Readings For Sunday, July 7, 2024

First Reading: Ezekiel 2:2-5 Psalm: 123:1-2, 2, 3-4 Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 12:7-10 Gospel: Mark 6:1-6a

Mass Schedule & Offerings

Monday, July 1

9:00 a.m. Mass ~ Adoration following (Terry Braciszewski) **†**Pamela Goll

Tuesday, July 2 9:00 a.m. Mass ~ Adoration following **†**Karen Rea (Gene LaBarge & Family)

Wednesday, July 3

9:00 a.m. Mass ~ All day Adoration until 5:00 p.m. **†**Karen LaFleche (Herman & Judy Elkie)

Thursday, July 4

No Mass

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, July 6

4:00 p.m. Rosary ~ 4:30 p.m. Mass - Atlanta The People

Sunday, July 7

7:30 a.m. Rosary ~ 8:00 a.m. Mass - Hillman **†**Cecile Kortier (Family) 9:30 a.m. Rosary ~ 10:00 a.m. Mass - Hillman **†**Jim Kennard (Evelyn Steinke)

Office Closed

Thursday, July 4th in observance of Independence Day! Have a Safe & Blessed Holiday!!

Bottle Drive!!

The Knights of Columbus Council 8041 is sponsoring a bottle drive in support of various charitable functions. Bottle/cans can be dropped off in the trailer located in the west rear corner of the St. Augustine parking lot. The

collection will run through the month of June & July. Thank you!



Standing In Need of Prayer

Claudette Colombo, Kevin Struzik, Myles Richardson, Chris Mutz, Dominic Tillman, Eric Tillman, Bonnie Benac, Sam Vicari, Margaret Barton, Brenda Sabol, Jack Stevens, Michele Klotz, Mary Ann Ferasin, Diane Marchlewski, RaeLynn Burger, D.J. Normile, Justin Dahal, Walter & Patricia Plohocky, Madison Hawley, Evelyn Steinke, Nancy Demeulenaere, Randy LaFleche, Betty Dubie, Caster Family, JanMarie, Jo Dusseau, Diamond Reese and baby, Sandy Dubie, Emerick Dubie, Sheri Jones, Bob Clark, Kendra Sherman, Jennifer Dubie, Christoffer Simpson, Ruth Rabeau, Jasmine Mouseau, Scott VanPamel, Peggy Lange, Dennis Pietrykowski, Aristide and Grace Franzoni, Shawn Fessler, Nanette Lang, Joyce Wajer, Dawn & Jagger Franzoni, Robert Mark, Ben & Sandy Cassisi

Prayer Chain

Our prayer chain can be reached by calling or texting Judy Elkie ~ 989-590-8411.

Prayers For Clergy & Religious

Sun: Rev. Lawrence Sergott Mon: Rev. James Siler Tues: Rev. Rolando Silva Wed: Rev. Kunal Baliar Singh Thurs. Rev. Kenneth Stachnik Fri: Rev. Dennis Stilwell Sat: Pope Francis

Stewardship

Weekend of June $22^{n\overline{d}} \& 23^{rd}$

St. Augustine Envelopes (42) Online (5)	\$1,582.00
Loose	\$ 755.00
Building & Maintenance Online (1) Mass Stipends	<u>\$ 10.00</u>
Total	\$2,367.00
Cemetery (9)	\$ 143.00
Jesus the Good Shepherd	
Envelopes (9)	\$ 435.00
Loose	<u>\$ 99.00</u>
Total	\$ 534.00

Jesus the Good Shepherd will have

Coffee & Donuts

after Mass, Saturday, July 6th Donations are accepted!

Reflection on: Dignitatis Humanae

Dignitatis Humanae, roughly translated is he dignity of being human. Where does this dignity come from? From God, of course, as we are made in God's image. God loved us so much He sent His Son to become human to show us the way. Do you remember the scene where the Pharisees are questioning him about paying taxes to Rome? His response was, who is on the coin? Since it was Caesar, then paying taxes to Caesar was legitimate. Later we hear slaves should be subject to their masters, that we should turn the other cheek, and that we should behave with love.

