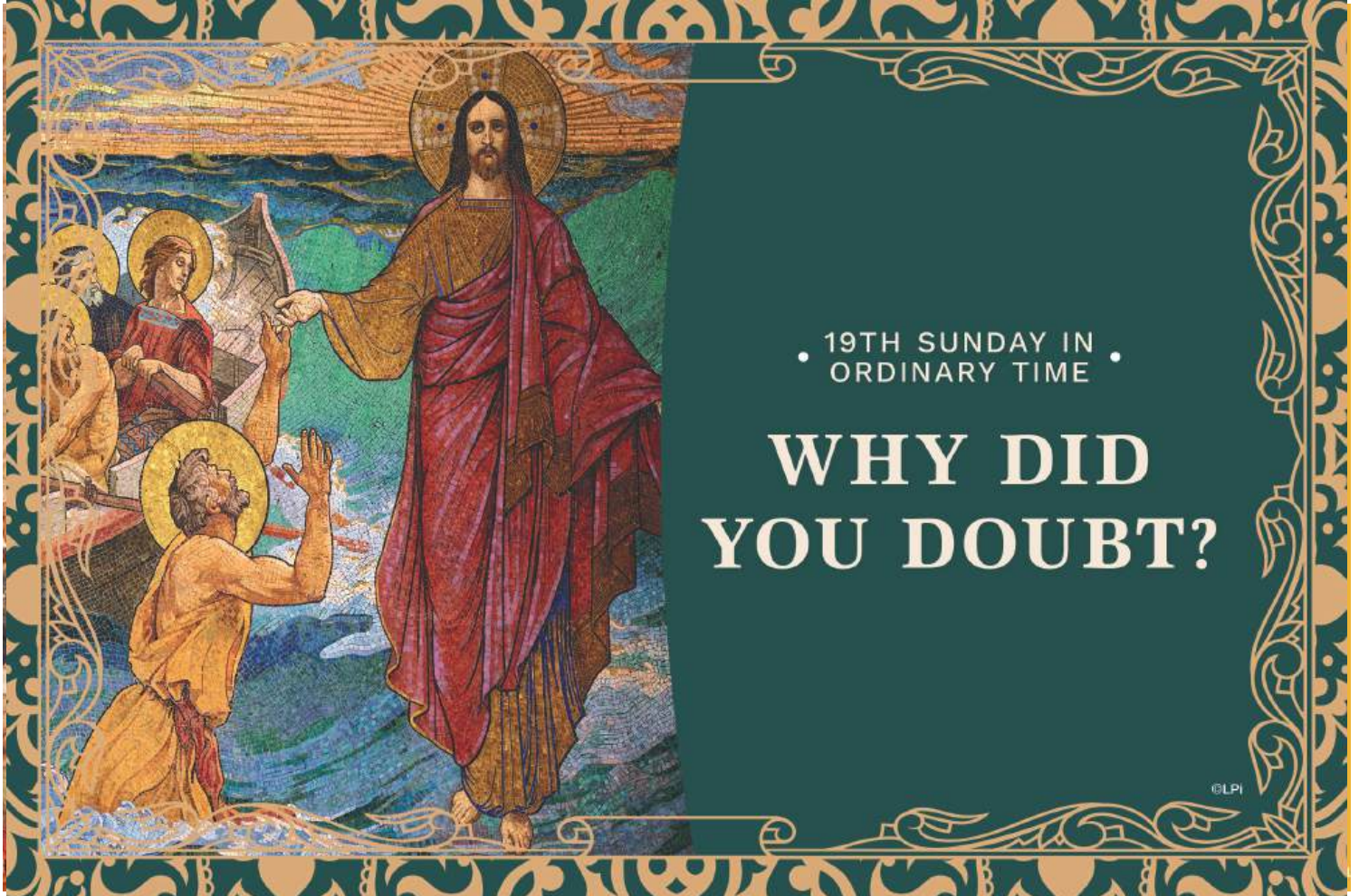




# St. Basil the Great

## CATHOLIC CHURCH



AUGUST 9, 2026  
NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### Mass Schedule

