the Catholic communities of

St. Mary ◆ St. Augustine ◆ St. Francis of Assisi

November 22, 2026



OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,
KING OF THE UNIVERSE

"'Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.'" - Mt 25:34

Visitors & New Parishioners

We warmly welcome you to our parish family. Thank you for coming to worship with us.

Parish Offices

ST. MARY
320 E. Washington Ave, Tomahawk WI 54487
Phone 715-453-2878
Website: www.stmaryschurchtomahawk.com
Hours: Monday—Wednesday 8:00AM-3:30PM
Thursday—CLOSED
Friday 8:00AM-3:30PM

ST. AUGUSTINE
N10090 County Rd B, Tomahawk, WI 54487
Phone 715-453-2561
Fax 715-453-4813

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI
5209 Willow Road, Tripoli, WI 54564
Please note: There is no office at this location, please see St. Mary Parish Office.

Weekend Mass/Service Schedule

St. Francis-Pier Willow	Saturday 4:00PM
St. Mary-Tomahawk	Saturday 6:00PM
St. Augustine-Harrison	Sunday 8:00AM
St. Mary-Tomahawk	Sunday 9:30AM
St. Mary-Tomahawk	Sunday 11:00AM*

***Memorial Day Weekend—Labor Day Weekend Only**

Weekday Mass/Service Schedule

St. Augustine-Harrison	Tuesday 8:30AM
St. Mary-Tomahawk	Wednesday 8:45AM
Nursing Homes	Thursday 9:15AM
St. Mary-Tomahawk	Friday 8:45AM

Rosary

St. Augustine-Harrison	Sunday 7:25AM
St. Mary-Tomahawk	Sunday 8:55AM
St. Augustine-Harrison	Tuesday 8:00AM
St. Mary-Tomahawk	Wednesday 8:00AM
St. Mary-Tomahawk	Friday 8:00AM

Adoration with Reconciliation

St. Mary-Tomahawk
Following 8:45AM Mass on Fridays
First Saturdays at 9:00AM

Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus with Adoration & Reconciliation

St. Mary-Tomahawk
Following 8:45AM Mass on first Fridays

Reconciliation

St. Mary-Tomahawk
Saturdays at 9:00AM*
St. Francis-Pier Willow
Saturdays at 3:30PM*

Anointing of the Sick

St. Mary-Tomahawk
Following 9:30AM Mass on Sundays*
*or by appointment (715-453-2878)

GENERAL INFORMATION

Parochial Administrator

Fr. Aloysius Royan Anthony
pastor@smctomahawk.com

ST. AUGUSTINE

715-453-2561

Parish Coordinator
Kathy Voermans 715-453-3395
Email: kathy.staugustinechurch@yahoo.com
Deacon
Dan Towle 715-453-2848
Email: dtowle55@gmail.com
RCIA
Deacon Dan Towle 715-453-2848
Cemetery Sexton, Mark Voermans
Pastoral Council Chair, Mike Smith
Financial Council Chair, Jim Evers
Maintenance Chair,
Brad Gramberg 715-612-3811

ST. MARY & ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

715-453-2878

Parish Secretary, Tracy Benaszeski
Email: smparishoffice@smctomahawk.com
Finance/Business Manager, Laura Reiter
Email: finance@smctomahawk.com
Director of Music & Liturgy, Janice Huseby
Email: jhuseby@smctomahawk.com
Director of Religious Education & Youth Ministry, Judith Roche
Email: dreyouth@smctomahawk.com
Deacons
David Bablick 715-224-3472
Russell Cabak 608-797-2277
Cliff Eggett 715-453-5217
Bernie Lyngdal (Retired)
OCIA
Deacon David Bablick 715-224-3472
Kathy Ramassini 715-966-5220
Parish Nurse Ministry
Ann Jelinek RN, PN 715-453-4573
Cemetery Sexton
Matt Wohlt 715-453-7030
Pastoral Council Chair, Mary Bailey
Financial Council Chair, Scott Swenty
Endowment Fund Advisory Board President,
AJ Theiler 715-453-0010

ST. MARY'S THRIFT CELLAR

715-453-2878

Hours:
Tuesday 4:00PM-7:00PM
Wednesday 9:00AM-3:00PM
Friday 9:00AM-3:00PM

BULLETIN DEADLINE:

Information for the parish bulletin must be in St. Mary's parish office by 8:00AM on Tuesday.



