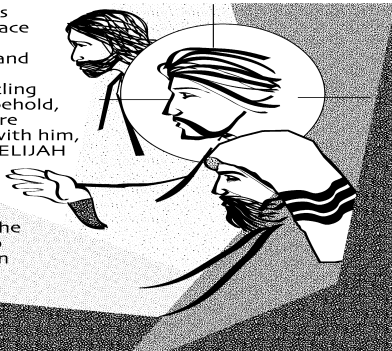


While he was praying his face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white. And behold, two men were conversing with him, MOSES and ELIJAH who appeared in glory and spoke of his exodus that he was going to accomplish in Jerusalem.



Families of Faith in a Community of Grace Third Sunday of Lent

March 23, 2025

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School Website: www.materdeiknights.org (618)526-7216

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<https://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:

Erin Etheridge (618)604-7640

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Paris Hempen (618)910-4551

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.**

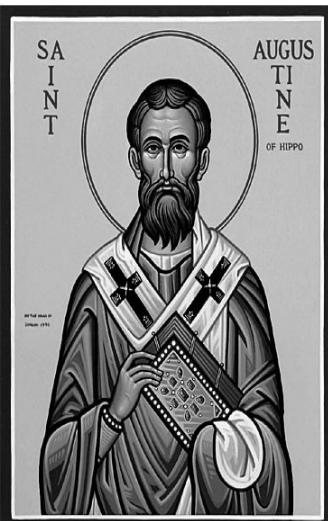
Reconciliation: Saturday at 3:30 pm at St. Augustine Church or by appointment. Seasonal penance services offered during Advent & Lent with dates to be announced.

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.



Parish Staff

Pastor: Fr. Chuck Tuttle (618)526-2566

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Business Manager: Dennis Krebs St. Augustine

Business Manager: Karri Kampwerth St. Anthony

Office Hours

Breese: Monday, Wednesday & Friday 8:30am-4:30pm

Thursday 2:00pm-5:00pm

Beckemeyer: Tuesday & Thursday 8:00am-12:00pm

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Wednesday at 10:00am



**Third Sunday of Lent
March 23, 2025
The Catholic Communities of**

St. Augustine			St. Anthony		
03/22	Sat	4:00pm Vic Jansen †	03/22	Sat	No Service
03/23	Sun	8:00am Joe Brueggemann †	03/23	Sun	9:30am Ed & Edna Holthaus † Tom & Evelyn Johnson † Dale Keilbach † Ken Keilbach †
03/24	Mon	No Services	03/24	Mon	No Service
03/25	Tues	Noon -1pm Adoration	03/25	Tues	7:30am Clara & Joe Athmer † Marce Huelsmann †
03/26	Wed	7:25am Rosary/Perpetual Help Devotions 8:00am Poor Souls	03/26	Wed	No Service
03/27	Thurs	2:00pm A.S.A. <i>Primary Stations of the Cross, All are welcome.</i>	03/27	Thurs	7:30am Poor Souls
03/28	Fri	8:00am Mary Rita & Henry Hilmes † 7:00pm Stations of the Cross	03/28	Fri	7:00pm <i>Stations of the Cross, St. Augustine</i>
03/29	Sat	4:00pm Dennis & Lorraine Huelskamp † Living & Deceased of Virgil & Viola Hagen Family Sara Isaak † Raymond & Florence Usselman †	03/29	Sat	No Service
03/30	Sun	8:00am Mary Lou Bowman †	03/30	Sun	9:30am Wally & Renee Holtgrave † Dolores Hilmes Family Living & Deceased

****If school is cancelled, Mass is cancelled.****

Upcoming Classes & Events: -North Central Vicariate Listening Session for Diocesan Pastoral Plan *Servants on Christ's Mission* Monday, March 31 at 6:30pm at St. Dominic Parish Center. See the flier on the bulletin board for more info.
-Padre Pio Mass: Saturday, Saturday, April 5. Rosary at 8:30am & Mass at 9:00am at St. Dominic.
-Baptismal Prep Class: Wed., April 9 at 7pm hosted by St. Anthony. Call your Parish Office by Fri., April 4 to sign-up for class.
-Cor meeting on Saturday, April 12 8:00-9:30am in the Mater Dei Chapel. Cor is a group for men to study & share their Faith.

