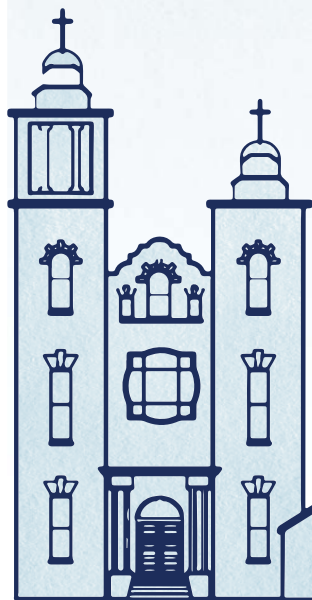


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2024–2025 Annual Parish Snapshot

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Fiscal Year 2024-2025

July 2024-June 2025

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus & Saint Augustine Catholic Churches

Parish Office

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St. Augustine Church

315 East Chestnut St., Jeffersonville, IN 47130

Queen of Heaven Cemetery

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Parish Office Hours:

Monday thru Friday 11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Sacred Heart Catholic School

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Jeffersonville, IN 47130

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Fax: 812-284-6678

Weekday Mass Schedule

Tuesday: 5:30 p.m. at St. Augustine

Wednesday: 5:30 p.m. at Sacred Heart

Thursday: 8:00 a.m. at Saint Augustine

Friday: 8:15 a.m. at Sacred Heart

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday:	4:00 p.m. at St. Augustine
Sunday:	8:00 a.m. at St. Augustine
Sunday:	10:00 a.m. at Sacred Heart

Saint Augustine reopened for Sunday Mass on Easter Sunday 2025, and with the reopening, the Mass times changed to the schedule above. Daily Mass resumed at Saint Augustine in October 2025.

Confession

Tuesday: 4:30-5:15 p.m. at St. Augustine
Wednesday: 4:30-5:15 p.m. at Sacred Heart
Saturday: 2:30-3:30 p.m. at St. Augustine
Other times by appointment

Eucharistic Adoration

Monday: 7:00-9:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart
Tuesday: 4:30-5:15 p.m. and 6:00-8:00 p.m. at St. Augustine
Wednesday: 7:00 a.m.-5:15 p.m. in Sacred Heart Chapel
Thursday: 7:00-8:00 a.m. at St. Augustine and 1:00-2:00 p.m. in Sacred Heart Chapel
First Wednesday of the month: Family Holy Hour, 6:30 p.m. at Sacred Heart

In 2024, an Adoration Ministry was formed in order to provide additional opportunities for Eucharistic Adoration in the evenings.

Parish Governance

At Saint Augustine and Sacred Heart, I take seriously my responsibility in leading our parishes. I am aided in my decision-making process by the help of three main groups. First, the pastoral team is made up of our parish staff, all of whom have insight into the activities of our parishes. Secondly, I have the Finance Councils (one for each parish) which counsel me especially in the stewardship of our financial resources. Thirdly, I have the Parish Council, which helps me see the larger picture of our community. We are always looking for talented individuals to serve on the finance and parish councils. If you or someone you know has a skill set that would work well on the finance or parish council, please do not hesitate to let me know. –

~ Fr. Adam Ahern, Pastor

Parish Staff

Pastor: Father Adam Ahern, pastor@jeffersonvillecatholic.org

Director of Music and Liturgy: Jesse Schuler,
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Sacred Heart Catholic School

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Parish Governance Committees

Parish Council

Contact: Fr. Adam pastor@jeffersonvillecatholic.org

Members 2024-2025:

Josh Waddell, president
Abby Rohlfing, vice president
Rita Liebheit, Sacred Heart
Marty Scott, Sacred Heart
Donna Warder, St. Augustine
Kathryn Jacobi, St. Augustine
Jeremy Stewart, ex officio
Christa Hoyland, ex officio

The Parish Council of St. Augustine and Sacred Heart parish assists the pastor and parish staff in the administration and strategic vision of our community. The purpose of the council is to prayerfully engage parishioners and the pastor in common reflection about the parish's mission and ministry.

The Parish Council is made up of six members, divided evenly between the two campuses in our community, as well as parish staff, including the pastor, school principal, and communications director serving in an *ex officio* capacity.

The Parish Council holds bi-monthly meetings to discuss matters relating to the governance, improvement, and activities within the parish. The goals of the Parish Council for fiscal year 2025-2026 include physical improvements of the campuses of St. Augustine and Sacred Heart, an increase in ministry and active participation of parishioners, and the growth of our community to include more citizens of Jeffersonville following the Church and growing in love of the Lord.

Finance Council

Contact: Fr. Adam pastor@jeffersonvillecatholic.org

The Parish Finance Council is an advisory body established to assist the pastor in the administration of the temporal goods of the parish, in accordance with Canon Law and diocesan policies. Its primary purpose is to ensure responsible stewardship of the parish's financial resources so that the mission of the Church may flourish.

The council provides advice and guidance on financial planning, budgeting, fundraising, and the proper care of parish facilities and assets. It reviews financial reports, monitors income and expenditures, and helps ensure transparency and accountability in the handling of parish funds.



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Members of the Parish Finance Council are appointed by the pastor and are chosen for their integrity, expertise in areas such as finance, business, law, or administration, and their commitment to the life and mission of the parish. While the council serves in a consultative capacity, its recommendations are integral to sound decision-making and effective pastoral leadership.

By combining professional skill with faith-filled dedication, the Finance Council works in partnership with the pastor to support the parish's ministries, foster trust within the community, and ensure that all resources are managed in a way that reflects the Gospel call to faithful stewardship.

