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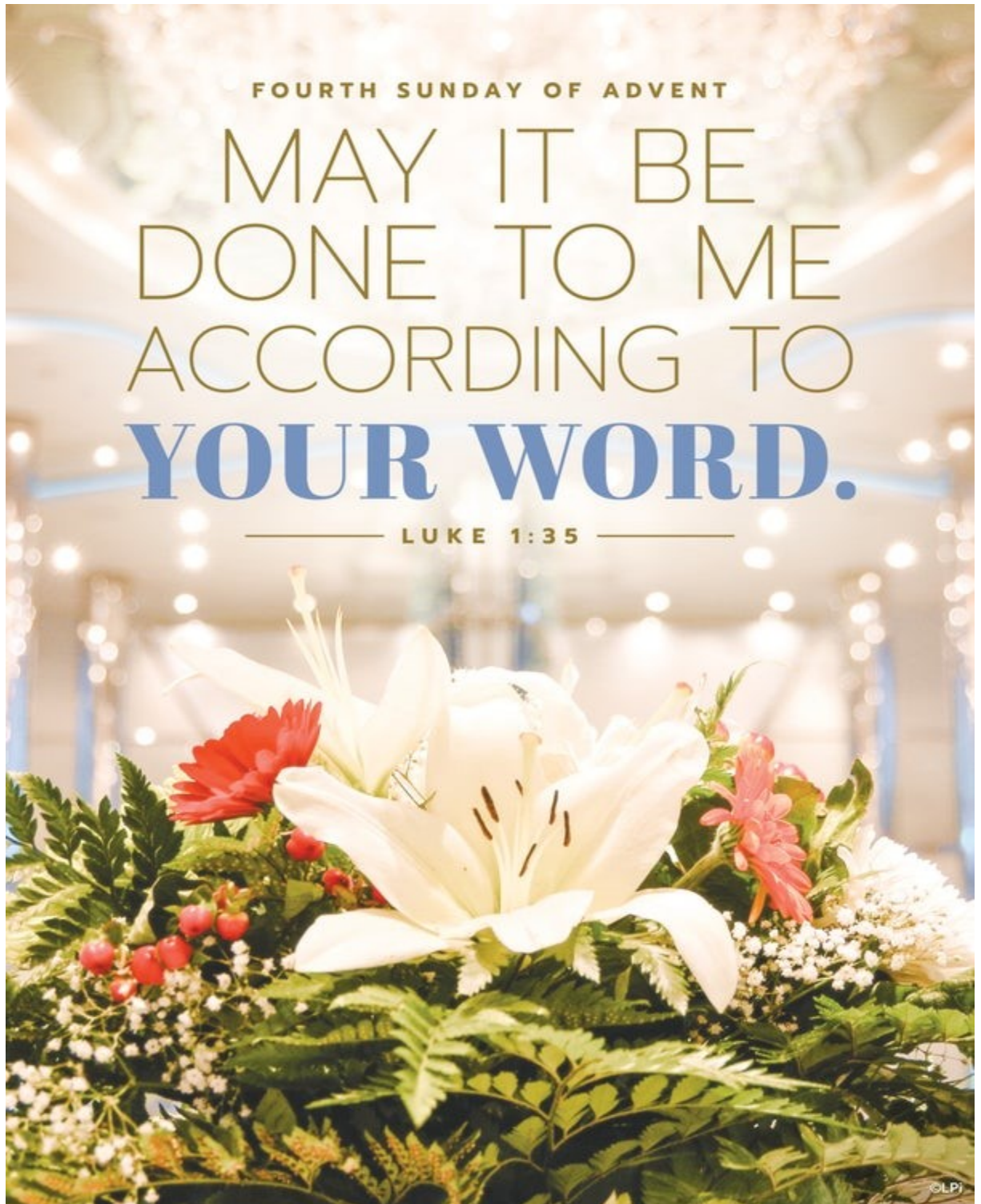
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Sunday, December 24, 2023



