

Mass Intentions

- Sunday Dec 6th** For the repose of the soul of Eugenia Flocco requested by Gabriela and Michael Maresca.
- Sunday Dec 13th** For the repose of the soul of Collins Remington requested by his wife Mickey Remington.
- Thursday Dec 17th** For the repose of Michael Sladsky requested by the Gaudreault family.
- Sunday Dec 20^h** For the repose of the souls of Kevin and Noreen White requested by Joan Scorzello.
- Thursday Dec 24th** For the deceased in the Malone and Desrochers families requested by Mike Malone
- Friday Dec 25th** For the repose of the soul of Joe Ierfino requested by he Jaroslowski family.
- Sunday Dec 27th** For the repose of the soul of Elizabeth Purcell requested by the family.

Collections for November - \$4,830

Parish Dues \$25,255 to date

Heritage Fund \$ 31,320 to date

St. Augustine's Parish Fabrique Members

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Isabelle Gorska	Liturgy Liaison	450-653-3957
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Fabrique Election

Congratulations to Vivien Lépine and José Suárez who were elected by acclamation as wardens at a parishioners' meeting held after Mass on Sunday, 29 November 2020. Their 3-year terms of office begins in January 2021. Many thanks to the out-going wardens, Aldo Lugo and Sylvain Robert for their years of involvement as Maintenance warden and Vice Chair and Social Activities. Their sense of dedication and teamwork was much appreciated.

Protocol for returning to Church

Please call the church office at 450-653-4402 every Thursday from 2-4 pm to register for Sunday Mass at 9:15 am..

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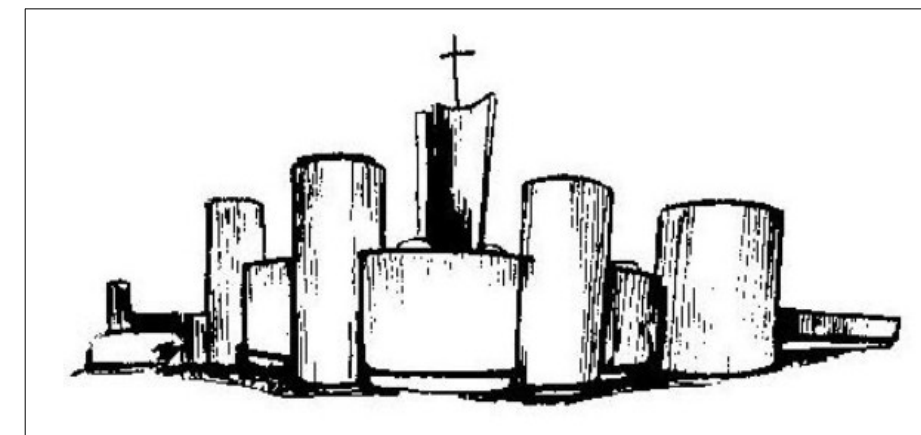
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St Augustine's Christmas Schedule of Masses:

Christmas Eve, December 24 at 8:00 pm (in person & Facebook Live)

<https://www.facebook.com/mass.saintjohnpaulii>

Christmas Day, December 25 at 9:15 am (in person & Facebook Live)

<https://www.facebook.com/mass.saintjohnpaulii>

New Year's Day, January 1 at 9:15 am (in person & FB Live)

<https://www.facebook.com/mass.saintjohnpaulii>

January 3rd at 9:15 am (in person & FB Live)

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Registration for Dec 20th, 24th and 25th will be on Thursday Dec 17th (2-4pm)

Registration for Dec 27th and Jan 1st will be on Wednesday Dec 23rd (2-4pm)

Registration for Jan 3rd will be on Wednesday Dec 30th (2-4pm)

For other Masses in the Saint John Paul II Pastoral Unit, please refer to the SWAY or on Facebook.

Reconciliation at St. Augustine's

Fr. Manus Bradley will be available for confessions following the Thursday 9:15 am Mass on December 17th.

The Pope's Prayer Intentions for December

For a Life of Prayer

We pray that our pastoral relationship with Jesus Christ be nourished by the Word of God and a life of prayer.

Update on the Heritage Project Repairs

Our visit with the city urbanist, Mr. Carl Forest, resulted in a confirmation that our project does not need to be presented at the 'Conseil Consultatif Urbain' committee. After some tweaking of the original bids, we received approval from the Conseil du Patrimoine Religieux and Bishop Hamelin to proceed to the next round of bids. On Thursday Nov 17th we gave the architects the green light to proceed. The end date for the bids is Dec. 9th and the winning bid will be announced a week or two after that. All work will start in the Spring.