In the Declaration of Independence, the phrase "All men are created equal and endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights...life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness." When the Constitution was written, states refused to ratify it without the ten amendments we call The Bill of Rights, among them is our right to practice our religion. So we are torn, we are to obey our government and obey our God. While we might fly flags for the Fourth of July, for Veterans Day, for other patriotic occasions, while we might fight and die to protect our country, our first loyalty has to be to our Creator. But this loyalty to God is not a blind fanaticism, it comes from God's love, and his creation of us a rational human beings.

"The right to religious freedom has its foundation in the very dignity of the human person, as this dignity is known through the revealed Word of God and by reason itself. This right of the human person to religious freedom is to be recognized in the constitutional law where by society is governed. Thus it is to become a civil right. Nor is the exercise of this right to be impeded, provided that the just requirements of public order are observed.

Being endowed with reason and free will, and therefore privileged to bear personal responsibility, all men should be at once impelled by nature and also bound by a moral obligation to seek the truth, especially religious truth. They are also bound to adhere to the truth, once it is known, and order their whole lives in accord with the demands of truth." (Gleaned from Dignitatis Humanae)

• "Our constitution was made only for a moral and religious people. It is wholly inadequate they may change their rulers and the forms of government, but they will not obtain a lasting liberty. They will only exchange tyrants and tyrannies. John Adams

We are bound to act in accord with our conscience. "No merely human power can either command or prohibit acts of this kind." This too is something we are willing to fight and die for. kvs

The gift shop is open after each Sunday Mass and every Wednesday from 10 - 12 noon. We have festival tickets, Rosaries, and all things Solanus available for sale. We can take orders for any items you may need!

Coffee is served in the Parish Hall after each Sunday Mass; everyone is invited to join us for conversation!

Kathy Stevens will be offering "The Solanus Way" every Thursday starting July 11th through August 1st at 10AM in the Knights of Columbus room. Come learn more about Father Solanus and his way of living for God. Call 563-581-3382 to register for materials. There is no cost for the class.



to the government of any other...The only foundation of a free Constitution is pure virtue; and if this cannot be inspired into our people in a greater measure than they have it now,

St. Augustine Summer Festival

Meeting Thursday, July 11th at 6PM in the Parish Hall. Everyone is encouraged to come help finalize the celebration!!

Please bring any new donation items to the rectory as soon as possible!

Reminder to turn in your sold tickets to the rectory or the collection basket!!

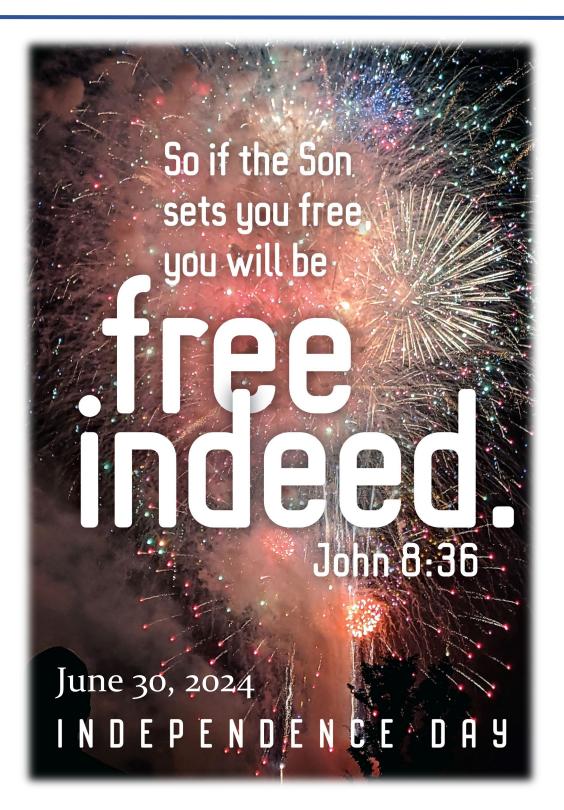
> The CCW will be holding a Bake Sale after each Mass on Sunday, July 7th as a fundraiser for foster children and our own food pantry.



6:30 p.m. Officers 7:00p.m. Business

St. Augustine, Hillman Jesus the Good Shepherd, Atlanta Pastor: Rev. Jim Siler

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