

*A shoot shall  
sprout from the  
root of Jesse and  
a bud shall  
blossom.  
'The spirit  
of the Lord shall  
rest upon him,  
a spirit of wisdom  
and understanding,  
of counsel and  
strength.*

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### Parish Partnership Weekend Worship Schedule

**Eucharist:** Sat. 4:00 pm St. Augustine  
5:30 pm St. Dominic  
Sun. 8:00 am St. Augustine  
9:30 am St. Anthony  
11:00 am St. Dominic

**Baptism:** Celebrated after the weekend Liturgies by appointment. Baptismal preparation class required. Contact the parish office to register. **Set baptismal date at least two months in advance.**

**Reconciliation:** Saturday at 3:30 pm at St. Augustine Church or by appointment. Seasonal penance services offered during Advent & Lent with dates to be announced.

**Marriage:** Call the parish office **at least six months in advance.**

**Anointing of the Sick :** Offered annually or by appointment. Call the **parish office** or (618)-791-0069 for more information or to schedule an anointing.

### Welcome

**We encourage everyone 18 or older to register at the office as an adult parishioner.**

## Families of Faith in a Community of Grace Second Sunday of Advent December 07, 2025

### Directory

**St. Augustine Church** e-mail: [augustine306@att.net](mailto:augustine306@att.net)  
**Website:** [www.saintaugustinebreese.org](http://www.saintaugustinebreese.org)  
**Find us on Facebook:**

St. Augustine Catholic Church Breese Illinois

**Vision Statement:** "Called to Welcome, Serve and Celebrate"  
525 S. Third St. Breese (618)526-4362  
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**Website:** [www.stanthonybeckemeyer.org](http://www.stanthonybeckemeyer.org)  
**Vision Statement:** "Continuing to Create a Future Together"  
P.O. Box 305, 451 W. Third St. Beckemeyer (618)227-8236

**All Saints Academy** 295 N. Clinton Breese  
**Website:** [www.asasaints.com](http://www.asasaints.com) (618)526-4323

**Mater Dei High School** 900 N. Mater Dei Dr. Breese  
**School Website:** [www.materdeiknights.org](http://www.materdeiknights.org) (618)526-7216

**Diocesan websites:** [www.diobelle.org](http://www.diobelle.org)  
[www.bellevillemessenger.org](http://www.bellevillemessenger.org)  
[www.catholiccharitiesusa.org](http://www.catholiccharitiesusa.org)  
<http://catholiccharitiessil.org/ccsil>

**Project Rachel** (618)722-5068  
<http://www.diobelle.org/respectlife/project-rachel>

**Respect Life Ministry** (618)722-5040

**Sexual Abuse Hotline** 1-800-640-3044

### Religious Education:

**OCIA/RCIA** For more info please call one of the church office(s).

**Youth Faith Formation Classes:** Call CRE - Dan Robben at (618) 604-3792 or the parish office for more information.

### Youth Ministry Moderators:

Amy Camillo Rhonda Pulver (248) 840-1857  
Erin Etheridge (618) 604-7640 Paris Stulir (618) 910-4551

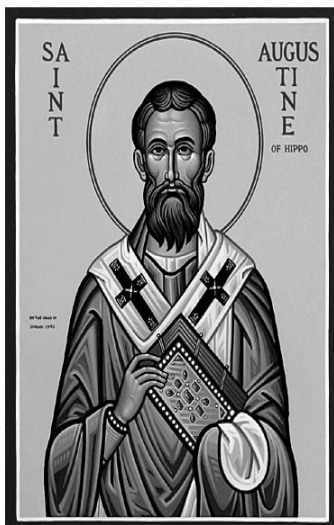
### Parish Staff

**Pastor:** Fr. Chuck Tuttle (618)526-2566  
**Pastoral Associate/DRE:** Phyllis Berndsen (618)791-0069  
**Permanent Deacon/DRE:** Dcn. Jay Fowler (618)973-3162  
**Maintenance:** Richard Korte (618)402-5964  
**Office Manager:** Carol Hilmes (618)526-4362  
(618)227-8236  
**Business Manager:** Dennis Krebs St. Augustine  
**Business Manager:** Karri Kampwerth St. Anthony

