

The shepherds hastened to Bethlehem where they found Mary and Joseph, and the baby lying in a manger.

**JESUS
MARY
JOSEPH**

Imitate and live the love of the Holy Family

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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.

Families of Faith in a Community of Grace Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph December 28, 2025

Directory

St. Augustine Church e-mail: augustine306@att.net

Website: 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

Website: 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 (618)526-4323

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

School Website: www.materdeiknights.org (618)526-7216

Diocesan websites: www.diobelle.org

www.bellevillemessenger.org

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:

Amy Camillo

Rhonda Pulver (248) 840-1857

Erin Etheridge (618) 604-7640

Paris Stulir (618) 910-4551

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

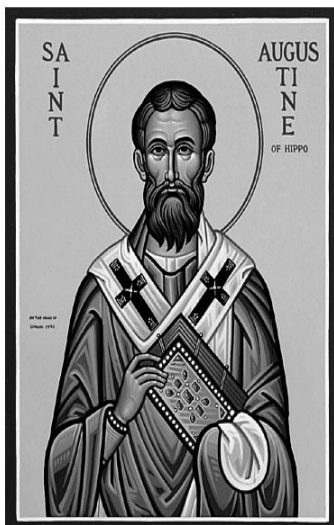
Breese: Monday 7:30am-4:30pm,

Wednesday & Friday 7:30am-12:00pm

Beckemeyer: Tuesday 7:30am-12:00pm,

Thursday Closed-New Years Day, Friday 1:30-4:30pm

****BULLETIN DEADLINE: MONDAY AT NOON****



Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
December 28, 2025

St. Augustine			St. Anthony		
12/27	Sat	4:00pm Raymond & Florence Usselman †	12/27	Sat	No Service
12/28	Sun	8:Duane Richter †	12/28	Sun	9:30am Ed & Edna Holthaus †
12/29	Mon	No Service	12/29	Mon	No Service
12/30	Tues	No Service	12/30	Tues	No Service
12/31	Wed	4:00pm Vigil of the Solemnity of Mary Mother of God(<i>New Years Day</i>)	12/31	Wed	No Service
01/01	Thurs	8:00am Solemnity of Mary Mother of God(<i>New Years Day</i>)	01/01	Thurs	9:30am Solemnity of Mary Mother of God(<i>New Years Day</i>)
01/02	Fri	No Service	01/02	Fri	7:00am <i>First Friday Confession</i>
01/03	Sat	4:00pm Anthony Falter †	01/02		7:30am Ray Petermeyer †
01/04	Sun	8:00am Parish Community of St. Augustine	01/03	Sat	No Service
			01/04	Sun	9:30am Living & Deceased of the Joseph & Anna Kauling Family



ST. ANTHONY MINISTRY SCHEDULES

Ministry:	Greeters	Lector	Ushers	Gift Bearers
Thurs., Jan. 1 9:30am	Brenda Aeschbacher Carol Hilmes	Grace Etheridge	John Hilmes, Steve Hilmes Tony & Kathy Pingsterhaus	Ushers
Sun., Jan. 4 9:30am	Etheridge Family	Olivia Etheridge	Luke Etheridge, Mike Etheridge Kenny & Lisa Johnson	Kauling Family
<u>Extra-ordinary Ministers:</u> Thurs., Jan. 1 at 9:30am Lisa Johnson, Drew Pollmann, Gary & Diane Winkeler Sun., Jan. 4 at 9:30am Steve & Carol Hilmes, Karri Kampwerth, Beth Koehler <u>Altar Servers:</u> Thurs., Jan. 1 at 9:30am Cecilia Mendoza, Anna Pollmann, Myah Pollmann Sun., Jan. 4 at 9:30am Gwen Etheridge, Caden Holtgrave, Sabrina Timmermann <u>Sacristans:</u> Dec. 28 - Jan. 3 Bev Carter Jan. 4 - 10 Pauline Albers				

