

# ASH WEDNESDAY

Thoroughly wash away my guilt;  
and from my sin cleanse me.

Ps 51:4

## *Lenten Obligations*

All members of the Christian Faithful in their own way are bound to do penance in virtue of divine law; in order that all may be joined in a common observance of penance, penitential days are prescribed in which the Christian Faithful in a special way pray, exercise works of piety and charity and deny themselves by fulfilling their responsibilities more faithfully and especially by observing fast and abstinence according to the norms of Canon Law (1983 Code of Canon Law; Canon 1249)

On **ASH WEDNESDAY** of Lent, 14 February 2018 and **GOOD FRIDAY**, 31 March 2018, abstinence and fast are to be observed (Canon 1251).

**ALL FRIDAYS** of Lent are penitential days throughout the universal Church, in which abstinence from eating meat is to be observed (Canon 1250).

**OBLIGATIONS OF ABSTINENCE AND FAST:** All persons 14 and over are bound by the law of abstinence. All those 18 and over are bound by the law of fast up to age 59, inclusive. Nevertheless, pastors and parents are to see to it that children who are not bound by law of fast and abstinence are educated in an authentic sense of penance (Canon 1251).

In observing the precept of **FAST** one small meal and two smaller meals (which do not equal another average full meal) may be taken. Eating solid food between meals is prohibited, but liquid nourishment may be taken at any time. Taking medicine of any type does not break one's fast.

**NOTE:** When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law of fast and abstinence does not oblige, but the spirit of penance should still be implemented as much as possible in the particular situation. If in doubt concerning one's ability to fast or abstain, one should consult a parish priest or confessor.

**HOLY EUCHARIST:** All the faithful, after they have received their First Communion, are bound by the obligation of receiving Communion at least once a year.

This precept ordinarily must be fulfilled during Easter season (from the First Sunday of Lent to Trinity Sunday, inclusive in the USA). However, for a just cause (such as illness) the Eucharistic precept may be satisfied outside this period but within the same calendar year (Canon 920).

## *St. Augustine Lenten Confession Schedule*

Monday, Wednesday, Friday	7:30 a.m.- 8:00 a.m.
Wednesdays and Thursdays	6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.
Saturdays	11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
Sundays	9:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

## *St. Augustine Stations of the Cross*

Fridays	2:00 p.m. (Cathedral School) and 7:00 p.m.
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## *St. Augustine Lenten Dinners*

Friday, March 9th and March 23rd	4:45 p.m.-6:45 p.m.
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# St. Augustine Cathedral



## Readings

### Sunday Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Lv 13:1-2, 44-46  
Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11  
1 Cor 10:31—11  
Mk 1:40-45

### Monday

Jas 1:1-11  
Mk 8:11-13

### Tuesday

Jas 1:12-18  
Mk 8:14-21

### Wednesday Ash Wednesday

Jl 2:12-18  
2 Cor 5:20—6:2  
Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

### Thursday

Dt 30:15-20  
Lk 9:22-25

### Friday

Is 58:1-9a  
Mt 9:14-15

### Saturday The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

Is 58:9b-14  
Lk 5:27-32

### Sunday First Sunday of Lent

Gn 9:8-15  
Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9  
1 Pt 3:18-22  
Mk 1:12-15

## Mass Intentions

### Monday, 12 February 2018

7:00 a.m. Holy Souls in purgatory  
11:00 a.m. Confessions  
12:10 p.m. †Deceased parents

### Tuesday, 13 February 2018

7:00 a.m. †Deceased members of the Sunnerville family  
11:00 a.m. Confessions  
12:10 p.m. †Deceased members of the clergy, Kalamazoo Diocese

### Wednesday, 14 February 2018 Ash Wednesday

7:00 a.m. †Chris Schepper  
7:30-8:00 a.m. Confessions  
8:45 a.m. The intentions of the students of St. Augustine Cathedral School  
11:00 a.m. Confessions  
12:10 p.m. Our Blessed Mother's Pro-Life intentions  
5:30 p.m. Needs and Intentions of Pauline Maurer