### Office Hours

**Breese:** Monday, Wednesday, Friday 7:30am-4:30pm  
**Beckemeyer:** Tuesday & Thursday 7:30am-12:00pm

**\*BULLETIN DEADLINE: Tuesday at 10am**



## Second Sunday of Advent

### December 07, 2025

#### St. Augustine

12/06 Sat 4:00pm Mary Schadegg †  
 12/07 Sun 8:00am Anthony & Gertrude Voss †  
 12/08 Mon **8:00am Immaculate Conception**  
 10:18am All School Mass (Mater Dei)  
 12/09 Tues Noon -1pm Adoration  
 12/10 Wed 8:00am  
 St. Augustine Parish Faith Community  
 12/11 Thurs **7:00 - 8:00pm Pro-Life Night of Prayer**  
 12/12 Fri No Service  
 12/13 Sat 4:00pm Judy Brown †  
 12/14 Sun 8:00am Joe C. Maue †  
 Living & Deceased of the Vince Mensing Family

#### St. Anthony

12/06 Sat No Service  
 12/07 Sun 9:30am  
 Living & Deceased of the St. Ann Altar Sodality  
 12/08 Mon 10:18am All School Mass (Mater Dei)  
**5:00pm Immaculate Conception**  
 12/09 Tues 7:30am Jim Etter †  
 12/10 Wed No Service  
 12/11 Thurs **7:00 - 8:00pm Pro-Life Night of Prayer**  
 (St. Augustine)  
 12/12 Fri 7:30am Ray Petermeyer †  
 12/13 Sat No Service  
 12/14 Sun 9:30am Edwin Gebke †  
 Tom & Evelyn Johnson †

#### Advent Reconciliation Services

<b>Dec. 7</b> 1:00pm St. Damian, Damiansville <b>Dec. 9</b> 6:30pm Holy Trinity, Fairview Heights <b>Dec. 9</b> 6:30pm St. Stephen, Flora <b>Dec. 9</b> 7:00pm St. Rose, St. Rose <b>Dec. 10</b> 6:30pm St. Mary, Carlyle	<b>Dec. 11</b> 6:00pm Cathedral of St. Peter, Belleville <b>Dec. 11</b> 6:30pm St. Theresa, Salem <b>Dec. 14</b> 3:00pm St. Boniface, Germantown <b>Dec. 14</b> 6:00pm St. Francis, Aviston <b>Dec. 15</b> 6:00pm St. Mary, Mt. Vernon
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#### ST. ANTHONY MINISTRY SCHEDULES

Ministry:	Greeters	Lector	Ushers	Gift Bearers
<b>Mon., Dec. 8</b> <b>5:00pm</b>	Myra Brown Karri Kampwerth	Carolyn Davenport	Keith Kampwerth, Doc Kapp Brian & Sara Kampwerth	Ushers
<b>Sun., Dec. 14</b> <b>9:30am</b>	Kelly Pollmann Diane Winkeler	Erin Etheridge	Mike & Sharon Peppenhorst Dennis Pollmann, Gary Winkeler	Johnson Family

**Extra-ordinary Ministers:** **Mon., Dec. 8 at 5:00pm** Karen Beckemeyer, Linda Mensing, Geri Pollmann, Volunteer  
**Sun., Dec. 14 at 9:30am** Grace Etheridge, Olivia Etheridge, Lisa Johnson, Drew Pollmann  
**Altar Servers:** **Mon., Dec. 8 at 5:00pm** Savanna Hopkins, Marshall Timmermann, Sabrina Timmermann  
**Sun., Dec. 14 at 9:30am** Gwyn Eyheridge, Scarlett Gramann, Max Pulver  
**Sacristans:** **December 7 - 13** Pauline Albers **December 14 - 20** Annette Burkhardt