Your Gifts & Talents are Needed!
Become a volunteer
Call 715-453-2878
God Bless You!

Mission Statements

St. Mary
Rooted in Christ's love and dedicated to serving others, the Catholic Community of St. Mary joyfully lives in faith a sacramental life, sharing the Gospel and fostering deeper relationships with God and with one another.

St. Augustine
We strive to learn and spread the Good News of Jesus Christ through worship, fellowship, and service.

St. Francis of Assisi
Inspired by St. Francis — who rebuilt the Church one stone and one soul at a time — we are a community devoted to worship, fellowship, and sharing the good news of Christ with all we meet. We treasure our faithful elders, embrace our summer guests, and invite every heart to experience the transforming love of Jesus Christ.

Sacraments & Faith Formation

Sacrament of Baptism
We ask that parents of a child to be baptized contact the parish office to arrange attendance of a Baptismal Preparation Class. Please note that it is not necessary to wait until the child is born to make arrangements.

Sacrament of Matrimony
Anyone seeking to set up a wedding must contact Fr. Aloysius, our pastor, at least 6 months prior to the marriage. Wedding guidelines are available at www.stmaryschurchtomahawk.com.

Sacrament of Anointing the Sick
Please call the parish office to notify us of the people who are in need of this care. This Sacrament is also available to those who wish to receive it after the 11:00AM Mass on Sunday.

Sacrament of Reconciliation
(Confession) is celebrated individually each Saturday at 9:00AM. Individual times can be arranged at any time by calling the parish office.

Faith Formation
The Sacraments of First Holy Communion and First Reconciliation take place during 2nd Grade. Confirmation Preparation begins in 9th grade and takes place on Sundays. Students are confirmed in the fall of either 10th or 11th Grade. Classes for Grades K-8 are on Wednesdays.

Pray for the Sick

Colette Matthews
Tucker Van Ryen
Melinda Meyers
Christine Taylor
Margaret Congdon
Joan McCormick
Dan Bassett
Charlene Marks
Evelyn Brown
Nicholas Peterson
Steve Malin
Vivian Mitchell
Joann Meyers
Marlene Erickson
Jim Witucki
Betty Hudson
Mary Stelzer
Marvelene Sosinsky
Joan Crowell
Mary Sue Novotny
Shawna Geiger
Joan Cook
Al Felz
Larry Andrew
Karson Bartz
Mary "Lee" Hamlin
Nathalie Obey
Billy Frigo
Suzanne Theis
Howard Sipple
Janet Giers
Cliff & Jean Eggett
Karen Orthober
Brynn Orthober
Joan Kleinschmidt
Robert Zipp
Jan Hammell
Patricia Bulauski
Therese DuPlayee
Therese Quirion
Maribeth Burke
Janet Pierdzioch
Gloria Biesik
Hannah Bell
Ron Groshek
Millie Lyngdal
Bernie Lyngdal
Lois Bartz
Jeanne Daurer
Tom Seavey
Grace Towle
Tom Wenninger
Deonn Graeber
Robert "Roo" Rundle
Jim Brimacombe
Donna Olson
Tracy Bartz
Robert Eisenman
Darlene Likwarz
William Holzschuh
Rhonda Repinski
Ginny Bablick
Carter Schantz
Arland Wingate
Julie Thompson
Steve Christian
Colby Cech
Mary Wolf
Nikki Felser
Audrey Tessmer
Peter Zimmerman
Jeremy Frese

All the sick in the hospitals and all the residents in our Nursing Homes. To keep our list current, all names are removed on a monthly basis. If our parish's thoughts and prayers are still needed for you and yours, you must contact us to ensure that your loved ones are on the prayer list.