ST. ANTHONY MINISTRY SCHEDULES

Ministry:	Greeters	Lector	Ushers	Gift Bearers
Sun., Mar. 30 9:30am	Carolyn Davenport Jan Gonzalez	Reagan Porter	Andrew Burkhardt, Rich Davenport, Ben Gonzalez, Tom Mensung	Holtgrave Family

Extra-ordinary Ministers: Sun., Mar. 30 at 9:30am Dan & Karen Becker

Altar Servers: Sun., Mar. 30 9:30am Anna Pollmann, Myah Pollmann

Sacristans: Mar 23 - 29 Bev Carter Mar 30 - Apr 5 Pauline Albers

ST. AUGUSTINE MINISTRY SCHEDULES

Ministry:	Altar Servers	Lectors	Ushers	Gift Bearers
Sat., Mar. 29 4:00pm	Daniel Becker Brayden Wobbe Brennan Wobbe	Cierra Hilmes	Brent & Jackie Boeckman, Charlie & Bonnie Kunkel	Huelskamp Family
Sun., Mar. 30 8:00am	Jackson Langhauser Leo Langhauser	Jay Schneider	Jerry Korte, John Rakers, Jamie Voss, Tony Voss	Hilmes Family

Extra-ordinary Ministers: Sat., Mar. 29 at 4:00pm Cierra Hilmes, Ralph Kuhl

Sun., Mar. 30 at 8:00am Ahren & Lauren Langhauser

Sacristan: Mar 23 - 29 Katie Siefker

Mar 30 - Apr 5 Lynn Maue

Extraordinary Minister to the Home Bound: Mar 23 Emily Timmermann Mar 30 Phyllis Berndsen

2025 C.S.M.A. As we continue our 2025 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal, we would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to all those who so generously contributed to the 2024 Appeal and to our priests, deacons, religious and parish staff members who so faithfully promoted the Appeal and assisted the Development Office. Your support enabled those ministries and agencies funded by the Appeal to continue their work of bringing the healing presence of Jesus Christ to thousands of people throughout the 28 southernmost counties of Illinois during the past year. **We are truly grateful and keep each of you in our prayers always.**

Dear Friends,

The readings we will hear today remind us that we are fortunate to be alive for this blessed season of Lent. Why? Because it means we still have the opportunity to repent of our sins and to turn back to God with our whole hearts. We all sin; it is the human condition. But with hearts in the right place, we feel remorse for our sins and we promise God, others, and ourselves to do better. How lucky we are that we can! As we continue through this holy season, let us make the most of this opportunity.

THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE LESSON: "I am who am," God proclaims to Moses from the burning bush. In saying this, God claims to be existence itself—as the one who simply is. Jesus further reveals his Father in the parable we hear in the Gospel: God is prepared to cut down the unfruitful fig tree but is also willing to give it another chance to bear fruit. We sing of this aspect of God in the responsorial psalm: "The Lord is kind and merciful." Let this refrain comfort us as we hear of those who were unexpectedly and tragically struck down.

STEWARDSHIP: In this season of Lent, the Church invites us to practice the traditional triad of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, while also encouraging us to adopt penitential practices of our own choice that suit our particular circumstances. St Paul reminds us of the generous gift of God in freeing us from sin and calling us to be His holy people. Let us practice our stewardship of time, which should include setting aside periods for family prayer, for the reading of Scripture, for visits to the Blessed Sacrament, and for attendance at Mass during the week whenever this is possible.

A REMINDER: As we continue through Lent, let us continue to renew ourselves even though the Ashes have faded and been washed away – we are still marked with the Cross of our repentance and redemption. Stations of the Cross this week at St. Augustine at followed by adult faith formation.

A QUESTION FOR THE WEEK: Looking at this Jubilee Year of Hope from God's perspective, what can I do during the week ahead to justify God's hope in me?

God bless,
Fr. Chuck

St. Augustine News...

Upcoming Meetings:

Finance Council: Tuesday, April 1 at 6:30pm
Pastoral Council: Tuesday, April 1 at 7:30pm
Building & Grounds: Tuesday, April 8 at 6:30pm
Holy Name: Tuesday, April 8 at 7:30pm
Ladies Sodality: Monday, May 12 at 7:00pm

Gross receipts from the March Luncheon & Bingo were \$5,480.00 of which \$597.00 was from the quilt raffle. Thank you to all who worked and helped to make it a success! **Quilt Winner** was Cindy Lewis, Greenville IL

Quilt Collection: Saturday, March 22, 3:00pm - 6:00pm in the Cafeteria Sunday, March 23, 7:15am - 9:00am in the Cafeteria **Quilt Groups & Individual Contributions** will be accepted on both days. If you have any questions, please see Donna Deien, Mary Jane Richter or Shirley Schlarman.

