

Blessed  
are you  
among  
women



and blessed  
is the  
fruit of  
your womb

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## Families of Faith in a Community of Grace

### Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 19, 2021

#### 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 **526-4362**  
St. Augustine Parish Center 526-4341

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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 **227-8236**

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

**Mater Dei High School** 900 N. Mater Dei Dr. Breese  
**School Website:** [www.materdeiknights.org](http://www.materdeiknights.org) 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** 722-5068  
<https://www.diobelle.org/respectlife/project-rachel>

**Respect Life Ministry** 722-5040

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

#### Religious Education:

**RCIA** - Monday at 7:00 pm at St. Dominic Parish Annex, please call 618-52-4362 or 618-227-8236

**Youth Faith Formation Classes:** CRE – Dan Robben

Wednesday evening from 6:30-7:45 pm at St. Dominic

#### Youth Ministry Moderators:

Diane Klostermann 910-9266 Cheryl Loepker 526-7594

Angie Pollmann 604-3116 Rhonda Pulver (248) 840-1857

#### Worship Schedule

**Eucharist:** Sat. 4:00 pm St. Augustine

5:30 pm St. Anthony

Sun. 8:30 am St. Anthony

10:00 am St Augustine

**Baptism:** Celebrated after the weekend Liturgies by appointment. Baptismal preparation class required. Contact the **parish office** to register. Set baptismal date six weeks 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:** Annually offered at Mass or as needed. Call the **parish office**.

#### Welcome, new parishioners!

We invite everyone 18 or older to register at the office as adults.

#### Parish Staff

Pastor: Fr. Chuck Tuttle 526-2566  
Pastoral Associate/DRE: Phyllis Berndsen 526-4330  
Pastoral Associate/DRE: Phyllis Mensing 977-1569  
Maintenance: Richard Korte 402-5964  
Office Manager: Carol Hilmes 526-4362  
227-8236

Business Manager: Dennis Krebs St. Augustine  
Business Manager: Karri Kampwerth St. Anthony

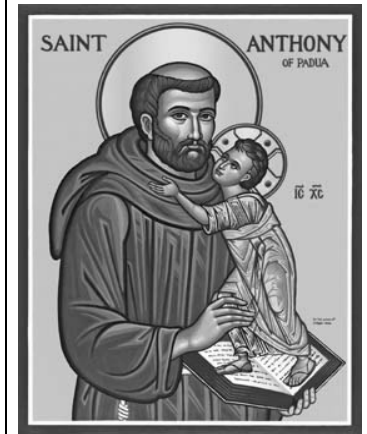
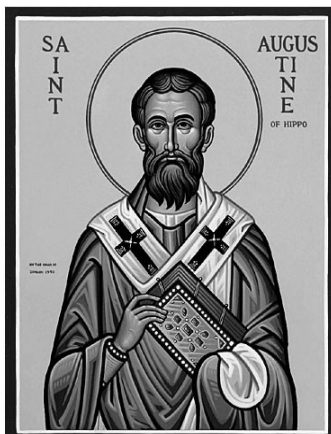
#### Office Hours

**Breese:** Mon. & Wed. 8-10:30 a.m., Wed. 4:30—6:30 p.m. & Thurs. 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

**Beckemeyer:** Tues. 8 - 10:30 a.m. & 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.  
Fri. Closed for Christmas Eve

**Bulletin deadline: Monday at 10 a.m.**

*For Christmas & New Year Holidays*



**Fourth Sunday of Advent**

**December 19, 2021**

**THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES OF**

**ST. AUGUSTINE**

**ST. ANTHONY**

<b>St. Augustine</b>		<b>Carlyle Healthcare Ctr.</b>	<b>St. Anthony</b>		
Mon	No Services	Mon	No Services	Mon	No Services
Tues	All Schools Mass (St. Dominic)	Tues	No Services	Tues	All Schools Mass (St. Dominic)
Wed	No Mass	Wed	No Services	Wed	No Services
Thu	No Services	Thu	No Mass	Thu	No Mass
Fri	4:00 pm <i>Christmas Eve</i> Our Parish Family	Fri	No Services	Fri	6:00 pm <i>Christmas Eve</i> Our Parish Family
Sat	10:00 am <i>Christmas Day</i> Our Parish Family	Sat	No Services	Sat	8:00 am <i>Christmas Day</i> Our Parish Family
Sun	7:00 am Victims of Domestic Violence	Sun	No Services	Sun	8:30 am Tom Kruse †
	10:00 am Sara Isaak †				Lorraine Gonzalez †

