



Mass Intentions for the Week

*Our hearts are restless
until they rest in You*

... Augustine of Hippo

Mon., Sept. 8	8 AM	Victor Mill, Jr.
	12 Noon	Fred Leach
Tues., Sept. 9	8 AM	Dec'd members & benefactors of the Augustinian Order
	12 Noon	John M. Belanger (3 rd anniversary)
Wed., Sept. 10	8 AM	Frederick J. Graham
	12 Noon	Mr. and Mrs. Joseph & Eleanor Kenney
Thu., Sept. 11	8 AM	Pelagia & Mieczyslaw Markiewicz
	12 Noon	Christopher Morrison (7 th anniversary)
Fri., Sept. 12	8 AM	Living and dec'd members of the Third Order of Mary
	12 Noon	Jesus Datu
Sat., Sept. 13	8 AM	Rosemarie Gallant
	4 PM	John & Margaret Carney
Sun., Sept. 14	8 AM	Janet Higgins
	9:30 AM	Dr. Bing Sung
	10:00 AM	Lolli McNabb
	11:00 AM	Staff & Faculty at St. Augustine School
	12:30 PM	Dec'd members of the Mary & Arthur Coleman Family
	5:30 PM	St. Augustine Parish Community

A Note from Fr. Art

Fr. George continues to improve and he continues his therapy. At this time his sight is affected and he will need more therapy to improve his reading ability. He is very appreciative of the many cards and prayers which he has received. Thank you.

School has opened this week and we pray that all students of our parish family will have a successful scholastic year. The students at St. Augustine School were probably surprised to see that the old parish center has been removed. In its place a field for physical education is being built. This project took a long time, delayed by various groups, but finally it has happened. Now we need good grass growing weather! Donations to complete the work will be appreciated.

Our Religious Education Staff is also very busy preparing for the new year. If you have not yet signed up, please do so. Classes are filling up, don't be left behind. We are still in need of some teachers, if you can help, please call Mrs. Rao.

The Vicariate celebration of the Archdiocese's bicentennial is this Sunday beginning with Mass at noon at St. Michael's Parish in North Andover. Food and fun games will follow. I hope that many of you will be able to attend. Our volunteers have worked hard to represent our Parish. Thank you all for your work.

The gospel today deals with fraternal correction and how it could be done. Correcting the behavior of others can be difficult, because it can often descend into harsh criticism or sarcasm. The gospel suggests a way to avoid that. St. Augustine reminds us that when correcting others we should see the slivers in their eye while always being mindful of the beam in our eye. Charity should be the rule in helping others to correct mistakes. Jesus forgave sinners and urged them to change their ways. He acted out of love and urges us to do the same. In his rule Augustine states: "Before all else, love God then your fellow humans for that is the chief commandment given us." We all need to remember that admonition and always act out of love.

God Bless, Fr. Art

Parish Support

Weekly Goal for 2008-2009	\$18,000
OFFERTORY	12,117
DIRECT DEPOSIT	1,802
WEEKLY GOAL MINUS	-4,081
DEBT REDUCTION GOAL	5,000
MEMORIALS, GIFTS, BEQUEST	0
WEEKLY GOAL MINUS	5,000
DIOCESAN COLLECTIONS	18
	13,937

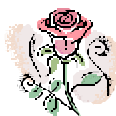
SCHEDULE UPDATE

Daily Mass is celebrated in the church and **Parish Office Hours** are: 8:30-4:30 Monday-Thursday; and 8:30-2:30 Friday
Sunday 12:30 Mass resumes Sunday, Sept 14 and **Baptisms** at 2:00 PM also start Sunday, Sept 14.

Pray for Vocations

We ask you to join in praying, throughout the month of September, the Vocation Prayer from our 2008 Catholic Family Calendar: *Holy Spirit, as another school year begins, fill us with a desire for true*

wisdom. Bless all students, teachers and those who serve in education. Help us understand how you call us to Christlike service. Call forth many more priests and religious. Amen.



Respect Life

"The promotion of the culture of life should be the highest priority in our societies...If the right to life is not defended decisively as a condition for all other rights of the person, all other references to human rights remain deceitful and illusory."

~ Pope John Paul II, February 14, 2001 ~

Prayers for the sick



We remember in prayer those who are ill and pained in body, heart and mind. We commend to our Divine Lord all of our aged people and those residing in nursing homes.

