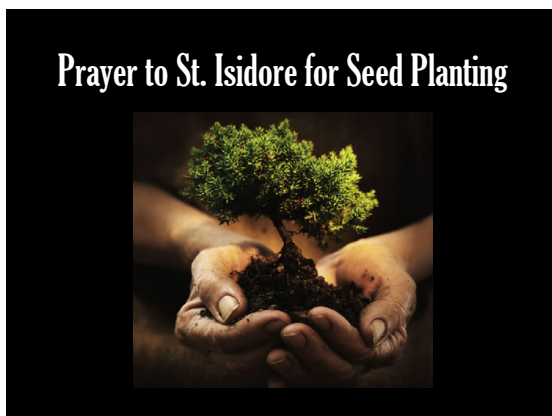
# Liturgy

To celebrate our faith with joy, through vibrant and prayerful worship.



## Ministry Schedule

Date	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Altar Servers
May 7	J. Gentile	Bread: A. Givens Cup: D. McQuay M. Harsh	S. Flessner
May 8	M. Fortier	Bread: A. Thim Cup: D. Ellis D. Ellis	L. Cooper K. LeVardi



The man to turn to when hands become calloused and the back aches and the cutworms wax thick and fat, is St. Isidore, patron of workers in the soil. His plow is said to have been drawn by angels. Taping a statue to the handle of your hoe might help, but we haven't yet heard the whirr of cherubic wings alongside us. But it's nice to know there's someone who cares and is on our side against the Mexican bean beetle. St. Isidore, St. Isidore, to you we rogate, to you we implore: Please let it (or not) shine or pour, Bring on the bee, hold off the hoar; Coax the oat, swell the meat of grape and nut; encourage the wheat to ripen fat in August heat, then lay down, brown, for us to beat and bag in burlap with quadruple X's Haul to the mill with stone-ground reflexes, enliven the staff of both the sexes by stuffing them full of B complexes; sweeten the soil's sour grievance. Correct the mustard's feckles malfeasance, raise up the corn in rows of allegiance, bow down the cherry in fruitful obeisance; O Guardian of squash and tendrilled pea, hoeing away at sanctity, all ills of bud and vine and lea, but mostly our garden, remedy.

## When Your Yard Gives You Dandelions, - Make Salad!

This is a very good use of all those annoying dandelions growing in your yard. Just so long as you don't have a dog! Top with your favorite dressing. I prefer hot bacon dressing!" Enjoy

### Ingredients:

- 1/2 pound torn dandelion greens
- 1/2 red onion, chopped
- 2 tomatoes, chopped
- 1/2 teaspoon dried basil
- salt and pepper to taste

### Directions

In a medium bowl, toss together dandelion greens, red onion, and tomatoes. Season with basil, salt and pepper.

## Everyone is Unique



An elderly Chinese woman had two large pots, each hung on the ends of a pole which she carried across her neck. One of the pots had a crack in it while the other pot was perfect and always delivered a full portion of water. At the end of the long walks from the stream to the house, the cracked pot arrived only half full. For a full two years this went on daily, with the woman bringing home only one and a half pots of water. Of course, the perfect pot was proud of its accomplishments. But the poor cracked pot was ashamed of its own imperfection, and miserable that it could only do half of what it had been made to do. After two years of what it perceived to be bitter failure, it spoke to the woman one day by the stream "I am ashamed of myself, because this crack in my side causes water to leak out all the way back to your house." The old woman smiled, "Did you notice that there are flowers on your side of the path, but not on the other pot's side?" "That's because I have always known about your flaw, so I planted flower seeds on your side of the path, and every day while we walk back, you water them." "For two years I have been able to pick these beautiful flowers to decorate the table. Without you being just the way you are, there would not be this beauty to grace the house." Each of us has our own unique flaw. But it's the cracks and flaws we each have that make our lives together so very interesting and rewarding. You've just got to take each person for what they are and look for the good in them. SO, to all of our crackpot friends out there, have a great day and remember to smell the flowers on your side of the path!

✿ *Flowers leave some of their fragrance in the hand that bestows them." -Chinese Proverb*



## Hello oo,

Please remember to silent your cell phone before our Mass begins.  
Thank you!

# Stewardship

To develop the material, financial and human resources of the Church and to manage them wisely.



## Financial Blessings

April 24 <sup>th</sup> , 2011	St. James	St. Augustine
Attendance	476	261
Offertory Envelopes	\$1,947	\$977
Offertory Electronic	\$370	\$916
Offertory Loose	\$1,070	\$541
Maintenance	\$60	\$90
Pastoral Collection	\$125	\$80
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,572</b>	<b>\$2,604</b>
EASTER OFFERING	\$1,623	\$1,630

Once again, thank you for all your heartfelt contributions to our parish family in time, talent, and treasure.



