

# Saint Augustine Catholic Church

Fourth Sunday of Lent – April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2011

## NEW VISION

Jesus proclaimed that he came into the world to make the sightless see and the seeing blind. A difficult saying! But surely it must mean that Jesus intended to take our ordinary ways of looking at things and turn them inside out. Jesus came to change our perspective. When the prophet Samuel went out to select the new king, he chose a young man who had the look of royalty about him. But God told him not to judge by appearances. God told Samuel—and today tells us—to change our perspective and to look at things and people differently. We are like the Ephesians, whom Paul urged to live as children of the light. With the light of faith, we have a new way of looking at things, and we are called to bring that new vision to the world around us. This is a great vocation, a calling to wake people up to what's really important. © Copyright, J. S. Paluch Co.

## Welcome to St. Augustine Church!

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

## Stations of the Cross

Please join us at 6:30 PM on Fridays during Lent.

On Fridays during Lent, parishioners are invited to share a simple meal of soup and bread and be reminded of a common journey through Lent. Volunteers bring pots of homemade meatless soup and loaves of bread to share with others. Please join us after Stations for a soup supper. If you wish to bring a meatless soup to the table, please see the sign-up sheet located in the atrium. .

## Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation!

We invite you to join us every Wednesday at Saint Mary's Church in Hagerstown for The Light is Always On, the sacrament of reconciliation. If you have been reluctant to come to the sacrament or have been away for some time or just found it difficult to get to a weekend confession time, this is a great opportunity to receive penance. To remind you about the parts of confession and the Act of Contrition, a new brochure is available in the parish hall to guide you through this renewing sacrament. Confessions will be held between 7 and 8:30 PM.

## Mass Schedule

Date	Church	Time	Mass Intention
4/2	Saint James	4:00 PM	The People of the Parish
4/2	Saint Augustine	6:30 PM	Todd Gordon
4/3	Saint Augustine	8:30 AM	Norm Walker
4/3	Saint James	11:00 AM	Shelby Mose
4/4	Saint James	11:30 AM	Terry Palladino
4/5	Saint Augustine	8:30 AM	Regina Eaton
4/6	Saint Augustine	8:30 AM	Alfred James
4/8	Saint Augustine	8:30 AM	David Berrier

## The Gift of Prayer

Those wishing to honor a loved one during the celebration of Mass may pick-up a Mass card in the parish office. Mass Cards are available for the living and deceased and provide opportunities for prayerful remembrance of anniversaries, birthdays, and other special intentions. The typical stipend for each card is \$5.00. If you wish to email your Mass Intention, please email to [parish45@verizon.net](mailto:parish45@verizon.net).

## Liturgy

### Our Deepest Sympathy



Please pray for Alfred James, the brother of John James who died recently. May Alfred and all those who have died experience God's light and peace.

### 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

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, Orville Miller, Betty Moore, Israel Newswanger, April Nitzell & baby, Betty Nordmann, Bernard 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, Arlene Vann, Norm Walker, Stacey Walters, June Wiederhold, Priscilla Wines, Delores & Earl Wyand, Jane Yeakle, Katie Yentsch.

# Easter Triduum

## Holy Thursday

Mass of the Lord's Supper  
April 21<sup>st</sup> @ 7:30 PM

## Good Friday

Celebration of the Lord's Passion  
April 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 3:00 PM

## Holy Saturday

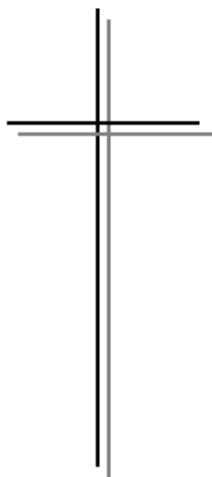
No Vigil at St. Augustine



St. James Church  
April 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 8:00 PM

## Easter Sunday

April 24<sup>th</sup>  
8:30 AM & 10:00 AM



## Flower Memorials

Please use envelopes that were provided in last weekend's bulletin. There are extra envelopes in the parish hall. Please return your Easter Memorials by Sunday, April 10<sup>th</sup>.



## Regional Penance Service

7 PM on Wed., April 13<sup>th</sup>,  
Saint Mary's Church in Hagerstown.

## Vespers

EVERY  
Sunday at 6 PM  
Saint Augustine's Church.

Are you interested in reading more of the bible? Do you enjoy a community atmosphere? Do you think you need to fit more prayer into your life? Then this might just be what you are looking for. Since about the 4<sup>th</sup> century men and women have been praying what is known as the "Prayer of the Church", the Liturgy of the Hours. It is a set of prayers said throughout the day containing the Psalms and other readings from scripture. Vespers, also known as Evening Prayer, is one part of the Liturgy of the Hours. Come and join us as we close our day giving praise and thanksgiving to God as has been done for centuries. You don't need to have any prior knowledge, just bring yourself.