**“Masks are required for all individuals attending all Masses, Meetings, and Social Events on Church grounds.”**

—Fr. Chuck

**ALTAR SERVERS**

No altar servers are scheduled at any Masses

**LECTORS**

Fri. 4:00 pm To Be Announced (Christmas Vigil)  
 Sat. 10:00 am Parker Huelskamp (Christmas)  
 Sun. 7:00 am To Be Announced  
 10:00 am Carmen Foppe

**GIFT BEARERS**

Fri. 4:00 pm To Be Announced (Christmas Vigil)  
 Sat. 10:00 am To Be Announced (Christmas)  
 Sun. 7:00 am To Be Announced  
 10:00 am Julie & Doug Isaak

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS**

Fri. 4:00 pm To Be Announced (Christmas Vigil)  
 Sat. 10:00 am To Be Announced (Christmas)  
 Sun. 7:00 am To Be Announced  
 10:00 am To Be Announced

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS TO THE SICK**

December 19 - Julie Hummert December 26 - Julie Hummert

**USHERS FOR DECEMBER**

Sat. 4:00 pm Kevin & Dara Hagen  
 Dennis Krebs, Jeff Schulte  
 Sun. 10:00 am Brad Boeckman, Dan Jansen  
 Roger Loepker, Bob Maue

**SACRISTAN**

December 19-25 Katie Siefker  
 December 26– January 1 Lynn Maue

**OUR GIFTS TO GOD**

**December 8 Immaculate Conception Attendance 63**  
 Loose \$8.10 Envelopes \$115 Total \$123.10

**December 11/12 Attendance Sat. 114 Sun. 96**  
 Loose \$234 Envelopes \$2127 (54/278) Total \$ 2,361.00

Building Fund \$370(7), Christmas \$90(2), Christmas Flowers \$325 (17), Collection for Needy \$20(1), Hispanic Ministry \$231, Immaculate Conception \$50(5), Retirement for Religious \$260(9), Sister Parish \$25(3), Solemnity of Mary \$5(1)

**CSMA 21 Goal:** \$8,430.00 Pledged: \$8,763.70 (103%) (58)

**GREETERS**

Fri. 6:00pm *Christmas Vigil*  
 Diane Winkeler, Kelley Pollmann  
 Sat. 8:00 am *Christmas* Linda Fowler  
 Sun. 8:30 am Erin Etheridge & Family

**ALTAR SERVERS**

Fri. 6:00pm *Christmas Vigil* Peyton & Aspen Hollenkamp  
 Sat. 8:00 am *Christmas* Anna & Myah Pollmann  
 Sun. 8:30 am Olivia Etheridge, Marshall Timmermann

**LECTORS**

Fri. 6:00pm *Christmas Vigil* Rhonda Pulver  
 Sat. 8:00 am *Christmas* John Hilmes  
 Sun. 8:30 am Stephanie Hamilton

**GIFT BEARERS**

Fri. 6:00pm *Christmas Vigil* Dennis Pollmann Family  
 Sat. 8:00 am *Christmas* Steve Hilmes Family  
 Sun. 8:30 am Family of Lorraine Gonzalez

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS**

Fri. 6:00pm *Christmas Vigil* Keith Kampwerth  
 Sat. 8:00 am *Christmas* Linda Mensing  
 Sun. 8:30 am Karen Becker

**USHERS**

Fri. 6:00pm *Christmas Vigil*  
 Gary Winkeler, Dennis Pollmann, Brian & Sara Kampwerth  
 Sat. 8:00 am *Christmas*  
 Linda & Jay Fowler, Doc Kapp, Keith Kampwerth  
 Sun. 8:30 am Lisa & Kenny Johnson, Greg Kruse, Mike Etheridge

**SACRISTAN**

December 12-18 Bev Carter  
 December 19-25 Etta Kampwerth

**OUR GIFTS TO GOD**

**December 8 Immaculate Conception Attendance 51**  
 Loose \$42 Envelopes \$199 Total \$241

**December 11/12 Attendance Sat. 56 Sun. 98**  
 Loose \$234 Envelopes \$770 (32/158) Total \$ 1,004.00

Cemetery \$30(1), Christmas Flowers \$190 (13), Immaculate Conception \$20 (2), Education \$15(2), Hispanic Ministry \$182, Retirement for Religious \$180(4), Upkeep \$225(2)

**Mail-In**

All Saints \$5(1), Christmas \$10(1), Immaculate Conception \$5(1), Sister Parish \$10(1), Upkeep \$10(1)

**CSMA 21 Goal:** \$5,007.00 Pledged: \$5,934.00 (117%)(38)

Dear Friends,

We draw close to the end of this season of expectation, this season of preparation, this season of waiting. For three weeks we have been anticipating that glorious day that is now just over the horizon. Let us break from all the hustle and bustle that threaten to overwhelm the true meaning of this holy event and share in the pure joy of Mary and Elizabeth, two mothers expecting their first children, who in today's Gospel exult in each other's blessedness.

**THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE LESSON:** Our anticipation of the Lord's birth is mirrored in the words from scripture that we hear today. Micah, who lived eight centuries before Jesus was born, proclaims that a long-awaited ruler from the line of David will come from the little town of Bethlehem. The author of Hebrews asserts that Jesus was born into the world to be himself an offering according to the Father's will. Luke tells the story of Mary visiting her older cousin Elizabeth, who, filled with the Holy Spirit, becomes the first to call her blessed. Filled with the Holy Spirit, let us focus our anticipation on God's blessings.

**STEWARDSHIP:** Mary, by her example, most perfectly teaches the meaning of discipleship and stewardship in their fullest sense. All of their essential elements are found in her life: she was called and gifted by God; she responded generously, creatively and prudently; she understood her divinely assigned role as "handmaid" in terms of service and fidelity.

**A REMINDER:** As we approach the final days of Advent before Christmas, it is time to fully open ourselves to the graces and blessings that flow from a God who loved us so much as to become one with us, to bring us to a fuller understanding of Himself and to offer Himself as a living sacrifice for our sins. Please see the Christmas and weekend schedule below.

**A QUESTION FOR THE WEEK:** Whom can I visit this Christmas season, bearing Christ and bringing joy, whom I hadn't planned to see?

God bless,

*Fr. Chuck*

## St. Augustine News. . .

### **YOUR HELP IS NEEDED:**

**Our Jesse Wreath of Giving** has been placed in the gathering space. There are several suggestions. **Make your checks payable to the charity of your choice or a cash donation.** **Please do not make checks payable to St.**

**Augustine.** Return your sealed envelope to the wishing well located by the wreath by NOON on or before December 29. Thank You !!

**We will begin Server participation after or on January 1, 2022** Any youth Grade 4-12 are eligible and welcomed. Practices will begin during Christmas break and to be announced depending on number interested. Please call Phyllis 526-4330

**Thank you to the Frank Usselman Family for the generous donation made in his memory to St. Augustine Church.**

### **Pre-Cana Class: Sunday, March 6, 2022.**

Please contact our Pastoral Associates, St. Anthony: Phyllis Mensing 977-1569 & St. Augustine: Phyllis Berndsen 526-4330 for more information.



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## St. Anthony News. . .

**The December Charity will be the Jesse Tree** - We will once again be collecting Christmas gifts for the Community Link SILA residents. If willing to donate, please choose an ornament from the Jesse Tree located at the back of church. Please return your wrapped gift, attach the ornament, and place under the Jesse Tree. Gifts need to be turned in by **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19TH.**

**Christmas Decorating** All are welcome to come help decorate the Church for Christmas on Tuesday, December 21st 6pm. Following the decorating of the Church, there will be a social gathering at the rectory. Feel free to bring cookies, appetizers and your beverages.

**On Christmas Eve, the Choir will sing Christmas carols one half hour before Mass. On Christmas Day, the choir will sing Christmas Carols 15 minutes before Mass. Come and join us.**

**Lectors:** Please call or email the Church office if you have not picked up your 2022 Lector book. I will arrange a pickup time & make sure that you are on your preferred Mass day.



**A special thank you to Tom Mensing & Gary Winkeler for repairing the Church bell, so it is able to ring again. All of your hard work is appreciated!**

### **Holiday Mass Schedule:**

**Christmas Eve** - St. Augustine: 4p.m. St. Anthony: 6p.m. St. Dominic: 5:30p.m. & 10:30 p.m.

**Christmas Day** - St. Augustine: 10a.m. St. Anthony: 8a.m. St. Dominic 9a.m.

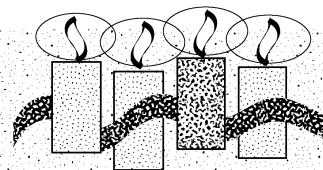
**New Years Eve** - St. Augustine: 4p.m. St. Anthony: No Mass St. Dominic: 5:30p.m.

**New Years Day** - St. Augustine: No Mass St. Anthony: 8:30 a.m. St. Dominic: 9a.m.

**On Christmas Day there will be no Vigil Mass for your Sunday obligation. Only the Christmas Liturgy will be said.**

**On New Years Day there will be Vigil Masses for Sunday obligation:**

St. Augustine: 4p.m. St. Anthony: 5:30p.m. St. Dominic: 5:30p.m.