#### ST. AUGUSTINE MINISTRY SCHEDULES

Ministry:	Altar Servers	Lectors	Ushers	Gift Bearers
<b>Mon., Dec. 8</b> <b>8:00am</b>	Men of The Parish	Katie Siefker	Men of the Parish	A.S.A. Students
<b>Sat., Dec. 13</b> <b>4:00pm</b>	Abbie Maxwell Gabby Maxwell	Cierra Hilmes	Kevin & Dara Hagen Steve Hagen, Jeff Schulte	Brown Family
<b>Sun., Dec. 14</b> <b>8:00am</b>	Noah Rauen Wyatt Rauen	Michael Klein	Jerry Korte, John Rakers Jamie Voss, Tony Voss	Maue Family

**Extra-ordinary Ministers:** **Mon., Dec. 8 at 8:00am** Phyllis Berndsen, Katie Siefker  
**Sat., Dec. 13 at 4:00pm** Amy Boeckman, Julie Boeckman, Cierra Hilmes, Ralph Kuhl  
**Sun., Dec. 14 at 8:00am** Ian Berndsen, Ruth Jansen, Michael Klein, Mary Ann Rakers  
**Sacristan:** **December 7 - 13** Phyllis Berndsen **December 14 - 20** Mary Ann Rakers  
**Extraordinary Minister to the Home Bound:** **Dec. 7** Nancy Renschen **Dec. 14** Emily Timmermann

Dear Friends,  
“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!” So proclaimed John the Baptist as he prepared the world for the coming of the Messiah. We may not be preparing for Jesus Christ’s arrival in the flesh or plunging into the Jordan River, but John’s words apply just as much today as they did then. We must recognize and repent of our sins in order to be prepared for the Lord’s arrival in our lives in any way. And the kingdom of heaven is still at hand, glimpsed when we are reconciled with God and our neighbor. May we hear John’s words as if they were directed to us here and now.

**THIS WEEK’S SCRIPTURE LESSON:** Each Sunday of Advent this year, the first reading is taken from the book of the prophet Isaiah and the Gospel is from Matthew. Matthew’s Gospel consistently portrays Jesus and his mission as a fulfillment of the promise God made to the Chosen People. Therefore, Matthew strives to connect the dots between Isaiah, the paramount prophet of the Hebrew scriptures, and Jesus Christ. Today we hear Isaiah and John the Baptist describe in terms poetic and practical the coming of God’s chosen one. May their words strengthen our anticipation of and preparation for the Lord’s coming.

**STEWARDSHIP:** We can derive hope from the Scriptures, because God wishes human beings to be His collaborators in the work of creation, redemption and sanctification; and such collaboration involves Stewardship in its most profound sense.

**A REMINDER:** This weekend please welcome Fr. Jim Nall as the celebrant for the Masses at both parishes, as I attend the Winter Illinois State Council Knights of Columbus Organizational meeting in Peoria. Please keep our First Communicants in your prayers as they will be receiving their First Reconciliation on Wednesday, December 10th in St. Dominic Church at 6:45pm. This year the Prolife Night of Prayer will only be one hour from 7-8pm and will be held in St. Augustine Church. Please come and spend one hour in prayer and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament for the end to abortion and other life threatening issues.

**A QUESTION FOR THE WEEK:** How can my family live together more harmoniously? What can I do to help make this happen?

God bless,

*Fr. Chuck*

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## ***St. Augustine News...***

**Building & Grounds:** Tuesday, December 9 at 6:30pm

**Holy Name:** Tuesday, December 9 at 7:30p.m.

**\*\*No BINGO in December\*\***

**Next Bingo January 18!**

**Food Collection** - We are collecting non-perishable food for House of Manna in Breese.

Please place your donation in the containers in the gathering space. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

**Please remember to check the Giving Wreath** out in the gathering space. There are multiple giving options to choose from. If writing a check, please make it out to the option of your choice, place it in the wishing well.

**Congratulations to our newly elected Pastoral Council Members: Ron Foppe & Mary Ann Rakers. Thank you to all those who served in & ran for the open positions on the council.**

**Pro-Life Corner:** Thursday, December 11, The Annual Pro-Life Night of Prayer service will be hosted by St. Augustine 7:00-8:00pm. Please join us in praying our state and nation will get back on a moral and virtuous path and our culture will change to more fully appreciate and cherish our Lord's precious gift of life.