Youth Faith Formation News:

Reconciliation Service: April 9 at 6:45pm at St. Dominic
Please check with your child's teacher for attendance details.

North Central Vicariate Council of Catholic Women Spring Meeting Wednesday, April 9, 8am - 2pm at St. Mary's, Trenton. St. Anthony & St. Augustine Ladies' Sodalities are covering the cost to attend. Please pick up your form by one of the entrances and get it turned back in to Linda Fowler at St. Anthony or Lynn Maue, at St. Augustine.

St. Augustine
ATTENDANCE

Mar. 15 4:00pm.....124 Mar. 16 8:00am.....152

OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Mar. 15 Loose: \$266.00 Envelopes: \$2,095.00(33)
Mar. 16 Loose: \$125.00 Envelopes: \$ 580.00(17)
Other Envelopes: Ash Wed. \$80.00(3), Black & Indian \$95.00(4), Bldg. Fnd. \$345.00(8), Cath. Rel. Svcs. \$10.00(1), Easter Flow. \$120.00(8), Ed. \$140.00(5), Sr. Parish \$135.00(5)

St. Anthony News...

Upcoming Meetings:

Ladies Sodality: Monday, March 24 at 7:00pm
Finance Council: Tuesday, May 6 at 6:30pm
Pastoral Council: Tuesday, May 6 at 7:30pm

Ladies Sodality Meeting on March 24 at 7pm: Main topics of discussion are the rummage sale & the Parish Center refrigerator. We hope to see you there!

Spring Cleaning? Need to get rid of those items that you just don't use anymore? It's never too early, so start gathering your rummage sale items now! Rummage Sale collection will begin on Monday, April 14.

Ladies Sodality will be holding a Bunco and Dessert Party on Monday, May 19 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.

Vocations Corner: "I was in 3rd grade when I decided to become a missionary priest like those who served my parish in the Philippines. Little did I know that 20 years later, I would find myself thousands of miles away, ministering in the mission-rich field of western Oregon. Doubts and homesickness sometimes cast shadows over my steps, and I even took time off from the seminary for a while. When I look back, I can see clearly how God has journeyed with me, giving me strength through the sacraments and through people he sent my way... the grace I receive through my priestly ministry far outweigh the challenges" Fr. Tetzl Umingli; Archdiocese of Portland; *Columbia Magazine; July/Aug. 2020*

St. Anthony
ATTENDANCE

Mar. 9 9:30am.....157

OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Mar. 9 Loose: \$327.00 Envelopes: \$2132.00(25)
Other Envelopes: Bldg. \$25.00(1), Ed. \$95.00(5), Sr. Parish \$200.00(13)

Meals & Events:

St. Damian Annual Wurstmarkt on Sunday, March 23rd from 10:30am-5:30pm. The Wurstmarkt is being held in the parish gym in Damiansville, Illinois and is dine in and carry out.

Breese Knights of Columbus invite you to a delicious Pancake and Sausage Breakfast on Sunday, March 30, 2025, at the KC Hall - 480 Walnut St., Breese, IL. Proceeds will benefit area YFF Programs. For Pricing & more information please see the flier on the bulletin board.

Have you ever wondered why we do what we do at Mass?

Fr. Thomas Lugge will be hosting a Lenten Series: The Mass Explained. This series will be held on the following Wednesdays during Lent: March 26th & April 9th. The group will meet after the 6:30pm Wednesday evening Mass on the dates listed above and the group will meet at the KC Hall in Bartelso. Everyone is welcome!

Discernment Opportunities: DO YOU FEEL CALLED?

Are you discerning the possibility of serving the Lord as a priest, consecrated sister or brother, missionary or permanent deacon?

If you are looking for guidance about how to discern answering the Lord's call, please join Fr. Godfrey Mullen, OSB, and Bishop Michael McGovern for a Day of Recollection. We will gather at St. Nicholas Parish in O'Fallon on Saturday, April 5 from 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM. The day includes morning Mass, two talks, reflection questions, group discussion and a period of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Lite breakfast and lunch will be provided.