In 2024-2025 the Finance Council was made up of Jerry Rusk, Mark McCartin, Edwin Coots, Scott Oliver, John Bischof, Cheryl Seeders and Le Anne Scott.

Sacramental Preparation Ministries

Guided by the Holy Spirit, the Church recognizes the existence of Seven Sacraments instituted by the Lord. Through the Sacraments, God shares His holiness with us so that we, in turn, can make the world holier. Sacramental preparation strives to allow youth and adults not only to receive the sacraments but also to be equipped to grow closer to God through their setting up a foundation to live out the rest of their faith lives.

In 2024-2025, Saint Augustine and Sacred Heart provided the following:

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)

Contact: Fr. Adam Ahern pastor@jeffersonvillecatholic.org

OCIA is the primary way adults enter into full communion with the Catholic Church. Through this process, the parish becomes a spiritual home to people seeking truth, meaning, and a relationship with Christ. Lifelong Catholics and those who have fallen away from the Church also participate as they seek truth, meaning, and a relationship with Christ.

Held in conjunction with St. Michael Church of Charlestown and St. Francis Xavier of Henryville, OCIA is led by the OCIA Coordinator/Director, catechists, sponsors for each participant, and volunteers in Hospitality and Welcoming, and offers weekly catechetical instruction, prayer, fellowship, Rites, and periods of retreat and reflection. In 2024-2025, 23 people made up this team, including Fr. Adam and a seminarian from St. Meinrad.

In 2024-2025, OCIA provided Sacraments of Initiation to:

- 5 Catechumens, who sought the sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, Reconciliation, and Confirmation. (Includes one child who went through OCIC);
- 8 Candidates, who are baptized Christians who sought the sacraments of Eucharist, Reconciliation, and/or Confirmation, and includes 3 adults who received only the Sacrament of Confirmation.

In 2025-2026, OCIA will continue to work in conjunction with St. Michael and St. Francis to foster a welcoming and supportive environment, focus on a deep relationship with Jesus, help individuals encounter Jesus and embrace discipleship, and introduce members into the Church community while encouraging ongoing faith formation.

Marriage Preparation

Contact: Director of Youth & Sacramental Ministry Kyle Naugle
youthministry@jeffersonvillecatholic.org

Couples in the parish preparing for the Sacrament of Matrimony are required to participate in a six-month preparation program.

In 2024-2025, our parish had four weddings.

Sacraments of Initiation

Baptismal Preparation – Christian Parenting

Contact: Director of Youth & Sacramental Ministry Kyle Naugle
youthministry@jeffersonvillecatholic.org

Baptisms for children (up to age 8) are scheduled the fourth weekend of the month. Parents who are active, registered parishioners will complete the *Belonging: Baptism in the Family of God* online certification course before baptism of their child(ren).

In 2024-2025, our parish had 19 baptisms.

First Eucharist/First Reconciliation

Contact: Director of Youth & Sacramental Ministry: Kyle Naugle
youthministry@jeffersonvillecatholic.org

The sacraments of Eucharist and of Reconciliation are administered for the first time in second grade. Older children and adults who are interested in these sacraments of initiation begin with OCIA or other preparation. Preparation for parish children not enrolled in Sacred Heart Catholic School was held in conjunction with St. Michael Charlestown and St. Francis Xavier in Henryville.

In 2024-2025, our parish had 10 children receive these sacraments. One volunteer assisted with their preparation.

Confirmation Preparation

Contact: Director of Youth & Sacramental Ministry Kyle Naugle
youthministry@jeffersonvillecatholic.org

The Sacrament of Confirmation in the New Albany Deanery is ordinarily celebrated and administered by the archbishop according to his schedule with Deanery youth ages 15-17. Typically, this celebration takes place the third or fourth weekend of October.

In 2024-2025, our parish had nine youth receive this sacrament. Two volunteers assisted with their preparation.

Youth Ministries

Youth Ministry

Contact: Director of Youth & Sacramental Ministry Kyle Naugle
youthministry@jeffersonvillecatholic.org

Youth Ministry provides opportunities for youth not only to grow in their faith life but also to serve their community and grow the larger young Church in the New Albany Deanery. Our parish provides activities organized by Catalyst Catholic and its youth ministry arm.

In 2024-2025, youth participated in the following:

Deanery-wide Middle School Monthly activities sponsored by Catalyst Catholic. These activities provide faith, fellowship and fun for students in grades six through eight. Multiple youth participated, including:

- **Summer Daze**, a mix of service, faith, and fun activities for middle school youth of the Deanery on the Tuesdays of June, organized by Catalyst Catholic. Twelve middle school youth participated and three adults volunteered.
- **NCYC**, the three-day National Catholic Youth Conference for Catholic youth held in Indianapolis each November. Six youth attended and one adult volunteer assisted the Director of Youth & Sacramental Ministry.
- **One Bread, One Cup**, a five-day liturgical leadership conference focusing on the Word, sacrament and mission of the Roman Catholic Church for high school youth groups and their campus and youth ministers. One high school youth attended. The Director of Music Ministry also attended. Contact: musicandliturgy@jeffersonvillecatholic.org.
- **Sunday Teen Bible Study**, for high school youth. Meetings are two to three Sundays a month after the 10:00 a.m. Mass. Five or more youth attend each month.

In 2025-2026, Youth Ministry plans to start a coffee hangout after school once a week for middle- and high-school youth to create a place for youth to do homework, play games, and most importantly be in community with their peers. The overall goal is to focus on building a community for the young church in our parish. *Volunteers are needed for First Communion preparation and OCIC to help children and youth ages 7-14 who need it to prepare them for all the sacraments of initiation.*

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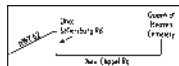


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Liturgical Ministries

Contact: Director of Music & Liturgy Jesse Schuler musicandliturgy@jeffersonvillecatholic.org

Sunday liturgy “is the source and summit of Christian faith.” The Church’s mission desires full, conscious, and active participation of the faithful at worship. Liturgical Ministers of all kinds help facilitate the participation of the people in the wondrous act of Eucharist.

