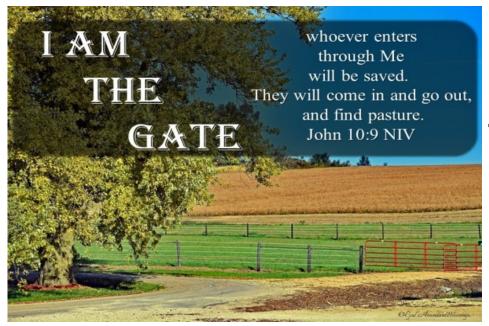
April 30, 2023



Sunday's Liturgical Readings

English Blue Book: Page 148

First Reading- Acts 2:14a, 36-41
Psalm- 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6
Second Reading- 1 Pt 2:20b-25
Gospel- John 10:1-10
Bilingual Book: Page 236

Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 29

† Julia Cardone

Sunday, April 30

Parishioners

Sunday, April 30 (St. Elizabeth)

Paula Astle

Parish Office Hours

Monday –Friday 9:00 am ~ 3:00 pm



Weekly Schedule

Tue @ 6pm: Acts 11:19-26; Jn 10:22-30 Wed @ 9am: 1 Cor 15:1-8; Jn 14:6-14 Thurs. @ 9 am: Acts 13:13-25; Jn 13:16-20 Friday @ (noon): Acts 13:26-33; Jn 14:1-6

SATURDAY, May 6

English Mass @ 5:00 pm SUNDAY, May 7

English Mass @ 9:00 am

Spanish Mass @ 5:00 pm

Acts 6:1-7; 1 Pt 2:4-9; Jn 14:1-12 (Fifth Sunday of Easter)

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Thursday, May 4

Spanish Mass @ 7:00 pm

SUNDAY, May 7

English Mass @ 11:30 am Spanish Mass @ 2:00 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Fridays ~ 11~11:4am | 12:30~1 pm Saturday— 3:45~4:45 pm Cairo ~Sunday 11:00~11:30am | 1:15~1:45pm Or By Appointment~ (229) 226~3624

Previous Weeks Offerings

2023 2022

 St. Augustine:
 \$3,793
 \$4,076

 St. Eliz Ann Seton:
 \$806
 \$732

Today's Second Collection

Catholic Home Missions Appeal April 30

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Fourth Sunday in Easter

This fourth Sunday of the Easter season is sometimes called Good Shepherd Sunday because in each of the three lectionary cycles, the Gospel reading invites us to reflect on Jesus as the Good Shepherd. In each cycle the reading is from the tenth chapter of John's Gospel. This chapter sets the framework for Jesus' teaching about himself as the Good Shepherd.

Today's reading falls between the stories of Jesus' healing of the man born blind and the raising of Lazarus. Both of these stories were proclaimed in the Gospels found in this year's season of Lent. Following the controversy that ensued when Jesus healed the man born blind, Jesus directs his allegory about the sheep and the shepherd toward the Jewish religious leaders of his time, the Pharisees.

Throughout John's Gospel the Pharisees fail to accept Jesus' ministry and teaching. They show themselves to be "robbers and thieves" because they try to lead the sheep without entering through the gate, Jesus. Through these metaphors, Jesus is telling his listeners that those who follow him and his way will find abundant life. He identifies himself both as the shepherd and the gate. The shepherds who are faithful to him are the ones whom the sheep (Jesus' disciples) should follow.

The relationship between the sheep and their shepherd is based on familiarity. Sheep recognize their shepherd and will not follow a stranger. At the end of the day, shepherds lead their sheep from pastures to a common gated area called a sheepfold. There, one shepherd protects all of the sheep until the next day when each shepherd returns to

lead his own sheep to pasture. As shepherds move among the sheep, the sheep follow only their shepherd. Today's Gospel also gives us the opportunity to reflect on Christian leadership. Jesus' words suggest to us that those who will lead the Christian community will be known by their faithfulness to Jesus. The leaders will recognize that Jesus is the gate for all of the sheep and that having a good relationship with Jesus is the primary characteristic of a Christian leader. Jesus' allegory also suggests that faithful Christian leadership requires a good relationship with the community: the shepherd knows his sheep, and they know him. Christian leaders follow the example of Jesus, the Good Shepherd, by being faithful to him and by being a good shepherd.

