

# ST MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

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**Parish Office:** Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday; 9:00 am - 12 noon, 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm  
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## MASS

Saturday Vigil	5:00 pm	St Augustine
Spanish 1st Saturday	7:00 pm	St Augustine
Sunday	8:00 am	St Augustine
	9:30 am	St Augustine
	11:15 am	St Mary
Mon, Thu, Fri & 1st Sat	9:00 am	St Augustine
Thursday	12:10 pm	St Mary

## CONFESSION

Friday	8:30 am	St Augustine
Saturday	4:00 pm	St Augustine
3rd Sunday	12:15 pm	St Mary

## PARISH MINISTERS

Pastor	Rev. Paul Pluth, JCL
Administration	Mary A. Waters
Religious Education	
Director	Rowena Harless
Coordinator	Mary Rose Anderson
Music Director	Kathleen Dodge-DeHaven
Receptionist	Peggy McCormick

## ANOINTING OF THE SICK & HOLY COMMUNION

Please call the Parish Office

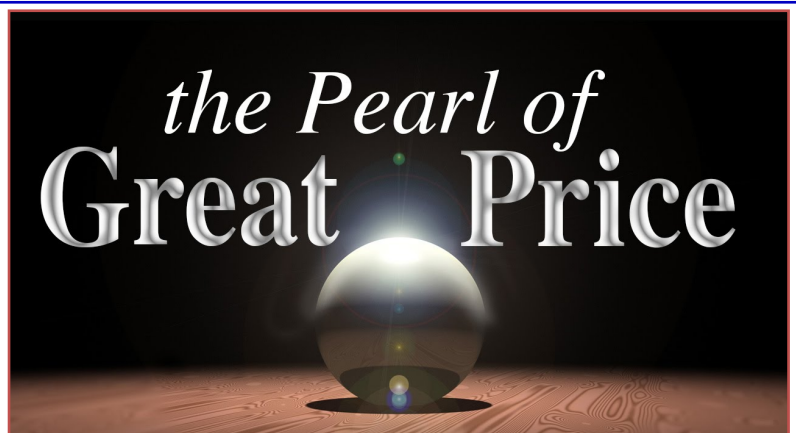
17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

30 July 2017

In Jesus' story in today's Gospel, the pearl merchant always is searching the world for the finest of pearls - and one day, he finds the perfect pearl, the pearl of his dreams, the pearl he has been searching for all his life. It is such an exquisite pearl, it is going to cost the merchant everything he owns - it is *the pearl of great price*. The merchant is willing to pay that price. He sells everything he has to buy it.

Jesus uses this story to explain *the kingdom of God* - God's rule over our lives. To be God's child and to live under his guidance in his kingdom in this world demands everything we are. Jesus wants us *completely*, without anything held back on our part.

God gave all He had - His Son Jesus - to purchase



*"The Kingdom of Heaven is like a merchant searching for fine pearls. When he finds a pearl of great price, he sells all that he has and buys it."*

us from death to be his own - but we have the freedom to back out on His purchase. Are we willing to hold nothing back from God in return?

## Announcements, Events & Information

Attention ALL Sunday volunteers: The September - October volunteer schedule is in the making. Please contact Peggy by emailing her at pmccormick@staugustineoh.org or by calling the office at 678-6536 and let her know what Sunday's you will not be available for your volunteer position during September - October.

Thank you

### **Engaged to get married? Congratulations!**

Call Peggy Smith at 675-2303 to begin preparations which take six months.



### **Civily Married & Want to be in a Church Marriage?**

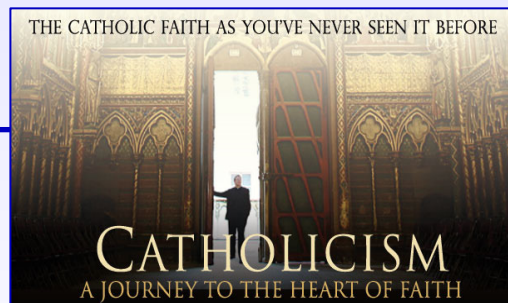
Call Peggy Smith or Fr Paul at 675-2303 to find out how we can help you make that possible!