Pray For All the Priests of our Diocese:

Each week we are asked to pray for all the Priests of our Diocese. The monthly calendars are available at catholicdos.org/chancery-bulletin.

Respect Life Committee
715-302-4815
Chairperson: Patti Baacke
Email:Pattibaacke@yahoo.com

ST. MARY'S PARISH SCHOOL

715-453-3542
Website: www.stmarysschool.biz
Principal: Juanita Skubal
Email: smsprincipal@stmarystudents.com
Secretary: Katie Rossiter
Email: smsoffice@stmarystudents.com

OUR FAITH COMMUNITY

From our Priest



Dear Brothers and Sisters:

We are in the last and closing week of the liturgical year celebrating the solemnity of our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. The readings invite us to reflect on the vast, cosmic role of Christ in history with His divine authority and to encounter His caring and life-giving role. The first reading employs shepherding imagery to talk of the Lord's Kingship, where He tends, feeds and protects His sheep with responsibility. When kings of this world had failed. God will do it by restoring justice and peace to the scattered flock.

The second reading is the close of the first letter to the Corinthians where St. Paul affirms faith in Christ's resurrection. Christ's resurrection will bring about a harvest of resurrection for those who believe in it. He also announces hope and faith in Christ's return, who will raise those who have died. At the end time, death and destruction will cease and God who is living and the principle of life, will be all in all.

The Gospel tells us about the last judgement. At the end time, at the return of the Son of Man in glory will be the final judge of all nations. Jesus our Lord, informs us that He will sit as judge and king not only of God's chosen people, but of all people. Accordingly, His rule and judgement will not only be final, but comprehensive. It will be the separation of the sheep and the goats, leading to eternal beatitude or eternal punishment. Those who helped Christ in the needy and the least will be welcomed and rewarded with Paradise.

Fr. Aloysius Royan Anthony

Mass Intentions & The Week Ahead

Sunday	11/22	7:25AM	Rosary @ St. Augustine
		8:00AM	**Mass @ St. Augustine: Sarah Ruffi by Buss & Ruby Schoone**
		8:55AM	Rosary @ St. Mary
		9:30AM	**Mass @ St. Mary: Jeanette Switlick by Donna Skubal**
			Anointing of the Sick following Mass
Monday	11/23		NO MASS
		4:00PM	Low Impact Strengthening & Balancing Exercise Class in CCC
		6:00PM	Advent Concert Rehearsal
Tuesday	11/24	8:00AM	Rosary @ St. Augustine
		8:30AM	**Mass @ St. Augustine: Daniel Newbauer by St. Augustine Altar Society**
		9:00AM	*The Search* Video Series w/Group Discussion @ St. Augustine
Wednesday	11/25	8:00AM	Rosary @ St. Mary
		8:45AM	**Mass @ St. Mary: Mary Zahringer by Joe**
		10.00AM	Adult Faith Formation (*The Chosen - Season 6*) in the CCC
		6:30PM	**Mass (Thanksgiving) @ St. Augustine: Jean Van Strydonk by Jerry Schoone**
Thursday	11/26	**8:45AM**	**Mass (Thanksgiving) @ St. Mary: Gus Feind by Patricia Feind & Family**
		11AM-1PM	**Community Thanksgiving Dinner in the CCC**
Friday	11/27	8:00AM	Rosary @ St. Mary
		8:45AM	**Mass @ St. Mary: David & Talia Zoromski by Jessie**
		9:15AM	Adoration with Benediction @ St. Mary
		10:00AM	Advent Examen Ignatian Spiritual Exercise Class in the CCC
		10:30AM	Rosary @ Milestone Living Center
Saturday	11/28	9:00AM	Reconciliation @ St. Mary
		4:00PM	**Mass @ St. Francis: Vern Baumgartner**
		6:00PM	**Mass @ St. Mary: Joe & Val Wadzinski by Bear & Leen Wadzinski**
Sunday	11/29	7:25AM	Rosary @ St. Augustine
		8:00AM	**Mass @ St. Augustine: For the People of the Parishes**
		8:55AM	Rosary @ St. Mary
		9:30AM	**Mass @ St. Mary: Earl Kaminski by Diane Taskay**
			Anointing of the Sick following Mass





