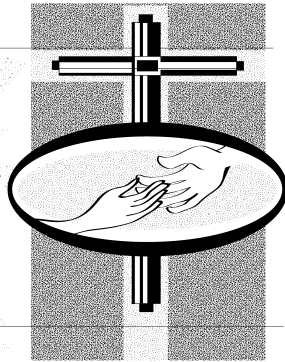


BEHOLD  
new things have come.  
And all this is from  
**GOD**  
who has reconciled us  
to himself through  
**JESUS CHRIST**  
and given us the  
ministry of reconciliation,  
entrusting to us  
the message of  
reconciliation  
So we are  
ambassadors for  
**JESUS  
CHRIST**



## Families of Faith in a Community of Grace Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 30, 2025

### Directory

**St. Augustine Church** e-mail: [augustine306@att.net](mailto:augustine306@att.net)

**Website:** [www.saintaugustinebreese.org](http://www.saintaugustinebreese.org)

**Find us on Facebook:**

St. Augustine Catholic Church Breese Illinois

**Vision Statement:** "Called to Welcome, Serve and Celebrate"

525 S. Third St. Breese (618)526-4362

St. Augustine Parish Center (618)526-4341

**St. Anthony Church** e-mail: [stanthny@papadocs.com](mailto:stanthny@papadocs.com)

**Website:** [www.stanthonybeckemeyer.org](http://www.stanthonybeckemeyer.org)

**Vision Statement:** "Continuing to Create a Future Together"

P.O. Box 305, 451 W. Third St. Beckemeyer (618)227-8236

**All Saints Academy** 295 N. Clinton Breese

**Website:** [www.asasaints.com](http://www.asasaints.com) (618)526-4323

**Mater Dei High School** 900 N. Mater Dei Dr. Breese

**School Website:** [www.materdeiknights.org](http://www.materdeiknights.org) (618)526-7216

**Diocesan websites:** [www.diobelle.org](http://www.diobelle.org)

[www.bellevillemessenger.org](http://www.bellevillemessenger.org)

[www.catholiccharitiesusa.org](http://www.catholiccharitiesusa.org)

<http://catholiccharitiessil.org/ccsil>

**Project Rachel** (618)722-5068

<https://www.diobelle.org/respectlife/project-rachel>

**Respect Life Ministry** (618)722-5040

**Sexual Abuse Hotline** 1-800-640-3044

### Religious Education:

**OCIA/RCIA** For more info please call one of the church office(s).

**Youth Faith Formation Classes:** Call CRE - Dan Robben at (618)

604-3792 or the parish office for more information.

### **Youth Ministry Moderators:**

Erin Etheridge (618) 604-7640

Rhonda Pulver (248) 840-1857

Paris Hempen (618) 910-4551

### Parish Partnership

#### Weekend Worship Schedule

**Eucharist:** Sat. 4:00 pm St. Augustine

5:30 pm St. Dominic

Sun. 8:00 am St. Augustine

9:30 am St. Anthony

11:00 am St. Dominic

**Baptism:** Celebrated after the weekend Liturgies by appointment. Baptismal preparation class required. Contact the parish office to register. **Set baptismal date at least two months in advance.**

**Reconciliation:** Saturday at 3:30 pm at St. Augustine Church or by appointment. Seasonal penance services offered during Advent & Lent with dates to be announced.

**Marriage:** Call the parish office at least six months in advance.

**Anointing of the Sick :** Offered annually or by appointment. Call the parish office or (618)-791-0069 for more information or to schedule an anointing.

### Welcome

We encourage everyone 18 or older to register at the office as an adult parishioner.

