



St. Augustine
CATHOLIC CHURCH
Our heart is restless until it rests in you Lord.



Weekend Mass

SATURDAY, October 21

English Mass @ 5:00 pm

SUNDAY, October 22

English Mass @ 9:00 am

Spanish Mass @ 5:00 pm

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Thursday, October 19

Spanish Mass @ 7pm

SUNDAY, October 22

English Mass @ 11:30 am

Spanish Mass @ 2:00 pm

Previous Weeks Offerings

	2023	2022
St. Augustine:	\$4,026	\$3,940
St. Eliz Ann Seton:	\$1,019	\$878

Parish Office Hours

Monday-Friday
9am-3pm

October 15, 2023

Twenty Eighth Sunday

English Blue Book: Page 250

First Reading– Isaiah 25:6-10a

Psalm– 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6

Second Reading– Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20

Gospel– Matthew 22:1-14

Bilingual Book: Page 398

Weekly Readings

Tue @ 6pm: Rom 1:16-25 | Lk 11:37-41

Wed @ 9am: *St. Luke, Evangelist*

2 Tm 4:10-17b | Lk 10:1-9

Thurs @ 9am: *Saints Isaac Jogues, Jean de Brébeuf, & Companions*

Rom 3:21-30 | Lk 11:47-54

Fri @ 12pm: *St. Paul of the Cross*

Rom 4:1-8 | Lk 12:1-7

Twenty-Ninth Sunday Readings

Is 45:1, 4-6 | 1 Thes 1:1-5b | Mt 22:15-21

Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 14

†John Bailey

Sunday, October 15

†Bradley Gaupp

Sunday, October 15 -St. Elizabeth

Parishioners

Wednesday, October 18

†John Harvey

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Fridays - 11:00am-11:45am | 12:30pm-1pm

Saturday– 3:45-4:45 pm

Cairo -Sunday 11:00-11:30am | 1:15-1:45pm

Or By Appointment- (229) 226-3624




Building Fund

Total Cost of Projects:
\$105,543.00

Your Building Fund Contribution:
\$101,523

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Pastor:

Father Godfred Boachie-Yiadom

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Rev. Mr. John Blaha
Rev. Mr. David Wendel
Rev. Mr. Miguel Gutierrez

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St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
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Cairo GA 39828

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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

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Immediately after criticizing the religious leaders through the parable of the tenants in [last Sunday's Gospel](#), Jesus proceeded to tell another parable, again directed at the religious leaders. We hear this parable in today's Gospel.

In the parable of the wedding feast, Jesus offers an image of the kingdom of heaven using the symbol of a wedding banquet. In today's first reading from the prophet Isaiah and in today's psalm, the Lord's goodness is evident in the symbol of a feast of good food and wine. Jesus' listeners would have been familiar with the image of a wedding feast as a symbol for God's salvation. They would consider themselves to be the invited guests. Keeping this in mind helps us to understand the critique Jesus makes with this parable. The context for this parable is the growing tension between Jesus and the Jewish religious leaders in Jerusalem. This has been the case for the past two Sundays and will continue to be true for the next several weeks. The parable Jesus tells is straightforward. The king dispatches his servants to invite the guests to the wedding feast that he is planning for his son. The listeners would have been surprised to learn that the first guests refused the invitation. Who would refuse the king's invitation? A second dispatch of servants follows. Again to the listeners' great surprise, some guests ignore the invitation. Some of the invited guests even go so far as to mistreat and kill the servants. The king invokes his retribution against these murderers by destroying them and burning their city.

We might stop here for a moment. Why would some guests kill the servants sent to invite them to the king's wedding feast? It might be possible that the king was a tyrant, evidenced by the destruction of the city of those who refused his invitation. But if we follow this idea, then the allegory seems to be about something other than the kingdom of heaven. It is more likely that the destruction of the city would have been a powerful image corresponding to the destruction of Jerusalem by the Romans in A.D. 70, which would have been an important event for Matthew's audience.