**Next Baptisms at St. Augustine will be held on August 26  
(inquire about St. Mary)**

Mandatory classes will be held at **St. Augustine parish office** on  
Wednesday, July 26, 6:30 pm—8:30 pm & Saturday, July 29, 10 am-12 noon

**Call 675-2303x5 to register.**



**CATHOLICISM** with BISHOP ROBERT  
BARRON SUMMER SERIES on  
Thursdays, 6:30 pm in St Augustine Classroom 1

August 10 WORD MADE FLESH, TRUE BREAD  
OF HEAVEN - THE MYSTERY OF THE  
LITURGY AND THE EUCHARIST

August 17 A VAST COMPANY OF WITNESSES-  
THE COMMUNION OF SAINTS

August 24 THE FIRE OF HIS LOVE - PRAYER  
AND THE LIFE OF THE SPIRIT

August 31 WORLD WITHOUT END - THE LAST  
THINGS

September 7 *New year begins!*

### **Rachel's Corner**

#### **Hope and Healing After Abortion**

*"Let us work as if success depended upon ourselves alone, but with heartfelt conviction that we are doing nothing, and God everything."*

- St. Ignatius of Loyola-Feast Day July 31

Trying to function every day and pretend you are okay after an abortion is very hard. Come on a Rachel's Vineyard™ Retreat. Discover that God wants so much to heal those wounds and remove that burden from your life.

**August 4-6**

**Call Valerie: 1-800-822-HOPE (4673)**

***You are loved with an everlasting Love!***

*Project Rachel is a program of Catholic Community Services.*



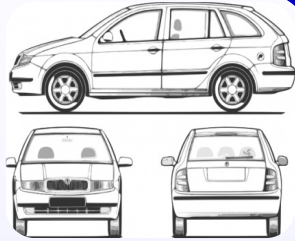
## Parish Stewardship

Weekly Parish Expense \$3,055  
July 23rd \$2,173

Please remember St Mary in your will.  
(Please write your ID/envelope number on your checks.)

### Your attention please

On Sunday, to avoid having your car locked up in the parking lot across the street from the church, please remove it from the lot before 1:00 pm.



*Thank you!*



## This Week at St. Mary

<b>Sun</b> <b>7/30</b>	10:45 am Rosary 11:15 am Mass 12:15 pm Coffee & Donuts 6:30 pm Lutheran Service
<b>Tue</b> <b>8/1</b>	Office is Open
<b>Wed</b> <b>8/2</b>	Office is Closed
<b>Thu</b> <b>8/3</b>	11:30 am Rosary 12:10 pm Mass Adoration will resume in September
<b>Sun</b> <b>8/6</b>	10:45 am Rosary 11:15 am Mass 12:15 pm Coffee & Donuts 6:30 pm Lutheran Service

## Prayers

Please pray for all of our families & friends.

Kathy Gonzales, Jaxon Kalinowski,  
Herb Schultz, Mary Rose Anderson  
Jennette Anderson, David White Manny Rojas,  
Irene Ramirez Hernandez, Lyla Cornish,  
Cheryl Parrott, Maddie Rose Haaga,  
Michael Gerrity, Sam Santamaria,  
Song and his family, Abbey Lee, John Diedrich,  
Carole Hart, Colleen Patmore, Dee Gore,  
Larry Anderson, Patsy Hurt, Hugo Gutama

Those who are in college or in the military  
at home and deployed:  
Capt. Thomas Allan Bender - USAF  
PFC Zachary McCormick - Army NG

Please call the office at 678-6536 to add or delete  
someone's name.

*Permission is required from the individual prior to  
adding their name to the prayer list.*

Please visit the St Mary Parish  
website at [staugustineoh.org](http://staugustineoh.org)



Connect with Father Paul



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**1 – Memorial of St Alphonsus Ligouri, Bishop & Doctor of the Church**

Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28  
Ps 103:6-7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13  
Mt 13:36-43

**2 – Wed – 17<sup>th</sup> wk in Ord Time**

Ex 34:29-35  
Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 9  
Mt 13:44-46

**3 – Thu – 17<sup>th</sup> wk in Ord Time**

Ex 40:16-21, 34-38  
Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a & 8a, 11  
Mt 13:47-53

**4 – Memorial of St John Vianney, Priest**

Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37  
Ps 81:3-4, 5-6, 10-11ab  
Mt 13:54-58

**5 – Sat – 17<sup>th</sup> wk in Ord Time**

Lv 25:1, 8-17  
Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8  
Mt 14:1-12

**6 – Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord**

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14  
Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9  
2 Pt 1:16-19  
Mt 17:1-9