### Parish Staff

**Pastor:** Fr. Chuck Tuttle (618)526-2566

**Pastoral Associate/DRE:** Phyllis Berndsen (618)791-0069

**Permanent Deacon/DRE:** Dcn. Jay Fowler (618)973-3162

**Maintenance:** Richard Korte (618)402-5964

**Office Manager:** Carol Hilmes (618)526-4362

(618)227-8236

**Business Manager:** Dennis Krebs St. Augustine

**Business Manager:** Karri Kampwerth St. Anthony

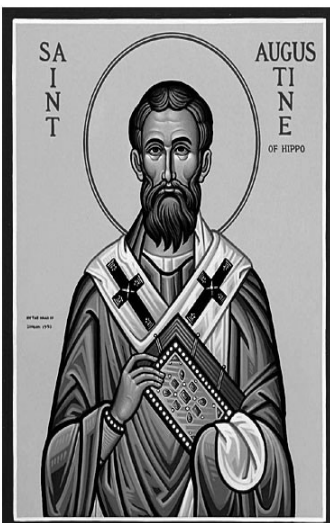
### Office Hours

**Breese:** Monday, Wednesday & Friday 8:30am-4:30pm

Thursday 2:00pm-5:00pm

**Beckemeyer:** Tuesday & Thursday 8:00am-12:00pm

**\*BULLETIN DEADLINE: Wednesday at 10:00am\***



**Fourth Sunday of Lent  
March 30, 2025  
The Catholic Communities of**

**St. Augustine**

03/29 Sat 4:00pm Dennis & Lorraine Huelskamp †  
Living & Deceased of Virgil & Viola Hagen Family  
Sara Isaak †  
Raymond & Florence Usselman †

03/30 Sun 8:00am Mary Lou Bowman †

03/31 Mon No Services

04/01 Tues Noon -1pm **Adoration**

04/02 Wed 7:25am Rosary/Perpetual Help Devotions  
8:00am Poor Souls

04/03 Thurs 2:00pm *A.S.A. Primary Stations of the Cross*  
*All are welcome.*

04/04 Fri 8:00am Al & Betty Brueggemann †  
7:00pm *Stations of the Cross, St. Anthony*

04/05 Sat 4:00pm  
Living & Deceased of the Mater Dei Class of 1955  
Living & Deceased of Lavern Kuhl Family

04/06 Sun 8:00am Dolores Benhoff †  
Joe C. Maue †  
Yvonne Ratermann †

**St. Anthony**

03/29 Sat No Service

03/30 Sun 9:30am Wally & Renee Holtgrave †  
Dolores Hilmes Family Living & Deceased

03/31 Mon No Service

04/01 Tues 7:30am Poor Souls

04/02 Wed No Service

04/03 Thurs 7:30am Joe Brueggemann †

04/04 Fri 7:00pm Stations of the Cross

04/05 Sat No Service

04/06 Sun 9:30am Henry & Mary Rita Hilmes †  
Alfred Mensing †  
Phyllis Mensing †  
Marion "Mo" Oefelein †  
Raymond & Florence Usselman †

**\*\*If school is cancelled, Mass is cancelled.\*\***

**Upcoming Classes & Events:**

- North Central Vicariate Listening Session for Diocesan Pastoral Plan *Servants on Christ's Mission* Monday, March 31 at 6:30pm at St. Dominic Parish Center. **See the insert this week's bulletin for more information.**
- Padre Pio Mass: Saturday, Saturday, April 5. Rosary at 8:30am & Mass at 9:00am at St. Dominic.
- Baptismal Prep Class: Wed., April 9 at 7pm hosted by St. Anthony. Call your Parish Office by Fri., April 4 to sign-up for class.
- Cor meeting on Saturday, April 12 8:00-9:30am in the Mater Dei Chapel. *Cor* is a group for men to study & share their Faith.

**ST. ANTHONY MINISTRY SCHEDULES**

Ministry:	Greeters	Lector	Ushers	Gift Bearers
Sun., April 6 9:30am	Kelly Pollmann Diane Winkeler	Karri Kampwerth	Mike & Sharon Peppenhorst, Dennis Pollmann, Gary Winkeler	Hilmes Family

