

Saint Augustine Catholic Church

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

September 11TH, 2011

FORGIVENESS



Nearly ten years before, a son and father parted ways when the business they shared went bankrupt. The son blamed the father. They did not speak to each other again.

Then the father became seriously ill. The mother called the son and told him he had better come soon. The son walked sheepishly into the hospital room. The father motioned his son to him and whispered: "Did you ever think you could do anything that would keep me from loving you?" Resentment and anger are foul things, the first reading from Sirach tells us. Remember the last things. Stop hating. Live by the commandments. As St. Paul writes to the Romans, we are to live for the Lord and die for the Lord. For us Americans on the anniversary of September 11, 2001, forgiveness does not come easily. Yet Jesus' parable in today's Gospel reminds us of God's compassion. The immense sin of humanity has been forgiven and stricken from the record. We are to forgive others in the same

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WELCOME

To all of you who have joined us in worship at St. Augustine or are currently visiting our parish, we say, WELCOME! We hope that your visit today is the start of a relationship with us that will grow even stronger. Please feel at home and if you need more information about us, please contact Father John Jicha, our Pastor at 301.432.2887.

Prayer for Catechists



O Jesus, Great and Beloved Teacher, thank You for inviting our catechists to share Your teaching. Thank You for calling them to proclaim God's presence and to announce the Good News of the Gospel to those they teach. Guided by Your Holy Spirit and the teachings of Your Holy Church, may they always be faith-filled and courageous catechists. May love and concern for those they teach always be their guiding motivation. May their hearts be on fire within us as they prepare our lessons and our class activities. May they view every lesson they teach as an opportunity to share God's incredible love. Thank You for their calling to your service heavenly Father. Amen.

MASS INTENTIONS

DATE	CHURCH	TIME	MASS INTENTIONS
9/10	St. James	4:00 PM	People of the Parish
9/10	St. Augustine	6:30 PM	Raymond F. Bielicki
9/11	St. Augustine	8:30 AM	Raoul Marconi
9/11	St. James	11:00 AM	Rose DePasquale
9/12	St. James	11:30 AM	Anna Davis
9/13	St. Augustine	8:30 AM	Jim Adenhardt
9/14	St. Augustine	8:30 AM	Kyle Doucette
9/16	St. Augustine	8:30 AM	Richard & Patricia Fassett - SI

MASS CARDS

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



RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

This is the process of initiating adults and older children into the Catholic Christian Community. Our program of RCIA is more than just a class room. It is a journey into the Faith, into a personal relationship with God. RCIA is not just for Non-Catholics. Our program is for unbaptized, already baptized Christians, and already baptized Catholics seeking Confirmation. We invite all of the faithful, as RCIA is for the entire parish community. It is a wonderful way to grow the faith of the community as well as a continuation of conversion. If you are interested in joining the Catholic Church, please call the church office at 301.223.7959.

September 4 th , 2011	St. James	St. Augustine
Attendance	311	175
Offertory Envelopes	\$1,785	\$1,673
Offertory Electronic	\$365	\$550
Offertory Loose	\$635	\$337
Maintenance	\$824	\$466
Pastoral Collection	\$37	\$70
TOTAL	\$3,646	\$3,096

ANOTHER WAY OF GIVING!

St. Augustine 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 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, go to www.staugustinemd.org, or call the office.

Thank you for your weekly sacrificial giving and for your continued support toward the needs of the parish!

Please keep our military men and women in your prayers!



God Bless America

REGISTRATION

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Please complete and return by placing in the collection basket or by mailing to the church or bringing to the church office.

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IMPORTANT NUMBERS



To report child abuse by a church employee/volunteer 1.866.417.7469



To report financial/employee improprieties - 1.888.572.8026



For healing from an abortion – Rachel's Vineyard - 1.800.286.4224



For crisis pregnancy assistance – Gabriel Project - 301.262.9011



Vocations to priesthood/religious life - 410.547.5426