## Ministry Schedule

Date	Lector	Eucharistic Minister	Altar Servers
4/9	E. Alshuler	Host: A. Givens Cup: M. Evanko N. Evanko	K. Peterson
4/10	B. Sonnik	Host: M. Fortier Cup: D. Taksa S. Taksa	Lawrence Shaw Klye LeVardi



**Ministry Schedules** for the coming three months are currently sent out. If you did not receive your schedule, please call the church office. Thanks you.

## Holy Week Schedule

There is a sign-up sheet for Holy Week Masses in the atrium of the church for those who wish to be on the Ministry Schedule for Holy Week.

## 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.

## Education

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

### April 10<sup>th</sup>:

Last Regular Class

### April 17<sup>th</sup>:

NO Classes – Children's Liturgy 8:30 AM

– Religion Class Picnic

### April 24<sup>th</sup>:

No Classes – Easter Holiday

### May 1<sup>st</sup>:

First Eucharist at 8:30 Mass with reception to follow.

## LOCAL CATHOLIC SCHOOLS



### St. Mary's Elementary

Grades K thru 8

218 W. Washington Street

301.733.1184

Web site: [www.stmarycatholicsschool.org](http://www.stmarycatholicsschool.org)

### St. Maria Goretti High School

1535 Oak Hill Avenue

301.739.4266

Web site: [www.goretti.org](http://www.goretti.org)

## Parish Council Meeting

A reminder there will be a Parish Council Meeting on Tuesday, April 5<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM in the lower level of the church.

## Outreach Programs

### Respect Life / Social Justice

To reach out in love and service to those in need.

## Williamsport Food Bank

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.

## Shepherds Table

The Shepherd 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.

## HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

### Presents: 2011 Apostles Build

Habitat's 2010-11 Apostles Build project was such a blessed and successful build that participating churches want to do it again! Together churches will combine to reach the goal of building a new home and new life for a local family. Talk to our parish coordinators, Larry and Elizabeth Milihrum to find out how you can volunteer! Stay tuned for more info. *"Our love should not be just words and talk; it must be true love, which shows itself in action."* - 1 John 3:18

## What's Happening

### Dinner Night Out

Join us on Thursday, April 14<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM for dinner night out at Always Ron on Burhans Blvd in Hagerstown. If you plan to attend, please call Kim at 304.271.8861 or Susan Taksa at 304.274.3214 or Terry Allnutt at 301.432.2887 if you are coming from St. James.

### Ladies Luncheon

The next ladies luncheon will be at Cafe Del Sol on Salem Ave., Hagerstown, at 12 Noon on Thursday, April 21<sup>st</sup>. If you plan to attend, please call Kim at 304.271.8861 or Susan Taksa at 304.274.3214 or Terry Allnutt at 301.432.2887 if you are coming from St. James.

### Cash for Causes

#### Martin's Gift/Grocery Card

St. Augustine has signed up to participate in Cash for Causes from Martin's Food Stores. This program works as follows: Parishioners can purchase Martin's gift cards at face value. The parish receives a 5% rebate on each card. Therefore, for example, if you purchase \$100 worth of gift cards, St. Augustine's will receive \$5. If you would like to purchase a gift card, there are envelopes in the back of church and on the library table for your convenience, or stop by the church office.