**Extra-ordinary Ministers:** Sun., April 6 at 9:30am Olivia Etheridge, John Hilmes

**Altar Servers:** Sun., April 6 9:30am Marshall Timmermann, Sabrina Timmermann

**Sacristans:** Mar 30 - Apr 5 Pauline Albers                      Apr 6 - 12 Annette Burkhardt

**ST. AUGUSTINE MINISTRY SCHEDULES**

Ministry:	Altar Servers	Lectors	Ushers	Gift Bearers
Sat., April 5 4:00pm	Daniel Becker	Aggie Becker	Kevin & Dara Hagen, Dennis Krebs, Jeff Schulte	Kuhl Family
Sun., April 6 8:00am	Colin Loepker Zackery Loepker	Katie Siefker	Eric Baumgartner, Brad Boeckman, Roger Loepker, Bob Maue	Ratermann Family

**Extra-ordinary Ministers:** Sat., April 5 at 4:00pm Amy Boeckman, Julie Boeckman

Sun., April 6 at 8:00am Phyllis Berndsen, Mary Ann Rakers

**Sacristan:** Mar 30 - Apr 5 Lynn Maue

Apr 6 - 12 Phyllis Berndsen

**Extraordinary Minister to the Home Bound:** Mar 30 Phyllis Berndsen    Apr 6 Mary Ann Rakers

Dear Friends,

Three and a half weeks into this forty day journey through Lent, we may have become lost. Perhaps we have returned to our normal habits, chafing under the disciplines of fasting, prayer, and almsgiving. Perhaps we've slipped and found ourselves rationalizing our failures. The story of the prodigal son, which we hear today, reminds us that no matter what we have done or failed to do, God stands always ready to welcome us back. No matter how far we have strayed, rejoice! for we are never too far gone to return to God.

**THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE LESSON:** On the plains of Jericho, the Chosen People finally reach a fertile land that can produce food for them to eat. Paul extols God's goodness, for God reconciled the world through Christ. In the Gospel story of the prodigal son, the father is so overjoyed at his wayward son's return that he throws a huge feast, serving the choicest food and insisting his son wear the household's finest clothes. From beginning to end, we can, as we sing in the responsorial psalm, "Taste and see the goodness of the Lord."

**STEWARDSHIP:** If we accept God's grace and repenting struggle to change, God will respond like the father of the Prodigal Son. "Filled with compassion" at seeing his repentant child approaching after a long and painful separation, this loving parent "ran to his son, embraced him and kissed him" even before the boy could stammer out the words of sorrow he had rehearsed (Lk 15:20). God's love is always there. The spirit of wisdom and courage helps us to seek pardon and to be mindful, in the face of all our forgetting, that the most important work of our lives is to be Jesus' disciples and His faithful stewards.

**A REMINDER:** This weekend the Eighth Graders preparing for Confirmation will be gathering for their Luke 18 Retreat experience – please keep them in your prayers. Have you attended the Adoration time on Tuesdays from Noon-1pm? – An awesome experience to spend an hour in meditation with the Lord. Stations of the Cross this Friday at 7pm in St. Anthony (no faith formation this week).

**A QUESTION FOR THE WEEK:** How can I be merciful like the father in this parable? What resentments do I need to overcome? Can I be truly forgiving to someone who has hurt me or those I love?

God bless,  
*Fr. Chuck*

### ***St. Augustine News...***

**Upcoming Meetings:**

- Finance Council: Tuesday, April 1 at 6:30pm
- Pastoral Council: Tuesday, April 1 at 7:30pm
- Building & Grounds: Tuesday, April 8 at 6:30pm
- Holy Name: Tuesday, April 8 at 7:30pm
- Ladies Sodality: Monday, May 12 at 7:00pm

**St. Augustine Bingo - Sunday, April 13.** Worker List #7 Luncheon begins at 11:30am & Bingo 2pm. Last names A-K, please bring desserts. Raffle tickets available at church entrances.

**Quilt Collection:** If you still need to submit your quilt contribution, your envelope can be dropped off at the Church Office or placed in the collection basket or you can call Shirley Schlarman at 618-980-8434 to make arrangements to drop-off your quilt.

### ***Youth Faith Formation News:***

**Reconciliation Service:** April 9 at 6:45pm at St. Dominic  
*Please check with your child's teacher for attendance details.*

**North Central Vicariate Council of Catholic Women Spring Meeting Wednesday, April 9, 8am - 2pm at St. Mary's, Trenton.** St. Anthony & St. Augustine Ladies' Sodalities are covering the cost to attend. Please pick up your form by one of the entrances and get it turned back in to Linda Fowler at St. Anthony or Lynn Maue, at St. Augustine.

