

Weekday & Sunday Mass Schedules & Mass Intentions for the week of Sept. 5 - Sept. 10

Mon Sept. 4 & Tues. Sept. 5	St. Anthony's 6:30pm	Mon. Sept. 4 - No Mass John MacNeil –requested by Barb & Maurice Campbell
Wed. Sept. 6	St. Augustine's 9:00am	Monica Mallais – by unknown
Thursday Sept. 7	St. Augustine's 9:00am	Edith Horne – by unknown
Saturday Sept. 9	St. Patrick's 4:00pm	Dorothy Garden - by unknown
Sunday Sept. 10	St. Augustine's 9:00am St. Anthony's 11:00am	Pro populo Veronica Patterson – requested by Don & Lorraine Heffler

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Please note that there have been several changes made to the parish website, please take a moment to check it out. One new feature is that the weekly bulletin is now available (under the heading mass times and schedules) for your convenience.

Diocesan News

EMMET CAHILL IN CONCERT OCTOBER 8 – Mark your calendars! Award winning Irish tenor and Celtic Thunder lead vocalist Emmet Cahill will present a concert at St. Patrick's Church on Sunday, October 8 at 7:00pm. Emmet will perform songs from his album, "Emmet Cahill's Ireland", which went to #1 on the Amazon, iTunes and Billboard World Music charts. Tickets may be purchased online at www.emmetcahill.com/tour-dates/. This is a major fundraiser for St. Patrick's.

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 3, 2017

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St. Anthony's, Hubbards & St. Patrick's, New Ross*



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Collection for the week of August 27

Envelopes - \$3022.00; Loose - \$471.50 – Total - \$3493.50

A word from Fr. Jose Thomas...

On Monday was the feast of St. Augustine. Here is a short summary..

SAINT AUGUSTINE BISHOP AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH – Saint Augustine was born in 354, at Tagaste in Africa. He was brought up in the Christian faith but without receiving baptism. An ambitious school boy of brilliant talents and violent passions, he early lost both his faith and his innocence. He persisted in his irregular life until he was thirty-two. Being then at Milan as a professor of rhetoric, he tells us that the faith of his childhood had regained possession of his intellect, but that he could not as yet resolve to break the chains of evil habit. One day, however, stung to the heart by the account of some sudden conversions, he cried out, “The unlearned rise and storm heaven, and we, with all our learning, for lack of heart lie wallowing here.” He then withdrew into a garden, when a long and terrible conflict ensued. Suddenly a young fresh voice (he knows not whose) breaks in upon his strife with the words, “Take and read”, and he lights upon the passage beginning, “Walk honestly as in the day”. The battle was won. He received baptism, returned home, and gave all to the poor. At Hippo, where he settled, he was consecrated bishop in 395. For thirty-five years he was the center of ecclesiastical life in Africa, and the Church’s mightiest champion against heresy; his writings have been accepted everywhere as one of the principal sources of devotional thought and theological speculation. He died in 430.

A Note to the Lectors!

First of all, a very Big Thank You for being Ministers of the Word of God.. It is a wonderful ministry that you are a part of. I hope and pray that it helps to deepen our own faith and lead the congregation in prayer.

For St. Augustine's and St. Anthony's, I am going to suggest some changes. I am so sorry that those changes were not sent earlier. My intention is avoid unnecessary confusion in the celebration. Since many of you are on vacation, I have emailed this information as well. If there is any confusion, please contact me.

Changes:

-Printed Welcome Sheet and Prayers of the Faithful will be available at the back of the Church in a folder;

-Leave it at the back until 5 minutes before the beginning of the Mass for people to add names to the Sick or any intention that they may want to add;

- Two minutes before the Mass take the folder and make the announcements from the ambo. Invite people to join the opening hymn. All rise and the Priest walks up with the Crucifix if there is someone to serve as altar server. If there is no altar server, you will not be processing in with the Sunday Missal, rather it will be left at the Ambo..

- At the end of the Mass, you don't have to carry the Sunday Missal.

I hope these changes are alright with you. If there is anything to be clarified, please do contact me. Thanks again for your ministry.

There will be no Mass this Monday, September 4, at St. Anthony's.

Thank you to everyone who supported the Baked Goods and Silent Auction held last weekend at St. Anthony's, \$1140.00 was raised for the parish charity fund. Your support is very much appreciated.

St. Augustine's will be having their Baked Goods and Silent Auction on Sunday, September 10.

St. Augustine's Sunday School Program 2017-2018 – Registration will be held on September 10 with classes starting on September 17. For those who may have questions about the program, Jennifer Paterson will be at the Glebe from 10:00 – 10:30am on Sunday, September 10, to answer any questions or accept registration forms.

St. Augustine's Parish conducts a religious education program for children from Primary through Grade 8/9. Classes are held from September to May on Sunday mornings (except holidays) 10:00am – 11:00am, following the 9:00am Mass. The Mass is also an essential element in the catechetical experience. All classes take place at the Glebe house located next door to St. Augustine's Church. The program focuses on the children's spiritual growth as well as preparation for the Sacraments of First Communion, First Reconciliation and Confirmation. In addition, we provide a Home School Catechetical Program for those students unable to attend our regular Sunday classes. Parents and non-parent parishioners teach in this program. Neither professional training nor prior teaching experience is required – just a love of children and a willingness to help the younger members of our parish to grow in the knowledge of their faith. Any parishioner who would like to be involved with this ministry should contact Jennifer Paterson – 902-275-4427 or jenniferpaterson2@gmail.com.

