

# Welcome To

February 13, 2022



## St. Augustine CATHOLIC CHURCH

*Our heart is restless until it rests in you Lord.*

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton | Mission Parish



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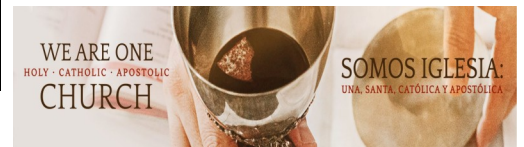
### Liturgical Readings

English Blue Book	Bilingual Wine Book
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### Support ACA Today

Thank you for all that you do to serve Christ's people and we ask for continued prayers for all of our neighbors who call South Georgia home. Please support the Diocese of Savannah by making a contribution to the Annual Catholic Appeal. We thank you in advance for your generous gift.



### Mass Schedule

#### THOMASVILLE

Tuesday—6:00 pm  
Wednesday—9:00 am  
Thursday—9:00 am  
Friday—Noon  
Saturday— 5:00 pm

#### Sunday

English Mass— 9:00 am  
Spanish Mass—5:00 pm

#### CAIRO

Thursday- 7:00 pm (Spanish)

#### Sunday

English Mass—11:30 am  
Spanish Mass— 3:00 pm

### Welcome New Parishioners

You enter this church not as a stranger, but as a guest from God. We hope you will find a loving Christian community at St. Augustine, Thomasville, and St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Cairo. We look forward to benefiting from your uniqueness. To register and for more information, visit our website or parish office.

### Mass Intentions for the Week

DAY	INTENDED
SAT	†Jerry Funk
SUN	†Bob Henderson
ST EAS	Parishioners

### Confession Schedule

Friday — 11-11:45am | 12:30-1pm

Saturday — 3:45-4:45pm

Cairo Sundays 11:00-11:30am

Or By Appointment- (229)226-3624

### PREVIOUS WEEK'S OFFERINGS

	2022	2021
St. Augustine	\$7437	\$7408
St. Eliz Ann Seton	\$2335	\$876

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<https://www.facebook.com/>

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## PRAYER REQUESTS

*Please remember in your prayers our parish family & friends.  
If you have anyone in need of prayers, please call the office @ (229) 226-3624*

Mack Barrentine	Tom Ceccacci	Alicia Gorosin	†Bill Klug	Linda Nuijten
†Chloe Baso	Phyllis Creager	Karon Hales	†Justine Mason	†Margaret Puskar
Manuel Borja	†Francis Crowley III	†John Harvey	Fr. Jerry McCanty	†Rita Ragan
Judy Bradshaw	Cayman Diaz	Catherine Hewlett	David McLendon	Jimmy Singletary
Becky Catlin	†Mary Diaz	†Yvonne Hochfelder	Jen McPadden	Mia Taylor
Amanda Caldwell	Bob Dupuy	†JoAnn Humphries	Den Mirabzadeh	Todd Taylor
Christopher Caldwell	Lisa Fuks	Jamie Hurst	Eve Monsalvatge	Jim Watts
†Gil Carte	†Jerry Funk	Sue Johnson	Amanda Mosley	Rick Witalis
		Charles Cook	Paul Puskar	†Dolores Williams

### Lenten Church Fish Fries

“We will have our yearly Fish Fries during lent. Kay Kramer, Francisco Rodriquez, and Wes Sowell will lead the effort, but volunteers are required to get this effort underway. Will you please come and help? The number of volunteers will determine how many Fish Fries we have. Please contact the church office to sign up.

### Playground Equipment Disposal

The Wooden fort and ship playground are dangerous and must be removed. If you would like to signup for a workday on a coming Saturday to help cut and remove the equipment, please contact the church office. In the mean time please do not let children play on or near the equipment.

**Hebrews 6:10 “God is not unjust; he will not forget your work and the love you have shown him as you have helped his people and continue to help them.”**

## Family Connection

Today's Gospel offers a contrast to many of the messages we hear in our society today. If we were to accept uncritically the “get ahead” messages of our culture, we would think that happiness means having money, being successful, and having many possessions. In this way, we are not unlike the people who heard Jesus teach on the day that he taught the Beatitudes. They too associated happiness with possessions and success. The report of the Beatitudes in Luke's Gospel, however, takes things one step further. Not only will we not find happiness through the “get ahead” messages of the world, but relying upon these messages will cause us harm. The warnings spoken are particularly challenging because they suggest that our way of life must change if we are to gain the lasting happiness of eternal life.

Talk together as a family about what society tells us makes a person successful. Make a list of the traits that you associate with a successful person. Then read together today's Gospel, Luke 6:17,20-26. Reflect on Jesus' description of blessedness in the Kingdom of God. Then consider the warnings. Why are these surprising and challenging? What, then, is the measure of success in the Kingdom of God? Together write prayers of petition based on your discussion. Pray these prayers together, asking God to help your family seek the blessings of the Kingdom of God.



