

Saint Augustine Catholic Church

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
January 22ND, 2012

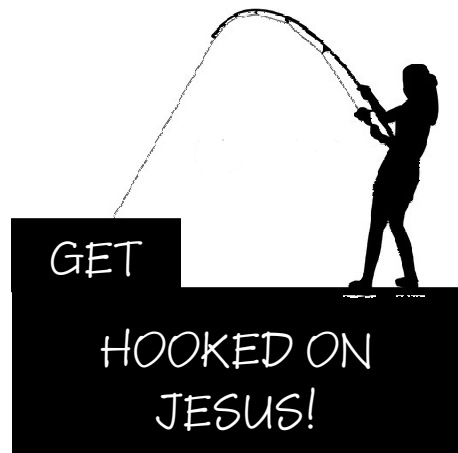


CHANGE OUR LIVES

In today's first reading, Jonah, sent by God to warn the people, storms through Nineveh, frightening the citizens out of their wits. It works! They repent before Jonah makes his way through a third of the city, and God sees "by their actions" how they have turned from evil. Then we hear Saint Paul telling the Corinthians that "the world in its present form is passing away." He calls for a change of heart. He stops short of telling them to set aside their everyday lives, but still he urges them - rather mysteriously - to live as though they aren't doing the things they're doing. Finally, Jesus stands on the shore and cries, "The kingdom of God is at hand!" The apostles-to-be abandon their nets and follow Him. Thus in all the readings we hear an invitation to a radical and immediate change in our lives. © Copyright, J. S. Paluch Co.

Welcome

St. Augustine's welcomes you and yours into our parish fellowship today. We sincerely hope you have felt at home and among friends. If you are a visitor just for today, we bid you Godspeed on your journey. If you are seeking a church home, we welcome you to our parish family. Please introduce yourself to Father so he may personally welcome you. If you attend Saint Augustine's on a regular basis and consider this your parish, and are not registered, please register and become an active member.



ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

This year, the theme of the Appeal is, "Entrusted With a Stewardship." We have been entrusted with a stewardship to care for the less fortunate members of our community. Let us act as our Savior Jesus Christ and touch their lives with compassion. Let us share the many blessings that God has bestowed on us and please give generously to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal. Your gift will enable archdiocesan support of ministry, education, and service that touch thousands of lives not only in our Archdiocese but throughout the world. Each parish receives 25% of collected funds from their parishioners until its goal is reached. At that point, the parish receives 50% of all additional funds received over goal. Please answer the Archbishop's request and make a generous pledge. All pledges can be billed in ten monthly installments.

PRAYER CIRCLE

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

Connie Adenhardt, Helen Armstrong, Pat & Jim Baer, Phyllis Burgess, Provie Cardinale, Father Carter, Don Christensen, Midge Christopher, Jean Cushwa, Shirley and Don Day, Lisa Deleo, Joe DePalma, Doug DiRisio, Betty & Jack Dove, Eileen, Kathryn Folley, Angela Gentile, George Gildersleeve, Mary Ann Gohr, Mark Gordon, Arnold Gozora, Bernice & Jim Grandstaff, Ed Grebenstein, Debra Grogg, Joe Harris, Sabrina Jones, Joe Kallas, Beulah Keller, Danny Keller, Jonathan Knight, Dot Komarinski, Patty & George Koons, Claire O'Connell, Pam Mackley, Stephen McGinley, Dot McQuay, Our Military, Betty Moore, Betty Nordmann, Keegan Oursler, Pat Palmer, Kathy Pickens, Alli Pinieski, Thomas Quinlan (baby), Toni Rickard, Ginny Russell, Don Sanders, Tracy Serpi, Lawrence Shaw, Teresa (Elly) & Harry Sirbaugh, Danny Spaw, Vocations, Norm Walker, Antoinette Wetzal, Eva Womfield, Dee Wyand, and Katie Yentsch.

Altar Flowers

Flowers are placed on the altar this weekend for
Lawrence Shaw,
By his parents, and his sister Elisa.

Lawrence will be leaving for Greenland,
please keep him in your prayers.