With the invited guests now deemed unworthy to attend the king's wedding feast, the servants are sent to invite whomever they can find. The guests arrive, but it appears that accepting the king's invitation brings certain obligations. The guest who failed to dress in the appropriate wedding attire is cast out of the feast. We are reminded that while many are invited to the kingdom of heaven, not all are able to meet its requirements. God invites us to his feast, giving us his salvation. Yet he asks us to repent for our sins.

Jesus' message in the parable cautions against exclusive beliefs about the kingdom of heaven. The parable also teaches about humility. Those who assume that they are the invited guests may find that they have refused the invitation, and so others are invited in their place. To accept the invitation is also to accept its obligations. God wants our full conversion in complete acceptance of his mercy.

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Fall Coat Drive~October 1st through November 11th. Check your closet and consider donating clean useable coats for the needy. Coats can be dropped off in the vestibule of the Church of the Parish Hall Thanks.!

Attention Vietnamese Community

Fr. Peter Hung will be at St. John Vianney Mission Church, Camilla, to hear Confessions and celebrate Mass for the Vietnamese community on **Sunday, October 22 at 3:00 pm.**





This message involves **both St. Augustine, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, and all Spanish Masses**. There will be group photos taken on October 28th at St. Augustine after the 9:00 AM Mass, and Cairo after the noon Mass, for all ministers of our two churches. You really need to attend to show your representation of your parish. All Lectors, Choir Members and musicians of both churches, Ushers, Eucharist Ministers, Religious Ed teachers and leaders, Youth Ministry members and leaders, all Knights, Adoration Group members, Parish Council of St. Augustine and St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, all Finance Committee members, all Altar Servers, Shut-In Ministry and Sunday Morning Coffee preparers of BOTH churches.

Masses that weekend:

Saturday October 28-Mass in Thomasville (English) at 5:00 pm
Sunday, October 29-Mass in Thomasville (Bilingual) at 9:00 am
- Mass in Cairo (Bilingual) at 12:00 noon

All confirmed youth are invited to attend the St. Augustine Youth Group on Sunday October 15, 2023 following the 9:00am Mass until noon. For information on the Youth Group, please contact Carolyn Treadon (850-445-9293) or Roslyn Moore (229-200-0707). You can also join the Youth Group Remind:

<https://www.remind.com/join/eahk4c>



The RCIA program for St. Augustine & St. Elizabeth Ann Seton will be on Wednesdays, beginning November 8, from 6:30 pm – 7:45 pm in the Parish Social Hall.

We are also in need of Sponsors who will assist the RCIA candidates seeking initiation into Church, on their spiritual journey.

Please call the Parish Office to register if you would like to attend. We will need your name, phone number and email address (if available) when you call.



“O Blessed Mother, at the angel’s word you went in haste to the aid of your cousin Elizabeth. Although pregnant yourself, you placed her needs before your own. By your example of radical solidarity, teach us to reverence and protect those in need, without conditions or expectations.”

Join thousands of Catholics praying a Respect Life Month novena Friday, October 13 – Sunday, October 21. Get daily prayers, reflections, and more. Sign up at respectlife.org!

Upcoming Second Collection

World Mission
Sunday

October 22

Join Bishop Stephen D. Parkes for the 

WHITE MASS

For Healthcare Professionals

Tuesday, October 24, 2023, 5:30 pm
St. Mary on the Hill Catholic Church
Open to people of all faith traditions

Reception to follow
RSVP: augustacathmed@gmail.com



The Food bank needs volunteers.

If you are interested please come and fill out an application at 430 N Broad St, Thomasville, GA 31792.

The hours are Monday 3-5:00
Tuesday 9-12
Thursday 9-12

STAFF DIRECTORY

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Parish Secretary Cristy Gonzalez

VIRTUS email

augustinevirtus@gmail.com

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 10/14	Coleen Felias	Judy & Rick Marino
SUN 10/15	Joan Farnham David Sullivan	Lory & Gary McEntire
SAT 10/21	Duane Treadon	Bill Hales Julian Pauwels
SUN 10/22	Karen Alberto Mark Humphries	Debbie Stepien Jim Ladner



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.

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

If you would like use the social hall for an event please call the church office.



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

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



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



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.

Parishioner



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Please do not bring food or beverage into the church.



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