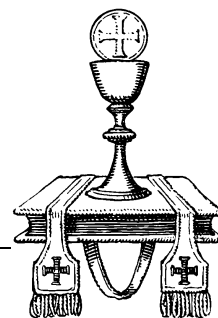
## Electronic Giving



The act of giving our treasure is a form of worship—a “giving back” to the Lord for all He has given to us. Intentional giving is the act of giving an intended gift to our parish with consistency. When parishioners decide how much to give in their offering, their intent is to give that amount on a regular basis without interruption. However, all parishioners miss at least a few weekend Masses each year due to poor weather, health or travel. Those who use Electronic Giving experience peace of mind because they know that, regardless of what happens, their offerings always reach the parish. For more information or to sign up, contact the parish office or visit the parish website, [www.staugustinemd.org](http://www.staugustinemd.org).

## Have You Ever Considered Remembering St. Augustine in Your Will?

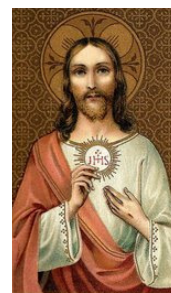
A bequest in your will, no matter what the amount, will help Saint Augustine's continue to care for and service God's people through vital programs that educate our children and youth in the faith; programs that will feed the poor, console those who are troubled and in need of counseling. Please consider remembering our Church in your will. Thank you!



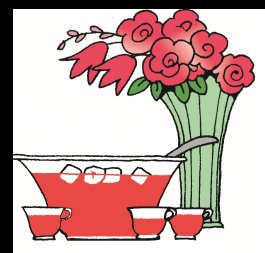
## OUR FIRST COMMUNICANTS

*Congratulations!*

ERIC CHEN  
SERFINA DELGADO  
ZAVIAN CONWAY  
GRACE GIVENS  
MARY GIVENS  
ADAM LITTLE  
ABBY FIELDS  
ELISA SHAW  
PAIGE McINTIER



Please join us in celebration and fellowship in the lower level immediately following Mass for a reception for our First Communicants.



## Education

To educate and become educated in the truths of the Gospel and in the Formation of conscience.

## Evangelization

To evangelize ourselves, our families, our parish and local communities and our world.



*Parish Consultation*

### Coming to St. Augustine/St. James

Father Chris Moore and Fr. Jim Kiesel, members of the Clergy Personnel Board, will be at St. Augustine on May 5<sup>th</sup> and St. James on May 12<sup>th</sup> as part of the process by which a pastoral leader will be named for the parish. Father Chris Moore and Father Kiesel will meet with the parish staff at 4 M. This will be followed by a dinner meeting with the Parish Council, Finance Committee and Corporators at 5:30 PM. Finally, all interested parishioners are invited to meet with Father Moore and Father Kiesel at 7 PM in the parish hall.

## Outreach Programs

### Respect Life / Social Justice

To reach out in love and service to those in need



### Shepherds Table

The Shepherds Table is open to anyone who is in need of a hot meal and fellowship, every Thursday at 5:15 PM at the Rehoboth UM Church on Salisbury Street in Williamsport. St. Augustine's will host on May 5<sup>th</sup>.

### Williamsport Food Bank

Thanks to our volunteers who helped at the food bank this past week.

You are very much appreciated!



Next time you are doing your grocery shopping, please remember the food bank. If you wish to give a monetary donation, please place offering in a plain envelope and mark donations for food bank with your name. The shelves are low and need to be restocked, please note items needed to replenish. Updated List: Beef stew, rice, soup, spaghetti sauce, pasta, noodles, baked beans, juice, muffin mix, apple sauce, and toilet paper.

## This & That



### Enjoy Singing?



St. Augustine's choir is actively recruiting and welcoming parishioners to be new voices for our Eucharistic Celebration. Singing is praying. When one sings, one prays twice – so said our patron, Saint Augustine. Singing together is praying together.

Don't be bashful...

interested persons see Vicky Lannon or call the church office weekdays or send an email to [parish45@verizon.net](mailto:parish45@verizon.net).

## Catholic Lighthouse Media



Come by and check them out! Suggested Donation - \$3.00 per CD or 4 CDS for \$10.00 - Proceeds will benefit the purchase of new CDs.

## Autism Awareness Fundraiser

With Tony's Pizza Time Café in Williamsport

May 23-25<sup>th</sup>

Present a coupon with your bill to help support Autism Awareness to Washington County.

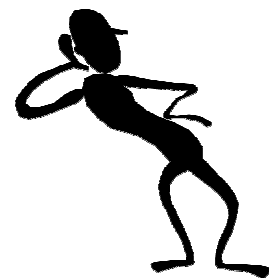
Please visit our website at [www.prayinwesternmd.org](http://www.prayinwesternmd.org) for more info about autism, and to print off coupons too. You may also find coupons in the atrium on the library table.