In 2024-2025, the following parishioners served in these Liturgical Ministries:

- **Altar Servers** (Open to registered parish youth grades 4-12; servers light candles, hold the books, handle the vessels, and arrange the liturgical cloths, at least one Mass per month) - 21
- **Cantors** (Provide leadership and encouragement for the full participation of the congregation in sung prayer) - 8
- **Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist** (Fully initiated Catholics who are deputed to assist the priest with distributing Holy Communion during Mass, to bring Holy Communion to the sick and homebound, and to give viaticum to the dying) - 31
- **Lectors** (Proclaim the readings from Scripture, with the exception of the Gospel, as well as announce the intentions for the general intercessions) - 22
- **Hospitality** (Otherwise known as Greeters & Ushers, welcome parishioners and visitors to Mass, take up the collection, distribute bulletins, and tidy up the worship space following Mass) - 21
- **Music Ministers** (Dedicated singers who lead the assembly in a variety of hymns; weekly rehearsals) - 16
- **Sacristans** (Prepare the worship space for celebrations starting with setting the Eucharistic table for Mass) - 1

In 2024-2025, our parish held 20 funerals.

In 2025-2026, the Director of Music Ministry plans to form a Youth Choir and develop Funeral Ministries to ensure servers, lectors, music ministers, and Eucharistic ministers are at every funeral Mass. *Volunteers are needed to participate in the Youth Choir, serve in the Funeral Ministries, and serve in current Liturgical Ministries roles.*

Children’s Liturgy of the Word

Contact: Josh Vogel Jbvogel11@gmail.com

This ministry provides age-appropriate Sunday readings and activities during the 10:00 a.m. Mass for children age 4-Grade 1.

This ministry began in 2025-2026.

Community Outreach Ministries

Advent Project 2024

Contact: Pat Dages in 2024; 2025 contact Pam Norris
staugustinesvdp1@gmail.com

The Advent Project brings together our community in remarkable ways, uniting volunteers, donors, and local organizations in a shared mission to support those in need during the holiday season. Through coordinated efforts and the generosity of parishioners, the project reaches a broad spectrum of individuals, demonstrating the powerful impact of collective compassion.

In 2024-2025, the project served 110 families, made up of 530 individuals, including 61 shut-ins identified by the parish, Society of St. Vincent de Paul conference (39), and Greater Clark County Youth Link (71). More than 200 parishioners assisted by coordinating between recipient families, volunteers and sponsors; working with family's notification; creating shopping lists and sign-up lists, purchasing gifts cards (\$5,600 worth), and adopting/shopping for a family. Volunteers also shopped for families not adopted by parishioners, assisted with receiving and delivery of donations, and setting up/cleaning up the Parish Hall staging area. The school and Youth Ministry also participated in donating items and volunteering,

In 2025-2026, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will lead the project coordination with assistance from the Pat Dages family.

Blessing Box Ministry

Contact: Bruce Williams bwillams@iglou.com

The Blessing Box, stocked by donations of food staples and occasional toiletries, serves as a stopgap for those experiencing food insecurity in our area. No data is available on the number of people who support the ministry, as all donations are dropped off in the baskets at the entrance to each church or in the box itself, located off the parking lot at Sacred Heart Church. Donations dropped off inside the churches are placed in the box throughout the week.

In 2025-2026, more donations are needed on a regular basis to ensure the box is filled daily.

Center for Lay Ministries

Contact: Mary Chris Rodden marychris.rodnen@gmail.com

The mission of the Center for Lay Ministries (CLM) is to provide services to vulnerable populations in the local community with compassion, dignity, and respect. Under the umbrella of CLM is the food pantry and the Bliss House, a residential program for women in recovery from alcohol and/or substance abuse. CLM originally began from the backing of local area churches. Now CLM is supported by not only local churches, but also through grant writing, agencies such as Dare to Care and USDA, corporate contributions, civic organizations, state funding, foundation grants, and individual contributions. The parish supports this organization financially once a year via the Caring Collection.

In 2024-2025, about a dozen of our parishioners volunteered at the food pantry, and Bob Hoyland and Mary Chris Rodden represent the parish as CLM Board members. St. Vincent de Paul organized a food collection at the Thanksgiving Mass for the CLM food pantry.

In 2025-2026, CLM parish representatives would like to increase awareness of the needs for this local ministry, for financial and food staple contributions and volunteers as well as support of Meijers Simply Give Campaign, which a couple times a year double matches \$10 gift cards to the ministry. To learn more about CLM and many ways to help, visit its website at centerforlayministries.org.

Community Kitchen Team

Contact: Bruce Williams bwillams@iglou.com

The Community Kitchen is located at 1611 Spring Street and provides a warm meal Monday-Friday from 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. It is run by volunteers, including members of our parish. Additionally, a group of parishioners prepares and serves a meal the first Sunday of the month. The parish supports this organization financially once a year via the Caring Collection.

In 2024-2025, 10-15 parishioners participated in the first Sunday of the month crew, serving more than 2,000 cafeteria-style meals.

In 2025-2026, Bruce invites more parishioners to experience how fulfilling it is to help others through the basic service of providing a hot meal and a helping of kindness.