#### WEEKEND

##### Saturday Vigil

5:00pm

##### Sunday

7:30am, 9:00am,  
11:00am, 5:00pm

#### WEEKDAYS

##### Monday-Friday

8:00am

#### RECONCILIATION

##### Saturday

8:30am-9:30am  
or by appointment

#### ADORATION

##### Mondays & Wednesdays

8:30am-9:00pm

### Parish Directory

#### Parish Office

440-526-1686

#### St. Michael School

440-717-0398

#### Children's Faith Formation

440-526-3520

#### Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 8 am - 7 pm  
Friday 8 am - 5 pm  
Saturday 8 am - 12 noon  
Sunday closed

### Stay Connected



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# Welcome!

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**AUGUST 16, 2026**

**TWENTIETH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**

First reading: Isaiah 56: 1, 6-7

SECOND READING ROMANS 11: 13-15, 29-32

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 15: 21-28

*"THY WORD IS A LAMP UNTO MY FEET,  
AND A LIGHT UNTO MY PATH."*



## Mass Intentions

**MONDAY, AUGUST 10, 2026**

8:00am + Shirley Van Niel (*Family & Friends*)

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 11, 2026**

8:00am Terry Donovan, Sr. (*Family*)

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2026**

8:00am + The Oriti Family (*Maria Costanzo*)

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 13, 2026**

8:00am + Mark L. Mackert (*Debbie Tisdell*)

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 14, 2026**

8:00am + Tony Sejba (*Family*)

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 15, 2026-**

*Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary- Mass*

*10am (Not a Holy Day of Obligation)*

*Parishioners of St. Basil (Fr. Mann)*

*1:30pm Wedding: Joseph Mazhuvanchery and Sibil Ann Shibu (Fr. Ryan Mann)*

5:00pm + The Wise and Denk Families (*Denise Hawk*)  
(*Fr. Liptak*)

**SUNDAY- AUGUST 16, 2026-**

**TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

7:30am + Ralph De Santis (*Renee De Santis*) (*Fr. Racco*)

9:00am + Fred Mahnke (*Bebe and Brian Kramer*) (*Fr. Mann*)

11:00am + Parishioners of St. Basil (*Fr. Mann*)

5:00pm + Joseph Wasco (*Wife, Jeanne Wasco*) (*Fr. Liptak*)

## Stewardship

**WEEK OF AUGUST 2, 2026**

|                     |             |
|---------------------|-------------|
| Regular Collection  | \$39,584.50 |
| Monthly Maintenance | \$4,267.25  |

# Feast of the Assumption of Mary



## FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF MARY SATURDAY, AUGUST 15, 2026

We will have Mass at 10am  
in honor of our Blessed Mother.

There will **not** be a Vigil Mass on  
Friday, August 14<sup>th</sup>, 2026.

\*This year the Assumption of Mary is  
*NOT a Holy Day of Obligation*—however,  
we encourage you to attend Mass in  
honor of Mary, the Mother of Jesus.

### *Prayer for the Assumption of Mary*

Father in heaven,  
all creation rightly gives you  
praise,  
for all life and all holiness come  
from you.

In the plan of your wisdom  
she who bore the Christ in her  
womb  
was raised body and soul in glory  
to be with him in heaven.  
May we follow her example in  
reflecting your holiness  
and join in her hymn of endless  
love and praise.

We ask this through  
Christ our Lord.

Amen.

## OCIA

*"What are you looking for?"*  
John 1:38

*Interested in becoming Catholic?  
Know someone that is searching?*

**All are welcome to OCIA at St. Basil!**

St. Basil The Great Parish welcomes anyone who wishes to inquire about the Catholic faith. Maybe you have been attending Mass for awhile and would like to learn more about the beliefs and practices of Catholics. You might be married to a Catholic, or you have a Catholic friend or relative and would like to discuss your questions or concerns about Catholicism with someone from the church. We invite you to continue searching at OCIA (Order of Catholic Initiation for Adults)

If you would like to fully explore the possibility of becoming Catholic or refer a friend, please reach out to Fr. Liptak at [jlptak@basilthegreat.org](mailto:jlptak@basilthegreat.org) or 440.373.7560. OCIA will begin this August.