PRAYER FOR OUR TROOPS AROUND THE WORLD

"Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. I ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior."

We especially remember Brian DeCourcy, John Limauro, Robert O'Koniewski, Arlene M. Lord, Michael McGaffigan, David Caffrey, Daniel Mitchell, Patrick Jelson, Erik Donovan, and Patrick Russo, serving in the Armed Forces.

Catholic Scripture Study begins Tuesday, September 16 at 12:30 P.M. in the Parish Center for coffee and conversation. The study follows at 1:00 P.M. in conference room 2 and is completed by 2:30 P.M. The evening session begins Wednesday, September 17 at 7:00 to 8:30 P.M. in the Parish Center in Conference Room 2. Please register quickly if you want to join the study. Information and Registration Forms are available at the Parish Office. Direct questions to Anita Zompa at 978-475-5722 or A1112Z@aol.com

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Confirmation 1 and 2- A reminder that **all communication is via email**. Please email Katie if you do not already get her updates, reflections and reminders: **kleblanc@staugustineparish.org** (Parent Meetings start this week!)

We will be mailing out class assignments to all students registered in Grades 1 – 8. Classes begin as shown.

Grades 1- 8

- Gr 1** **Tues Sept 23 4:00 p.m.**
Sun Sept 28 8:15 a.m.
- Gr 2 & 3** **Tues Sept23 3:45 p.m.**
Sun Sept 28 8:15 & 10:45 a.m.
- Gr 4, 5, 6** **Sun Sept 28 8:15 & 10:45 a.m.**
Mon Sept 29 3:45 p.m.
- Gr 7** **Mon Sept 22 6:00 p.m.**
Sun Sept 28 9:30 a.m.
- Gr 8** **Sun Sept 21 9:30 a.m.**
Mon Sept 29 6:00 p.m.

If you have not registered please do so **ASAP**. We are grateful to the many people who have volunteered to teach but we still need more help!

Gr	Day	Time	Teachers Needed
1	Tues	4:00 p.m.	1
3	Sun	8:15 a.m.	2
	Tues	3:34 p.m.	2
5	Mon	3:45 p.m.	1
6	Sun	8:15 a.m.	1
	Sun	10:45 a.m.	1
	Mon	3:45 pm.	4
7	Mon	6:00 p.m.	4
8	Sun	9:30 a.m.	1

Even if you do not have children in the program please consider this an opportunity to serve your parish community. You will be trained and supported at all times by the Religious Education staff. If you need more information please contact me.

Thank you, Bridget Rao DRE
978 475 1762 or Brao@staugustineparish.org

This year all catechists teaching **Grades 1 - 8** will be commissioned during the **8:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday September 14**. Following Mass, a light breakfast will be served in the Parish Center, after which we will begin training sessions for the upcoming year and distribute all teaching materials.

We look forward to seeing you all there! **Please RSVP: 978 475 7612**



The Andover 1078 Knights of Columbus will be conducting their annual Tootsie Roll Drive after each Mass the weekend of 27-28 September.



The Lazarus House 9th Annual Hike for Hope will be held on Sunday, October 5 at 1PM.

Interested in participating or sponsoring? Pick up a pamphlet at the back of church or at the Parish Offices, or go to www.HikeforHope.org

The Andover Knights of Columbus Council 1078

In Association with

The Andover High School Marching Band

Presents

A Tasting of

Fine Wines and Craft Beers of the World

Fine wines and craft beers provided by area distributors in cooperation with McAloons Liquors

Cheese and Fruit

Music by John D'Ambrosio

September 27, 2008 7:00 pm

\$25.00 per Couple

10 Brook St Andover, MA


Contact Jim Hauer at 978 474 0133

or email the Council at

info@kofc1078.com for tickets and information.

www.kofc1078.com www.mcaloonsliquors.com

Ministry News

 Music Ministry News - Fall Choir Season Starting Soon!

St Augustine's Adult Choir begins rehearsals Monday, September 15 and begins singing at the 11:00 Mass Sunday, September 21. We need singers in all sections: SATB. Please consider joining us. No audition is required. All are welcome!

Please feel free to speak to Monica Steele after Mass on Sunday with questions or email her at monicasteel@staugustineparish.org if interested in participating. You may also just show up for rehearsal.

Cancer Survivor Support Group meets every second Wednesday of the month @7 pm in the Center for Education and Ministry. Please come, if you are just diagnosed, or you are in treatment, or the danger is behind you.