ST. AUGUSTINE MINISTRY SCHEDULES

Ministry:	Altar Servers	Lectors	Ushers	Gift Bearers
Wed., Dec. 31 4:00pm	Chuck Luitjohan Bob Rosen	Rose Huelskamp	Kevin & Dara Hagen Steve Hagen, Jeff Schulte	To be Announced
Thurs., Jan. 1 8:00am	Bob Rosen	Lynn Maue	Eric Baumgartner, Brad Boeckman, Kevin Lanter, Roger Loepker	Camillo Family
Sat., Jan. 3 4:00pm	Daniel Becker	Sr. Pam Falter	Tom Berndsen, Dan Jansen, Bob & Ruthie Rosen	Falter Family
Sun., Jan. 4 8:00am	Abbie Maxwell Gabby Maxwell	Alex Wiegmann	Eric Baumgartner, Brad Boeckman, Kevin Lanter, Roger Loepker	Monken Family
<u>Extra-ordinary Ministers:</u> Wed., Dec. 31 at 4:00pm Julie Boeckman, Lynn Maue, To be Announced Thurs., Jan. 1 at 8:00am Phyllis Berndsen, Lynn Maue, To be Announced Sat., Jan. 3 at 4:00pm Sr. Pam Falter, Ralph Kuhl, Lynn Maue, Phyllis Berndsen Sun., Jan. 4 at 8:00am Ian Berndsen, Mary Ann Rakers, Alex Wiegmann, Phyllis Berndsen				
<u>Sacristan:</u> Dec. 28 - Jan. 3 Lynn Maue Jan. 4 - 10 Phyllis Berndsen				
<u>Extraordinary Minister to the Home Bound:</u> Dec. 28 Mary Ann Rakers Jan. 4 Lois Laux				

Dear Friends,

On the Sunday after Christmas, we honor the Holy Family and hold them up as a model for our own families. From the start, Jesus, Mary, and Joseph had to deal with hardships, uncertainty, and even danger. But together they placed their trust in God and grew ever stronger in their bond with each other. We too are called to trust in the Lord as we face the trials and difficulties of our own lives. As we continue our Christmas celebration, may our families be consecrated in the love of the Holy Family.

THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE LESSON: Today's readings offer a number of lessons about family life. Ben Sira shares his wisdom about children's responsibilities to their parents, particularly as their parents age. Saint Paul's advice to the Colossians about how to treat each other teaches us well how to treat members of our own families. The Holy Family places their trust in the Lord as they fear for their safety in dangerous circumstances. May today's readings encourage us as we seek God's blessings upon families of every kind.

STEWARDSHIP: The activity of giving grows out of an attitude of gratitude. After Jesus, it is the Blessed Virgin Mary who by her example most perfectly teaches the meaning of discipleship and stewardship in their fullest sense. All of their essential elements are found in her life: she was called and gifted by God; she responded generously, creatively, and prudently; she understood her divinely assigned role as "handmaid" in terms of service and fidelity. Joseph's life also reflects an obedience to God's will. Does our attitude of gratitude show in the way in which we use our time, our talent, and our treasure?

A REMINDER: This weekend we celebrate not only the "Holy Family" but also the "holiness of our own families. May the old saying, "The family that prays together, stays together" with an addition "and plays together" enhance the love and spiritual strength of our parish families. Also, on Thursday we welcome a "New Year" 2026. May it be a Year of Grace and Favor for all of you.

A QUESTION FOR THE WEEK: As this tumultuous year comes to an end, what can I do for those who are strangers in a strange land?

God bless,
Fr. Chuck

St. Augustine News...

St. Augustine Bingo - Sunday, January 18 Worker List #4 Luncheon begins at 11:30am & Bingo 2pm. Last names L-Z, please bring desserts. Raffle tickets available at church entrances.

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Food Collection - We are collecting non-perishable food for House of Manna in Breese. Please place your donation / containers at all entrances. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

Thank you to all of those that have donated to the Giving Wreath so far. Final day to turn in envelopes is Wednesday, December 31 .