## Did you Know...

Our Wednesday rosary group is now meeting at 5 PM. Please join us to pray the rosary Wednesday!

## AND...

Lawrence Shaw will be leaving for the Air Force on July 19<sup>th</sup>! WOW, he is going to be missed!



## Thinking of Places to Eat, Or Stuff to do?



### Saint Augustine Parish Night Out

Plan to join us on Thursday, May 12<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM. This month we are going to La Trattoria Italian Eatery in Martinsburg, West Virginia. The address for the restaurant is 240 Lutz Avenue, Martinsburg, WV 25404, but it is located just off Edwin Miller Boulevard, just beyond the WV State Police Barracks on the right and just before the Comfort Inn, also on the right. Take Exit 16 E off Interstate 81 South. To make your reservation and/or carpool arrangements, please call Kim at 304.271.8861 or Susan at 304.274.3214. Looking forward to a great meal with great companions.

### The Pangborn Council #1365

#### Invites You

TO 20340 Leitersburg Pike, Hagerstown, MD

### FOR A STEAK FEED

May 21<sup>st</sup> from 6 to 10 PM. The donation is \$15 per person for a dinner of a 12oz. N.Y. Strip Steak, baked potato, world famous coleslaw, draft beer and sodas. You can get your tickets from Dave Schaible at St. Augustine's Parish, and John Navarro at St. James parish. Come for some family fun while getting to know your Knights of Columbus.

### Mother's Day Brunch

Join us for Mother's Day on Sunday, May 8<sup>th</sup> from 11 to 3 PM. Celebrate Mom this year by treating her to a special Mother's Day Brunch buffet at Skycroft Conference Center. \$16.95 per person for adults, \$9.95 for children ages 8 to 12 and 7 and under eat for free. Reservations required. RSVP before Thursday, May 5<sup>th</sup>. All reservations require a \$25 deposit to hold seating. Skycroft Conference Center is located at 9621 Frostown Rd., Middletown, MD 21769. Telephone: 800.536.6759. Website: [www.skycroft.org](http://www.skycroft.org)

### Golf Tournament

Saint Mary Catholic School will be hosting a Golf Tournament on Monday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> at Beaver Creek Country Club. We are currently seeking both golfers and sponsors. If you are interested in golfing, or are able to sponsor at any level, please contact Mary Minahan by calling 301.733.1184, or [mminahan@stmarycatholicsschool.org](mailto:mminahan@stmarycatholicsschool.org). All proceeds from this year's event will go towards enhancing technology at the school.

## You Are Invited



You are invited to a Ladies Coffee, full of fellowship and service at St. James Catholic Church, (Corner of Ford & Main St.) May 3<sup>rd</sup> from 9 AM to 1 PM, join us anytime. Bring with you a bag or two of gently used clothing of any size (infant through adult). We will be sorting the clothing together. Each item earns a credit for a "new" piece of clothing. Vouchers can be used during the Boonsboro Green Fest May 7<sup>th</sup> from 10 to 5 PM in Shaffer Park. If you do not have a voucher, you may still purchase articles at yard sale pricing. Donation receipts are also available.

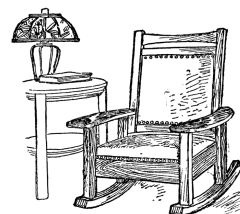
Unswapped clothing will be donated to Washington County Children in Need. Questions, contact Brigitte Schmidt at 301.432.2887, in the parish office. <http://www.boonsborogreenfest.com/>. "The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Gently-Used Clothing Swap & Sale" is being sponsored again by St. James Catholic Church during Green Fest May 7<sup>th</sup> from 10 to 5 PM. "This is a perfect time to practice the 3Rs: reduce, reuse and recycle."

### Save the Date!

Save the date and plan on joining us for the PandaMania, our Catholic Vacation Bible School on Sunday, July 10<sup>th</sup> through Thursday, July 14<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 to 8:30 PM in the church and parish hall. We serve children starting at age 4 through 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Registration forms are in church hall and on website. Questions? Contact Brigitte Schmidt.

### 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Concert

Williamsport Community Band's spring concert will take place on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 8<sup>th</sup> at 3 PM, at the barn at Springfield Farm off of Potomac Street, Williamsport onto Springfield Lane. Admission free! Bring Mom!



### Rockin' for the Elderly

Saturday, June 18<sup>th</sup> at St. Martin's Home, 601 Maiden Choice Lane, Catonsville, Md. A fun family event for all ages. Over \$5,000 in cash and prizes! DJ, carnival games, cake walk and raffles. For more information, please visit: [www.littlesistersofthepoorBaltimore.org](http://www.littlesistersofthepoorBaltimore.org).