Haiti Committee

Contact: Ward Weber ward.weber1946@gmail.com

The Haiti Ministry oversees financial assistance for our sister parish, St. Raphael, in Haiti. As a Catholic outreach program, the ministry is financially supported by parishioners who acknowledge the Christian need to help those who are less fortunate than themselves. Giving and praying for the Haiti Ministry and the people of St. Raphael is a means to increase the awareness, compassion and consideration which helps strengthen our Catholic community. Items such as, but not limited to, food, clothing, medical and school supplies are collected and shipped. There also have been mission trips offered.

In 2024-2025, four to seven active members organized the annual Eyes of Haiti Campaign in February 2024, receiving donations or pledges totaling \$31,066. During the Lenten Season the annual Haiti Bottles campaign was conducted as it has since the beginning of the Haiti Ministry in 2001. Loose change collected and returned in the bottles at the Holy Thursday Mass totaled \$2,522. The proceeds from the two fundraisers helped serve the 900-plus school children in St. Raphael and those young children who are fed by the Food Nutrition Program.

In 2025-2026, the Haiti Ministry will consider the list of capital needs compiled by St. Raphael pastor Fr. Pedro to determine which our parish can financially support based on the amount of money available for the next year. Another goal is to continue support for the successful Food Nutrition Program that provides meals for 35-40 malnourished infants and pre-school age children. *More members also are needed.*

Loaves & Fishes Team

Contact: Judy Storz judys283@gmail.com

The Loaves and Fishes Program is an ecumenical group of churches and organizations in the Jeffersonville community that is committed to feeding the food insecure each Saturday at St. Luke's United Church of Christ in downtown Jeffersonville. Since 1992, this ministry is supported by donations from local churches and organizations. Volunteers from our parishes form a team that rotates with other local churches/organizations to prepare and serve the meal. The parish supports this organization financially once a year via the Caring Collection.

In 2024-2025, an average of eight volunteers gave their time to support this community ministry, serving 100-130 meals three times a year.

In 2025-2026, the goal is to continue participating in the program and encourage more volunteers.

Queen of Heaven Cemetery

Contact: Kelly Ueding kueding@jeffersonvillecatholic.org

Queen of Heaven Cemetery is led by the Cemetery Board, made up of parishioners, and provides Christian burial and ongoing care of the cemetery for our Catholic community.

In 2024-2025, the Cemetery Board established updated rules concerning plot upkeep, decorations, and usage guidelines to better serve families and maintain the integrity of the cemetery grounds. There were 12 burials and seven serving on the board including parishioner Matt Lovan working with parish Administrative Assistant Kelly Ueding and Fr. Adam.

A few volunteers also help with landscape and upkeep.

St. Joseph, Defender of Life Ministry

Contact: Karen Schneider karenschneider@yahoo.com

This ministry relies on the intercession of St. Joseph to proclaim that each life is a precious gift created by God from the moment of conception to natural death. The ministry brings awareness to life issues and encourages parishioners to participate in the various activities the ministry facilitates. At times parishioners are on the receiving end of a particular activity that the ministry does such as on Mother's Day and Father's Day.

In 2024-2025, 11 people met monthly to pray and plan activities, including:

- Attended and invited parishioners to the Right to Life of Southern Indiana Proudly Pro-Life Celebration
- Organized and delivered the October parish-wide collection of requested baby items for St. Elizabeth Catholic Charities and Choices Life Resource Center
- Led the Rosary for Life following Mass on Respect Life Sunday
- Led the Divine Mercy Chaplet for the Holy Souls every Sunday in November at Queen of Heaven Cemetery
- Collected signatures and money for the Right to Life Signature Newspaper Ad
- Attended a burial of miscarried babies at Holy Trinity Cemetery in New Albany
- Led a Rosary for Life on the memorial of Roe v Wade following Sacred Heart's weekday Mass
- Displayed and provided complimentary 10-12 week baby models and precious feet pin
- Organized and displayed 'stations' in our church for the school children and parishioners to send well wishes and notes of encouragement to our homebound and nursing home parishioners delivered by the parish Ministry to the Homebound
- Organized and displayed a station for parishioners' private prayer petitions asking St. Joseph's intercession on his feast day
- Prepared and sold roses on Mother's Day weekend for Right to Life at both churches
- Purchased St. Joseph holy medals for Father's Day for the men of our parish
- Hosted the Right to Life bi-annual Liaison Meeting at St. Augustine Hall for the Right to Life board members and members of Southern Indiana churches

In 2025-2026, the ministry plans to continue its current activities and plan a few new ones while inviting parishioners to get involved by joining and supporting the ministry and most importantly supporting life.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul Conference

Contact: Al Bolander abolander@netscape.com

As part of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul USA, the St. Augustine Conference enables members to become closer to Christ by helping His family members in need. The society is an outreach for neighbors, helping with any need for which the conference has a resource. Primarily with funds donated by parishioners as well as building relationships with other agencies that serve those in need, the conference helps with rent or utilities as well as needed repairs or moving or delivering needed furniture. Helpers also pray with those they visit and help to give them hope in their time of need. Members also gather for training in different disciplines both on a local and state level with other SVdP Conferences. The society members meet bi-monthly for prayer, fellowship and business

decisions and gather at Mass for the six feast days associated with SVdP. The conference also co-manages the annual Jeffersonville Advent Project.

In 2024-2025, 15 people were active in this ministry in different ways. Members went on eight to 10 home visits per week where they offered prayer and help in the form of rent and/or utility assistance, and referrals to food pantries, mental health professionals and family activities. They helped 331 adults and 225 children with nearly \$21,000 in financial assistance with the help of our parish and the 15 members.

