

St. Monica Church

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St. Augustine Church

ST. MONICA

Sunday Mass 8:30 a.m.
Rosary 8:00 a.m.

Weekday Mass Wed & Fri.
9:00 a.m.

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*I am the
Bread of Life*

THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST—CORPUS CHRISTI JUNE 7, 2026

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

"Do not forget the LORD, your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, that place of slavery." (Dt 8:14)

Psalm:

Praise the Lord, Jerusalem. (Ps 147)
Or Alleluia.

Second Reading:

Because the loaf of bread is one, we, though many, are one body. (1 Cor 10:17)

Gospel:

"I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." (Jn 6:51)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

The starving Israelites found their physical salvation in manna, "a food unknown to your fathers." We find our spiritual salvation in the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, a food unknown to too many souls. Blessed are we to partake of the Bread of Life.

Observances for the week of June 7, 2026

Sunday:	The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
Tuesday:	St. Ephrem, Deacon and Doctor of the Church
Thursday:	St. Barnabas, Apostle
Friday:	The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
Saturday:	The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary; St. Anthony of Padua, Priest and Doctor of the Church
Next Sunday:	11th Sunday in Ordinary Time; <i>Flag Day</i>



Virtues, Explained!

Gratitude pays a kind of "moral debt." Children owe it to their parents; citizens owe it to their country. The Eucharist is the most perfect act of gratitude, wherein God is acknowledged as the source of all good.

Corpus Christi Prayer

O Precious Jesus,
The gift of your Body and Blood,
shared with us, is unfathomable.
Like manna that satiated our
hunger, fill us where we lack.
Like the bread given to Elijah in
the desert, sustain us.
Grace us with a glimpse into your
love for us,
now and forever, present in the
Eucharist.
Amen.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Bedrock at St. Augustine Sunday:

After Mass, **Bedrock** (Ascension St. John) will be offering blood pressure checks and information/sign-ups for a free heart screening.

After 10:30 Mass and After 12:30 Mass

June 10 - Wednesday 11:30am

Mass will be offered for Tim Desmond

At Catholic Charities Chapel, Adoration following mass.

Fr. C will be officiating

June 14 - Sunday 10:30am:

Confirmation Mass at St. A

July 6 - 10 Priest Conference

No morning mass

"Dinner hosted by Fr. C"

Other Dates: June 12 and June 26.

(Menu coming soon)

Instructions:

4 sign-ups from St. A and 4 sign-ups from St. M.
(Total 16)

Each person must bring a family member, friend, who may have disconnected from the church or is thinking about becoming Catholic.

A great time to build up and strengthen relationships and pray for one another.

Thank you. Fr C

June 24 - Wednesday 6:30pm

Holy Family High School Information Night

June 24 - Wednesday 6:30pm

The Pope's Monthly Intentions June 2026

For the values of sports

Let us pray that sports be an instrument of peace, encounter, and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that they promote values such as respect, solidarity, and personal growth.

The North Tulsa Learning Center NTLC

Adult volunteers are needed to provide support.

Year 6 starts September 1, 2026! The North Tulsa Learning Center (NTLC) continues to be an innovative partnership between St. Augustine and St. Monica Catholic parishes and Bishop Kelley High School.

The BK students and faculty tutor kids focusing on reading and math.

You don't have to tutor but just be present. It is a true blessing to watch the tutors and students interact in a positive and fun environment.

The NTLC is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:30 pm to 6 pm at St. Augustine Religious Education Center, 1720 East Apache.

You can volunteer for as little as an hour a shift. Contact at Jennifer at Jthomasamos@rocketmail.com to sign-up. Volunteer and be part of something special.

Called by Name

The diocese wants parishioners to nominate young men of the parishes to consider the priesthood. They submit the names to us or to Fr. Duy, who then reaches out to invite them to a dinner and other discernment steps.

Deacon Charles Beard

ST. MONICA MINISTRY SCHEDULE

JUNE 14, 2026

LECTORS -

Gloria Wallace

Gina Figures

www.stmonica-tulsa.org

STEWARDSHIP OF GIVING

May 31, 2026 \$1,309.00

MASS ATTENDANCE

	May 17	May 31
Adults	54	67
Youth	5	5

MASS INTENTIONS

1st SUNDAY OF THE MONTH MASS, IN MEMORY OF
MAXINE STALEY

4th SUNDAY OF THE MONTH MASS, IN MEMORY OF
MR. & MRS. C. Y. GIBBS

ST. MONICA

All deceased Catholic Daughters
Of Court Queenship of Mary
Requested by Amelia Henderson

ST. AUGUSTINE

PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK & SHUT-INS

Princetta Newman, Charles Towns Jr., Rachel Stake,
Idella Miller, Norma Stripling, Patricia Lyons, James
Jones, Billie Clark, Deacon Steve, Joselinn Fuselier,
Melvin Noble, Sr., Gloria Petit, Johnny Towns, David
Towns, Steven Bagby, Doris Minter-Littles, Paul
McCurtain, Mario Holman, William Holman, Keith Thierry