Flowers on the Side Altars

Flowers are placed on the side altars in honor of
Mary and Joseph, by the Shaw Family

MASS SCHEDULE

DATE	CHURCH	TIME	MASS INTENTION
1/21	St. James	4:00 PM	Eli Snyder
1/21	St. Augustine	6:30 PM	Lawrence Baccila
1/22	St. Augustine	8:30 AM	Lawrence Shaw SI
1/22	St. James	11:00 AM	The People of the Parish
1/23	St. James	11:30 AM	Dennis Kelly, Sr.
1/24	St. Augustine	8:30 AM	George Gildersleeve SI
1/25	St. Augustine	8:30 AM	Vincent Householder SI
1/27	St. Augustine	8:30 AM	Diane & Jonathan Knight SI

MASS CARDS

Mass cards can be a wonderful way to show your friendship to someone who is celebrating a birthday or anniversary or is mourning a loss. Give the gift of prayer in times of joy and in times of suffering. Gift offering \$5 and cards may be obtained at the church office.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Date	January 28	January 29
Lectors	J. Dick	D. Taksa
Eucharistic Ministers	Host: M. Kennelly Cup: M. Evanko N. Evanko	Host: M. Fortier Cup: S. Taksa K. Fortier
Altar Server	J. Gentile	S. Cooper
Money Counter		D. & S. Taksa D. Buckley

LITURGY COMMITTEE

The Liturgy Committee will meet on Monday, January 30th at 7 PM in the lower level of the church.

PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council will meet on Tuesday, February 7th at 7 PM in the lower level of the church.

YOUTH MINISTRY

The next exciting event for the youth ministry will be snow tubing at Whitetail on Friday evening on Feb. 10th. Mark your calendars and keep checking back for more details!



STEWARDSHIP NEWS

January 15 TH , 2012	St. James	St. Augustine
Attendance	353	150
Offertory Envelopes	\$1,856	\$1,040
Offertory Electronic	\$755	\$565
Offertory Loose	\$639	\$108
Maintenance	\$115	\$50
Pastoral Collection	\$155	\$120
TOTAL	\$3,520	\$1,883



Inclement Weather

With the arrival of winter comes the chance of ice and snow becoming a threat. Please do not risk coming to Mass if the conditions are poor.

THANK YOU

Thank you for your weekly sacrificial giving and continued support. And remember every time you sing at Mass, visit the sick, weed the church yard, clean the church, or build, paint, replace, or any necessary maintenance to the church, and baking cookies for the office, you are making good use of the gifts God gave you. Thanks to everyone in our parish family that gives to our parish through their time and talents!

TAX STATEMENT

We are happy to furnish tax statements for contributions to families who contribute via envelopes. If you would like a statement, please contact or call the church office by calling 301.223.7959. Thank you!

ELECTRONIC GIVING

Saint Augustine's offers you another way to share what God has given you through our electronic giving format. This simple and secure method of giving to Saint Augustine's has many advantages, and with more and more people using the internet for financial matters, we hope it is useful and helpful for many parishioners. If you are interested in signing-up for electronic giving, please go to www.staugustinemd.org.

BAD WEATHER POLICY FOR Religion Classes

If classes must be cancelled due to weather conditions, notification will be made by the Teacher/Parent Team.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

The Responsorial Psalm today says, "Teach me your ways, O Lord!" The Lord wants us to call upon Him daily so that He can guide us and teach us. Do we allow the Lord to teach us His ways so that we can love and honor our spouse more each day? Attend a Weekend and receive the necessary tools to allow God to take the lead in your marriage. Deepen your communication, strengthen your relationship, rekindle your romance and renew your sacrament by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is Feb. 17 to 19th. For more info and to apply online visit our website at: wwme.net, or call 410.665.5700, or email - meinfo@verizon.net.

MARRIED COUPLES RETREAT

Join us in a Married Couples Retreat at Priestfield, WV on the weekends of March 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th, and April 27th. We have running retreats for over 35 years and couples who attend come away feeling spiritually refreshed and enlightened. Please call Elaine at 410.252.5355 for more information.

SEEKING LONGEST MARRIED COUPLE

Our Parish is participating in Worldwide Marriage Encounter's search for the longest married couple in the Archdiocese of Baltimore. One nominee from each parish will be honored during a special Mass celebrated by Archbishop Edwin O'Brien. Please report the names, address, wedding date, and phone number of your candidate couple, married at least 50 years, to the parish office no later than January 24TH.

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

A five-year strategic plan is being developed for St. Mary Catholic School. The strategic planning committee would appreciate your input. An online survey is available at www.surveymonkey.com/s/StMaryCatholicSchoolHagerstown until February 17TH. Thank you for your support of SMCS.