**7 – Mon – 18<sup>th</sup> wk in Ord Time**

Nm 11:4b-15  
Ps 81:12-13, 14-15, 16-17  
Mt 14:13-21

**8 – Memorial of St Dominic, Priest**

Nm 12:1-13  
Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 6cd-7, 12-13  
Mt 14:22-36

**9 – Wed – 18<sup>th</sup> wk in Ord Time**

Nm 13:1-2, 25—14:1, 26a-29a, 34-35  
Ps 106:6-7ab, 13-14, 21-22, 23  
Mt 15:21-28

**10 – Feast of St. Lawrence, deacon & martyr**

2 Cor 9:6-10  
Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9  
Jn 12:24-26

**11 – Memorial of St. Claire, Virgin**

Dt 4:32-40  
Ps 77:12-13, 14-15, 16 & 21  
Mt 16:24-28

**12 – Sat – 18<sup>th</sup> wk in Ord Time**

Dt 6:4-13  
Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 47 & 51  
Mt 17:14-20

**13 – 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ord Time**

1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a  
Ps 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14  
rom 9:1-5  
Mt 14:22-23

**14 – Memorial of St Maximilian Kolbe, Priest & Martyr**

Dt 10:12-22  
Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20  
Mt 17:22-27

**15 – Solemnity of the blessed Virgin Mary Vigil Mass**

1 Chron 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2  
Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14  
1 Cor 15:54b-57  
Lk 11:27-28

**Mass during the Day**

Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab  
Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16  
1 Cor 15:20-27  
Lk 1:39-56

**16 – Wed – 19<sup>th</sup> wk in Ord Time**

Dt 34:1-12  
Ps 66:1-3a, 5 & 8, 16-17  
Mt 18:15-20

**17 – Thu – 19<sup>th</sup> wk in Ord Time**

Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17  
Ps 114:1-2, 3-4, 5-6  
Mt 18:21—19:1

**18 – Fri – 19<sup>th</sup> wk in Ord Time**

Jos 24:1-13  
Ps 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-22 & 24  
Mt 19:3-12

**19 – Sat – 19<sup>th</sup> wk in Ord Time**

Jos 24:14-29  
Ps 16:1-2a & 5, 7-8, 11  
Mt 19:13-15

**20 – 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ord Time**

Is 56:1, 6-7  
Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8  
Rom 11:13-15, 29-32  
Mt 15:21-28

**21 – Memorial of St Pius X, Pope**

Jgs 2:11-19  
Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40, 43ab & 44  
Mt 19:16-22

**22 – Memorial of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

Jgs 6:11-24a  
Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-14  
Mt 19:23-30

**23 – Wed – 20<sup>th</sup> wk in Ord Time**

Jgs 9:6-15  
Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7  
Mt 20:1-16

**24 – Feast of St Bartholomew, Apostle**

Rv 21:9b-14  
Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18  
Jn 1:45-51

**25 – Fri – 20<sup>th</sup> wk in Ord Time**

Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22  
Ps 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10  
Mt 22:34-40

**26 – Sat – 20<sup>th</sup> wk in Ord Time**

Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17  
Ps 128:1b-2, 3, 4, 5  
Mt 23:1-12

**27 – 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ord Time**

Is 22:19-23  
Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8  
rom 11:33-36  
Mt 16:13-20

**28 – Memorial of St Augustine, Bishop & Doctor of the Church**

1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10  
Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a & 5b  
Mt 23:13-22

**29 – Memorial of the Passion of St John the Baptist**

1 Thes 2:1-8  
Ps 139:1-3, 4-6  
Mk 6:17-29

**30 – Wed – 21<sup>st</sup> wk in Ord Time**

1 Thes 2:9-13  
Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab  
Mt 23:27-32

**31 – Thu – 21<sup>st</sup> wk in Ord Time**

1 Thes 3:7-13  
Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14 & 17  
Mt 24:42-51

# Monthly Events

## August 2017

August 2017							September 2017						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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6	7	8	9	10	11	12	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
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20	21	22	23	24	25	26	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
27	28	29	30	31			24	25	26	27	28	29	30