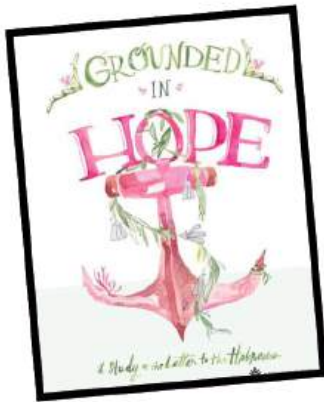


*Searching, Curious, Interested  
in the Catholic Church?*

Share more about your  
journey through this form  
and we will be happy to  
accompany you.



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- Wednesday nights 7:00-8:30pm or Thursday mornings 9:00-10:30 am (Babysitting available)
- Registration is now OPEN! To be included in our book order, you must register by Tuesday, Sept 1<sup>st</sup>
- Registration and book: \$ 55
- Study dates and more information at: [basilthegreat.org/flourish](http://basilthegreat.org/flourish)



Register via QR code  
or at [basilthegreat.org/forms](http://basilthegreat.org/forms)



## Volunteers Needed

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR:

#### THURSDAY MORNING BABYSITTING



We invite you to volunteer for babysitting during our Thursday morning Women's Bible Study. Any time you can dedicate to support our young moms will allow them the chance to engage in fellowship while their little ones are cared for, and it would be greatly appreciated!

For more information and to sign up, please visit our [Basilthegreat/forms](http://Basilthegreat/forms) page or scan the QR code to access the forms page.



## Annulments

### *Seeking an annulment?*

Terri Shawhan, D. Min., retired from the Diocesan Tribunal where she worked on Declarations of Invalidity of Marriage (annulments). She is available at the parish to work with parishioners who wish to petition for an annulment.

Please contact her at the parish office at: 440-526-1686.

This is a **FREE** service.

There are **NO** fees charged for annulments.

# St. Basil Music Ministry



*Serve the Lord with gladness, come before him with joyful song. Psalm 100:2*

## RESURRECTION CHOIR

Sings at parish funerals, offering peace and comfort through song.

## YOUNG ADULT CHOIR

Open to young adults (20s & 30s), sings once a month.

## CONTEMPORARY CHOIR

Rehearses: Tuesdays at 6:30 pm  
Sings: Saturdays at 5:00 pm Mass

## SUNDAY CHOIR

Rehearses: Thursdays at 6:00 pm  
Sings: Sundays at 9:00 am Mass



St. Basil the Great  
CATHOLIC CHURCH  
MUSIC MINISTRY

**CHOIRS RESUME  
THE WEEK OF  
SEPTEMBER 14TH!**

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All are welcome to join us in prayer, community, and  
praise! Sign up at [basilthegreat.org/forms](https://basilthegreat.org/forms)  
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# Children's Christmas Choir

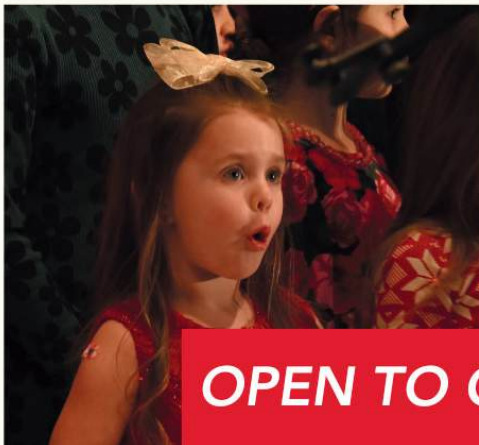


## CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS CHOIR 2026

Children's Choir starts Tuesday October 6 from 5:30-6:15 pm with rehearsals every Tuesday following October 7 after until Christmas. All rehearsals are in the church. The Children sing at our Christmas Pageant with costumes before Christmas Eve Mass at 3:30pm and at 4pm Mass on Christmas Eve. If you have any questions, please contact Stephanie Baka, [sbaka@basilthegreat.org](mailto:sbaka@basilthegreat.org).