**St. Augustine ATTENDANCE**

Mar. 22 4:00pm.....150    Mar. 23 8:00am.....121

**OUR GIFTS TO GOD**

Mar. 22    Loose: \$180.00    Envelopes: \$1,225.00(40)  
 Mar. 23    Loose: \$137.00    Envelopes: \$ 738.00(13)  
**Other Envelopes:** Ash Wed. \$105.00(5), Bldg. Fnd. \$1,250.00 (3), Cath. Rel. Svcs. \$40.00(2), Easter Flow. \$155.00(5), Ed. \$290.00(4), Sr. Parish \$275.00(4)

### ***St. Anthony News...***

**Upcoming Meetings:**

- Ladies Sodality: Monday, March 24 at 7:00pm
- Finance Council: Tuesday, May 6 at 6:30pm
- Pastoral Council: Tuesday, May 6 at 7:30pm

**Ladies Sodality Meeting on March 24 at 7pm:** Main topics of discussion are the rummage sale & the Parish Center refrigerator. We hope to see you there!

**Rummage Sale**

- Rummage Sale Worker's List are in assigned envelopes in the back of church.
- St. Anthony's Parish Rummage & Bake Sale - May 1, 2 & 3. You can bring Rummage donations to the Parish Center from 9am to 5pm beginning Apr 14 through Apr 29 (except on Sundays, Apr 20 & 27) or Until Full. Please NO Tube TV's, Exercise Equipment, Car seats, or Encyclopedias.

### ***Vocations Corner:***

Today's Gospel features one of the most memorable and quoted parables: The Prodigal Son. This display of Fatherly love is so reassuring to us as we travel through life. The premier forgiveness of the Father for both His sons provides us with comfort even in our transgressions. As we strive to live our vocation (priesthood, married, consecrated life, single), we can always treasure the knowledge that the Father will always celebrate our return to Him no matter what we have done or failed to do.

**St. Anthony ATTENDANCE**

Mar. 23 9:30am.....136

**OUR GIFTS TO GOD**

Mar. 23    Loose: \$679.00    Envelopes: \$1,319.00(33)  
**Other Envelopes:** Ash Wed. \$5.00(1), Black & Ind. Missi\$40.00 (3), Bldg. \$25.00(1), Catholic Relief Svcs. 200.00(1), Cemetery \$110.00(2), Ed. \$20.00(3), Easter \$10.00(1), Easter Flowers \$20.00 (1), Holy Lane \$5.00(1), Palm Sunday \$5.00(1), Sr. Parish \$150.00 (4)

**Meals & Events:**

Breese Knights of Columbus invite you to a delicious Pancake and Sausage Breakfast on Sunday, March 30, 2025, at the KC Hall - 480 Walnut St., Breese, IL. Proceeds will benefit area YFF Programs. For Pricing & more information please see the flier on the bulletin board.

St. Felicitas, Beaver Prairie, Spring Chicken Dinner. Sunday, April 13. Serving 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Drive-thru only. All dinners include half fried chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, dressing, slaw and applesauce. \$15 per dinner. 13322 Church Rd., Carlyle, IL.

St. Dominic is having their 26th Annual Golden Egg Raffle, with GRAND PRIZE OF \$20,000!! There are an additional five \$1,000 winners along with two \$500 consolation prize winners.

ALL DRAWINGS take place on Easter Sunday, April 20th following morning Mass. Tickets are \$50 each and are available through Parish members, in the Rectory breezeway, contacting the Parish office, local businesses, or messaging the Parish through Facebook.