In 2025-2026, the conference's goals include: Attend the national meeting, which is held in Louisville. Grow membership to better serve the needs, which are greater than current resources. Apply for grants to bring in more needed money. Advocate for those in need and provide information to our members and the parish of the effect of pending action. Work on reaching the groups of needy with whom we are not currently in contact and that we have resources to help.

Parish Life Ministries

CCJ Quilters

Contact: Denise Seis seisd@yahoo.com

The CCJ Quilters meet on Tuesdays in St. Catharine Hall from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. for fellowship, quilting, and crafting. Its primary function is to piece and hand-quilt quilts for parish fundraisers or for people in the parish who would like a handmade quilt. The group also spends time making crafts for an annual craft sale in the fall to raise funds for materials used in piecing and quilting as well as for different areas in the church.

In 2024-2025, four people met each week to quilt. The Quilters did four quilts for individuals, one quilt for Oktoberfest, and one quilt for the 7th grade.

In 2025-2026, the group hopes to increase attendance. This ministry is open to all members of the parish (men included). Knowledge of quilting is not needed; members will teach those who want to learn.

Feast of Sacred Heart

Contact: Celina Acosta acostatwin1@gmail.com

The Feast of Sacred Heart encompasses the celebration of the name of our faith community while at the same time sharing the message and history of the devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. By providing opportunities to pick up a holy card, medal, or home blessing kit, the event helps parishioners learn how powerful the Sacred Heart of Jesus is and how our dedication and devotion enrich our lives. On the day of the solemnity, activities include celebrating Mass as a parish followed by a picnic-type meal. This past year the event incorporated Eucharistic Adoration prior to Mass.

In 2024-2025, three people planned the activities and on the day of event, about 20 volunteers helped with set up, serving and break down. The Knights of Columbus donates and cooks the meat for this meal. Attendance over the last three years remains steady at 100 representing children, young families, generational families, singles, and friends.

In 2025-2026, the hope is to grow attendance at Mass and invite the school to have a larger role in both the planning and execution of this feast day.

Feast of Saint Augustine

Contact: Chuck Mattingly chuckmattingly61@gmail.com

The Feast of St. Augustine Dinner brings the parish together in a spirit of food, fellowship, and fun, while deepening our connection to our patron, Saint Augustine. The event fosters community bonds and highlights our Catholic identity through a lively game of bingo or trivia that both entertains and challenges us to grow in our faith.

In 2024-2025, 12-15 volunteers prepared and served the meal for more than 120 people.

Oktoberfest

Contact: Chuck Mattingly chuckmattingly61@gmail.com

This event brings together the downtown community, helping others discover both our parish's physical presence and our welcoming spirit through a one-day festival-type event with food, music, and games. Through the warm hospitality of our parishioners, we strive to create an inviting atmosphere for those who may be seeking faith, connection, or a spiritual home.

In 2024-2025, about 50-60 volunteers ran the event, serving approximately 300 people, down significantly from the prior year due to severe weather.

In 2025-2026, the goal is to make a profit of \$20,000-plus to help with construction at St. Augustine.

In 2026, the event will be renamed Augtoberfest and move to an August date.

Devotional Ministries

Adoration Committee

Contact: Veronica Prechtel prechtel@att.net

The Adoration Committee was inspired by the National Eucharistic Congress held in Indianapolis in July 2024. Our community was especially blessed to welcome Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament for all night Adoration as the St. Juan Diego pilgrims passed through Jeffersonville on their way to Indianapolis for the Congress.

The Adoration Committee serves our parish community by offering opportunities to spend time with our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament four days a week during various times of the day. We pray for our community to grow in devotion to Jesus in the Eucharist.

In 2024-2025, 11 members made up the Adoration Committee as well as parishioners who support the ministry by attending the times of Adoration. In addition to the scheduled Adoration times, the committee also offered Adoration during Fr. Adam's 12 hours of Grace during Lent, 24 hours of Adoration for the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, all night Adoration on Holy Thursday, and five hours of Adoration for the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

In 2025-2026, members hope to increase parishioner participation in the current Adoration opportunities while continuing the current weekly schedule and offer Adoration in conjunction with Fr. Adam's quarterly 12 Hours of Grace, all-night Adoration on Holy Thursday, and a possible 40-hour devotion during Advent. Most importantly, we pray that our parish continues to grow in our understanding of Adoration to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, and we pray for deeper and more fervent devotion to Jesus in the Eucharist.

Seven Sisters

Contact: Cassie Schutizer cassiees0925@gmail.com

The Seven Sisters apostolate serves our parish community through intercessory prayer on behalf of our pastor. Each week, seven Holy Hours, spread over each day of the week, are offered for Fr. Adam as the women ask the Lord to pour out His Holy Spirit upon our pastor. Seven women were active in this ministry full-time, and two women served as substitutes.

In 2024-2025, the Seven Sisters offered 267 Holy Hours for Fr. Adam, having started Oct. 7, 2024.

In 2025-2026, the goals are to re-commit our cohort of Seven Sisters and continue praying daily holy hours through 2026. Six out of seven women have committed for another year.

Sunday Rosary

Contact: Dorothy Kelly mamakelly1949@att.net

This ministry leads the rosary 30 minutes before each Saturday Anticipation and Sunday Mass. The leaders have joyful spirits and great love for our Blessed Mother and are happy to bring the parish together in prayer. The ministry is happy to report that it has witnessed continued growth in participation from the parish with a good-sized group coming specifically to pray the rosary before each Mass.

In 2024-2025, 15 leaders took turns leading the weekend rosary before Mass. The ministry also led the rosary during Lent on different occasions. In the future, the ministry may offer to lead the rosary before Holy Day Masses.