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### Bake Sale:

**SAT, February 12, 2022**

(After 5:00 pm Mass )

**SUN, February 13, 2022**

( After 9:00am & 5:00pm

**Feb 27**

*Requests:*

**Box or  
Bagged**

**Cereals, Oat meal, and  
Grits**



# Reflection

Dear Parishioners,

Last week we had the opportunity to reflect on the Trinitarian nature of God. We looked at how the three distinct persons – the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit – are one in essence in their perfect ability to know and love. We also saw that as finite humans we cannot fully comprehend the nature of the infinite God. This brings us to our discussion this week of God as a holy mystery, and its effects on us as created in his image.

The anaphora of the Byzantine liturgy of St. John Chrysostom, Archbishop of Constantinople, in the fifth century, maintains: *It is right and just to sing of you, to bless you, to praise you, to thank you and to worship you – for you are God ineffable, inconceivable, invisible, incomprehensible, always exciting and always the same, you and your only begotten Son and your Holy Spirit.* From this prayer, we see that all the divine attributes mentioned by St Chrysostom are applicable to each person of the Blessed Trinity. This further stresses on the incomprehensibility of God, hence a holy mystery. St. Paul buttresses this point in his letter to Timothy when he says, *God dwells in an unapproachable light, whom no human being has seen or can see* (1 Tim. 6:16).

Although God remains a mystery he has revealed himself to humanity, and his revelation tells us that he is living and personal, profoundly close to humans in creating and sustaining us. Though God is totally other, hidden, glorious, and wondrous, he communicates himself to us through creation and reveals himself through the prophets, and above all in Christ, whom we meet in the Church, especially in Scripture and in the Sacraments. The mystery of God, however, is not a puzzle to be solved but a truth to be revered. It is, indeed, a reality too rich to be fully grasped.

The Scriptures show God as one, unique and without equal (See Deut. 6:4; Mk. 12:29), nonetheless, he created the world and made a covenant with humanity. The Old Testament praises the universal power of God (See Gen.

49:24; Is. 1:24ff), but this power of God is expressed in his love for humanity. He created humanity to share in his love, that is why he gave us freewill. Love is freely given and freely received. Without freedom, love is not possible. We are, therefore, fully human if we use our freedom to love. Anything contrary to that responsibility is a contradiction to our identity as people created in the image of God.

Created in the divine image consequentially calls on humanity to essentially share in the divine characteristics. God is relational – Father, Son and Holy Spirit – hence we are also created to live in relationship with one another, seeing the entire human race as a big family, irrespective of color, culture or status. We are also created to live in holiness as God is holy, but according to St. Teresa, *this holiness is not doing anything extraordinary in life but doing the ordinary things in life extraordinarily.* Thus, our actions should always be motivated by love for God and his creation, including humans. Certainly, we are created to show mercy and compassion to others in the same way that God shows mercy and compassion to us as his children.

Finally, God is an all-intelligent God who sustains his creation. Carrying the image of God, humans are created to be rational beings, capable of discerning truth and making rational decision in life. We are stewards of God's creation and, therefore, have to take care of God's gift of creation to use. Since we are rational, we are responsible for our actions and have to bear their consequences. That is why judgment awaits every human person after death.

Even though we struggle in life to be holy because of Original Sin, God's graces are sufficient to help us live our true identity as created in his image and to reverence him as the all-holy, powerful, providential, merciful and compassionate God. May the Holy Spirit help all of us to live our true identity as children of God.

Love,

Fr. Godfred Boachie-Yiadom.

## World Marriage Day

February 13

**Marriage is an act of will that signifies and involves a mutual gift, which unites the spouses and binds them to their eventual souls, with whom they make up a sole family - a domestic church.**

**-Pope John Paul II**

## Grotto and Columbarium

Behind the religious education building at St. Augustine, Thomasville. It's a serene environment for our parish community, illuminated with extra lighting. Come and spend some quiet and prayerful time with family/friends to pray in faith and hope of the resurrection, while caring for our deceased loved ones. Individuals interested in purchasing a reservation should contact the parish office.



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Requests due by Monday

**Hospital Notifications** - Please call the parish office and let us know if you or a direct family member is a patient in the hospital and would like to see a priest or receive the Eucharist. This is the only consistent way our parish will know there is someone in the hospital. Due to HIPAA laws, stating you are a Catholic on the admittance form will not be given out to the parish. The office number is 229-226-3624. Thank you.

**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 at 912.201.4073/4.

## Lector Schedule

DATE	LECTORS
SAT 02/12	David Sofferin
SUN 02/13	Sophia Newton Mark Humphries
SAT 02/19	Carolyn Treadon
SUN 02/20	Lisa Hay Mark Humphries

## Sponsor Altar Flowers

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.



[Formed.org/signup](https://www.formed.org/signup)

**Father's Homilies and Talks**  
are now available on  
podcasts!  
<https://anchor.fm/frgodfred>

**Maria's  
House Cleaning  
& Sewing Services**  
229-516-3868



Please join us for coffee & donuts after Sunday's



Shrine Shop is open! Easter, baptism, and communion are coming up. There are AUTOM books, so order early to be sure they will be here in time for gifting. If you have any questions, please call Kay Kramer @ 229-224-7083.

## 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.

## Parish Office Hours :

*Monday -Friday*

*9:00 am - 3:00 pm*

*Phone: (229)226 -- 3624*



Any Catholic male interested in joining the Knights of Columbus can contact Wes Sowell, GK @ 200.7818 or visit [kofc.org](http://kofc.org)



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