

Augie's Archives

St. Augustine Episcopal Church

December 2017



Christmas at St. Augustine's



Christmas with Our Children

On December 17, at the end of the 10 a.m. service, our Sunday School classes will present their annual Christmas program. Please be sure to come to church that morning for this special presentation!

On Christmas Eve, at 6 p.m., our children will present their annual Christmas play. This year's play will include traditional music and the story of the birth of our savior, Jesus Christ. Holy Eucharist will be celebrated at the end of the program.

Hanging of the Greens

Our annual Hanging of the Greens event will be Sunday, December 17, after the 10 a.m. service. Please join our parish family as we decorate the church for the Christmas services. Bring a dish to share for a pitch-in lunch afterwards.

Christmas Eve

We will have one service Christmas Eve morning at 9:30 a.m., and Midnight Mass at 11 p.m. that evening.

Christmas Day Service

We will celebrate Holy Eucharist at 10 a.m. on Christmas day.

Epiphany Celebration

Our annual Epiphany celebration will be Sunday, January 7, after the 10 a.m. service. Please bring a dish to share and be sure to save room for the traditional Epiphany cake.

You're Invited!

All women are welcome to attend the Martha Circle's annual Christmas luncheon, which will be at the Iron Skillet restaurant in Indianapolis on Sunday, December 17 at 3:30 p.m. The fee for the event is \$15 per person (the Martha Circle will pay a portion of the bill). For the gift exchange, please bring something that comes in a jar, wrapped for gift-giving (under \$10).

Please sign up on the sheet on the front door of the church or RSVP by Sunday, December 10, to Laura at 317-745-2741. Hope to see you there!

Give the Gift of Warmth

Our St. Augie's Sunday School has a tree in the Apple House for you to place donations of children's and adult's mittens, gloves, hats, scarves, and socks. Items collected will be given to Shared Blessings Food Pantry for distribution before Christmas. Thank you for your help with this community outreach project!



Holy Eucharist with Healing

Our next Saturday evening service will be December 2, at 5:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend the service, which includes healing of mind, body, and spirit through laying on of hands, prayers, and anointing with holy oil. Holy Eucharist will also be celebrated at this peaceful service.

Please Fill Out a Pledge Card

Pledge cards are located on the table in the back of the church. By filling out what you anticipate to give to the church in 2018, you'll be helping our budget committee and treasurer plan for our future finances. Thank you for your help!

Sunday School News

- All of the classes will be practicing during Sunday School this month for their upcoming Christmas musical program. The performance will be on Sunday, December 17, at the end of the 10 a.m. service. Kids may dress up in holiday clothes for the performance.
- We will not have Sunday School on December 24 or 31. Sunday School resumes on January 7.

Christmas Poinsettias

It's time to order the poinsettias that will decorate the front of our altar for our church's Christmas services. If you would like to order one, please fill out the order form found in the back of the church and return it with your payment of \$20. Mailed orders must be received by December 8, or you may put your order in the basket anytime until the end of church services on December 10. Your dedication will appear in all Christmas bulletins.



Children's Christmas Eve Play Practices

Children in preschool through 12th grade are invited to take part in our Christmas Eve play, which will be at 6 p.m. on Sunday, December 24. Practices will be held from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Sundays, December 3, 10, and 17, with a dress rehearsal on Thursday, December 21 at 6 p.m. Children do not have to attend every practice to take part in the event. If your child would like to participate, but wasn't able to come to the first practice, please call or text Carol at 317-431-1277.



Feed That Meter!

Our parking lot renovation is done and it looks amazing! Thanks to the vestry for approving the project. You can help fund the renovation by placing your spare change in the parking meter bank in back of the church. Thanks for your generous support!

Coffee Hour

Coffee Hour has open dates in December and January, as well as the rest of the winter months. You can bring donuts, coffecake, muffins, bagels, juice, milk, or anything that sounds good to you. The coffee will already be prepared. After coffee hour, you clean up and then you are done! You can sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board by the coffee bar in the undercroft.



Thank You!

Thanks so much to everyone who supported the Martha Circle's pie and cake fundraiser. The group made over \$250 and will use a portion of the funds to help the Youth Group shop for a family this Christmas. Thank you again for your generous support!