Sign up at  
[basilthegreat.org/forms](https://basilthegreat.org/forms)!



**OPEN TO CHILDREN AGES 5 - GRADE 8!**

# Oktoberfest



## ST. BASIL THE GREAT OKTOBERFEST

September 25, 2026 | 6:00-9:00 pm | Family Life Center



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*Limited tickets available until  
Sept 14 or they sell out.*



**Volunteers needed, sign up at [basilthegreat.org/forms](https://basilthegreat.org/forms).**

## Sandwich Saturday

Join us for Sandwich Saturday!  
9:00-10:00 am in the Parish Center  
Spread the love!



**Upcoming Sandwich Saturdays**  
August 15  
September 19  
October 24

**Bring peanut butter and jelly, bread, bag of fruit, sandwich baggies, and a breakfast treat to share. Sandwiches are taken to local shelters to help those in need.**

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## Life Teen

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**LIFE TEEN** **Upcoming Events**

**SEP 3**  
**7-8:30PM**  
**PARISH CENTER**

**Parent KICK OFF**

Please join us for fellowship, prayer, and practicals on how we can work together in bringing our teens closer to Christ. Light refreshments (including beer, wine, and charcuterie) will be provided. Open to all parents and caregivers of 9th-12th graders.

 ST. BASIL THE GREAT  
**LIFE TEEN**  
**Attention all 9th-12th graders!!**  
Please join us for our annual

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Water fun + food + friends

**AUG 15 | 1-5PM**  
**ST. BASIL BACK FIELD**

More info at [basilteen.com](http://basilteen.com)

## Adult Altar Servers-We Need You!



Additional Adult Altar Servers are needed to serve at funerals. If you feel called to this ministry, please contact Terri Shawhan at the Rectory Office at 440-526-1686 or [tshawhan@basilthegreat.org](mailto:tshawhan@basilthegreat.org).



Do you have questions on the Virtus training and documentation process? Please visit the Virtus page on the St. Basil website at <https://basilthegreat.org/protection/> for a list of steps to complete, documentation to review, and FAQ. There is also a page of resources for ministry leaders and coaches. Please reach out to our Virtus Coordinator at [ProtectOurYouth@basilthegreat.org](mailto:ProtectOurYouth@basilthegreat.org) with any questions.