Date	Time	Intention	Req'd by
Saturday, December 23, 2023	5:00p	✠ Cliff Moore	Conrad & Bea Niester
Sunday, December 24, 2023	8:00a	✠ James Stansberry Sr.	Rick & Julie Snurka
Sunday, December 24, 2023	10:30a	✠ Carlton & Lucie Smith	Jim & Carole May
Sunday, December 24, 2023	4:30p	✠ Jacob Hutton	The Hutton Family
Sunday, December 24, 2023	7:00p	✠ Tina Plewka	The Plewka Family
Monday, December 25, 2023	Midnight	✠ Fr Bill & Deacon Barney	
Monday, December 25, 2023	10:00a	✠ Sara Smith	Jim & Carole May
No Mass Tuesday			
Wednesday, December 27, 2023	8:30a	For the children of St. Augustine	
Thursday, December 28, 2023	8:30a	For the people of St. Augustine	
Friday, December 29, 2023	8:30a	✠ Dennis Brown	
Saturday, December 30, 2023	5:00p	✠ Ronald Loiselle	Pat & Karen Schroeder
Sunday, December 31, 2023	8:00a	✠ Dennis Owocki	
Sunday, December 31, 2023	10:30a	✠ Geraldine Rachilla	SCW
Sunday, December 31, 2023	11:30p	✠ For all deceased mothers	
Monday, January 1, 2024	10:00a	For the good of the parish	

December 30 - January 1	Server	Lector	Eucharistic Minister
Saturday, Dec 30, 5:00 PM	Will Terry (sub req.) Joseph Kruttlin Jeannie Kruttlin	Ken Ganapini Dave Martens	Edwin Wickman Camille Wickman Joan Wirkner
Sunday, Dec 31, 8:00 AM	Edward Plewka Server Needed	Tom Rey Karen Trzcinski	Jessica McClorey Cindy Rey Steve Adams
Sunday, Dec 31, 10:30 AM	Rose Gillman (sub req.) Cataleya Destin-Parker Brooklyn Parker	Mark Krueger Tim Southerland	Cathy Krueger Michele Lubahn Ernie Good
Sunday, Dec 31, 11:30 PM New Year's Breakfast	Nicholas Ray (sub req.) Will Terry Aiden McCarty (sub req.)	Tim Asher Danny Zeppa	Lisa Zeppa Sandy Southerland
Monday, Jan 1, 10:00 AM New Year's Day	Clayton Myers Blake Myers Brayden Steele	Bill Barz Paul Taylor	Tim Fox Mike Terry

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WEEKLY READINGS AND OBSERVANCES

Readings for the week of December 24, 2023

Sunday: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/ Rom 16:25-27/Lk 1:26-38
 Monday: Is 52:7-10/ Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18
 Tuesday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/ Mt 10:17-22
 Wednesday: 1 Jn 1:1-4/ Jn 20:1a, 2-8
 Thursday: 1 Jn 1:5—2:2/ Mt 2:13-18
 Friday: 1 Jn 2:3-11/ /Lk 2:22-35
 Saturday: 1 Jn 2:12-17/Lk 2:36-40
 Next Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 /Col 3:12-21 /Lk 2:22-40
Observances for the week of December 24, 2023
 Sunday: 4th Sunday of Advent; Christmas Eve
 Monday: The Nativity of the Lord
 Tuesday: St. Stephen, First Martyr
 Wednesday: St. John, Apostle and Evangelist
 Thursday: The Holy Innocents, Martyrs
 Friday: St. Thomas Becket, Bishop and Martyr
 Saturday:
 Sunday: The Holy Family; New Year's Eve ©LPi

From the Pastor

Thanks everybody for your help in turning the church for Christmas.

Next week, Jan 1st, the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God, is a holy day. Because it falls on Monday the obligation to attend our gathering is dismissed. Masses will be scheduled on Dec 31 at 11:30 PM followed by breakfast and Jan 1 at 10:00.

Come pray in the New Year.

Fr. August

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Imagine how Mary felt at the birth of Jesus: excited, awed, frightened. Deep faith was her light in the darkness, for Jesus was born during the night of the year when darkness is the longest.

Your gift to our St. Augustine

Society of St. Vincent de Paul brings light into the darkness surrounding the hearts of those living in poverty, bringing them the real, lasting, and deep joy of Christmas.

Our next meeting is Thursday Jan 18 at 7 PM in the Family Center. Please come see what we are all about.
MERRY CHRISTMAS EVERYONE!!!



FIRST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

January 5, 2024

Exposition will be at 9:00 am.