Important Notice: The parish office will be **closed** at **Noon on Wednesday, November 25—Friday, November 27** for Thanksgiving. Normal office hours will resume Monday, November 30 at 8:00AM. **Thank You & Happy Thanksgiving!**

FOOD PANTRY

This week's item is SPAM. There are collection baskets in the entrance of St. Francis', St. Mary's & St. Augustine's Church. Contact: Ricky (715-453-1386)

Prayer Chain - Anyone with a personal prayer intention is invited to call Ruth at 715-453-3397, and caring persons will pray on your behalf. Your request can be anonymous, or you may choose to include your name. Please respect the privacy of others, and do not share a prayer request on behalf of a third party.

St. Joseph the Worker Committee will be working Tuesday, November 24 from 9:00AM-11:30AM. Your help is always appreciated whether you can work all or part of this time. Thank You!



"Then the king will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me.'" - Mt 25:34-36

Special COLLECTIONS

Thanksgiving Day Collection

At the Thanksgiving Day Mass at St. Mary's we will again take up a collection for our needy fund. This fund enables us to help people with gas, utilities or other needs when they come to us.

Thank you for your support!

Weekly Readings and Observances



Sunday, November 22 *(Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe)*: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17/Ps 23:1-2a, 2b-3, 5, 6/1 Cor 15:20-26, 28/Mt 25:31-46
Monday, November 23 *(St. Clement I, Pope and Martyr; St. Columban, Abbot; Bl. Miguel Agustin Pro, Priest and Martyr)*: Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 21:1-4
Tuesday, November 24 *(St. Andrew Dũng-Lạc, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs)*: Rv 14:14-19/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13/Lk 21:5-11
Wednesday, November 25 *(St. Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin and Martyr)*: Rv 15:1-4/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 7-8, 9/Lk 21:12-19
Thursday, November 26 *(Thanksgiving Day)*: Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Lk 21:20-28
Friday, November 27: Rv 20:1-4, 11-21:2/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a/Lk 21:29-33
Saturday, November 28: Rv 22:1-7/Ps 95:1-2, 3-5, 6-7ab/Lk 21:34-36
Sunday, November 29 *(1st Sunday of Advent)*: Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19/1 Cor 1:3-9/Mk 13:33-37

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Liturgy & Music Notes from Jan

In this week of Thanksgiving, we also celebrate the patron saint of musicians, **Saint Cecilia.** Our local tradition is to gather on or close to November 22 to celebrate the ministry that has formed a wonderful community within our parish. After secretly vowing her virginity to God, St. Cecilia was forced to marry, but at her wedding she "sang in her heart to the Lord." Tradition tells that she often heard the angels sing. Not only did she convert her husband to Christianity, but his brother as well. She eventually was condemned to death, and in her final three days of life, she continued to pray and sing hymns of praise to God. May Saint Cecilia continue to intercede for us as we, too, pray and sing hymns to God.

Our next **Advent Concert** rehearsal will take place on **Monday, November 23 at 5:45PM—note the earlier starting time.**

Youth Choir – There is no rehearsal this week on November 24. **Please remember** that our final dress rehearsal before the concert will take place on **Wednesday, December 2 from 4-6PM.** Singers will be excused from religious ed class that day for concert practice. Youth Choir will be dismissed at 6PM instead of the usual 5:45PM.

Ushers are needed for the Advent Concert – Individuals and families are encouraged to help. Please leave your name with Jan or the parish office if you can help. Being an usher helps everyone, and you don't have to miss seeing the concert. Thank you!