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Jul 30 - Aug 5	Jul 30	31	Aug 1	2	3	4	5
					11:30am Rosary 12:10pm Mass		4:00pm Confession (@ St. A's)
Aug 6 - 12	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	10:45am Rosary 11:15am Mass 12:15pm Coffee & Donuts 6:30pm Lutheran Service				11:30am Rosary 12:10pm Mass		4:00pm Confession (@ St. A's)
Aug 13 - 19	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
	10:45am Rosary 11:15am Mass 12:15pm Coffee & Donuts 6:30pm Lutheran Service		12:10pm Mass - Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary		11:30am Rosary 12:10pm Mass		4:00pm Confession (@ St. A's)
Aug 20 - 26	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	10:45am Rosary 11:15am Mass 12:15pm Coffee & Donuts 12:15pm Confessions will be heard 6:30pm Lutheran Service				11:30am Rosary 12:10pm Mass		4:00pm Confession (@ St. A's)
Aug 27 - Sep 2	27	28	29	30	31	Sep 1	2
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# Growing in FAITH™

Discovering **hope** and **joy** in the Catholic faith.

August 2017

St. Augustine and St. Mary Catholic Community  
Rev. Paul Pluth, Pastor

## One Minute Meditations

### St. Rose of Lima

Born in colonial Peru, Rose worked constantly to help her poverty-stricken family. From early on, she wanted to become a nun and practiced heavy penances. When her parents tried to make her marry, she marred her face with pepper and cut her hair to deter suitors. She became a lay Dominican, despite opposition. Concerned about the living conditions of Native Americans and slaves, she cared for homeless children, the elderly, and the sick in her home.

### Be meek, not weak.

Meekness can be mistaken for weakness, but nothing could be further from the truth. Being "meek of heart" means being in control of your emotions rather than letting them control you. Today, pray for the courage to be meek of heart.

*"If you forgive others their transgressions, your heavenly Father will forgive you. But if you do not forgive others, neither will your Father forgive your transgressions"*  
(Matthew 6:14).



## Love can make us saints

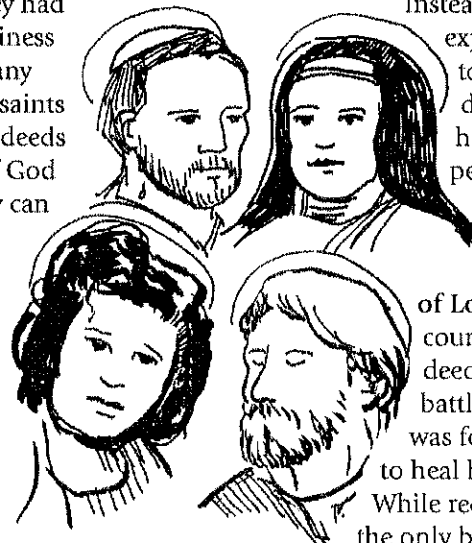
It is very Catholic to admire the saints and imagine that they had characteristics of holiness that we don't. Yet many people who became saints didn't perform great deeds but had great love of God and neighbor. If they can do it, we can, too.

**St. Augustine** was a playboy. He was into partying, paganism, and an immoral lifestyle. Through the prayers of his mother and the guidance of St. Ambrose, Augustine came to adore the God he discovered in Scripture. His love for God made him a new man.

**St. Mary of Egypt** lived a life of extreme sin. Openly a prostitute, it is reported that she traveled to the Holy

Land to ply her illicit trade to pilgrims. Instead, she had a spiritual experience while trying to enter a church and devoted the rest of her life to prayer and penance. She had a special love for Our Blessed Mother.

**St. Ignatius of Loyola** dreamed of courtly love and knightly deeds. Injured during a battle with the French, he was forced to convalesce to heal his shattered leg. While recuperating, he read the only books available - biographies of Jesus and the saints. Captivated by their holiness, Ignatius became attracted to a life of holy love. He later founded the Society of Jesus (Jesuits), a religious order that thrives today.



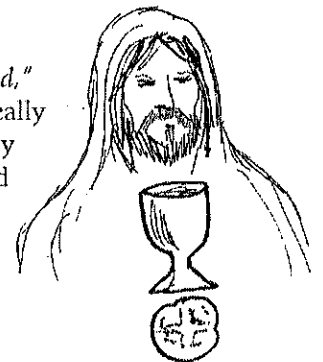
## Why Do Catholics Do That?

## What is transubstantiation?

During Mass, although the appearance doesn't change, the substance of the bread offered by the priest is changed into the substance of the Body of Christ. The same is true of the wine - its substance is changed into Christ's Blood.

Catholics believe that the words Christ said at the Last Supper, "This is my Body,

*this is my blood,*" meant that really and physically the bread and wine became his Body and Blood. He decreed that it be so.