Live worship music

during the 4:00 pm hour

Benediction and Reposition

will be at 5:00 pm

Please sign up in the white binder as we will need each hour covered from 9 am to 5:00 pm. Even if you don't sign up, ALL are welcome and encouraged to come for any portion of an hour.

Confession: Saturday 4:00 pm and Upon Request

Baptism: Call Parish House

Anointing of the Sick: As Requested

Marriage: Call Parish House For

Preparation Before Setting a Firm Date

AA meets Sundays 7:00 pm



Our Parish Support

Adult Envelopes (96)	\$4419.00
Electronic Giving (52)	\$2695.00
Loose Collection	\$353.00
Total	\$7467.00
St. Vincent de Paul (5)	\$255.00

Fourth Sunday of Advent, Cycle B

Sunday, December 24, 2023

Luke 1:26-38

The angel Gabriel visits Mary to announce the birth of Jesus.

This Sunday we read the story of the angel Gabriel's announcement to Mary about the birth of Jesus. This story is found only in Luke's Gospel. On this fourth Sunday of Advent, the liturgy shifts our attention from John the Baptist to Mary, the mother of Jesus. Both John and Mary serve as important figures for our reflection during the season of Advent; they both played instrumental roles in preparing the way for Jesus. Last week we reflected on John the Baptist's announcement that the Savior was among us, although not yet recognized. This week we reflect upon Mary's example of faith and obedience to God, traits which permitted her to receive the angel's message that God's Son would be born as a human person, as one of us.

This Week

Monday December 25

Merry Christmas

Tuesday December 26

Office Closed

Wednesday December 27

6:30pm Parish Rosary

Friday December 29

6:00pm LCCC Special Ministries
New Years Party

Saturday December 30

8:00am Men's Fellowship (YR)
6:00pm Youth Night
Christmas Party

Sunday December 31

Coffee & Donuts
11:30pm Mass & breakfast

Happy New Year

Monday January 1

10:00am Mass: Mary, Mother of God





54 Years Michael & Diane Durkin Dec 27
 45 Years Michael & Karen Kiker Dec 29
 41 Years Mark & Helene Dussault-Paulik Dec 28
 26 Years Joseph & Jill Laier Dec 27

Next Week

11 Years Jake & Jacqueline Thompson Jan 5



24 John Stevenson, Julianna Parzuchowski
 27 Scott Adams
 29 Carolyn Purchase, Kevin Golsch
 30 Salvatore Rinna

Next Week

1 Keith Hasenfratz
 2 Janet Fauer
 3 Matthew Mondro, Chad Hall, Kelly DeNicolo
 4 Debra Kinjorski
 5 Sharon Karagozian, Josephine Joki
 6 Geraldine Falkner, Luke Gorkkiewicz

Men's Fellowship

**Saturday morning at 8:00 am
 in the family center.**
We enjoy bagels and coffee.
We laugh, converse and worship.
Contact Jason Raines (517) 518-2062
Come and join us!

Knights of Columbus Next Membership Meeting Wednesday, January 10, 7pm

Knight of the month is Steve Masters
Family of the month is Robert & Susan Long

If you want to find new ways to help this parish and
 our community, please consider joining
 the Knights of Columbus. For information, contact
 Larry Quinn at (989) 859-5997

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 Lance Hasenfratz, SSG USA
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 Joshua Scheib, MM(SW/AW), USN
 Terry McGowan, SGT USA
 Brian Murphy, CS1 USCG
 Nikolas Masters, LCpl USMC
 Aaron Denison, E1 USA
 Carolyn Kehn, CPT USA

Please call or
 email the
 office if there
 are any
 additions or
 corrections
 for our service

PRAY FOR OUR SICK:

Brian Carless, Cathy Diamond,
 Kelsi Spurlin, Stephanie Taylor,
 Gregory Salinas, Nick Hiers,
 Lareina DePalma, Barbara
 Clinsmith, Carol Tykocki, Don
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 Raines, Jared Campbell, Richard
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 Rinna, David Collins, Karen Schauwecker, Delphine
 Kurta, Alana Chamberlain, Keegan Sergeant, George
 Hegel, Audry Gawenda, Terry Farrell, Mike Kowalski,
 Mary Quinn, Sue Long, Pat Moore, C.J. Callaghan,
 Debbie Rey, Julie Trombley, Chris Roche