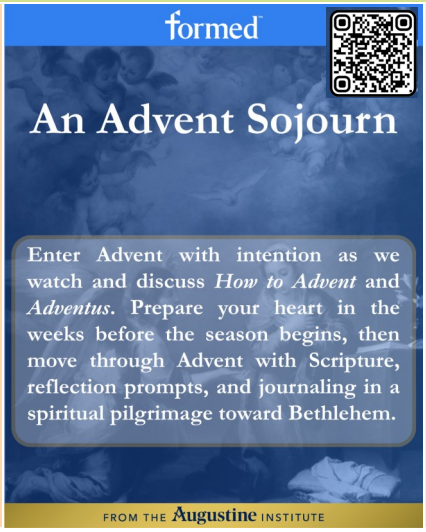
Our wonderful Advent Concert is just two weeks away on DECEMBER 6 AT 4PM. The kids and adults are feeling pride in their accomplishment. Plan now to invite your friends, and wouldn't it be wonderful to include someone who may feel lonely at this time of the year? Christmas is seldom the Norman Rockwell painting that we would love to imagine—the reality of longing, loss, hard times can be very hard for many people. Please come together to experience the hope and inspiration of **"O Holy Light".** Another outstanding reception is planned, so that when the great music arouses your joy AND your appetite, we've got you covered! Seriously, friends, your attendance at this concert means the world to the choir, and if you long for the true spirit and anticipation of Christmas, this is it!

The new **liturgical ministry schedule** will be sent by email and hard copy very soon. Thanks to those who have responded with your preference updates. If you missed the deadline in submitting requests, please do your best to find subs when you need them. Thank you.



2026 Community Thanksgiving Dinner

Plans are underway for the annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner held on Thanksgiving Day. This is a community event hosted by St. Mary's Parish. This is a **FREE** meal for all. Don't spend the day alone! Plan now to join together with others on Thanksgiving Day from 11AM-1PM for fellowship and good food. If you are unable to attend and would like a meal, take-out will be available or it can be delivered to your home, but you must call the parish office (715-453-2878) by NOON on Wednesday, November 25. For those wishing to help, please call the parish office to sign-up for donations of food or use the sign-up sheets in the back of church on the Scrip table. We are also in need of plastic and paper bags for our take-out and delivery meals. If you have some you can spare, please drop them off at the parish office. Thank You!





St. Mary's Thrift Cellar

The Thrift Cellar will be **closed** the week of November 23 - November 27 for Thanksgiving. They will reopen on Tuesday, December 1 at 4:00PM.

Thank You & Happy Thanksgiving!!!



Christmas Program
Mark your calendars for St. Mary's Christmas Program to be held on Thursday, December 4 at 10AM and 6PM. We hope to see you there!

Santa Shoppe
It's Santa Shoppe time! The students are ready to go shopping at our annual Santa Shoppe. This year it will be on Wednesday, December 16. Please look through your things and donate any new or gently used items. We can always use things for dads, grandpas, etc. We also need tape, gift bags and elves to do the wrapping! Call the school office if you are interested or drop off your items during school hours. Thank You! Wishing you all a very Happy Thanksgiving!



Veterans Day Service Project
Our students participated in a special service project by creating Veterans Day and Thanksgiving placemats for the VFW November breakfasts. A few veterans even stopped by to pick up their placemats! What a wonderful way for our students to show appreciation, kindness and gratitude to those who have served our country.



Are You Bored With Your Prayer Life? Do You Want to Try a New Way of Praying? Do you want something involving the Scriptures, meditation and just sitting with Jesus? I am having an Ignatian Spiritual Exercises class that will fill some of your prayer desires. We will learn to pray the examen and take our prayer life closer to Mary and Jesus during Advent. Our next meeting will be held at 10AM in the CCC on Friday, November 27. We will start the exercises the first Sunday of Advent (November 29). The examen takes 15-30 minutes a day. It will be worth the time. If you would like to sign up and check this out, please call the parish office at 715-453-2878.



The Chosen Season 6
You are invited to watch *The Chosen Season 6* every Wednesday at 10AM in the CCC. Season 6 covers the 24 hour period leading up to the crucifixion of Christ.

Calling All Bell Ringers!!!
St. Mary's Church will once again be assisting the Salvation Army's bell ringing campaign during the Christmas season. This year we will be ringing bells at Trig's on Thursday, December 10 through Saturday, December 12. If you can "Ring the Bell" this holiday season, please call Deacon Dave Bablick at 715-224-3472 to schedule your 1-2 hour time slot(s) or use the sign-up sheet on the Scrip table in the back of church. Thank you for your kind and thoughtful consideration!