Pro-Life Corner:



Prayer Vigil at the Courthouse in Carlyle will be on Friday, January 23, 2026. More details to follow.

St. Augustine
ATTENDANCE

Dec. 20 4:00pm.....185	Dec. 21 8:00am.....168
Dec. 24 4:00pm.....247	Dec. 25 8:00am.....95

OUR GIFTS TO GOD

General Collection: Loose: \$522.00 Envelopes: \$4,108.00(64)
Christmas Collection: Loose: \$645.00 Envelopes: \$3,605.00(61)

Other Envelopes:
Bldg. Fund \$25.00(2), Christmas Flowers \$120.00(6), Coll. for Needy \$605.00(22), Education \$200.00(9), Immaculate Conception \$20.00(3), Sister Parish 275.00(17), Solemnity of Mary \$15.00(1)

E-Giving Week of December 18 - 23:
General Collection: \$20.00(1) **Building Fund:** \$5.00(1)

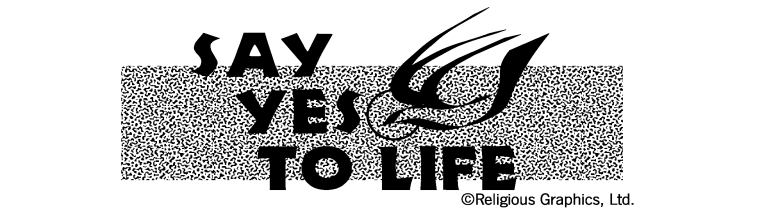
St. Anthony News...

Finance Council: Thursday, January 29 at 6:30pm
Pastoral Council: Thursday, January 29 at 7:30pm

Thank you to all of those that have given so generously to the Jesse Tree.

Thank you to all of those that help decorate the church for the Christmas Season.

Ladies Sodality will be holding a Bunco and Dessert Party on Monday, Monday, January 20 at 1:00 pm in the Parish Center. Cost is \$5 per person. Be sure to join in the fun! This event is open to everyone from all area parishes. January BUNCO workers are Annette Burkhardt, Bev Carter, Elaine Kampwerth, & Kathy Pingsterhaus



St. Anthony
ATTENDANCE

Dec. 21 9:30am... .. 184	
Dec. 24 4:00pm.....140	Dec. 25 8:00am.....110

OUR GIFTS TO GOD

General Collection: Loose: \$1,197.00 Envelopes: \$1,970.00(47)
Christmas Collection: Loose: \$1,346.00 Envelopes: \$7,325.00(48)

Other Envelopes:
Bldg. Fund \$50.00(1), Cath. Camp. for Hum. Dev. \$20.00(1), Cemetery \$400.00(2), Coll. For Needy \$350.00(4), Education \$95.00(8), Ret. Relig. \$20.00(1), Sister Parish \$320.00(17),

E-Giving Week of December 21, 2025:
General Collection: \$30.00(1) **Building Fund:** \$0.00(0)

Upcoming Classes & Events:

-Baptismal Prep Class: Please contact your church office to register for the January 8, 2026 class at St. Dominic Annex.

-Cor: Saturday, January 10 from 8-9:30am at Mater Dei Chapel.

-Save the Date: St. Augustine Trivia Night - Saturday, February 7, 2026. For more info see the flyer on the bulletin board.

Announcing the Missions International Sister Parish Trip to Guatemala: June 25-29, 2026

Please join us to experience first-hand the joys of a closer relationship with your sister parish. The trip begins on Thursday, June 25, 2026 with an early morning flight, arriving in Guatemala City at 1:00 pm. You will be picked up at the airport by your sister parish, continue traveling to your sister parish, and arrive in your sister parish by late afternoon/early evening that same day. You will spend Thursday night through Monday, June 29 in your sister parish. By Monday early evening you will return back to Guatemala City. Monday evening and Tuesday evening will be spent in Guatemala City with a group trip to Antigua on Tuesday. The return flight to the United States will be on Wednesday, July 1. There are only 30 seats reserved on the flight. If you are interested in this trip, please RSVP to sisterparish13@gmail.com. Only 2-3 people are allowed per parish and spots are available on a first to reply basis. If you have any questions regarding the trip contact Deacon Jay Fowler.