### Thursday, 15 February 2018

7:00 a.m. Needs and Intentions of Dolores Condic (birthday)  
11:00 a.m. Confessions  
12:10 p.m. †Wayne Hoag (3rd anniversary)  
6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Confessions

### Friday, 16 February 2018

7:00 a.m. †Clarence and Shirley Choike  
7:30-8:00 a.m. Confessions  
11:00 a.m. Confessions  
12:10 p.m. Needs & Intentions of Jennings Palmer  
2:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross  
7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

### Saturday, 17 February 2018

8:45 a.m. For those who have wondered from the practice of their Catholic Faith  
11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Confessions  
4:00 p.m. †Don Eckrich

### Sunday, 18 February 2018

7:30 a.m. Pro Populo  
9:00 a.m. Confessions  
9:30 a.m. †Deceased members of the Allman Family  
11:00 a.m. Confessions  
11:30 a.m. †Anna Marks  
3:00 p.m. Rite of Election

## Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday comes from the ancient Jewish tradition of penance and fasting. We wear ashes as a visual recognition of the division from God our personal sin has caused and as an act of penance. The ashes - made from the blessed palm branches of the previous year's Palm Sunday Mass - symbolize the dust from which God made us. As the priest applies the ashes to a person's forehead, he speaks the words: "Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return."

Ashes will be distributed at Masses Wednesday, 14 February

**7:00 a.m. 12:10 p.m. 5:30 p.m.**

Although Ash Wednesday is not a Holy Day of Obligation it is a day of penitential prayer, abstinence and fasting.

# Diocesan and Cathedral News

## *Sidewalk Advocates for Life*

Are you interested in a peaceful, prayerful method of reaching out to women and men entering the local abortion facility and helping them to choose life? If so, our training may be right for you! This new "sidewalk counseling" program uses a very compassionate, women oriented method to save innocent lives and to help women in unplanned pregnancies by offering them more life-affirming options. For training join us **17 February** from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Crowley Center cafeteria. Feel free to contact the Program Director, Mary Jeske at 219/393-0644 or e-mail her at 20mlj13@gmail.com. For more information about *Sidewalk Advocates for Life*, please visit [www.sidewalkadvocates.org](http://www.sidewalkadvocates.org).

## *40 Days for Life*

**14 February through 25 March**

Make a difference! Express your commitment to life by standing and peacefully praying for an end to abortion. Join fellow St. Augustine parishioners Mondays to pray in front of Planned Parenthood 4201 W. Michigan Avenue from 8am-2pm (rain or shine). Sign up sheets are available at the East entrance of the Cathedral, or go to [www.40daysforlife.com/kalamazoo](http://www.40daysforlife.com/kalamazoo) to sign up for your one hour time slot. For more information, please contact Brenda at [40dayskalamazoo@gmail.com](mailto:40dayskalamazoo@gmail.com)

## *Guadium Christi*

This monthly opportunity offers intentional time to spend with Jesus in the Eucharist. Live worship music, a Gospel reflection, and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament are all part of the evening. **We will gather for our next evening on Friday, February 16th at 7:30 pm.** The evening lasts until 9:00 pm and anyone is invited to attend for any amount of time that works for one's schedule. Please be aware that we will be meeting at St. Joseph Parish in Battle Creek this year (61 N. 23rd St., Battle Creek, MI 49015).

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Tim McNamara at [tmcnamara@diokzoo.org](mailto:tmcnamara@diokzoo.org)

## *Rachel's Vineyard Retreat,*

**Feb. 23-25, 2018**

Designed for women and men, this retreat is a beautiful opportunity for any person who has struggled with the emotional or spiritual pain of an abortion. Held in a private location in the Kalamazoo area, the retreat process is an opportunity to experience the mercy and compassion of God, surface and release repressed feelings of anger, shame, or guilt, and grieve the loss of your unborn child or children. For more information or to register, call 800-800-8284 or email [mwalsh@ccwestmi.org](mailto:mwalsh@ccwestmi.org). Registration assistance is available.

*All inquiries are strictly confidential.*

## *St. Augustine Food Pantry*

Donations of nonperishable foods and toiletry items are *always* in high demand and are most welcomed! Items may be placed in the collection boxes located in both entrance of the Cathedral, or may be dropped off at the rectory office during business hours. We are also in need of your volunteer talents: 269/375-1571.