# Liturgical Fund

## St. Basil Liturgical Tribute Fund

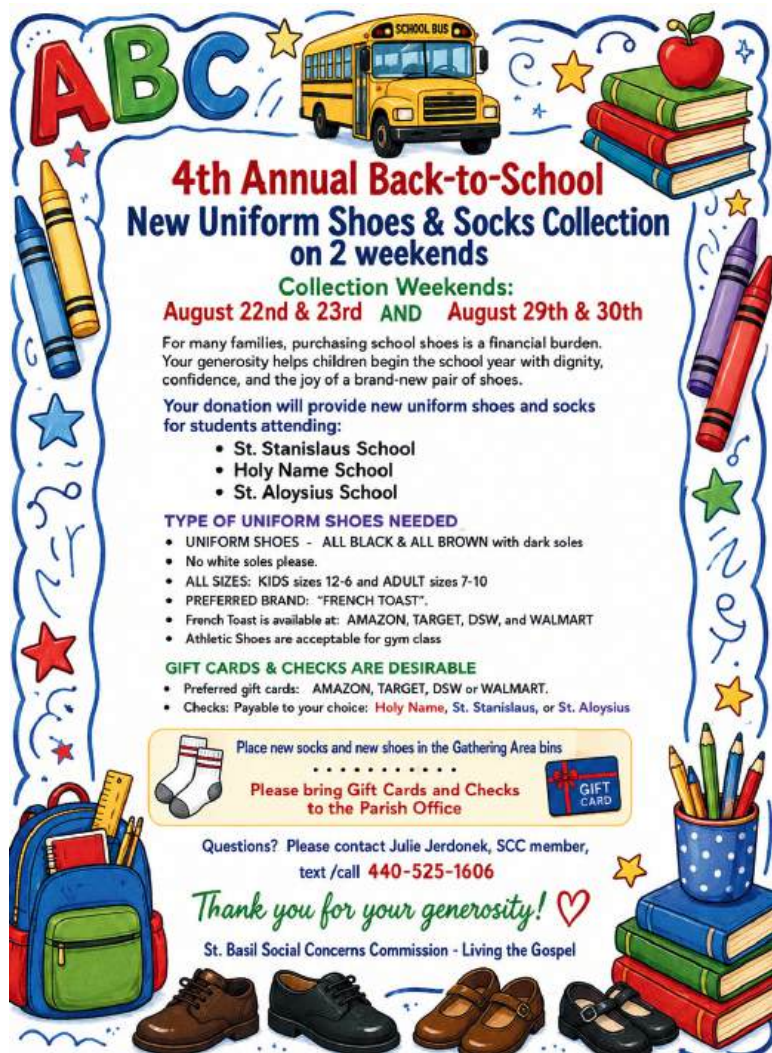
*St. Basil's Liturgical Tribute Fund honors both the living and deceased. Contributions can be made in any amount at any time, and contribution envelopes are available from the Parish Office and the pamphlet racks in the church vestibules. Funds are used to purchase items needed for church services. Honorees and donors are listed below and are published in the bulletin each month.*

### *In Memory of:*

**JOSEPH PETSCHKE:** The Ganley Family

**MARILYN DELIBERATO:** Jay and Robin Youngs

## St. Basil Social Concerns



**ABC**  

### 4th Annual Back-to-School New Uniform Shoes & Socks Collection on 2 weekends

**Collection Weekends:**  
**August 22nd & 23rd AND August 29th & 30th**

For many families, purchasing school shoes is a financial burden. Your generosity helps children begin the school year with dignity, confidence, and the joy of a brand-new pair of shoes.

Your donation will provide new uniform shoes and socks for students attending:

- St. Stanislaus School
- Holy Name School
- St. Aloysius School

**TYPE OF UNIFORM SHOES NEEDED**

- UNIFORM SHOES - ALL BLACK & ALL BROWN with dark soles
- No white soles please.
- ALL SIZES: KIDS sizes 12-6 and ADULT sizes 7-10
- PREFERRED BRAND: "FRENCH TOAST".
- French Toast is available at: AMAZON, TARGET, DSW, and WALMART
- Athletic Shoes are acceptable for gym class

**GIFT CARDS & CHECKS ARE DESIRABLE**

- Preferred gift cards: AMAZON, TARGET, DSW or WALMART.
- Checks: Payable to your choice: **Holy Name, St. Stanislaus, or St. Aloysius**

 Place new socks and new shoes in the Gathering Area bins

 Please bring Gift Cards and Checks to the Parish Office

Questions? Please contact Julie Jerdonek, SCC member, text /call **440-525-1606**

**Thank you for your generosity!** 

St. Basil Social Concerns Commission - Living the Gospel



"No one can grow if he does not accept his smallness."

— Pope Francis

## St. Basil Food Pantry



St. Catherine Food Pantry  
In the month of July, 2026:

372 households were served including a total of 1192 individuals and an estimated 17880 meals were provided.

Checks are payable to  
St. Basil the Great Parish.

Thank you for your support and generosity.