The Gift of the Eucharist:



Retreat for Revival St Augustine Men's Retreat at St Francis Retreat Center in Dewitt

January 19-21, 2024

The Catholic Church is
 in year 2 of a three year
 Eucharistic Revival. We
 say the Eucharist is the

source and summit of our faith...but why? And what does
 that mean for you? This retreat will explore several
 aspects of the Eucharist from its Jewish roots through
 how the Eucharist is meant to transform every one of us.
 These weekend retreats, in addition to those talks, we'll
 have the normal opportunities for Mass, Reconciliation,
 and a special focus of Eucharistic Adoration. Consider
 being in the building and being able to go to Adoration
 during the overnight hours. You're invited to an encounter
 with the Eucharistic Lord.

A suggested donation of \$200 will be asked for during the
 retreat, or you can make your donation when you register
 online. If you cannot afford the full donation, we just ask
 that you give what you are able. **Contact Mike Terry**
810-423-0218 to hold a spot for you!



On Christmas Eve the other night
I saw the most amazing sight,
for there beneath the Christmas tree
was Santa kneeling on his knee.

His countenance was different than
that all-familiar, jolly grin;
his head was bowed, with hand to breast,
and slightly tucked into his vest.

For there in a nativity was
Jesus and His family,
and as I heard him start to pray
I listened close to what he'd say.

"Lord, You know that You're the reason
I take pleasure in this season.
I don't want to take Your place,
but just reflect Your wondrous grace.

I hope You'll help them understand
I'm just an ordinary man,
who found a way to do Your will
by finding kids with needs to fill.

But all those centuries ago,
there was no way for me to know
that they would make so much of me,
and all the gifts beneath the tree.

They think I have some hidden power
granted at the midnight hour,
but it is my love for You
inspiring the things I do.

And so when they begin to open gifts
for which they have been hoping,
may they give You all the glory,
for You're the One True Christmas Story."
by Alda Monteschio

Ladies Night Out!

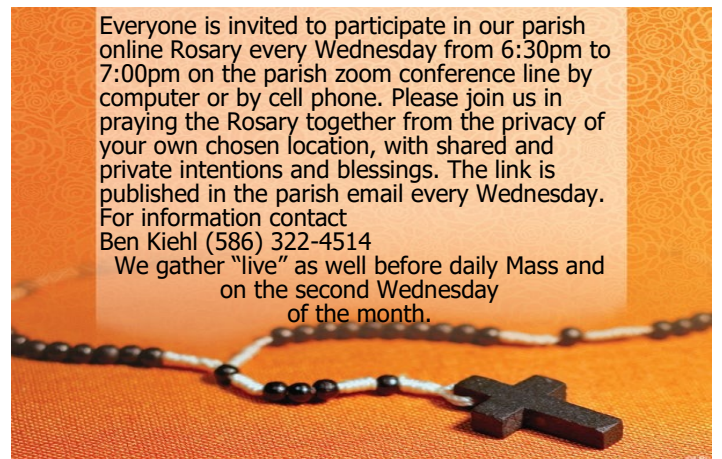
Join Us for
Food, Fun,
and Frivolity!

The Sisterhood of Catholic Women is
planning a night out on
January 19, 2024 in the
St. Augustine Family Center
We will have dinner and a show that
promises to be a lot of fun!
Advance tickets are \$30 and will be
available after each Mass as well as in
the office. Tickets will also be available
at the door for \$35
All are welcome!



The Sisterhood of Catholic Women wish you a
blessed and joyful Christmas! We invite you to
join us to gather in faith, form new friendships,
and support one another while doing acts of
charity. You are welcome to attend one of our
meetings to see what we're all about, meetings are the
second Wednesday of each month. We look forward to
seeing you!

Everyone is invited to participate in our parish
online Rosary every Wednesday from 6:30pm to
7:00pm on the parish zoom conference line by
computer or by cell phone. Please join us in
praying the Rosary together from the privacy of
your own chosen location, with shared and
private intentions and blessings. The link is
published in the parish email every Wednesday.
For information contact
Ben Kiehl (586) 322-4514
We gather "live" as well before daily Mass and
on the second Wednesday
of the month.



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