Youth & Religious Ed News

Religious Education Faith Formation

Congratulations to our 2nd graders who made their First Reconciliation Sacrament on Saturday! We are so proud of you!

Teen Cenacle I and II are beginning. Teen Cenacle I is a **book club** just beginning a new novel by an award winning Catholic author and this group will **also plan family events** throughout the year. All students in grades 9-12 are welcome! We also have a pizza snack as we meet in the CCC from 6-8PM on Wednesday evenings once a month. Teen Cenacle II is forming now and is an **action group** that will be planning and meeting for bowling, movies (for example), and to actively participate in service projects in our local community. More to come for our **first event which will be a bowling event here in town**. All teens are welcome to attend and this may be open also, to youth in grades 6-8 if we get enough interest.

Students in Grades 5-12
Essay or Poem Diocese of Superior – Respect Life Essay Contest
In thinking about respecting all life and using the theme ***Mary, Mother of Life***, explain what it means to you. You can write an essay or you can write a poem. If you are interested in submitting work in this contest, please see the DRE for a fact sheet containing the essay or poetry requirements. Quotes from the essays may be included in the Catholic Herald Newspaper. Prizes awarded to those essays or poems chosen by the judging committee.

Extreme Faith Camp 2027 registration is **OPEN to sign-up**, for all students who have completed 6-8 grade by the summer of 2027. This is a week-long camp located at Crescent Lake in Rhinelander from June 13-18. The camp is led by the "Extreme Team" through the Diocese of Superior (adults) and by senior high youth leaders from participating parishes. If you are interested in signing up for either the camp or to assist as a teen leader, please register with the DRE to get on the list to save your spot. A deposit is required and possible assistance can be sought through our Parish Evangelization Team. This is a great opportunity to rock climb, canoe, tie-dye shirts, and play games. Also, Mass, Adoration, a Reconciliation night, and small groups and topics for teens provides an experiential, faith-building journey among peers. You really want to experience this unique, Catholic, summer camp. It may be life changing in your walk with Jesus.

THANK YOU!!! ~ *Ms. Roche (dreyouth@smctomahawk.com)*

St. Mary & St. Augustine Liturgical Ministries

6:30PM @ St. Augustine, Wednesday, November 25, 2026

Reader	Larry Van Strydonk
Greeters	Mike & Stephanie Smith
Communion Ministers	Kathy Voermans & Larry Van Strydonk
Money Counters	Stephanie Smith & Matt Boyle

8:45AM @ St. Mary, Thursday, November 26, 2026

Readers	Lynn Grube
Altar Servers	Ali Leggett
Musician	Jan Huseby
Cantor	Michele Wingate
Communion Ministers	Joseph Mattke, Stephani Placek, Jean Walker & Kris Leggett

6:00PM @ St. Mary, Saturday, November 28, 2026

Readers	Kathy Paulson & Tami Jo Thieme
Altar Servers	Volunteers Needed
Musician	Mary Ramsey
Cantor	Chuck Wildey
Communion Ministers	Sharon Eisenman, Pat Berg, Mary Jo Wildey & Jessie Dahl

8:00AM @ St. Augustine, Sunday, November 29, 2026

Reader	Pat Haskin
Greeters	Jo Lemmens & Matt Boyle
Communion Ministers	Mary Maly & Pat Haskin
Money Counters	Nancy Swan & Carol Swan

9:30AM @ St. Mary, Sunday, November 29, 2026

Readers	Mary Smerz & Mary Luedke
Altar Servers	Ben, Lukas & Nathan Schultz
Musician	Mary Ramsey
Cantor	Deb Duncan
Communion Ministers	Ann Swenty, Yvonne Kanak Larry & Linda Van Strydonk

St. Augustine Announcements

St. Augustine Parish Breakfast - Our next breakfast will be on Sunday, December 6 following Mass. More details in next Sunday's bulletin. May we be filled with gratitude and love as we gather with family and friends on Thanksgiving Day.