Thank you for joining us in this corporal work of mercy ~ *God is good!*



## *From the Office of Liturgy and Music*

The Introduction to the Rite of Marriage concludes that the ongoing witness of the couple and their role in the community is expressed in the celebration of the sacrament. "Since Marriage is ordered toward the increase and sanctification of the People of God, its celebration displays a communitarian character that encourages the participation also of the parish community" (no. 28). This ecclesial dimension of the sacrament of Marriage is rooted in Baptism, through which "a man and a woman are once and for all incorporated into the covenant of Christ with the Church in such a way that their conjugal community is assumed into Christ's charity and is enriched by the power of his Sacrifice" (no. 7). This relationship is deepened and strengthened as the couple lives out their vocation to God through one another and their family. "Those who marry in Christ are able, with faith in the Word of God, to celebrate fruitfully the mystery of the union of Christ and the Church, to live it rightly, and to bear witness to it publicly before all" (no. 11).

On a different note, this coming Wednesday is Ash Wednesday and the beginning of our annual Lenten observance. While not a Holy Day of Obligation, please do avail yourself of the opportunity to start this season of prayer, fasting and almsgiving on a positive and prayerful note. Our liturgy and music becomes stark and simple throughout the season, reflecting our own celebration of self-restraint and discipline that strengthens the will to live the Christlife more deeply.

Dr. Thomas Fielding  
Director of Liturgy and Music



**St. Augustine Cathedral School  
School of Distinction 2012**

**Mission Statement**

St. Augustine Cathedral School, in partnership with parents and the Catholic Church, welcomes and shapes young people as they grow in faith, knowledge, and stewardship.

**No child will be denied the opportunity of a Catholic education due to financial need.**

Please contact the Principals at any of the three school with questions.

St. Augustine 269-349-1945

St. Monica 269-345-2444 Hackett Catholic Prep 269/381-2646

*St Augustine Cathedral School Open House*

**15 February** 9:00 a.m.—11:00 a.m.

Come tour your Cathedral School and meet our teachers, staff and students! No child shall be denied the opportunity of a Catholic elementary or high school education due to financial need—see our school principals for additional details:

St. Augustine 269-349-1945 St. Monica 269/345-2444

Hackett Catholic Prep 269/381-2646

*The Rite of Election*

The Rite of Election will be celebrated by Bishop on **February 18<sup>th</sup>** at 3:00 p.m. Our parish has a catechumen, Carla Hammel participating in this rite. All parishioners are invited to attend. Please also pray for our candidate, Morgen Baer who is preparing to enter into full communion with the Church. Both will join us at the great Easter Vigil less than two months away.

*Catechumen* are individuals asking for baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation in the Catholic faith. *Candidates* are baptized Christians seeking full communion in the Church through a profession of faith, reception of the Eucharist and Confirmation.

*Coffee and Doughnuts*

11 February— Coffee and Doughnuts brought to us by the St. Augustine PTO/LAC

18 February—Coffee and Doughnuts courtesy of Neocatechumenal Way

25 February—Coffee and Doughnuts hosted by the Neocatechumenal Way

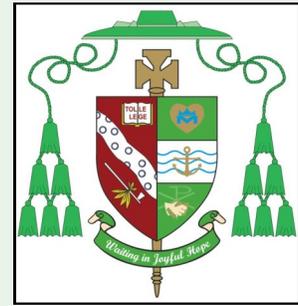


*Rosary*

Please join us in the Church as we pray the rosary together weekdays at 11:30 a.m. and celebrate the 12:10 Mass. God is good!

*Financial Report*

<b>Weekly Budgeted Amount</b> .....	<b>\$16,346.16</b>
Sunday Collection for 01/14/2018 .....	\$12,504.11
Children's Envelopes .....	\$7.35
Mailed in through 01/16/2018 .....	\$1,615.00
Difference .....	(\$2,219.70)
Roof Fund.....	\$867.00
3-Churches .....	\$3,794.00



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