





Tuesday ~St. Augustine

Communion Service @ 6:00pm

Wednesday ~St. Augustine

Daily Mass @ 9:00 am

Holy Thursday - March 28

St. Augustine

English Mass @ 6:30 pm

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Spanish Mass @ 9:30 pm

Good Friday-March 29

St. Augustine & St. Elizabeth

Stations of the Cross @ 3:00 pm

St. Augustine

The Lord's Passion @ 6:00 pm

Easter Vigil-March 30

St. Augustine

Vigil Mass @ 8:00 pm (English)

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Vigil Mass @ 10:30 pm - Cairo (Spanish)

Easter Sunday - March 31

St. Augustine

Easter Sunday Mass @ 9:00 am (English)

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Easter Sunday Mass @ 12:00 noon (Spanish)

## Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

March 24, 2024

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Gospel at the Procession with Palms—Mark 11:1~10

First Reading—Isaiah 50:4~7

Psalm— 22:8~9, 17~18, 19~20, 23~24

Second Reading—Philippians 2:6~11

Gospel—Mark 14:1~15:47

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#### Saturday, March 23

**Parishioners** 

#### Sunday, March 24-St Augustine

9am Mass †Carlos & Shelley Lozanos, †Alvin & Lottie Ladner, †Al Ladner

#### Sunday, March 24-St. Elizabeth

11:30 am Mass~† John J Wendel

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Friday, March 29- 11:00am-12:00 (noon) Or By Appointment- (229) 226-3624

## **Previous Weeks Offerings**

2024 2023 \$4,460 \$3,801

St. Eliz Ann Seton: \$687 \$1,098

## **Upcoming Second Collections**

Holy Land

St. Augustine:

Holy Friday, March 29

Priests' Retirement

March 31

## Holy Week-Parish Office Hours

Monday-Wednesday 9am-3pm Thursday-Monday, April 1 Office Closed

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Pastor:

Father Godfred Boachie~Yiadom

Deacons

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

#### 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.

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
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
†Jim Gatherer
Linda Fount
Richard J Kress

## Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

This Sunday, called Palm or Passion Sunday, is the first day of Holy Week. Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday are called the *Triduum*—three days that are the highlight of the Church year. There are two Gospels proclaimed at today's Mass. The first Gospel, proclaimed before the procession with palms, tells of Jesus' triumphant entrance into Jerusalem. Riding on a borrowed colt, Jesus was hailed by the crowds as they blessed God and shouted "Hosannal" This event is reported in each of the four Gospels.

At the Liturgy of the Word on Palm Sunday, the events of Jesus' passion are proclaimed in their entirety. In Lectionary Cycle B, we read the passion of Jesus as found in the Gospel of Mark. We will hear these events proclaimed again when we celebrate the Triduum later in the week. On Good Friday, we will read the passion of Jesus from the Gospel of John.

In Mark's Gospel, Jesus' passion and death are presented as the consequence of the tension between the Jewish authorities and Jesus that had been building throughout his public ministry. This tension reached its breaking point when Jesus drove the merchants and moneychangers from the Temple. After this event, the chief priests and scribes began seeking a way to put Jesus to death, and yet, this is only the surface explanation for his death.

When Jesus was arrested and brought before the Sanhedrin—the council of Jewish priests, scribes, and elders—he was charged with blasphemy, citing his threat to the Temple. When he was brought before Pilate, however, the religious authorities presented his crime as a political one, charging that Jesus claimed to be king of the Jews. In continuity with a theme of Mark's Gospel, the messianic claim of Jesus is widely misunderstood.

In Mark's Gospel, Jesus' disciples are rarely models of faith and do little to invoke confidence in their capacity to continue his ministry after his death. They fare no better in Mark's narrative of Jesus' passion and death. At the Last Supper, the disciples insisted that none among them would betray Jesus. When Jesus predicted that their faith would be shaken in the events ahead, Peter and the other disciples protested vehemently. Yet in the garden of Gethsemane, Jesus returned three times to find them sleeping. Jesus prayed in agony over his impending fate while his disciples slumbered through the night. Just as Jesus predicted, Peter denied Jesus, and the disciples were absent during Jesus' passion and death. Only the women who had been followers of Jesus in Galilee are said to have been present at the Crucifixion, but they remained at a distance.