### ***Some interesting numbers for July:***

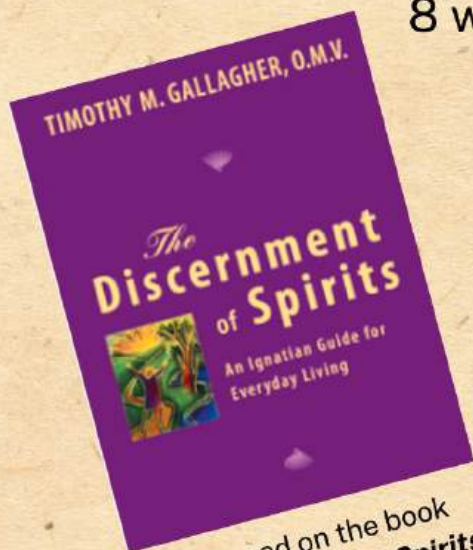
- Of the 184 first time visitors to our pantry this year, 56 were over the age of 50.
- Our volunteers rescued 7537 pounds of food that in years past were destined for the dumpster.
- Our pantry was allocated 4727 pounds of food from the USDA, Ohio Food Products and select manufacturers donations at no cost to us through the GCFB (Greater Cleveland Food Bank). We purchased an additional 3927 pounds of food from the GCFB. We sincerely thank you for the parish wide food collection and the drivers who get those bags in the pantry door. The St. Basil the Great Food Pantry is located at: 9412 Heath Avenue (93rd & Union)

The Food Pantry is open Tuesdays & Thursdays 9:30-11am  
To volunteer please contact:  
Kathy Sejba: [kathsejba@gmail.com](mailto:kathsejba@gmail.com)  
Donations are gratefully accepted!



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Fr. Ryan Mann  
Pastor, St. Basil the Great



Jen Ricard  
Director, TOB CLE

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Tommy Dome  
Director of Evangelization  
St. Basil the Great



St. Ignatius of  
Loyola

# Family Fun



## THE FEST

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# Saturday, AUGUST 15

from 12-10 PM

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# Life of Our Saints



## ST. MONICA & ST. AUGUSTINE

St. Monica could be called the "persistent mother." A North African woman living in the fourth century, Monica was married to Patricus, a pagan, through the arrangement of her family. Monica endured plenty of emotional abuse from her husband, but her greater challenge was her oldest son, Augustine. When he was a child, Monica taught her son the Catholic catechism and how to pray. When Augustine grew seriously ill, he requested Baptism, but when he began to recover, Baptism was forgotten.

Later, as a student in Carthage, Augustine came to follow a heretical teaching, Manichaeism, that claimed that the body was evil while the soul alone was good. He also liked to party, and he lived with his girlfriend and their son. Monica was so disgusted with Augustine that she would not let him eat or sleep in her home.

Mother and son rarely spoke to each other. Still Monica continued to pray for Augustine after a bishop told her that it was better to talk to God about Augustine than to Augustine about God. The bishop also told her: "At present the heart of the young man is too stubborn, but God's time will come. It is not possible that the son of so many tears should perish."

Augustine's time came some years later. In Milan, Augustine was inspired by the preaching of the Catholic bishop there, St. Ambrose. Soon after, Augustine became torn between living chastely and his past sinfulness. Augustine went out to an outer garden at the place where he was staying. He threw himself on the ground under a tree and cried out, "How long, O Lord?" Will you always be angry with me? Remember not my past sins." Just then Augustine could hear the singing of a neighbor child on the other side of the wall. The child kept repeating the same verse over and over, "Tolle lege! Tolle lege!" which means "Take up and read!" He got up, went inside, and found the Bible opened to Romans 13 where he read: "Let us throw off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us conduct ourselves properly as in the day, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in promiscuity and licentiousness, not in rivalry and jealousy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the desires of the flesh' (Rm 13:12-14).

Augustine was baptized by Ambrose on Easter Sunday in 387. Soon after, his mother died. She said shortly before her death, "I do not know what there is now left for me to do or why I am still here. All I wished to live for was that I might see you a Catholic and a child of heaven." Augustine lived chastely from that time on. He was ordained and named bishop of Hippo. St. Augustine is one of the great scholars of the Church. He is a Doctor of the Church.

His mother has not been forgotten either. St. Monica is the patron saint of mothers and fathers and of all lost and wayward children. And the church recently moved St. Monica's feast day to August 27 so that it would be near her son's the following day, August 28th.