Heritage Fundraising Brainstorm

As mentioned in an email dated Sept 27th we are looking at other means of raising funds for our church repairs. On Nov 21st twelve friends and parishioners of St Augustine came together to gather ideas for our 2021 fundraising plan. We used the breakout room feature in our new Zoom platform to divide into two groups of 6. Together we came up with over 50 ideas that will be evaluated at our next meeting in December. The outcome will be a solid fundraising plan for 2021. If you would like to be part of our team please contact Susan Leclair at 514-910-5245.

E-Transfers for St Augustine's

We now have the possibility to use E-transfers for our Parish donations.

st.augustine@bell.net (for parish dues & collections) or

st.augustine-heritage.fund@bell.net (for the Heritage project).

Kindly email us the answer to the security question for the transaction. Please include the type of donation (collection, parish dues) and indicate your church envelope # if you have one. We are pleased with its popularity as many parishioners are already using this method to transfer funds to St. Augustine's.

A great big Thank You to the Women's Guild!

Historically speaking the Women's Guild has donated thousands of dollars into the parish treasury to pay off debts. This tradition has continued this year with a donation of \$5000.00 to the Heritage Fund. We thank all the women, who through their different fundraising events, have worked very hard to raise these funds. Thank you for once again for helping the parish to maintain its structure and rich heritage.

Thank You!

Thank you Trinity Anglican Church!

We thank Trinity Anglican Church for their generous donation of \$1000.00 to the Heritage Fund. We have shared our sacred space with Trinity for over 10 years and look forward to seeing them back at St. Augustine's soon.

The Lions' Club Fruitcakes are back!

The Lions' Club will be selling their Christmas fruit cakes again this year for \$20.00 each. To place your order, please send an email to Coby Ingham at inghamc@bell.net. Orders will be accepted up to Saturday December 12th and are payable upon pick up at the church December 12th. The cakes are individually wrapped in cellophane, in a tin and then boxed with a carton wrap. Please forward all questions directly to Coby Ingham.

Our Cheese Fundraiser was Successful!

Thanks to our loyal cheese lovers, we are very happy to announce that we sold 182 boxes of cheese and this during a pandemic year! With very little face to face contact, we were able to maximize all of our communication channels to get the word out and this helped immensely. We even offered contact-less delivery for those who were uncomfortable to come to the church for pick-up. A pandemic forces you to re-think how you do things, but where there is a will, there is still a way. All precautions will be taken for a safe pick-up which will occur on December 12th from 9am-noon. We will be contacting purchasers individually by phone or by email. We sincerely thank you for your support in helping us raise \$2544.00. Michelle Gaudreault and Susan Leclair.

Join us for a Musical Benefit Concert

Christopher Gaudreault and Katelyn Emery have graciously agreed to give a Christmas concert on Zoom, Sunday Dec 20th at 7PM. There will be a mix of traditional and classical Christmas songs on piano and violin. Since there is a 100 person limit for our Zoom calls, registration will be on a first come basis. Please confirm your presence by contacting staugustin.bulletin@yahoo.com or leaving a message at the church. We will be accepting free will donations for this concert with 50% going directly to St. Augustine Parish. Thank you to these talented young people for sharing their gifts with us!



Bishop Hamelin has given us direction but we need your help!

In November's bulletin we shared Bishop's Hamelin's message called 'Dare to get close-differently'. He emphasized 3 poles to focus on in 2021 (communication, pastoral care of the most vulnerable, and to be able to listen to the Word of God; how the Word of God comes to reinvigorate our actions) St. Augustine's response to the Bishop's call has started but we need your help to complete a FOCUS 2021 plan that will provide direction for our parish. This steering committee will be made up of engaged and enthusiastic parishioners who are ready to embrace this vision and bring it to reality in 2021. Would you like to be part of this team? If you would like more information or would like to join this committee please send an email to staugustin.bulletin@yahoo.com by Dec 8th.

Welcome to our new Drop-In Café



On Tuesday Nov 17th we held our first Drop In Café on our Parish's new ZOOM platform. It was a great chance to catch up with our current parishioners and those from days gone by. Even though we need to physically distant we can still stay in touch socially. Join us every Tuesday at 1:30 – 2:30 the Zoom link will be on Facebook and in reminder emails. Please contact Mary Clermont or Susan Leclair for more information or leave a message at the church.

Parish Dues

To date, 113 parishioners have contributed \$25,255. Please remember that your cheque or Interac transfer to st.augustine@bell.net must be deposited before the end of the year, (Sunday Dec 27th) to be credited for 2020.

Special Christmas Bulletin Dec 18th

There will be a special bulletin with Father Manus' Christmas message and more. Stay tuned!

In Memoriam

Joe Ierfino, husband of Catherine Collins Ierfino, at the age of 79
Bill Bould on Tuesday Nov. 24th
Helena Klosowski, at the age of 87
Harold Furlotte November 2020

If you know of the passing of parishioners or former parishioners let us know at staugustine.bulletin@yahoo.com and Heidi Glaser glaserhille@gmail.com) for Sunday prayers.