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN - St Michael's Parish of North Andover offers this seminar September 10 at 10 am. Reservations required, please contact Laurie O'Connor at 978-686-4050 to enroll.

Pregnancy Care Center: Three hours a week can make a difference in someone else's whole lifetime. The next peer counseling training is planned for September 16, 17, 23, 24 in our Haverhill center. Contact Joy in Amesbury @ 978-388-7960 or Carol in Haverhill @ 978-373-5700 for more information. **Or, online at www.pccnortheast.org**

THANK YOU FROM THE HEARTBEAT - Thank you so much for the \$500.00 we received from your Mother's Day Rose Sale. Your continuing support helps us save lives and assist mothers who are choosing life for their children. Two young women who were planning to abort their babies recently chose life for them. Seventy babies were born to Heartbeat mothers during 2007 and forty-four so far this year. **Your donations help us accomplish important work. God bless all of you.** If you need to contact us: Pregnancyma@verizon.net

SENIOR MINISTRY - Attention Seniors! Join us for a Ham and Bean Dinner on September 13 at 5:00 p.m. Dinner will include ham, beans, potato salad, corn bread and dessert. Cost is \$6/person. R.S.V.P. - Patsy Gurry at (978) 475-1508 by September 10.

ST. AUGUSTINE'S YOUTH MISSION
 Tuesday, Oct. 7th- Merrimack College
 Rogers Center- 7pm-9pm
All HIGH SCHOOL TEENS INVITED!!

The Theme of St. Augustine's Youth Mission is Purity.

Not a totally popular subject these days if you watch TV, listen to music or turn on the computer; our society is bombarded with images, music, clothing, and a way of life that does not uphold Purity as the norm.

The mission of St. Augustine's Youth Ministry is to engage our youth where they are and to challenge them to be what God intends for their lives and hearts.

The Silver Ring Thing will be "preforming" as part of the YOUTH MISSION.

ALREADY we have OVER 100 teens signed up! Please go on-line to buy a ticket – this is sure to be a sell out!! www.silverringthing.com.

Sponsoring Silver Ring Thing!
 Did you know that it costs over \$5000 to bring this

event to our area? We are grateful for any help you can provide to support the effort and the event. If you can help financially, a donation of \$25 or more will be gratefully appreciated. If you can help with event organizing, please contact Katie LeBlanc at the Parish Office, 978.470.0050.



The Friars are in need of a person willing to cook the evening meal, Monday to Friday. If you or anyone you know would like to apply, please speak to one of the Friars or call the Parish Office.

From Neighbors In Need:

"I want to express my heartfelt thanks to you and the members of St. Augustine's Church for your donation of food during the first six months of 2008 - a total of 877 pounds. Through your generosity, we have distributed 112,806 pounds of food this year."

BACK TO SCHOOL PROJECT THANK YOU!

Thanks to you, our generous parishioners, The St. Vincent de Paul Society's BACK-TO SCHOOL PROJECT has once again been a success. We collected **\$6,725** in Kohl's and CVS gift cards this summer and helped more than 80 children from low income families prepare for the coming school year. Children received cards to buy school clothes and supplies. This year we are co-operating with other school groups to ensure that all children get the maximum benefit from our assistance, so the amounts per child varied. Thanks for taking the time and effort to partner with us in this project. Such an outstanding response allows us to increase our gifts each year as you can see from the following record.

2005: \$6,745 distributed to 98 children. \$65/child (\$40/Kohl's, \$25/CVS)

2006: \$5,535 distributed to 77 children. \$70/child (\$40/Kohl's, \$30/CVS)

2007: \$7,405 distributed to 83 children. \$100/child (\$60/Kohl's, \$40/CVS)

2008: \$6,725 distributed to 82 children. \$105/child (average).

God bless you for supporting your young neighbors and the ongoing work of our Society!
St. Augustine Conference, Society of St. Vincent de Paul

September 8th – The Blessed Virgin Mary's Birthday

Prayer to Mary, Mother of Jesus

Holy Mary, Mother of God, you have given the world its true light, Jesus, your Son – the Son of God. You abandoned yourself completely to God's call and

thus became a wellspring of the goodness which flows forth from him. Show us Jesus. Lead us to him. Teach us to know and love him, so that we too can become capable of true love and be fountains of living water in the midst of a thirsting world. – from *Deus Caritas Est*, Pope Benedict XVI



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR PEACE
September 11th**

God of peace, bring your peace to our violent world:

peace in the hearts of all men and women
and peace among the nations of the earth.
Turn to your way of love
those whose hearts and minds
are consumed with hatred.