Throughout this Gospel, Mark challenges the reader to consider the claim with which the Gospel begins: Jesus is the Son of God. When we read Mark's account of the passion, we begin to comprehend the deeper theological statement being made about Jesus' death. In Mark's telling of the passion narrative, Jesus understood his death to have been preordained, and he accepted this death in obedience to God's will. Jewish Scripture is quoted only once, but there are several references to the fulfillment of the Scriptures. Jesus understood his anointing in Bethany as an anticipation of his burial, and he announced that this story would be told together with the Gospel throughout the world. Jesus predicted his betrayal by Judas as well as Peter's denial. At his arrest, Jesus acknowledged that the preordained time had arrived. Jesus was both confident and silent before his accusers. After he was sentenced to death, Jesus did not speak again until his final cry from the cross. The bystanders misunderstood and believed that he was calling for Elijah. The Roman centurion, however, affirmed what Mark has presented

throughout this Gospel: Jesus is the Son of God. Nowhere was this revealed more fully than in his death on the cross.

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to us as God's Son.

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We will have our annual Easter egg hunt following the 9:00 am Easter Sunday Mass at St. Augustine. Please bring a basket of one dozen eggs filled per child to hide. If you could also bring a snack to share.



Thank you to all the volunteers for your time and service during this Lenten season fish fries . St. Augustine Fish fries were a success because of your participation. We will see you next year.



Saturday, March 30 @ 9:00 am

We will decorate the church for Easter on Saturday. Many hand make light workplease help if you are able.

#### **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 turn your donation in by this Sunday, March 24.



You can turn in your rice bowls to the office or at Mass.

Liturgical Committee Meeting on Monday, March 25 @ 6pm in the Church.



We need10 Volunteers for Holy Thursday's Washing of the Feet. If interested (must be a confirmed catholic) please call the:
Parish Office ~ 229.224.1256



St. Augustine Appeal Goal: \$23, 275 St. Elizabeth Appeal Goal: \$4, 572 Congratulations!

St. Elizabeth surpassed their goal as of Thursday, March 21, with total give \$ 5,175. St. Augustine: \$17, 128.55

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## **Building Fund**

We thank you for your generous contribution to the Parish building fund. We have made tremendous progress. If you have prayerfully considered contributing to the building and have not done so yet, please do so before the end of June.



There will be RCIA on Wednesday, March 27 in the social hall from 6:30 until 7:45 pm.



Due 4th Sunday of Every Month.

Please bring to mass on March 23/24

Suggested Items: Canned Soups, Soup

Mixes, Canned Veggies

Knights of Columbus

The Knights are still selling raffle tickets for a "4 Burner Blackstone Griddle" after Mass this weekend. Tickets are \$5 for one and 5 chances for \$20. If interested, contact the Grand Knight or see RJ.

#### STAFF DIRECTORY

#### Deacons

John Blaha 227.8377 Miguel Gutierrez (Bilingual) David Wendel 863.608.5460

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#### **Music Director**

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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 3/23	Kay Kramer David Sofferin	Debby Joslyn Anne McCudden
SUN 3/24	Sophia Newton Joan Farnham Mark Humphries	Chris Dusek Debby Stepien
SAT 3/30	Sophia Newton Leny Hill Kay Kramer Allen Harden David Sofferin	Rick & Judy Marino
SUN 3/31	Mark Humphries Allen Harden	Jim Ladner Judy Harden

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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.



- Visit signup.FORMED.org
- Select Your Parish
- Register your name & email address
- Check that email account for a link to begin using

# 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!

Any Catholic male interested in joining the Knights of Columbus can contact David Sullivan, GK @ (229) 336~3517. or visit kofc.org.



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

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Please do not bring food or beverage into the church.





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