***** **PARISH NEWS** *****

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

Wed 6-7:30pm CCD Bldg
Closed for Summer

NTLC TUTORING

Tues and Thurs
3:30-6pm CCD Bldg
Resume Sept 1, 2026

SPANISH MASS

ST. AUGUSTINE PARISH
Sundays at 12:30

Bible study

Thursdays 10:00 - 11:15am
St. Monica Bradley Hall

NAMI

National Alliance of Mental Illness
St. Augustine Parish - CCD
4th Monday 6 - 7:30pm

Senior Saints Mass And Potluck Luncheon

Every 4th Wednesday 12 noon
Bradley Hall
See sign up sheet

ST. AUGUSTINE MINISTRY SCHEDULE

JUNE 14, 2026

LECTORS -

Confirmation Sunday

www.staugustine-tulsa.org

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STEWARDSHIP OF GIVING

MAY 31, 2026 \$ 970.00

MASS ATTENDANCE

ADULTS 51

YOUTH 6

SPANISH MASS

ADULTS 112

YOUTH 59

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PARISH GOALS / INITIATIVES

JUNE 1, 2021 - MAY 31, 2026

St. MONICA

GOAL: \$100,000

RAISED: \$ 59,099

REMAINING: \$ 40,901

St. AUGUSTINE

GOAL: \$120,000

RAISED: \$ 86,459

REMAINING: \$ 33,541

RCIA

*Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults
Wed 6 - 7:30pm St. Monica in person/Zoom*

SPANISH CLASS

St. Augustine - Saturday 1-3 pm

June 6, 20

July 11, 25

Aug 8, 22

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM – Call the Parish at 587-2965

FIRST EUCHARIST & CONFIRMATION – Celebrated once a year. Call the Parish

RECONCILIATION – Sunday before Mass or anytime by appointment.

MARRIAGE – A minimum of six months preparation is required. Call the Pastor before the date is set.

VISITATION OF THE SICK – The last Friday of each month

COMMUNION TO THE SICK – In the event of illness, please contact the Pastor. Eucharist is brought to shut-ins weekly. Please call the Pastor if you know of someone unable to attend Mass.

VOCATIONS – Anyone interest in becoming a Priest, Deacon or Lay Minister. Contact the Pastor

OTHER INFORMATION

RCIA – Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. If interested in becoming Catholic, contact the Parish

NEW PARISHIONERS WELCOME! Please register in the Church by contacting an usher

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION – Every Wednesday from 6:00 p.m.–7:30p.m. from September to May @ St. Augustine.

BULLETIN DEADLINE – Please submit bulletin announcements to the office before noon on Tuesdays at least two weeks prior to your scheduled event.

Send electronically to stmonicachurch@aol.com

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From the desk of Fr. C.,

When I was in second grade, my teacher, Sister Maria Goretti, told our class a story as she prepared us for First Communion. I have never forgotten it.

In the days of ancient Rome, when Christians were still persecuted for their faith, the Eucharist was often celebrated in secret, hidden in the catacombs beneath the city. Believers gathered quietly in the shadows, risking everything for the Lord's Supper.

After one such celebration, a young Christian named Marcus emerged carrying a small pouch. Inside was the Blessed Sacrament, entrusted to him so he could bring Communion to his sick sister at home. Before he could reach the village, he was surrounded by a gang of Roman boys led by the bully Romulus. They mocked him, shoved him, and demanded to know what he was hiding.

Romulus grabbed the pouch, opened it, and laughed. "Why, it's just a piece of bread! This lowlife is risking his life for a piece of bread!" As the boys beat Marcus, his Christian friends finally rushed in and drove the gang away. Bruised and bleeding, Marcus pressed the pouch into the hands of his friend Justus.

"This is Jesus," he whispered. "Bring him to my sister."

As they carried him back to safety, Marcus said softly, almost to himself:

"Just a piece of bread. If only they knew. If only they knew..."

That line has stayed with me all these years. Corpus Christi invites us into that same mystery.

Like last Sunday's Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, the Eucharist is not something we solve like a mathematical problem. We can spend endless energy trying to explain the "how" of transubstantiation and still find ourselves standing before a mystery too deep for words.

Perhaps today is better spent contemplating the "why." Why would Christ choose bread?

Why would the eternal Son of God remain with us in something so ordinary, so humble, so easily overlooked?

Because love always chooses nearness. In today's Gospel from John 6, Jesus does not soften his words:

"I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever."

And when people question him – "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" – Jesus does not retreat. He goes deeper.

"Unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you." This is not metaphor for Jesus. This is covenant. This is gift. This is communion.

