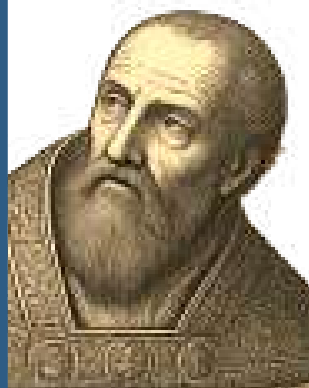


SERVANTS OF GOD OF SAINT AUGUSTINE



SEPTEMBER
2026



HIGHLIGHTS



August has been a season of abundant grace, joyful fraternity, and profound renewal for our monastic community. As we look back on the past weeks, our hearts overflow with gratitude for the providential blessings, the dedicated hands, and the warm fellowship that continue to sustain our shared mission in DeLand.

Celebrating the Feast of Our Holy Father, Saint Augustine

The defining moment of the month took place on Sunday, August 23, 2026, when our monastery family and extended community gathered to honor the Solemnity and Feast Day of Saint Augustine, our Holy Father and Patron. It was a day marked by profound spiritual joy as more than 100 parishioners, devoted benefactors, neighbors, and long-standing friends united in prayer, thanksgiving, and communion.

Following the sacred liturgy, the festivities transitioned to St. Monica Hall and the adjoining monastery grounds for an afternoon filled with vibrant live music, delicious shared food, and heartfelt conversation. Events of this scale are truly a labor of love, and we extend our deepest, most sincere appreciation to the exceptional crew of volunteers who arrived early and worked tirelessly under the Florida sun. From assembling the expansive 40' x 100' outdoor pavilion tent to arranging rows of banquet tables, chairs, and hospitality stations, their humble dedication made every attendee feel truly welcomed as an honored guest in Christ.





A Growing National Fellowship: Visitors from Philadelphia & Houston

Among the most memorable graces of this year's feast was the presence of pilgrim groups traveling all the way from Philadelphia and Houston to visit our monastery for the very first time. Their presence served as a moving testament to how far the Augustinian spirit reaches. Deeply touched by the peace of the grounds, our liturgical life, and our warm communal welcome, these new friends expressed an enthusiastic commitment to serve as ambassadors for our community, pledging to introduce our monastery to their home parishes and spread awareness of our religious vocation and retreat ministries across their home states.



Faith in Action: Community Financial & Tax Empowerment Seminar

Rooted in the Augustinian tradition of serving both the spiritual and temporal well-being of the wider human family, our celebration also featured a collaborative educational seminar organized alongside the Florida Vietnamese-American Chamber of Commerce (FLVACC) and TransGlobal.

Distinguished industry professionals, led by keynote presenter Jamie Hass, delivered an insightful, highly practical session tailored to local independent business owners, contractors, and families. The presentation covered essential topics including:

Advanced legal tax minimization strategies and year-round compliance planning.

Comprehensive asset protection and long-term financial security for small enterprises.

Tailored life insurance, health benefits, and retirement solutions designed to safeguard household futures.

By integrating this valuable community service into our patronal day, we reaffirmed our mission to be a beacon of hospitality, education, and holistic support for all who seek refuge, growth, and wisdom within our gates.

We offer our heartfelt prayers of thanksgiving for every hand that helped build, serve, and clean; every heart that traveled near and far to celebrate with us; and every benefactor whose continued generosity enables the Servants of God of Saint Augustine to thrive. May our Holy Father Saint Augustine intercede for you and your families, and may our Lord reward your kindness a hundredfold!



UP COMING ACTIVITIES —2026

As we transition into the autumn season, we continue our commitment to strengthening both the spiritual and material foundations of the monastery:



Monastery Grounds & Garden Beautification: Continued work on prayer pathways, tranquil outdoor seating, and sacred meditation areas to enrich the retreat experience for all pilgrims.

Airbnb & RV Ministry: Welcoming guests seeking quiet reflection while generating vital support for monastery operations and ongoing maintenance.

Retreats & Hospitality Expansion: Preparing accommodations for upcoming pilgrimage groups, church ministries, and individual retreatants throughout the fall.

Augustinian Formation & Vocations: Supporting discernment initiatives and spiritual accompaniment for men considering Augustinian religious life.