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Youth Group Christmas Shopping event 5 pm Holy Eucharist and Healing Service 5:30 pm
3 First Sunday of Advent <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Holy Eucharist 8 & 10 am Sunday School 10 am Christmas Eve play practice 5 pm 	4	5 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Boy Scout meeting 7:30-9 pm 	6	7	8	9 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Altar Guild cleaning day 9 am
10 Second Sunday of Advent <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Holy Eucharist 8 & 10 am Sunday School 10 am Christmas Eve play practice 5 pm 	11	12 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Boy Scout meeting 7:30-9 pm 	13	14	15	16
17 Third Sunday of Advent <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Holy Eucharist 8 & 10 am Sunday School 10 am Sunday School Christmas Program 10 am Hanging of the Greens and pitch-in 11:15 am Martha Circle Christmas luncheon 3:30 pm at Iron Skillet restaurant Christmas Eve play practice 5 pm 	18	19 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Boy Scout meeting 7:30-9 pm 	20	21 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Children's Christmas Eve play dress rehearsal 6 pm <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin: 10px auto;">St. Thomas, Apostle</div>	22	23
24 Christmas Eve <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Holy Eucharist 9:30 am No Sunday School Children's Christmas Eve play 6 pm Midnight Mass 11 pm 	25 Christmas Day <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Holy Eucharist 10 am 	26	27	28	29	30
31 First Sunday after Christmas <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Holy Eucharist 8 & 10 am No Sunday School 		<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin: 10px auto;">St. Stephen, Deacon and Martyr</div>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin: 10px auto;">St. John, Apostle and Evangelist</div>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin: 10px auto;">Holy Innocents</div>		

Please Note: Narcotics Anonymous meets in the church basement every Sunday evening at 7:30 pm



Youth Group Christmas Event

The Youth Group will meet on Saturday, December 2 at 5 p.m. at the Apple House to shop for an adopted family for Christmas. All

youth in 6th-12th grade are invited to participate. The group will be shopping for teenage brothers whose mother is ill. Youth are asked to be at the Apple House promptly at 5 p.m. so the group can be sure to finish the shopping in time to head back to the Apple House for their Christmas party.

In the Apple House, they will eat pizza, play games, and have a gift exchange. Youth are asked to bring a wrapped edible gift (\$5 or under) for the gift exchange. The event will end at 10 p.m. For more information, call or text Michelle at 317-694-0631.

If you would like to contribute to the group's Christmas outreach to the two boys and their mother, please look for a collection jar on the table next to the coffee bar. Your donations will be appreciated. Thank you!

Reminders

Prayer Partners may reveal themselves when we celebrate the Epiphany on Sunday, January 7. To become a Prayer Partner in 2018, watch for a sign-up sheet on the church's front door.

Our colorful new membership directories are here! You can find them on the table in the back of the church. Please feel welcome to take one.

You can listen to Fr. Bill's sermons anytime! Go to our website at www.augies.indyio.org and click on the sermons button. Click on the sermon you want to hear and it will start up automatically in your browser.

There are a few remaining slots on the Altar Flower sign-up sheet. Choose a week you'd like to sponsor the flowers, and you will be billed \$15 for each week you sponsor. Laura will contact you for your dedication prior to the Sunday you choose.

Thank You!

Thanks to everyone who supported the fundraiser and silent auction to benefit Project Homeless. There was a great turnout, despite the weather, and your donations for the silent auction were very much appreciated. Thanks so much for all of your help and support!

Snacks for Nar-Anon

The Nar-Anon group that meets Sunday evenings in the undercroft enjoy having something to snack on during their meetings. To help out, we provide a basket filled with individually-wrapped chips, nuts, crackers, and snack-size candy for the attendees. If you would like to contribute snacks for the basket, please leave your donations in the kitchen. Thanks!

Did You Know?

- Reindeer and caribou are the same genus and species — the same animals. They're just called different names in different parts of the world.
- The name "caribou" derived from a Native American word that meant "snow shoveler."
- Reindeer are found in northernmost North America, northern Europe, and northern Asia.
- Reindeer live to be 15 to 18 years old.
- Reindeer are the only species of deer with noses completely covered by hair.
- No one has ever actually seen a reindeer fly. 



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