He points us back to the manna in the desert, recalled in today's First Reading from Deuteronomy. God fed Israel with bread from heaven during their long journey through the wilderness. But that manna was only preparation, only promise.

Christ now gives us the true Bread from Heaven – not simply food for the road, but his very self. The Eucharist is not a symbol of Christ's presence. It is Christ's presence.

Through centuries of doubt, persecution, misunderstanding, and even division among Christians, the Church has held fast to this mystery: that on our altars, heaven touches earth.

Many still look and see only bread. But faith teaches us to kneel.

Faith teaches us to recognize the living Christ hidden in humility.

Because the Eucharist is never "just a piece of bread." It is Jesus. And that changes everything.

Ken Canedo at www.ocp.com

Let us Pray

*O Father, we come before You with hearts full of gratitude for the gift of the Eucharist.
Thank You for the body and blood of Christ, which nourishes our souls and unites us in love.
May we always cherish this sacred mystery and grow in faith, reflecting Your light in the world.
Amen.*

Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of June 7, 2026

Sunday:

Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15,
19-20/1 Cor 10:16-17/Jn 6:51-58

Monday:

1 Kgs 17:1-6/ Ps 121:1bc-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/
Mt 5:1-12

Tuesday:

1 Kgs 17:7-16/ Ps 4:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8/
Mt 5:13-16

Wednesday:

1 Kgs 18:20-39/ Ps 16:1b-2ab, 4, 5ab and
8, 11/Mt 5:17-19

Thursday:

Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3 (580)/Ps 65:10, 11,
12-13/Mt 5:20-26

Friday:

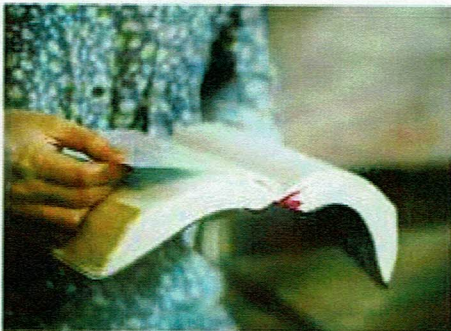
Dt 7:6-11/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 10/
1 Jn 4:7-16/Mt 11:25-30

Saturday:

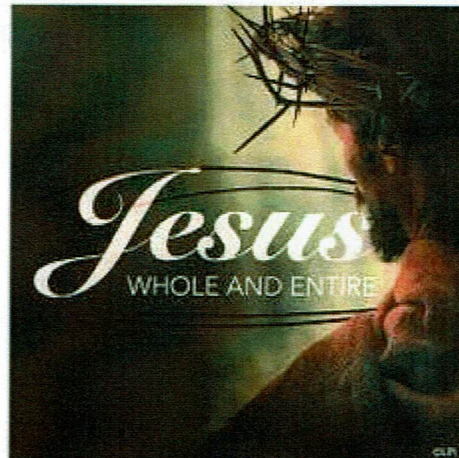
1 Kgs 19:19-21/Ps 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8,
9-10/Mt 5:33-37

Next Sunday:

Ex 19:2-6a/Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5/Rom 5:6-11/
Mt 9:36-10:8



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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

When I was a young altar server, I once overheard two very different comments about the Eucharist. One person asked, "Is Father distributing the bread or the wine?" Later, another asked, "Can you go get Jesus from the tabernacle?" Same parish, same Mass, but two very different ways of speaking. I pondered: So, is it bread that we pretend is Jesus? Or is Jesus a tiny white thing in a box? I was utterly confused.

This Feast of Corpus Christi is an excellent time to think about how we should speak about the Eucharist. In today's Gospel, Jesus declares: "**My flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink.**" (John 6:55) His words scandalized his listeners, who feared cannibalism, and even today puzzle many, who reduce them to metaphor. Both miss the truth.

The Church gives us better words that honor Jesus' words in the Gospel. After the consecration, we do not call it "bread" or "wine." Nor do we say, "a piece of Jesus" or even "Jesus." We say: *the Eucharist*. We say: *the Body and Blood of Christ*. We say: *the Real Presence*. We say: *the Most Blessed Sacrament*. These words safeguard the astonishing reality that Christ himself is truly present, whole and entire, under the appearances of bread and wine.

If we speak well about the Eucharist, we will think more clearly and believe more deeply. And if we believe more deeply, we will adore more truly the One who gives himself to us — not bread, not wine, but Jesus Christ himself, whole and entire.

— *Father John Muir*

IN REMEMBRANCE

Sister Phyllis Vaske
Mary Rogers
James & Colleen Brooks
James & Ruth Sayles
Carmel & J.C. Thompson
Willie & Dorothy Wilson
Geraldine Jones
Shamika Figures

Gwen Monteilh Hammons
Robert Musgrove
James Madison & Espize Thierry Brooks
Gary Randolph Davis
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