This gathering is open to young men and women in High School to age 30. For more information or to RSVP by April 3, contact Ms. Martina Skorch (mksorch@diobelle.org) or by phone at (618) 722-5043.

Knights News Breese K of C Council # 2869

Breese K of C #2869 Meeting: Thursday, April 10 Rosary at 7pm Meeting at 7:30pm

Taco Tuesday: 4:30pm - 7:00pm, **Wing Thursday:** 4:30pm - 7:00pm

Fish Fry Fridays: 4:30pm - 7:00pm

(All meals are eat in or take-out and are served in the basement.)

5th Sunday Breakfast: 03/30/2025, 06/29/2025, 08/31/2025 at 8-11am

K of C Fourth Degree Meeting: Tuesday, March 18 at 7:30pm at KC Hall in Breese.

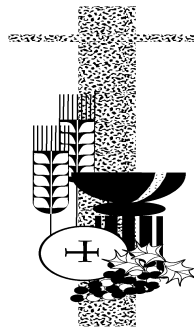
Have you ever thought about joining the Knights of Columbus? See Fr. Chuck for more information on how to join!

Please remember in your prayers:

All those serving in the military and everyone listed:

Carl & Jackie Aarns	Edwin Albers	Norb & Ruth Albers
Veronica Blumenstein		Sadie Bryan
Dave Deutsch	Christie Dust	Betty Erlinger
Roger Foppe	Carol Fritch	Jupe Gonzalez
JoAnn Gray	Carol Gwinn	Gerri Haar
Mary Haar	Mike Haar	Pat Hagen
Jim Haukup	Mary Heimann	Richard Hellige
Carlos Hill	Rich Holtgrave	Gertrude Holthaus
Greg Jansen	Tony Jansen	Kevin Korte
Rose Kuhl	Jeff Jahnke	Gabrielle Ludwig
Theresa Luitjohan	Joann Maue	Dana Beckmann-Marks
Mary Ann Maue	Carol Meier	Doris Mueller
Mark Niemeyer	Rachel Peters	Florence Pingsterhaus
Kathy Pingsterhaus		Ken Porter
Jerome Ratermann	Joanie Rolfingsmeier	Pat Rollins
Julie (Schlueter) Detmer		Fr. Carl Schrage
Marcel Thole	Clete Timmermann	Loretta Trame
Lucille Trame	Dottie Wellinghoff	Agnes White
Special Intentions	Special Intention	Deb Mel

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



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Youth Ministry News:

We are getting ready for the Luke 18 Retreat.

Please watch Groupme for more details!

Pro-Life Corner :

“There is an everyday heroism, made up of gestures of sharing, big or small, which build up an authentic culture of life... Part of this daily heroism is also the silent but effective and eloquent witness of all those ‘brave mothers who devote themselves to their own family without reserve, who suffer in giving birth to their children and who are ready to make any effort, to face any sacrifice, in order to pass on to them the best of themselves’... We thank you, heroic mothers, for your invincible love! We thank you for your intrepid trust in God and in his love. We thank you for the sacrifice of your life” (*The Gospel of Life* 86).

**2025 THIRD WEEK OF LENT
Daily Scripture and Reflections in Preparation for Easter**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
23 3rd Sunday of Lent <i>The Lord is kind and merciful.</i> <i>Ex. 3:1-8a, 13-15</i> <i>1 Cor. 10:1-6, 10-12</i> <i>Luke 13:1-9</i>	24 Lenten Weekday Remain faithful, even in the midst of the toughest trials. <i>2 Kings 5:1-15b</i> <i>Luke 4:24-30</i>	25 Solemnity of the Annunciation <i>Nothing will be impossible for God.</i> <i>Is. 7:10-14; 8:10</i> <i>Hebrews 10:4-10</i> <i>Luke 1:26-38</i>	26 Lenten Weekday God offers guidance; he never fails us. <i>Deut. 4:1,5-9</i> <i>Matthew 5:17-19</i>	27 Lenten Weekday Offer a posture of humility and thanksgiving to God. <i>Jeremiah 7:23-28</i> <i>Luke 11:14-23</i>	28 Lenten Weekday The Greatest Commandments: love God and neighbor. <i>Hosea 14:2-10</i> <i>Mark 12:28-34</i>	29 Lenten Weekday Let us allow God's grace to transform us. <i>Hosea 6:1-6</i> <i>Luke 18:9-14</i>