Wednesday Night Prayer Group (WNPg)

Contact: Dorothy Kelly mamakelly1949@att.net

The Wednesday Prayer Group meets following the 5:30 p.m. Mass at Sacred Heart to pray for our parish, our needs, and our world through various devotions.

In 2024-2025, 11-12 people met to pray each week.

In 2025-2026, the goal is to continue to invite parishioners to join.

Wednesday Rosary

Contact: Kathy Hughes kjh28@msn.com

The Rosary is offered weekly to all who are interested. Parishioners gather each Wednesday to pray the Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet together as a group.

In 2024-2025, six to eight people met for prayer time in the cry room at Sacred Heart.

In 2025-2026, the group returned to St. Augustine once daily Mass resumed at that location.

Ministries of Mercy

Bereavement Luncheon Ministry

Contact: Kathy Wiese mkw21961@gmail.com

The goal of the Bereavement Luncheon Ministry is to provide a brief moment of peace to a grieving family. In those moments they can enjoy a worry-free meal and just take a breath as they share memories of their loved one. Volunteers prepare a dish and/or set up, serve and clean up.

In 2024-2025, 47 volunteers provided dishes and/or served at 16 luncheons, feeding 745 family and friends. That effort took a total of 101 workers and 274 donated dishes, plus chicken.

Ministers to the Homebound

2024-2025 contact: Pat McNicol. Current contact Mark Oca ocamarc2101@gmail.com

The Ministry to the Sick and Homebound represents Christ and manifests faith and charity by taking Holy Communion to parishioners experiencing illness or handicap that prevents them from leaving home and attending Mass, whether short-term situations like rehabilitation or long-term situations like nursing home stays.

In 2024-2025, 20 people actively ministered to 82 people.

In 2025-2026, Mark Oca took over leadership of this ministry. We thank Pat McNicol for her many years serving as leader of this ministry and making it what it is today.

Church- and Altar-Care Ministries

Sacred Heart Altar Linens

Contact: Cindy DiNoto cjdinoto@gmail.com

This ministry gathers the linens from Sacred Heart Church and launders them at home, with volunteers rotating the monthly duty.

In 2024-2025, 12 people volunteered to help.

In 2025-2026, the ministry seeks one more person to help.

Sacred Heart Church Cleaning “Heavenly Dusters”

Contact: Rita Liebheit rita.liebheit@gmail.com

This ministry cleans Sacred Heart Church in preparation for Sunday worship. Cleaning is every Friday morning after the 8:15 a.m. Mass.

In 2024-2025, 12 volunteers cleaned weekly. Anyone is welcome to join.

Sacred Heart Landscaping Committee

Contact:

This ministry focuses on improving and maintaining landscaping in front of the church and St. Catharine Hall. The members also designate a specific area for each one to maintain on a weekly basis by pulling weeds and other routine tasks in the growing season.

In 2024-2025, the ministry is inactive except for a few members who still maintain their section of landscaping.

In 2025-2026, the goal is to revive the committee with a new chairperson and more members to improve the church landscaping. Please contact Fr. Adam to join.

St. Augustine Altar Linens

Contact: Vera Wilkinson boogie47129@aol.com

This ministry gathers the linens from St. Augustine Church and launders them at home, with each volunteer doing linens three months out of the year.

In 2024-2025, four volunteers cleaned the linens taking turns on a quarterly basis.

In 2025-2026, the goal is to increase the number of volunteers.

St. Augustine Church Cleaning

Contact: Vera Wilkinson boogie47129@aol.com

This ministry cleans St. Augustine Church in preparation for Sunday worship. Cleaning is every Thursday morning after the 8 a.m. Mass.

In 2024-2025, eight regular volunteers came weekly with two who came when their schedule allows.

In 2025-2026, the goal is to increase its numbers to 12.

St. Augustine Landscaping Committee

Contact:

Currently a few volunteers maintain the landscaping around the church and Parish Hall. A committee could not only share the duties but also work to plan and fulfill landscaping needs.

In 2025-2026, the goal is to create a committee with a chairperson and volunteer members to improve the church landscaping. Please contact Fr. Adam to join.

St. Augustine Renovation Committee

Contact: Fr. Adam Ahern pastor@jeffersonvillecatholic.org

The St. Augustine Renovation Committee played a vital role in guiding a parish community through the process of renewing and improving its sacred spaces. Its primary purpose was to oversee the planning, design, and execution of the renovation project—ensuring that the work supported the church’s mission, respected its heritage, and met practical needs for worship and community life.

In 2024-2025, the committee chosen by Fr. Adam included Jay Ellis, Megan Kernahan, Bill Barber and Paul Torp because of their diverse skills—such as architecture, construction, finance, art, and liturgy. They collaborated to balance practical concerns with spiritual and artistic vision.

They began by assessing the condition of the church building after the steam pipe leak, such as structural repairs, liturgical updates, accessibility improvements, or aesthetic enhancements. The members’ central responsibility was to develop a clear vision and plan for the renovation. This involved consulting with the pastor, diocesan offices, and the parish community to ensure the project reflected both the liturgical norms of the Church and the unique character of the parish. The committee gathered input through meetings, surveys, or listening sessions, helping parishioners feel included and informed throughout the process.

Once a plan was approved, the committee worked to select qualified professionals. They reviewed proposals, monitored progress, and ensured that the work stayed on schedule and within budget. The committee also assisted with fundraising and financial oversight, promoting transparency and responsible stewardship of parish resources.

Throughout the project, the Renovation Committee remained attentive to both the sacred purpose of the space and the needs of the community. By uniting faith, beauty, and practicality, the committee helped ensure that the renovated church will serve as a fitting house of prayer—welcoming, inspiring, and ready to support the parish’s mission for generations to come.