God of understanding,
overwhelmed by the magnitude of this tragedy,
we seek your light and guidance
as we confront such terrible events.
Grant that those whose lives were spared
may live so that the lives lost ...
may not have been lost in vain.
Comfort and console us,
strengthen us in hope,
and give us the wisdom and courage
to work tirelessly for a world
where true peace and love reign
among nations and in the hearts of all.

-Pope Benedict XVI

Prayer Service at Ground Zero
April 20, 2008



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Parish Council: Erik Eldracher, Vice Chairman

Director of Facilities: Michael O'Dea

Masses

Saturday 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM Vigil Mass

Sunday 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 AM, 12:30,
5:30 PM

**10:00 AM St Joseph Church,
Ballardvale**

Summer **No** 12:30 Mass: 3rd Sun of June
through Labor Day

Weekdays 8:00; 12:00; First Fridays
(September through June) 10:30
AM

Civil Holidays 9:00 AM only

Holy Days Vigil 4:00 PM, 8:00 AM, 12:00,
7:00 PM

Sacraments

Adoration First Fridays 12:30 to 7:00 PM
September to June

Baptism Dan & Jacqueline Fague, 623-0944

Confession Saturday 11:00-12:00 Noon

Communion Call the Parish Office.

Marriage Call the Parish Office.

Sacrament of Sick Call the Parish Office.

Rite of Christian Initiation Lev Zompa 475-5722

St Augustine School

26 Central St, Andover, 978-475-2414

Ann Kendall, Principal **Paula O'Dea**, Assistant Principal

Religious Education

35 Essex Street, Andover, 978-475-7612

Bridget Rao, D.R.E., Grade 7-8; Katie Scanlon LeBlanc,
Confirmation; Janice Zackular, Gr 1-3; Peggy Coleman, Gr 4-6;
Lisa Evans, Receptionist

Ministries

Ministries Coordinator	Klara Vajda	475-7358
Adult Education	Anne Paradis	475-4231
Altar Servers	Jim Hauer	474-0133
Bereavement	Margaret Leber	475-5262
Bread and Roses	Eileen Novelline	683-9288
Cancer Survivors	Paulette Dudley	474-0882
Cursillo	Christine Burke	475-6651
Divorced & Separated	John Matera	852-7827
Eucharistic Ministers		
Church Masses	John Markiewicz	475-5540
Nursing Homes	Call the Parish Office	475-0050
Home Visitation	Lisa Lacourse	475-0501
Helping Hands	Cathy Carroll	975-3172
Hospitality Ministry	Doris McCormack	475-7513
Knights of Columbus	Steve Caron	475-9040
Lectors	Frank Serna	475-4485
Linens	Joan Dow	475-5568
Liturgy	Suzanne Scarpulla	475-2094
Men's Ministry	Erik Eldracher	858-3800
M.O.M.S.	Deborah Street	474-8057
Music Ministry	Monica Steele	475-0050
Parish Nursing	Joan Dollard	470-1476
Prayer Line	Rita Macklin	475-6594
Pro-Life Ministry	Theresa Gorey	475-6673
Rosary Prayer Groups	Tom McGivern	475-5064
Senior Ministry	Jackie Lucas	658-6242
Special Needs Mass	Lucille Giannone	475-5855
Sunday Family Social	Jim Frey	857-7942
St Vincent DePaul	Elizabeth Wilson	475-7330
Vocations Committee	Lisa C. Round	686-8507
Welcoming	Marge Dugal	470-0750
Winter Warmth	Kristina Giangrande	470-3269



Readings for the Week of September 7

Sunday:	Ez 33:7-9/Rom 13:8-10/Mt 18:15-20
Monday:	Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Mt 1:1-16,18-23 or 1:18-23
Tuesday:	1 Cor 6:1-11/Lk 6:12-19
Wednesday:	1 Cor 7:25-31/Lk 6:20-26
Thursday:	1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13/Lk 6:27-38
Friday:	1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27/Lk 6:39-42
Saturday:	1 Cor 10:14-22/Lk 6:43-49
Next Sunday:	Nm 21:4b-9/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17