**Youth Ministry**

**Youth ministry will have a pizza party and write Christmas cards on 12/19 at 7 pm at St. Augustine cafeteria.**

**The next youth ministry meeting will be 1/2/22 at St. Dominic cafeteria.** Anyone planning to help with the Luke 18 or play basketball should attend.

**High school youth – turn in your t-shirt designs to Diane for the Luke 18.**


**Updates for Youth Ministry events will be posted on Groupme.** High School youth wanting updates for youth ministry events, download the groupme app and please contact Cheryl, Rhonda or Diane to be added to the groupme.

*Any adult wanting to assist with youth ministry, please contact Diane, Cheryl, Angie or Rhonda. Share your faith with the youth as they share theirs with you.*

**Please remember in your prayers:**

Carl Aarns	Norb Albers	Jane Baumgartner
Dolores Benhoff	Veronica Blumenstein	
Sadie Bryan	Tim Cass	Mel Deien
Joyce Deiters	Christie Dust	Betty Erlinger
Carol Gwinn	Gerri Haar	Mike Haar
Fr. Vince Haselhorst	Jeff Heimann	Carla Hilmes
Julie Hilmes	Rich Holtgrave	Edna Holthaus
Gertrude Holthaus	Greg Jansen	Dolores Jansen
Rose Kuhl	Dennis Kuper	Evie Lammers
Bernice Langhauser	Gabrielle Ludwig	Joann Maue
Paul & Carol Meier	Rachel Peters	Kathy Pingsterhaus
Rose Pulver	Andy Rakers	Jerome Ratermann
Steven J. Richter	Pat Rollins	Mary Schadegg
Irene Schuetz	Julie (Schlueter) Detmer	
Arlecia Stamps	Stan Timmermann	Dottie Wellinghoff
Bernard Wempe	Agnes White	Mary Ann Wobbe
Stan Wolfe	special intention	

**We salute and pray for these family members from St. Anthony & St. Augustine who are serving our country:**

	Eric Albers	Zach Huelskamp
	Siara Asuncion	Nathan Smith
	Marvin Hagen	Clarence “Kennedy” Vogt
	Phillip Hilmes	

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

**Vocations Corner** - The vocation of Jesus Christ was to be born and incarnate to our world, humbling Himself from eternity into the temporal of our world. In the same way, our vocation calls us to humble ourselves and enter into the unknown to be stretched beyond what we can normally do in our human capacity. We celebrate this Christmas as a model for our own call to service and gift, knowing that the way won't be easy. Mary and Joseph sacrificed much in their “yes” to vocation to allow Jesus to redeem the world. We are called to that same “yes” for Jesus!

Dear Friends in Christ,

As we celebrate the Nativity of our Lord, I think of the words St. John wrote in one of his epistles: “we have come to know and believe in the love God has for us.” My sincere prayer for the people of our diocese is that as we celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus, each of us comes to know and believe more deeply in the love God has for us. May this Christmas be filled with a spirit of kindness and compassion, and may you, your families and loved ones be filled with the peace of Christ.

Sincerely yours in Christ,  
*Bishop Michael McGovern*

**Saints Quotes of the Week:**

“Fight all error, but do it with kindness, and love. Harshness will damage your own soul and spoil the best cause.”  
*....Saint John of Kanty*

“If you have too much to do, with God’s help you will find time to do it all.”....*Saint Peter Canisius*

**2021 FOURTH WEEK OF ADVENT**  
**Daily Scripture and Reflections in Preparation for Christmas**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>19 4th Sunday of Advent</b> Christian communities are called to share in joy.  <i>Micah 5:1-4a Hebrews 10:5-10 Luke 1:39-45</i>	<b>20 Advent Weekday</b> Like Mary, we are called to humbly obey the Lord.  <i>Isaiah 7:10-14 Luke 1:26-38</i>	<b>21 St. Peter Canisius</b> We anticipate Christ’s coming with love and joy.  <i>Zephaniah 3:14-18a Luke 1:39-45</i>	<b>22 Advent Weekday</b> Give thanks and praise to the Lord for his goodness and mercy.  <i>1 Samuel 1:24-28 Luke 1:46-56</i>	<b>23 St. John of Kanty</b> The time of the Lord is at hand.  <i>Malachi 3:1-4, 23-24 Luke 1:57-66</i>	<b>24 Advent Weekday</b> God fulfills his promises.  <i>2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16 Luke 1:67-79</i>	<b>25 CHRISTMAS</b> <i>Emmanuel— God is with us!</i>  <i>Isaiah 52:7-10 Hebrews 1:1-6 John 1:1-5, 9-14</i>