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### **St. Augustine** **ATTENDANCE**

Nov. 29 4:00pm.....83      Nov. 30 8:00am.....120

### **OUR GIFTS TO GOD**

**General Collection:** Loose: \$312.00      Envelopes: \$1,810.00(49)

### **Other Envelopes:**

Bldg. Fund \$15.00(2), Christmas \$100.00(1), Christmas Flowers \$100.00(1), Education \$5.00(1), Sister Parish \$5.00(1),

### **E-Giving Week of November 26-30:**

**General Collection:** \$240.00(1)    **Building Fund:** \$5.00(1)

**Education Fund:** \$0.00(-)

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## ***St. Anthony News...***

**St. Ann Sodality Christmas Party** Friday, December 12 at 6pm  
at St. Anthony's Parish Center

**Food Collection** - Thank you to everyone who donated to the food drive for Matthew 25.

**Men of the Parish** - Friday, December 12 is the Ladies Sodality Christmas Party. We need volunteers to help at the meal and deliver meals to the home bound.

**Ladies Sodality will be holding a Bunco and Dessert Party** on Monday, Monday, December 15 at 1:00 pm in the Parish Center. Cost is \$5 per person. Be sure to join in the fun! This event is open to everyone from all area parishes. November BUNCO workers are Pauline Albers, Jan Gonzalez, Mary Kelso, Diane Winkeler.

**Please remember to check the Jesse Tree** out at the back of church. This year there are multiple giving options to choose from. If writing a check to donate, please make it out to St. Anthony Church. The cash and checks will be deposited & one check will be written for each option according to parishioner choices. Your gift can be placed in the collection basket.

**Congratulations to our newly elected Pastoral Council Members: Jon Mendoza & Paige (Johnson) Spihlmann. Thank you to all those who served in & ran for the open positions on the council.**

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### **St. Anthony** **ATTENDANCE**

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### **OUR GIFTS TO GOD**

**General Collection:** Loose: \$122.00      Envelopes: \$1,117.00(24)

### **Other Envelopes:**

Bldg. Fund \$85.00(4), Cath. Camp. Hum. Dev. \$10.00(1), Cemetery \$25.00(1), Christmas Flowers \$10.00(1), ), Education \$10.00(1), Sr. Parish \$40.00(3)

### **E-Giving Week of November 30, 2025:**

**General Collection:** \$1820.00(14)

**Building Fund:** \$100.00(1)

### **Upcoming Classes & Events:**

**-Baptismal Prep Class:** Please contact your church office to register for the December 9 class at St. Augustine.

**-Cor:** Saturday, December 13 from 8-9:30am at Mater Dei Chapel.

**-HOLY HOUR HAPPY HOUR FOR YOUNG ADULTS (AGES 21-35)** on Friday, December 19th. We'll begin by attending the St. Boniface Parish Adoration scheduled in Germantown at 6:30 PM for a *Holy Hour*. Afterwards, around 7:30 PM, the young adults group will meet at Slots and Scoops in Germantown with Father Thomas Luge for a *Happy Hour*. We'll end the evening with the Christmas light display in Carlyle. Come for some, or come for all—we hope to see you there!

**-Save the Date: St. Augustine Trivia Night - Saturday, February 7, 2026 More information to follow**

### **Announcing the Missions International Sister Parish Trip to Guatemala: June 25-29, 2026**

Please join us to experience first-hand the joys of a closer relationship with your sister parish. The trip begins on Thursday, June 25, 2026 with an early morning flight, arriving in Guatemala City at 1:00 pm. You will be picked up at the airport by your sister parish, continue traveling to your sister parish, and arrive in your sister parish by late afternoon/early evening that same day. You will spend Thursday night through Monday, June 29 in your sister parish. By Monday early evening you will return back to Guatemala City. Monday evening and Tuesday evening will be spent in Guatemala City with a group trip to Antigua on Tuesday. The return flight to the United States will be on Wednesday, July 1. There are only 30 seats reserved on the flight. If you are interested in this trip, please RSVP to [sisterparish13@gmail.com](mailto:sisterparish13@gmail.com). Only 2-3 people are allowed per parish and spots are available on a first to reply basis. If you have any questions regarding the trip contact Deacon Jay Fowler.