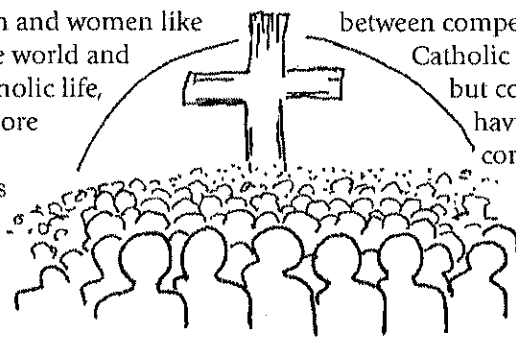


# Live a Catholic life

Our history is rich with Catholic men and women like us who have carried their faith into the world and made a difference. When we live a Catholic life, we help shape a better society and a more peaceful world.

**At home.** Our Gospel values guide us to value our families and friends as gifts of God's love. This translates into spending time together, working to strengthen and build up our loved ones, and being for them instruments of love.

**At work.** As people of faith, we can be pressured to choose



between competing values in the workplace. Making Catholic choices means not just avoiding evil but consciously choosing good. It means having the courage to honor our Catholic consciences always.

**In the world.** "Everyone to whom much is given, of him will much be required" (Luke 12:48). Catholics – especially in the United States – are called to care for the poor, protect the vulnerable, welcome the stranger and treat all people with dignity.

That is the true Catholic way.

## from Scripture

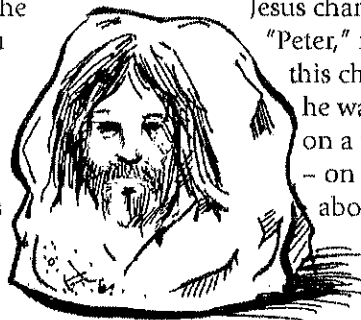
### Matthew 16:13-20, The Rock for ages

The events in this passage lay the foundations for the Catholic Church. In it, Jesus asked his disciples who people said he was. Then he asked them, "Who do you say that I am?" It was a question about Jesus' identity, not his teaching or his popularity. At its heart, Catholicism centers around who Jesus is.

Simon Peter answered for the group and identified Jesus as the Son of God, the Messiah. Jesus pointed out that it was only by divine inspiration that Peter could know this. ("Blessed

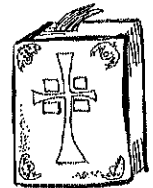
*are you, Simon son of Jonah. For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my heavenly Father" Matthew 16:17.)*

Jesus changed Simon's name to "Peter," meaning "rock." By this change, Jesus signaled he was building his Church on a rock-solid foundation – on the confession of Peter about Jesus' divinity. This truth has been handed down through the ages, from the Apostles to the bishops to us. The Holy Spirit would lead Peter – and his successors, the popes – to speak and act in truth as the head of the Church.



## Q & A How can Sacred Scripture be "truth" if not everything is correct?

The Bible is intended to convey truths about God. More than a book, it is a library of documents written by different authors in different times and places. These works have been compiled by the Church under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, according to specific criteria. Like any library, the Bible contains a variety of literary genres: poetry, history, biography, etc. Knowing this can determine how we read it. For example, a poem may not be meant to be as factually accurate as a biography.



Finally, there are various ways in which to interpret Scripture, and each highlights different aspects of the truth. The literal sense deals with what the author wrote. The allegorical sense highlights the symbolism of the people and events in the story. The moral sense tells us what we ought to do regarding God and our neighbor. The "future" sense concerns what will happen at the end of time. These different senses give us a fuller understanding of God and his plan for us.

## Feasts & Celebrations

**August 3 – St. Peter Julian Eymard** (1868). Born in France, Peter was ordained a Marist in 1834 and was especially effective at preaching at Eucharistic devotions. He founded the Congregation of the Blessed Sacrament and the Servants of the Blessed Sacrament to increase devotion to the Holy Eucharist.

**August 6 – Transfiguration of the Lord.** Tradition says that Mt. Tabor was the site of the Transfiguration during



which Christ appeared radiant in the company of Moses and Elijah, and a voice was heard to say, "This is my beloved son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him" (Matthew 17:5).

**August 15 – Solemnity of the Assumption.** Declared a dogma of faith in 1950 by Pope Pius XII, this Holy Day of Obligation celebrates Mary being taken up into Heaven body and soul at the end of her life. "A great sign appeared in the sky, a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars" (Revelation 12:1). Mass attendance on this day is required.

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