"One in mind and one heart on the way to God." — Saint Augustine

COMMUNITY NEWS

Temporary Closure of St. Joseph and St. Rita Buildings

Please be advised that the St. Joseph and St. Rita facilities will be temporarily closed over the coming weeks to carry out comprehensive facility maintenance, environmental sanitization, and deep cleaning. This routine upkeep is part of our ongoing commitment to ensuring our retreat spaces and guest accommodations remain pristine, safe, and welcoming for everyone. We appreciate your patience and understanding as our team completes these essential updates, and we look forward to reopening both spaces refreshed for future visitors.

THE HOLY FATHER THIS MONTH

We invite all our friends, families, and benefactors to unite in prayer with the Holy Father through the universal Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network. By offering our daily prayers, trials, and joys alongside the Pope's monthly intentions, we participate actively in the Church's global mission of love, mercy, and peace.



Join & Pray Online: www.popesprayer.va/praywiththepope/

August 6: Pastoral Visit to Assisi. Meeting with Franciscan youth and celebration of Holy Mass for the Feast of the Transfiguration.

August 15: Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Papal Mass and Angelus prayer.

August 22: Pastoral Visit to San Marino and Rimini. Keynote address at the 47th Meeting for Friendship Among Peoples, encounter with Caritas guests, and Diocesan Mass.

August 20 & 28: Papal Message for the Care of Creation and audience with the Society of St. Vincent de Paul USA.



OSA CALENDAR—SEPTEMBER 2026

- Daily Mass: Mon–Fri at 7:30AM
- September 4: Our Lady of Consolation, Patroness of the Augustinian Order
- September 10: Saint Nicholas of Tolentine, Priest (O.S.A.)
- September 19: Saint Alonso de Orozco, Priest (O.S.A.)
- September 28: Blessed John of Rieti, Religious (O.S.A.)

As September begins, our community unites in prayer with the entire Augustinian family worldwide, honoring our patronal feasts and seeking the intercession of our Augustinian saints for renewed faith, unity, and apostolic zeal.

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SPIRITUAL REFLECTION

"To fall in love with God is the greatest romance; to seek Him the greatest adventure; to find Him, the greatest human achievement." Saint Augustine

As we reflect on our celebration of Saint Augustine, we are reminded of our call to live in harmonious communion and selfless service. Every tent raised, meal shared, and prayer offered this past month has been a living testament to the Augustinian spirit of love and solidarity. Let us carry this spirit into September, placing Christ at the center of all our daily labors and welcoming every stranger as a brother or sister in the Lord.



In Saint Augustine,

Br. JohnPaul Tran, OSAPrim.
Acting Prior
Servants of God of Saint Augustine

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Do You Have a Prayer Intention?

If you would like us to pray for a special intention, please reach out and share it with us. We will be honored to include your request in our community prayers.

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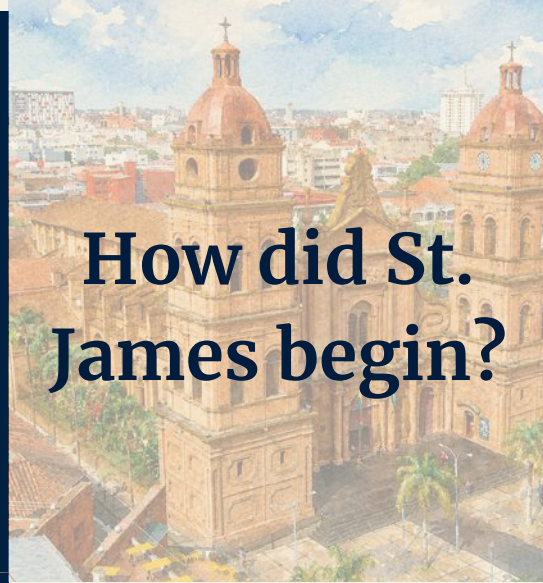
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“Our purpose is to form men and women of integrity for society.”

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About St. James Institute

Saint James Institute is a Catholic nonprofit organization dedicated to expanding educational and career opportunities for underserved young adults.

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Safe and Supportive Environment

Providing a caring network where students can receive guidance, encouragement, and practical support as they pursue their educational and career goals.

Mentoring and Leadership Development

Helping young adults strengthen their character, leadership skills, personal responsibility, and professional confidence through mentoring and life-skills development.

Ways You Can Make a Difference

There are many ways to become part of this mission:

- Sponsor a student's education.
- Offer an internship or employment opportunity.
- Become a mentor.
- Donate educational equipment or supplies.
- Partner with us through your business, church, school, or organization.
- Make a financial gift that helps transform lives.

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Our purpose is to help form men and women of integrity who can contribute to society.

“Sometimes, what young people need most is someone who believes in them.”



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