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St. Augustine and St. Elizabeth will join together during the 5pm Vigil Mass on May 6, 2023 for those candidates receiving their First Communion.

The rehearsal is at noon of the same day.

Monday May 1st is the last day to turn in your Applications for the Deacon Howard Halladay Scholarship. Please make sure you have everything turned in to the Parrish office to be considered.



St. Augustine & St. Elizabeth Ann Seton's confirmation will be May 19th at 6:00 pm.



Set a reminder in your phone for May 8th, 5:30–7 pm at 109 Fawn Circle, located across the Patterson St. side of the church. We are a small but fun group of Catholic who enjoy sharing and developing our faith together. Give us a try!







Prayer Request Please remember in your prayers our parish family & friends. If you have

anyone in need of prayers, please call the office.
Thank you for all your prayers.

Mack Barrentine, Tom Ceccacci Alicia Gorosin †Bill Klug Linda Nuijten †Chloe Basso Phyllis Creager Karon Hales, †Paul Puskar, Mia Taylor †Jerry Funk Jamie Hurst
Jim Watts,
†Rita Ragan
†Dolores Williams
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David McLendon
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†Jesse Daniel Elias
Mary Anne Dolen
Kim Lehman



Welcome New Parishioner

You enter this church not as a stranger, but as a guest from God. We hope you will find a loving Christian community. We look forward to benefiting from your uniqueness. To register you can go to our website online, or call the parish office.



Building Fund

Prayerfully consider giving to the building fund while the fund continues to enjoy tax exemption from the Diocese. Be sure to indicate building fund when making a donation.

Total Cost of Projects: \$105,543.00

Your Building Fund Contribution: \$76,015

Thank you for your generosity.



Thank you to everyone who has contributed to the Annual Catholic Appeal. **St. Augustine** parish target \$23,244. As of April 20, our total given is \$20,281.86. We have 57 of our 189 families that have responded.

Congratulation to St. Elizabeth Ann Seton III Parish target is **\$4,534**. and as of April 20, the total given is **\$5,285**.



The adoration room is open now for any parishioner wanting to dedicate a time to visit. Christ is waiting for you to spend some time with Him and to calm your fear. Come and share your joy and rest your soul in answered prayer.

Usher Ministry

If you feel you are being called to join this ministry there will be sign up sheets in the Narthex. We are in need of Saturday Mass ushers. If you have any questions please call the parish office.



There will be a
Baptismal Preparation
Class for parents and
future godparents
who are looking at
requesting, for the
first time, the
Sacrament of Baptism
for their Children.

The class is scheduled for: Saturday May 13th 2023 in the Social Hall of St. Augustine from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm. Call the office to register: (229) 226~3624

Virtual Virtus Protecting God Children Training

This training is required for all volunteers and employees in the Diocese of Savannah.

Questions email augustinevirtus@gmail.com or call the parish office.



Calling all 2023 Graduating Seniors from St. Augustine and St. Elizabeth Ann Seton!

Your parish families want to recognize and congratulate you in your academic accomplishments, and bless you as you pursue your future endeavors.

Academic summary forms are at the entrance of the Church. Please turn these in by Saturday May 15th.

Or call the office at (229)226~3624

Senior Mass @ St. Augustine: May 21st— 9:00am

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Requests due by Monday

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Abuse Hotline Number To report sexual abuse of a minor by a Diocese of Savannah employee or volunteer, call the abuse hotline number at 888.357.5330 or the Office for the Protection of Children & Young People

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Please join us for coffee & donuts after Sunday's

9am Mass!

If you would like to have flowers on the altar in memory of a loved one or in celebration of a special occasion, please call the parish office.

Mass Intentions

If you would like to have Mass celebrated for a special occasion, on behalf of a family member/friend, or a deceased loved one, call/visit the parish office.

Encourage your family and friends to request Mass intentions.

Social Hall

Remember if you would like to use the social hall to call the parish office.



Shrine Shop is open!
If you have any
questions, please call
Kay Kramer
229-224-7083.

Parishioner



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Any Catholic male interested in joining the Knights of Columbus can contact Wes Sowell, GK @ 200.7818 or visit kofc.org.



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