**Please remember in your prayers:**

All those serving in the military and everyone listed:  
 Carl & Jackie Aarns Edwin Albers Norb & Ruth Albers  
 Veronica Blumenstein Sadie Bryan  
 Dave Deutsch Christie Dust Betty Erlinger  
 Roger Foppe Carol Fritch Jupe Gonzalez  
 JoAnn Gray Carol Gwinn Gerri Haar  
 Mary Haar Mike Haar Pat Hagen  
 Jim Haukup Mary Heimann Richard Hellige  
 Carlos Hill Rich Holtgrave Gertrude Holthaus  
 Greg Jansen Tony Jansen Kevin Korte  
 Rose Kuhl Jeff Jahnke Gabrielle Ludwig  
 Theresa Luitjohan Joann Maue Dana Beckmann-Marks  
 Mary Ann Maue Carol Meier Doris Mueller  
 Mark Niemeyer Rachel Peters Florence Pingsterhaus  
 Kathy Pingsterhaus Ken Porter  
 Jerome Ratermann Joanie Rolfingsmeier Pat Rollins  
 Julie (Schlueter) Detmer Fr. Carl Schrage  
 Marcel Thole Clete Timmermann Loretta Trame  
 Lucille Trame Dottie Wellinghoff Agnes White  
 Special Intentions Special Intention Deb Mel

*If you have anyone who needs to be added or removed from this list, please contact the Parish Office.*

**Discernment Opportunities: DO YOU FEEL CALLED?**

Are you discerning the possibility of serving the Lord as a priest, consecrated sister or brother, missionary or permanent deacon?

If you are looking for guidance about how to discern answering the Lord's call, please join Fr. Godfrey Mullen, OSB, and Bishop Michael McGovern for a Day of Recollection. We will gather at St. Nicholas Parish in O'Fallon on Saturday, April 5 from 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM. The day includes morning Mass, two talks, reflection questions, group discussion and a period of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Lite breakfast and lunch will be provided.

**This gathering is open to young men and women in High School to age 30.** For more information or to RSVP by April 3, contact Ms. Martina Skorch ([miskorch@diobelle.org](mailto:miskorch@diobelle.org)) or by phone at (618) 722-5043.

**Knights News Breese K of C Council # 2869**

**Breese K of C #2869 Meeting:** Thursday, April 10 Rosary at 7pm Meeting at 7:30pm

**Taco Tuesday:** 4:30pm - 7:00pm, **Wing Thursday:** 4:30pm - 7:00pm

**Fish Fry Fridays:** 4:30pm - 7:00pm

*(All meals are eat in or take-out and are served in the basement.)*

**5th Sunday Breakfast:** 03/30/2025, 06/29/2025, 08/31/2025 at 8-11am

**K of C Fourth Degree Meeting:** Tuesday, April 15 at 7:30pm at Albers JC Building

**Have you ever thought about joining the Knights of Columbus?  
See Fr. Chuck for more information on how to join!**

**Pro-Life Corner :**

"With great openness and courage, we need to question how widespread is the culture of life today among individual Christians, families, groups and communities in our Dioceses. With equal clarity and determination we must identify the steps we are called to take in order to serve life in all its truth" (*The Gospel of Life* 95).

**2025 FOURTH WEEK OF LENT  
Daily Scripture and Reflections in Preparation for Easter**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>30 4th Sunday of Lent</b> Be reconciled to God. <i>Joshua 5:9-12 2 Cor. 5:17-21 Luke 15:1-3,11-32</i>	<b>31 Lenten Weekday</b> Allow the word of the Lord to guide your life. <i>Isaiah 65:17-21 John 4:43-54</i>	<b>1 Lenten Weekday</b> The grace of Christ heals our hearts. <i>Ezekiel 47:1-9,12 John 5:1-16</i>	<b>2 St. Francis of Paola</b> God loves us; we are his children. <i>Isaiah 49:8-15 John 5:17-30</i>	<b>3 Lenten Weekday</b> Look to God and not to idols. <i>Exodus 32:7-14 John 5:31-47</i>	<b>4 St. Isidore</b> <i>The Lord is close to the brokenhearted.</i> <i>Wisdom 2:1,12-22 John 7:1-2,10,25-30</i>	<b>5 St. Vincent Ferrer</b> Let us entrust ourselves to God. <i>Jeremiah 11:18-20 John 7:40-53</i>