Breese/Beckemeyer Youth Ministry:

The 2026 Meeting & event schedule is in process now.

Please watch Groupme for more updates!

Please remember in your prayers:

All those serving in the military and everyone listed:

Carl & Jackie Aarns	Edwin Albers	Norb & Ruth Albers
Michael Berndsen	Veronica Blumenstein	Megan Brandmeyer
Sadie Bryan	Judith Deien	Julie (Schlueter) Detmer
Dave Deutsch	Christie Dust	Betty Erlinger
Roger Foppe	Carol Fritch	Arnel Garcia Family
Jupe Gonzalez	JoAnn Gray	Gerri Haar
Mary Haar	Pat Hagen	Richard Hellige
Rich Holtgrave	Gertrude Holthaus	Hostmeyer Family
Greg Jansen	Tony Jansen	Kevin Korte
Rose Kuhl	Jeff Jahnke	Gabrielle Ludwig
Theresa Luitjohan	Mary Ann Maue	
Dana Beckmann-Marks	Carol Meier	Joe Mobley
Doris Mueller	Mark Niemeyer	Rachel Peters
Florence Pingsterhaus		Kathy Pingsterhaus
Carolyn Porter	Jerome Ratermann	Joanie Rolfingsmeier
Pat Rollins	Fr. Carl Schrage	Jimmy Schulte
Jim Book	Dwight & Mary Beth	Shubert
Marian Suhl	Marcel Thole	Clete Timmermann
Loretta Trame	Lucille Trame	Dottie Wellinghoff
Gerri Wellinghoff	Agnes White	Mary Ann Wobbe
	Special Intentions	Mel

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

Breese/Beckemeyer Youth Faith Formation:

First day back from Christmas Break is January 7.

Y.F.F. Pro-Life Mass - Wed., Jan. 21 at 6:45pm

Parish Family,

We are so very grateful, thankful, and blessed for all of the time, talent and treasure that you have shared with us throughout this year. Your dedication and generosity are what make all of our ministries possible.

Have a very Blessed New Year!

Fr. Chuck & the Parish Staff of St. Anthony and St. Augustine



Knights News Breese K of C Council # 2869:

Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity Sunday, **January 4** at St. Anthony after 9:30am Mass

Breese K of C #2869 Meeting: Thursday, **January 8**, 7:30pm

Dues Paying Membership Chicken Dinner Sunday, **January 11** 5-7pm

4th Degree Meeting: Tuesday, **January 20**, 7:30pm at St. Barbara Parish Center, Okawville

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

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

5th Sunday Breakfast: 03/29/2026 & 5/31/2026 from 8-11am

2025-2026 OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS **Daily Scripture and Reflections during Christmastide**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28 Feast of the Holy Family The Holy Family models a community of love. <i>Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14</i> <i>Col. 3:12-17</i> <i>Matt. 2:13-15, 19-23</i>	29 St. Thomas Becket <i>Whoever loves his brother remains in the light.</i> <i>1 John 2:3-11</i> <i>Luke 2:22-35</i>	30 6th Day within the Octave of Christmas Do not love the things of this world. <i>1 John 2:12-17</i> <i>Luke 2:36-40</i>	31 Pope St. Sylvester I <i>And the Word became flesh.</i> <i>1 John 2:18-21</i> <i>John 1:1-18</i>	1 SOLEMNITY of MARY Let us strive to imitate the "YES" of Mary. <i>Numbers 6:22-27</i> <i>Galatians 4:4-7</i> <i>Luke 2:16-21</i>	2 Sts. Basil and Gregory "Who is Christ?" for you. <i>1 John 2:22-28</i> <i>John 1:19-28</i>	3 Most Holy Name of Jesus We are children of God by our baptism. <i>1 John 2:29-3:6</i> <i>John 1:29-34</i>