Christian Life Ministries

Coffee & Donuts

Contact: Pam Canter pscanner@yahoo.com

Coffee and Donuts has been offered after the Sunday 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Augustine Parish Hall as an opportunity for fellowship.

In 2024-2025, five to 10 people attended the weekly gathering.

In 2025-2026, Coffee & Donuts has reduced to an occasional activity. A new chairperson could revive it at either or both locations.

Faith Groups

Contact: Christa Hoyland communications@jeffersonvillecatholic.org and Mary Chris Rodden marychris.rodden@gmail.com

Faith Groups are a tangible opportunity for our parishioners to grow in their faith and connect with one another. A Faith Group is an intentional gathering for adults, of all ages and stages, who meet to connect and grow in relationship with Jesus Christ and one another.

In 2024-2025, the parish offered 13 different Faith Group opportunities with 22 small groups from teens to adults meeting to read, study, share, pray, and learn. Ten facilitators led these groups, some over multiple seasons, and additional volunteers served as table leaders, leading more than 130 parishioners. After each season, we surveyed the participants, who shared they enjoyed learning more and growing in their faith, especially the opportunity to do so in a small group setting.

In 2025-2026, Faith Group opportunities will continue in order to meet the need for spiritual growth and adult faith formation in our parish.

Fellowship

Contact: Rita Liebheit rita.liebheit@gmail.com

The goal of this newly re-formed ministry is to provide an opportunity for parishioners of all ages to get together in a relaxed setting and get to know each other. We want both churches to be one community.

In 2024-2025, six people make up the committee. The ministry hosted a pancake breakfast that was well attended with around 100-125 guests. Many parishioners volunteered and helped make it a success.

For 2025-2026, the goal is to host quarterly family-friendly events.

Welcoming Committee

Contact: Kelly Ueding kueding@jeffersonvillecatholic.org

The Welcoming Committee is in the early stages of reestablishing itself following a long pause due to COVID. While still small and developing, the ministry exists to welcome new parishioners and help them begin to feel at home in our community. With limited activity this past year, we've focused on personal outreach and one-on-one connections. As the ministry grows, we hope to expand our efforts with more opportunities for hospitality and involvement.

In 2024-2025, four individuals were involved in this ministry, including the parish secretary and three volunteers. One of the volunteers started in May 2024 to make phone calls and offered tours or a quick coffee break to welcome new parishioners. The ministry also connected new parishioners with active ministries like Faith Groups, Prayer Group and The Community Kitchen, receiving a warm welcome from established parishioners and ministry leaders.

In 2025-2026, the goal is to grow a parish-wide culture of hospitality. Every parishioner plays an important role in making others feel seen, known, and welcomed. Whether by introducing yourself to someone new at Mass, inviting others into conversation, or joining the Welcoming Committee, small acts of kindness make a big difference. We invite all parishioners to help us create the kind of community we would want to walk into for the first time.

Additionally the goal is to rebuild and expand its volunteer base as well as schedule at least two in-person welcome events for new parishioners, create welcome materials or packets to provide information about parish ministries and opportunities to get involved, and partner with other ministries to connect new members with the life of the parish.

Young at Heart

Contact: 2024 Rita Liebheit rita.liebheit@gmail.com. Current Contact: Diane McCue (763) 898-2740

Open to adults of all ages, the group gathers the first Monday of the month (except on holidays) for fellowship, a guest speaker, and a pitch-in luncheon. This gathering in St. Catharine Hall at Sacred Heart begins 11:30 a.m.

In 2024-2025, about 20-25 people attended each of the 10 sessions.

In January 2026, a co-chairperson is needed. We thank Rita for 10 years of service to this ministry.

Sacred Heart Catholic School

Our Mission:

Sacred Heart Catholic School will provide a Catholic foundation which cultivates disciples of Jesus and fosters academic excellence for all God's children.

Our Vision:

Sacred Heart Catholic will be recognized as a faith-filled exemplary school where preschool through eighth grade students will come to know, love, and serve God. Our school in partnership with our parents will form students to become moral and just servant-leaders in the 21st century.

Our Motto:

Forming Saints and Scholars

What We Believe:

- We believe that as a parish school, Sacred Heart Catholic has its foundation in the Catholic faith and identity.
- We believe our school is a calm, safe, loving, and diverse place of respect and acceptance of children of all faiths who are challenged by high expectations and through active learning.
- We believe that student learning is a cooperative effort shared by parents, teachers, and students.
- We believe in providing differentiation of instruction that supports and challenges each student to reach his/her fullest potential.
- We believe that Prayer and Liturgical Celebration are the cornerstones of our students' faith-journey.
- We believe that above all other standards, excellence at Sacred Heart Catholic is measured by the personal and spiritual growth of each individual child.

Our Core Values:

Prayer
Community
Scholarship
Service

Quick Facts:

- Enrollment as of December 2024: 223 students; PK3-PK4: 29; K-8: 194
- Teachers: 15 Certified Teachers
- Aides: 5
- Lunch Staff: 4

In 2024-2025, Sacred Heart Catholic added Child Care Ministry for 2 year olds. The 10-student cap was met immediately and maintained throughout the school year.

Athletic Committee

Contact: JW Nickell athleticdirector@jeffersonvillecatholic.org

The Athletic Committee serves the youth of our parish and helps them grow and develop to their full potential as Catholic Christians, teammates, leaders and athletes. Ten volunteers administer and oversee all year-round athletic programs for third through eighth graders provided by Sacred Heart Catholic School and open to parishioners of St. Augustine and Sacred Heart Parish. Additionally, approximately eight additional volunteers serve as coaches.

