



# St. Augustine Weekend Mass

SATURDAY, March 16

English Mass @ 5:00 pm <u>SUNDAY, March 17</u> English Mass @ 9:00 am

Spanish Mass @ 5:00 pm

# St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

<u>Thursday, March 14</u> Communion Service @ 7:00 pm <u>SUNDAY, March 17</u> English Mass @ 11:30 am Spanish Mass @ 2:00 pm



Fridays in Lent (Feb 16– March 29) St. Augustine 12:30 pm (English) and 7:30 pm (Bilingual) Cairo –St. Elizabeth 7:00 pm (Spanish)



Thís weeks Altahr Flowers are ín memory of Níkkí and Sammy Thalla

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Deacons

John Blaha David Wendel Miguel Gutierrez *Mission Parish* St. Elizabeth Ann Seton 1500 11th Ave NW Cairo GA 39828

# Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 10, 2024

English Blue Book: Page 323 First Reading- 2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23 Psalm- 137:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 Second Reading- Ephesians 2:4-10 Gospel- John 3:14-21 Bilingual Book: Page 480

# St. Augustine Weekly Schedule

Tue @ 6pm: Ez 47:1~9, 12 | Jn 5:1~16 Wed @ 9am : Is 49:8~15 | Jn 5:17~30 Thurs @ 9am: Ex 32:7~14 | Jn 5:31~47 Fri @12pm: Wis 2:1a, 12~22 |Jn 7:1~2, 10, 25-30

#### March 17 – Fifth Sunday of Lent

Jer 31:31-34 | Heb 5:7-9 | Jn 12:20-33

Mass 🕁 for the Intentions Week

Saturday, March 9 Parishioners Sunday, March10-St Augustine 9:00 am Mass †Edna Watts Sunday, March 10-St. Elizabeth 11:30 am Mass-† Jesse Daniel Elias

# Sacrament of Reconciliation

Fridays ~ 11:00am~11:45am

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

	2024	2023
St. Augustine:	\$6,194	\$7,526
St. Eliz Ann Seton:	\$650	\$895

# Today's Second Collection

Catholic Relief Services

March 10

211 N. Pinetree Blvd, Thomasville GA 31792 • 229.226.3624 • staugustinethomasville@gmail.com

Pastor:

Father Godfred Boachie-Yiadom

# 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.



Frayer 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 Cayman Diaz David McLendon Tiann Taylor Becky Catlin †Lisa Fuks Carina Juarez Todd Taylor †Jim Fayette Bob Dupuy †JoAnn Humphries Den Mirabzadeh	Marilyn Funk †Katherine Chamberlin †Tom Alexander Louis Catlin Amanda Caldwell Chris Caldwell Marianne Ellis Mary Wise Beverly Boyle †Bradley Gaupp †Michael Kress †Sergio Cabilao	†Jesse Daniel Elias Mary Anne Dolen Kim Lehman Minerva Wheedleton Dot Taylor Susan O'Neal Thomas & Debbie Dusek Richard Jensen Joe Miguel Leticia Antonio Brenda Taylor †Richard Butts
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# Fourth Sunday of Lent (Laetare Sunday)

The fourth Sunday of Lent is sometimes called *Laetare* Sunday. *Laetare* is a Latin word that means "rejoice." Traditionally, Sundays are named after the first word of the liturgy's opening antiphon. On this Sunday, the antiphon is taken from the book of the prophet Isaiah (Isaiah 66:10-11). Even as we observe our Lenten sacrifices, we rejoice in anticipation of the joy that will be ours at Easter.

Today's Gospel reading is taken from John's Gospel. It consists of two parts. The first part is the final sentence of Jesus' reply to Nicodemus, the Pharisee who approached Jesus at night. Nicodemus acknowledged Jesus as someone who had come from God and seemed to want to be a follower of Jesus. Jesus greeted Nicodemus with the observation that one must be born from above to see the Kingdom of God. The dialogue between Jesus and Nicodemus that followed was about the meaning of this phrase. Nicodemus misunderstood Jesus at every point, but there was no animosity in the questions he posed to Jesus.

In the part of the conversation with Nicodemus in today's Gospel, Jesus referred to an incident reported in the Old Testament. When the Israelites grumbled against the Lord during their sojourn in the desert, God sent venomous serpents to punish them for their complaints. The Israelites repented and asked Moses to pray for them. The Lord heard Moses' prayer and instructed him to make a bronze serpent and mount it on a pole. All who had been bitten by a serpent and then looked upon the bronze serpent were cured. By recalling this story, Jesus alludes to the salvation that would be accomplished through his death and Resurrection.

The second part of today's Gospel is a theological reflection on Jesus' words to Nicodemus. The Gospel of John is known for this kind of reflection offered within the narrative. The words of the Evangelist are in continuity with the words of the prologue to John's Gospel. In these reflections, John elaborates on a number of themes that are found in his Gospel: light and darkness, belief and unbelief, good and evil, salvation and condemnation.