## Cuddles



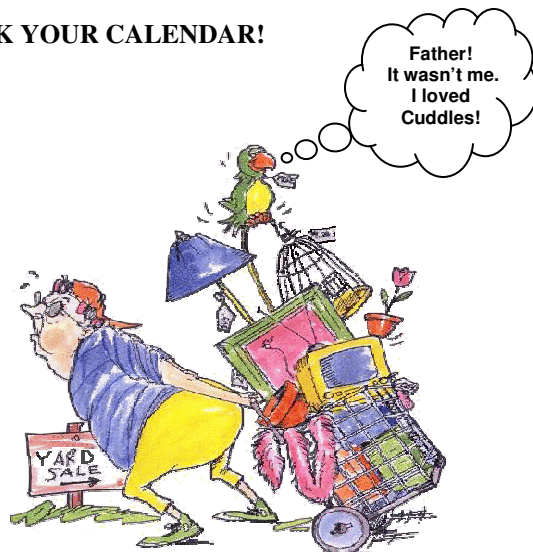
We had to take Father John's very limp duck he just bought into a veterinary surgeon this week. As Padre laid his pet on the table the vet pulled out his stethoscope and listened to the bird's chest. After a moment or two the vet shook his head and sadly said, "I'm sorry, your duck, Cuddles, has passed away." Very distressed Father wailed, "Are you sure?" "Yes, I am sure Father John, your duck is dead," replied the vet. "How can you be so sure?" he protested. "I mean you haven't done any testing on him or anything. He might just be in a coma or something!" Well, the vet rolled his eyes, turned around and left the room. He returned a few minutes later with a black Labradore Retriever. As Father looked on in amazement the dog stood on his hind legs, put his front paws on the examination table, and sniffed the duck from top to bottom. He looked up at the vet with sad eyes and shook his head. The vet patted the dog on the head and took it out of the room. A few minutes later he returned with a cat. The cat jumped on the table and also delicately sniffed the bird from head to foot. The cat sat back on its haunches, shook its head, meowed softly, and strolled out of the room. The vet looked at Father and said "I'm sorry, but as I said, this is most definitely, a dead duck." The vet turned to his computer terminal, hit a few keys, and produced a bill which he handed to Father John. Father still in shock, took the bill. "\$150" he screamed, "\$150 just to tell me my duck is dead!" The vet shrugged, I'm sorry. If you had just take my word for it the bill would have been \$20, but with the Lab Report and the Cat Scan, it's now \$150." Father John was NOT happy!

## CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS ANNUAL YARD SALE Saint James Church

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

**Friday,**  
May 20<sup>th</sup> - 8 AM until 5 PM

**Saturday,**  
May 21<sup>st</sup> - 8 AM until Noon



The Pangborn Council #1365  
**INVITES YOU**  
TO 20340 Leitersburg Pike  
**FOR A STEAK FEED**

The main item on the menu is **Fun!**

There will be a DJ playing enjoyable music, dancing and of course a 12oz. N.Y. Strip Steak, baked potato, world famous coleslaw, draft beer and sodas. The Donation, per ticket, is \$15. You and your family are invited. 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!



### Egg Hunt Easter Sunday after Mass!

Donations are now being received for our egg hunt. Please bring your goodies to the church and place in box provided in the atrium. Thanks!



# Stewardship

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

## Financial Blessings

March 27 <sup>th</sup> , 2011	St. Augustine	St. James
Attendance	189	378
Offertory Envelopes	\$1,550	\$2,621
Offertory Electronic	\$891	\$360
Offertory Loose	\$175	\$511
Maintenance	\$85	\$137
Pastoral Collection	\$65	\$113
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,766</b>	<b>\$3,742</b>

Thank You  
for your weekly sacrificial giving and continued support toward the needs of the parish.

### 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 St. Augustine 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](http://www.staugustinemd.org). For additional info, contact the office.

## Evangelization

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

### Seeking Parish Council Members

We are looking for a few people to step forward to be on the Parish Council. If you have God given talents that you think would be beneficial to the church we can use you! The Parish Council is an advice-giving body that sets the direction of the parish. They meet about once a month except during the summer. If you have been looking for a way to be more involved in our church community, please think about running for Parish Council! Elections will be held in May. Please contact the church office with your interest or let one of our Parish Council members know.

### Retrouvaille

If your relationship has grown cold and distant, if you are separated or thinking about separation or divorce, we believe that Retrouvaille can help. Retrouvaille is a Catholic program designed to help hurting couples mend and heal their brokenness. Our next weekend is May 13-15. All calls and inquiries are confidential. For more information, please call 301.468.6764. You may visit [www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com). If you would like to receive info in the mail, email, us at: [TomnCarol@comcast.net](mailto:TomnCarol@comcast.net).

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## V.I.P. Day

(Vocations in Progress)

For Young Men in High School and in College  
Monday, April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2011



Ever wonder what it was like to be a priest? Have you seen the inside of a seminary? Trying to figure out what you want to do with the rest of your life? Do you look good in black?

#### The day will include:

- Tours of Mt. St. Mary's Seminary in Emmitsburg and Saint Mary's Seminary in Baltimore
- Lunch
- Tour of the Cathedral of Mary Our Queen
- Dinner
- Attendance at the Archdiocesan Chrism Mass
- Personally greet Archbishop O'Brien after Mass

The Vocation Office will provide transportation (either vans or a bus depending on number of participants) to all locations. Since this is a school day we will be happy to provide you with a letter for an excused religious absence with parent's permission upon request. For additional information, please contact the Vocation Office: 410.547.5426 or [vocations@archbalt.org](mailto:vocations@archbalt.org). Registration is a must! Deadline for registration is Wednesday, April 6<sup>th</sup>.

### Prayer for Vocations

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.