Youth served include:

- 3rd - 8th Grade Boys and Girls Basketball - 63 participants, including the Girls 5-6 Team that won the Deanery Championship in back-to-back seasons.
- 3rd - 8th Grade Girls Volleyball - 31 Participants
- Preschool - 2nd Grade Co-Ed Biddy Basketball - 22 Participants
- 3rd - 8th Grade Co-Ed Track - 12 Participants
- 3rd - 4th Grade Coed Soccer - 12 Participants
- 3rd - 4th Grade Cheerleaders - 11 Participants

In 2024-2025, fundraising included: Second annual golf scramble in April to provide funds for operational expenses in the gym for the 2025-2026 school year and gym sponsorship banners to provide funds for operational expenses in the gym for the 2025-2026 school year and school.

In 2024-2025, fundraising also allowed for the installation of a sound system that benefits athletic events in the gym as well as school programs and events; and construction of a ticket window in the main hallway to allow better traffic flow during games and the Fish Fry.

In 2025-2026, the committee plans to support the installation of three new room AC units for classrooms in the school as well as a new wireless scoreboard system to complete the four-year improvement plan for the gym.

PSTS

Contact: Neosha Miller neoshamudd@gmail.com

Parent-school organization that organizes fellowship and fundraising events to help improve the school and hosts events to support teachers during the school year. Recent improvements to the school include updating the playground and the gym, helping with cafeteria needs, contributing to the new phone system, and annual help with classroom needs. We also work on trying to build the school's fellowship and bring our family closer.

In 2024-2025, seven board members planned activities with 5-20 people attending quarterly meetings. Groups of volunteers also chair and run events, with the number of volunteers varying based on the size of the event. The main activities for the school year included annual fellowship activities including Back to School Event, teacher appreciation, Catholic Schools Week, and graduations and fundraisers including the Street Dance, Fish Fry, Mums Sale, candy bar sales, Cardinal March, and Book Fair.

In 2025-2026, PSTS is looking to grow the involvement from school families and bring back the Daddy Daughter Dance and Mom/Son Nerf War for fellowship activities and to help raise funds for new AC units throughout the school.

Fish Fry

Contact: Micala Blincoe movewithmicala@gmail.com

The annual Fish Fry is a fundraising fellowship event organized by parents of SHC students through PSTS to serve school, parish, and local families a freshly prepared fish dinner. It also serves as a way to promote the goodwill of the school and parish in the local community.

Volunteers transform the Walpole Gym into a dining hall, order and prepare the food, organize dozens of volunteers, and serve the meal and clean up three to four Fridays during Lent. A committee of six provides overall leadership and organization.

In 2024-2025, the Fish Fry were held on two of three scheduled nights with one cancelled due to weather. Proceeds added to PSTS funds, which are used to support the school in various ways. More than 40 volunteers helped each of the nights.

In 2025-2026, this is the first year that organizational leadership moved to the committee format instead of two volunteers. The Fish Fry will be offered the first three Fridays of Lent, following the same format.

Street Dance

Contact: Lauren Evanczyk lcevaczyk@gmail.com

The annual Street Dance is a fundraising fellowship event organized by parents of SHC students through PSTS to provide a night of entertainment for school, parish, and local families. It also serves as a way to promote the goodwill of the school and parish in the local community. Volunteers transform the back school parking lot into an entertainment space for one night in the fall, offering a live band, food trucks, drinks, kids' games, and more.

In 2024-2025, SHC parent Sophia Anderson organized the event with the help of various parents. More than 30 parents helped set up, run, and clean up the event. Admission increased to \$15 per person. Attendance was down about 1/4 due to extremely hot weather. The event contributed to PSTS funds.

In 2025-2026, a committee will be formed to spread out organizational duties. The event will continue in much the same format.

Parish Operating Budgets

St. Augustine Catholic Church

	2024-2025 Actual	2024-2025 Budget	2024-2025 Variance	2025-2026 Budget
2024-2025 Operating Statement				
Income				Income
Sunday Collections	\$307,084	\$392,497	(\$85,413)	\$345,800
Other Income	\$375,507	\$380,107	(\$4,600)	\$395,136
QH Cemetery	\$33,330	\$31,000	\$2,330	\$54,500
Total Parish Income	\$715,921	\$803,604	(\$87,683)	\$795,436
Capital Campaign	\$460,883	\$0	\$460,883	\$0
Expenses				
Operating Expenses	\$510,471	\$771,222	(\$260,751)	\$753,411
Cemetery Expenses	\$35,308	\$22,382	\$12,926	\$32,025
School Subsidy	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$0	\$10,000
Total Parish Expenses	\$555,779	\$803,604	(\$247,825)	\$795,436
Capital Campaign	\$945,175	\$0	\$945,175	\$0
Capital Expense Cemetery	\$108,734	\$0	\$108,734	\$0

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church

	2024-25 Actual	2024-25 Budget	2024-25 Variance	2025-2026 Budget
Income				
Sunday Collections	\$443,601	\$592,875	(\$149,274)	\$461,345
Other Income	\$248,348	\$382,330	(\$133,982)	\$156,565
School Revenue	\$1,731,605	\$1,521,566	\$210,039	\$2,169,533
Total Parish Income	\$2,423,554	\$2,496,771	(\$73,217)	\$2,787,443
Expenses				
Operating Expenses	\$616,481	\$778,231	(\$161,750)	\$823,307
School Expense	\$1,811,481	\$1,736,540	\$74,941	\$1,957,336
Total Parish Expenses	\$2,427,962	\$2,514,771	(\$86,809)	\$2,780,643