In John's reflection, we find an observation about human sinfulness. Jesus is the light that has come into the world, but people preferred the darkness. We wish to keep our sins hidden, even from God. Jesus has come into the world to reveal our sins so that they may be forgiven. This is the Good News; it is the reason for our rejoicing in this season of Lent and throughout our lives.www.loyolapress.com



Friday Fish Fries in Lent (February 16-March 22) 4 ~ 7 p.m. Hosts: St. Augustine Catholic Church with profits funding St. Augustine's charities. Cost: \$10 per plate. Contact: St. Augustine's office: (229) 226 – 3624 Monthly Women's Dinner The next women's dinner is

Thursday, March 21st

#### ALL REVERVATIONS MUST BE MADE BY SUNDAY MARCH 17TH

Tickets will not be sold. To make reservations either e-mail: monthlywomensdinner@gmail.com or phone/text Nely at 229-200-8561

#### Easter Lilies

Each Easter we beautifully decorate the altar with Easter lilies donated by parishioners. Lilies for our Easter Masses may be purchased in memory of, or in thanksgiving for, family and friends. **Cost is \$20**. Loved ones names are then listed in the Easter bulletin. There will be envelopes in the Narthex of the church. **Please furn your donation in by Sunday, March 24** 

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As a requirement from our Dioceses of Savannah, we are called to facilitate instructions in the prevention of child abuse to all participants of the Family Faith Formation Program. We are scheduled to present this material on Sunday March 17th during the Family Faith Formation sessions. This year's subject is Lesson 6: Boundaries: Feelings and Facts.

# Vietnamese Mass

St. John's Vianney Catholic Church Camilla, Georgia <u>Sunday, March 17</u> 4:00 pm Confessions \ 4:30 pm Mass



Youth Group Meeting <u>March 10</u> We will meet after mass until noon. Please meet in choir room. Questions: Carolyn Treadon 850.445.9293 Roslyn Moore 229.200.0707



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St. Augustine Appeal Goal: **\$23, 275** St. Elizabeth Appeal Goal: **\$4, 572** Congratulations! We have made: St. Augustine: **\$12, 393.71** St. Elizabeth: **\$ 1,478.00** Please remember to send your donations if you have not yet done so.



# Palm Sunday ~ March 23/24

<u>St. Augustine - Thomasville</u> Vigil Mass- Saturday @ **5:00 pm** Palm Sunday Mass @ **9:00 am** Spanish Mass- Palm Sunday @ **5:00 pm** <u>St. Elizabeth– Cairo</u> Bilingual Mass- Palm Sunday @ **12:00 noon** 

#### Holy Thursday ~ March 28

<u>St. Augustine ~ Thomasville</u> English Mass @ 6:30 pm <u>St. Elizabeth– Cairo</u> Spanish Mass @ 9:30 pm

#### Good Friday-March 29

<u>St. Augustine & St. Elizabeth</u> Stations of the Cross @ 3:00 pm <u>St. Augustine ~ Thomasville</u> The Lord's Passion @ 6:00 pm

#### Easter Vigil ~ March 30

<u>St. Augustine ~ Thomasville</u> Vigil Mass @ **8:00 pm** (English) <u>St. Elizabeth– Cairo</u> Vigil Mass @ **10:30 pm** ~ Cairo (Spanish)

#### Easter Sunday ~ March 31

<u>St. Augustine ~ Thomasville</u> Easter Sunday Mass @ 9:00 am (English) <u>St. Elizabeth– Cairo</u> Easter Sunday Mass @ 2:00 pm (Spanish)



Parish Lenten & First Penance March 18, 2024 Starting @ 6:30 pm

# **Building Fund**

Total Cost of Projects: \$105,543.00

Your Building Fund Contribution: \$118,027 Thank you so much for your generosity.

The RCIA program at St. Augustine meets on Wednesday's in the social hall from 6:30 until 7:45 pm.

#### STAFF DIRECTORY

#### Deacons

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Bulletin announcements & ads: staugustinethomasville@gmail.com 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. 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

If you plan to move or change your phone number, please call parish office or stop by to update your records.

Liturgical Ministers Schedule				
DATE	LECTORS USHERS			
SAT 3/9	Carolyn Treadon	Rick & Judy Marino		
SUN 3/10	Karen Alberto Mark Humphries	Judy Harden Mark Humphries		
SAT 3/16	Duane Treadon	Julian Pauwels Kay Kramer		
SUN 3/17	Allen Harden Leny Hill	Gary & Lory McEntire		

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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.



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

Thomas County Food Bank is in need of a Bilingual volunteer. If you are available Tuesdays and Thursdays, please reach out to RJ Arceneaux for more details.

> Parish Office Hours Monday-Friday 9am-3pm



# Upcoming Parish

Sacramental Events

Parish Confirmation (April 22, 2024) 1st Communion (June 1, 2024)



Please join us for coffee & donuts after Sunday's 9am Mass!



Please do not bring food or beverage into the church.

Any Catholic male interested in joining the Knights of Columbus can contact David Sullivan, GK

@ (229) 336-3517. or visit kofc.org.

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