Prayer Shawl Ministry at St. Augustine Parish - The St Augustine Prayer Shawl ministry will be joining St. Mary's Prayer Shawl ministry on Thursday, November 19 & December 17 at 1PM at St. Mary's Church in the CCC (Door #6). All are welcome. No prayer shawl ministry meetings will be held at St. Augustine's in November or December. Prayer Shawls are available for family and friends in need of comfort due to illness, grief or loss. Please contact Deb Russell at 224-381-4040 for more info.

Hospital Closet - We have a hospital closet to loan out hospital supplies such as walkers, a lift chair, crutches, knee scooter, commodes, and the like. Contact the parish office at 715-453-2561 and leave a message if you have a need.

Parish Support - If you know anyone in St Augustine parish who has celebrated a birthday or anniversary, suffered loss, or needs the comfort of prayers, please contact Kathy Havey (text: 414-243-0860 or email: sistersky60@gmail.com) so she can acknowledge on behalf of St. Augustine parish with a card & supportive words.

OCIA - Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (formerly known as RCIA - Rite changed to Order) Have you ever thought about becoming Catholic? Were you baptized as a child but did not celebrate the Sacraments of Confirmation or Holy Eucharist? OCIA offers adults an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about the Catholic faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and practices of the Catholic Church and prepare individuals to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Holy Eucharist and/or Confirmation.

OCIA classes, for anyone in our community, will be held at St. Mary's CCC starting the first week of Advent (day and time of weekly sessions to be determined by participants). Classes will begin the first week of December 2026. After a break for Christmas, classes will continue weekly from January through reception of the sacraments at the Easter Vigil Mass on Saturday, March 27, 2027. Periodic meetings will continue until the end of the Easter Season on Pentecost, May 16, 2027.

If you or someone you know is interested in the OCIA program or would like additional information, please contact Deacon Dave Bablick at 715-966-3092 or Kathy Ramassini at 715-966-5220.

Advertiser of the Week



Scan the QR code to visit our secure online giving page to set up a one-time or recurring donation for church or school.

Our Gifts to Our Lord

For the weekend of November 1, 2026

St. Mary's Collections:	
Adult Envelopes	$2,777.00
Loose Collection	$548.00
Online Giving	$168.96
All Saints	$892.25
Maintenance Fund	$404.00
World Mission	$50.00
School Collection	$5.00
Total	$4,845.21



The Search Why are we here? What is life all about? What happens when we die? What is this journey in between the event we call "birth" and the one we call "death"? Is the journey taking you somewhere, or are you leading yourself to some kind of destination - a destination that could extend beyond your last breath? What do you want from your life during the in between? The questions are there. And, the answers are too. Experience *The Search*, a dynamic 7-part video series that explores life's deepest questions. Whether you are a committed Catholic, searching for answers, or have drifted away from the faith, this series looks at science, faith, sorrow, and happiness to point toward the ultimate meaning in Jesus Christ. Join us as we embark on this journey together on Tuesday mornings following the 8:30AM Mass at St. Augustine in the parish hall. The program began Tuesday, November 10 and will run through December 22. There is no cost to participate. If you cannot make any of the sessions, The Search series is available online via our Formed parish subscription. Each video is approximately 30 minutes in length followed by 30 minutes of small group discussion. If interested, please email Mike Smith at mikesmithwi@yahoo.com or sign up on the sheet in the back of church at St. Augustine.

St. Francis' Collections:	
Adult Envelopes	$225.00
Loose Collection	$131.00
Online Giving	$25.25
All Saints	$28.00
Total	$409.25

St. Augustine's Collections	
Adult Envelopes	$1,570.00
Loose Collection	$275.00
All Saints	$590.00
Total	$2,435.00



"Having received the gift of the Gospel of Life, we are the people of life and a people for life. It is our duty to proclaim the Gospel of Life to the world. To proclaim Jesus is to proclaim life itself. Gratitude and joy at the incomparable dignity of the human person impel us to bring the Gospel of life to the hearts of all people and make it penetrate every part of society."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "The Gospel of Life: A Brief Summary".