### **Please remember in your prayers:**

**All those serving in the military and everyone listed:**

Carl & Jackie Aarns	Edwin Albers	Norb & Ruth Albers
Michael Berndsen	Veronica Blumenstein	Megan Brandmeyer
Sadie Bryan	Judith Deien	Julie (Schlueter) Detmer
Dave Deutsch	Christie Dust	Betty Erlinger
Roger Foppe	Carol Fritch	Arnel Garcia Family
Jupe Gonzalez	JoAnn Gray	Gerri Haar
Mary Haar	Pat Hagen	Richard Hellige
Rich Holtgrave	Gertrude Holthaus	Hostmeyer Family
Greg Jansen	Tony Jansen	Kevin Korte
Rose Kuhl	Jeff Jahnke	Gabrielle Ludwig
Theresa Luitjohan	Mary Ann Maue	
Dana Beckmann-Marks	Carol Meier	Joe Mobley
Doris Mueller	Mark Niemeyer	Rachel Peters
Florence Pingsterhaus		Kathy Pingsterhaus
Carolyn Porter	Jerome Ratermann	Joanie Rolfingsmeier
Pat Rollins	Fr. Carl Schrage	Jim Book
Dwight & Mary Beth Shubert	Marian Suhl	Marcel Thole
Clete Timmermann	Loretta Trame	Lucille Trame
Dottie Wellinghoff	Gerri Wellinghoff	Agnes White
Mary Ann Wobbe	Special Intentions	Mel

*If you have anyone who needs to be added or removed from this list, please contact the Parish Office.*

### **Breese/Beckemeyer Youth Faith Formation:**

**1st Reconciliation(2nd Grade) - Wed., December 10 at 6:45pm**

**Reconciliation Service - Wed., December 17 at 6:45pm**

### **Breese/Beckemeyer Youth Ministry:**

**Next Life Night is Sunday, December 7 at 6pm in the Upper Room at St. Augustine Parish Center.**

Please watch Groupme for more updates!

**Volunteer Opportunity:** Saturday, December 13 at 8:45am at St. Anthony Parish Center, we will be helping fill & deliver fruit baskets for senior citizens in the area. Please check Groupme for updates!



### **Knights News Breese K of C Council # 2869:**

#### **Breese K of C #2869 Meeting:**

Thursday, **December 11 Pro-Life Night of Prayer (Leading Rosary) Service begins at 7:00pm**  
**Meeting will immediately follow at the KC Hall**

**4th Degree Meeting:** Tuesday, **December 16**, 7:30pm at St. George Parish Center, New Baden

**Taco Tuesday:** 4:30pm - 7:00pm, **Wing Thursday:** 4:30pm - 7:00pm, **Chicken Fry Fridays:** 4:30pm - 7:00pm  
*(All meals are eat in or take-out and are served in the basement.)*

**5th Sunday Breakfast:** 03/29/2026 & 5/31/2026 from 8-11am

### **2025 SECOND WEEK OF ADVENT**

#### **Daily Scripture and Reflections in Preparation for Christmas**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>7 2nd Sunday of Advent</b> Christ will bring us to new life and new growth. <i>Isaiah 11:1-10 Romans 15:4-9 Matthew 3:1-12</i>	<b>8 Immaculate Conception</b> Mary, Immaculate, bore for us the Savior of the world. <i>Genesis 3:9-15, 20 Eph. 1:3-6, 11-12 Luke 1:26-38</i>	<b>9 St. Juan Diego</b> <i>The Lord our God comes with power.</i> <i>Isaiah 40:1-11 Matthew 18:12-14</i>	<b>10 Our Lady of Loreto</b> God is with us in all our struggles. <i>Isaiah 40:25-31 Matthew 11:28-30</i>	<b>11 Pope St. Damasus I</b> We desire the coming of God's Kingdom in all its fullness. <i>Isaiah 41:13-29 Matthew 11:11-15</i>	<b>12 Our Lady of Guadalupe</b> <i>Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord.</i> <i>Zechariah 2:14-17 Luke 1:39-47</i>	<b>13 St. Lucy</b> <i>Prepare the way of the Lord.</i> <i>Sirach 48:1-4, 9-11 Matthew 17: 9a, 10-13</i>