LOCAL CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

St. Mary's Elementary

Grades K thru 8
218 W. Washington Street
301.733.1184

Web site: www.stmarycatholicsschool.org



St. Maria Goretti High School

1535 Oak Hill Avenue
301.739.4266

Web site: www.goretti.org

MARCH FOR LIFE BUS



St. Mary has filled one bus, and has contracted for a second, 34 person bus. The bus will depart and return on the same schedule as our first bus, namely:

- Board at 8 AM at St. Mary
- Depart St. Mary at 8:30 AM
- 10:30 AM - Mass at Mary Mother of God Church
- Depart National Indian Archives, Independence Avenue, at 4 PM
- Arrive back at St. Mary at approximately 6:30 PM

To get on the bus, call Kathleen Judge at 301.302.6081. The bus is free. A goodwill offering will be taken up on the bus to defray the cost of the bus. Bring water and lunch. Dress for cold outdoors. Please spread the word to those who might still be looking for transportation.

NEW ADORERS *for* PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL

St. Maria Goretti in Hagerstown

Monday 2-3AM, VACANT !!!

Wednesday 4-5 PM, 5-6 PM

Friday 5-6 AM

Saturday 3-4 PM

Sunday 1-2 PM, 2-3 PM, 3-4 PM

Call Mr. & Mrs. Ott for more information at 301.739.4167, or Roger Milihram at 301.432.6791.

Prayer for Vocations

TO THE PRIESTLY AND RELIGIOUS LIFE

Lord Jesus Christ, Savior of the world, show forth, we beseech Thee, in Thy Church the Holy Spirit with whose power the apostles were so abundantly filled. We thank Thee for the blessings bestowed upon the work of priests and religious; and we pray that Thou wilt add to the number of those who now pray, labor, and sacrifice themselves for Thy glory and the salvation of souls. Give them unselfish zeal for Thy glory. O good Jesus, give us more priests and religious after Thine own Heart! Amen.



Prayer for Our MILITARY MEN AND WOMEN

Almighty and eternal God, those who take refuge in You will be glad and forever will shout for joy. Protect our soldiers as they discharge their duties. Protect them with the shield of Your strength and keep them safe from all evil and harm. May the power of Your love enable them to return home in safety, that with all who love them, they may ever praise you for Your loving care. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Please remember in your prayers those in our parish serving in the military. If you know a parishioner serving our country, please let the office know so we may add them to our list.

Zach Coleman
Sherree Grebenstein
Ian R. Hamilton USN
Kylie-Anne Noreiga USMC
Andrew Patterson
Stephen Puddy
Lawrence Shaw
Chris Watkins
Eric Wilfong
Danny Yentsch



WHAT'S HAPPENING?



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

Scout Recognition Dinner

The Pangborn Council #1365, Knights of Columbus, invites every Scout and Scouter in the parish to be their guest at a Scout Recognition Dinner on Sunday, February 12TH. The event begins at 3 PM with a social and review of exhibits with dinner at 4 PM. The location is the Council's home, 20340 Leitersburg Pike, Hagerstown, Maryland. The dinner is FREE of CHARGE for each Scouter and Scout plus an adult guest. Scouts and Leaders are requested to attend in uniform. Please RSVP to Fred Nugent by e-mail: fnugent@verizon.net, or telephone: 301.739.9325 no later than February 6TH. Hope to see you there.

BIRTH OF THE CHURCH IN AMERICA PILGRIMAGE With Father Charles Connor

Join Fr. Collin Poston of St. Mary's Church for the Birth of the Church in America pilgrimage, April 14-15, 2012. EWTN series host and Church historian, Fr. Charles Connor will lead the pilgrimage through historic Southern Maryland as we relive the history of the Catholic Church in Colonial America, from the landing of the Ark and the Dove on St. Clement's Island, to the establishment of the Diocese of Baltimore, the first Diocese in America. HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE: St. Clement's Island-Potomac River Museum, St. Mary's City, St. Francis Xavier Church, Mother of Light Shrine, St. Mary, Bryantown, St. Ignatius Church Chapel Point, The Dove, Brick Chapel of 1667, Solomon's Island, Samuel Mudd House, Carmelite Monastery and more. Call or email Ron Doub at 410.802.5365 or rondoub93@aim.com for a brochure. Departs from St. Mary's, Hagerstown.



Please Join Us for Mardi Gras

Father John will be your server on
Tuesday, February 21st, at the Desert Rose Café,
located on the corner of
42 N. Conococheague Street in Williamsport, between the
hours of 5 to 8 PM.

Father will be serving
jambalaya, crab cakes, and all items on the regular menu.

And it gets better!

St. Augustine's will receive 10% back from the total bill,
AND, 100% of the tips that you leave Father!

So be generous, he will be working hard!
Mark your calendar, and join in the fun, and support Saint Augustine's in this
delicious fundraiser.