# Prayers

## PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN

The Diocese of Cleveland's "Protecting God's Children" program is a continuing effort to instruct and inform everyone about the protection of children from sexual abuse. To report any past or present suspected inappropriate behavior toward children by priests, deacons, religious, lay ecclesial ministers or personnel associated with the Church, immediately inform local authorities about inappropriate behavior. Also, please contact the Diocesan Response Service Office at: 216-334-2999 or via email at: [response\\_services@dioceseofcleveland.org](mailto:response_services@dioceseofcleveland.org).



## PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION



You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen

### PRAYER FOR THE SICK

We pray for all those who are in need of our prayers.



*Make a Difference with St. Augustine Health Ministries*

### Happy Campers Week | August 17–20

Volunteers are needed to help make this special week possible as nursing home residents travel to Camp Cheerful in Strongsville for a week of outdoor activities, friendship and fun.

### Tee Off for Compassion Charity Golf Outing | September 14 | Sweetbriar Golf Club

Sponsors, golfers and raffle donations are needed for this annual outing benefiting the residents, patients and families served by Holy Family Hospice and St. Augustine Health Campus. Individuals, businesses, parish groups and community organizations are invited to participate.

Contact the Volunteer & Community Outreach Office at 216-939-7601 or visit [staugministries.org/events](http://staugministries.org/events)



IN LOVING MEMORY

KARL ZEUCH  
Husband of Donna  
July 7, 2026

We remember all of our deceased loved ones. May they rest in peace.

# Play and Pray



## KICK OFF WITH THE BUBBLE LADY!

**Friday September 4  
9:00-10:30 am**

Play and Pray is a time for caregivers and tots to play and pray together. All are welcome, invite a friend!

Join the Play and Pray GroupMe to get updates for upcoming dates!



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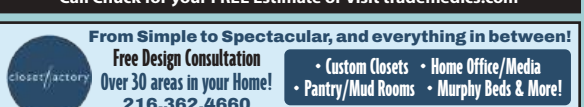
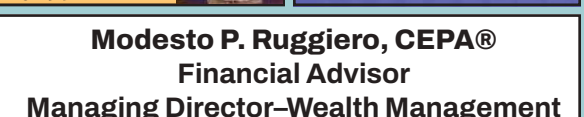
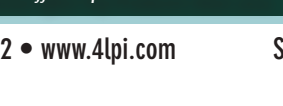
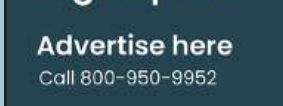
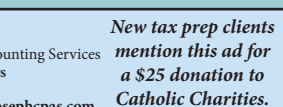
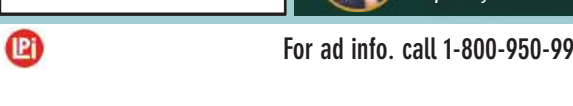
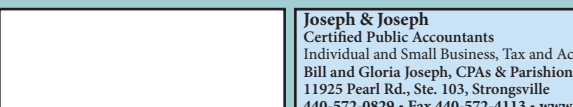
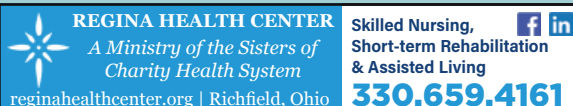
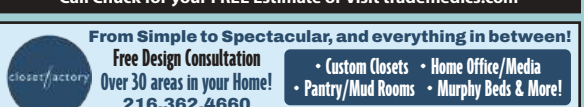
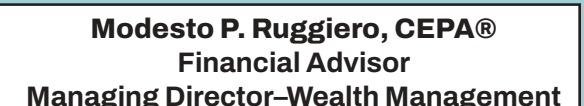
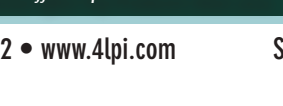
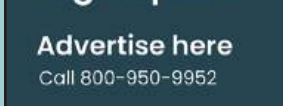
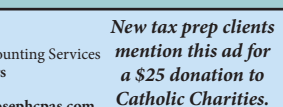
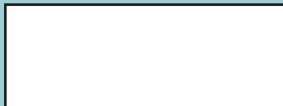
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