

# St. Augustine R. C. Church

First Sunday of Advent – December 01, 2019

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Website: [www.st-augustinechurch.com](http://www.st-augustinechurch.com)

**Office Hours:**  
9:00 AM to 5:00 PM  
Monday to Friday



## Mass Schedule:

Monday - Friday: 12:05 PM  
(10:00 AM on Legal Holidays)  
Saturday Vigil: 5:15 PM  
Sunday: 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM & 7:00 PM

## Parish Staff:

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## In Residence:

Rev. Paul Morrissey, O.S.A., *Prison Chaplain*  
Rev. James Keating, O.S.A.  
Rev. James Paradis, O.S.A., *Prior*

## Sacramental Celebrations

### Sacrament of Baptism

The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on a regular basis, except during Lent. It is usually celebrated within Mass. Arrangements must be made in advance. The parents of the child to be baptized meet personally ahead of time with the priest celebrating the sacrament. Contact the parish office for further information.

### Sacrament of Matrimony

Weddings are arranged by appointment at least eight months in advance of the desired wedding date. Contact the parish office for more information.

### Ministry to the Sick & Sacrament of the Sick

If anyone in your family is seriously ill, preparing for surgery, or in a nursing home and they would like a visit from the pastor, please call the parish office.

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 4:30 PM to 5:00 PM  
Anytime by appointment.

### Parish Registration

Please call the parish office or visit the parish website for a registration form or more information. Forms are also available in the back of the Church.

### Parish Committees

The Parish Council, Filipino Sub-Council, and Finance Committees assist the staff in serving the parish. Please contact the parish office or see Fr. Bill for information about serving on these various committees.

### Novena to the Santo Niño

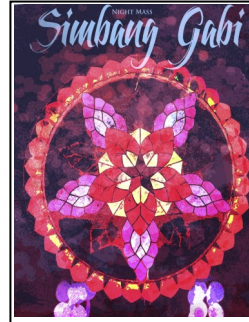
Each Sunday, after the 11:00 AM Mass there is a novena in honor of the Santo Niño.

## Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion

We are in need of additional ministers to distribute the Blessed Sacrament at the week-end Masses. If you feel called to this ministry, please call Jacob in the Parish Office. We will supply all of the training that you need for this ministry. Once you are trained and commissioned, you will be officially appointed by the Archbishop of Philadelphia to serve in the parish of Saint Augustine.



*Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion*



On Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup>, at the 7:00 PM Mass, we will celebrate the annual beginning of **Simbang Gabi**, the Novena of Masses, in preparation for the Christ Child's coming.

**The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available after the 11:00 AM and 7:00 PM Masses on the four Sundays of Advent.**

(Starting on the 1st Sunday of Advent, December 1, 2019)

**Save the Date !**

**Winter Sinulog Feast of Santo Niño**

**January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020  
11:00 AM Mass**



**Light Lunch to follow Mass in Carr Hall.**

**All Are Welcome!**

**SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY** Observed on Monday, December 9, 2019. The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, the patronal feast of the United States of America, is always a Holy Day of Obligation, even if it falls on a Monday or Saturday. This year December 8th falls on a Sunday. The Second Sunday of Advent displaces the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. However, the Solemnity is observed the next day, December 9th, but not as a Holy Day of Obligation when it is transferred.



### Mass Intentions

**Saturday & Sunday,**

**November 30 & December 01, 2019**

5:15 PM † Nicholas & Philomena Georeno  
9:00 AM † Andrew Ponisciak  
11:00 AM † Anastacia Mendana  
7:00 PM Deceased Members of the Marquart & Gallagher Families

**Monday, December 02, 2019**

12:05 PM Deceased Members and Benefactors of the OSA

**Tuesday, December 03, 2019**

12:05 PM † Daniel F. Waters, Jr.

**Wednesday, December 04, 2019**

12:05 PM Young & Ong Families

**Thursday, December 05, 2019**

12:05 PM Young & Ong Families

**Friday, December 06, 2019**

12:05 PM † Mary Forsythe

**Saturday, December 07, 2019**

5:15 PM -----

† = Deceased



## MARCH FOR LIFE

The **March for Life** official program will be held on Friday, **January 24, 2020** on the **National Mall in Washington, D.C.** The program begins with a rally at 12 noon, and a time of musical reflection at 11:00 a.m. There will be jumbo-trons for easier viewing.

[www.marchforlife.org](http://www.marchforlife.org)

End abortion by uniting, educating, and mobilizing pro-life people in the public square.

### Electronic Giving

Just log on to our website, [www.st-augustinechurch.com](http://www.st-augustinechurch.com) and click on:

“Sign Up For Electronic Giving”

**Parish Giving**

## The Bulletin Board

**First Sunday of Advent**  
Sunday, December 01, 2019

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**Friday, December 06, 2019**  
5:00 PM Winkelvoss-Sabatino Rehearsal  
7:30 PM Advent/Christmas Concert

**Saturday, December 07, 2019**  
3:00 PM Winkelvoss-Sabatino Wedding  
5:00 PM Mutyua Christmas Party  
7:00 PM N.A. Meeting in CHB



**Saint Augustine Parish Giving Tree** will be supporting the following organizations this year: **Bethesda Project, Augustinian Children's Orphanage in Tagaytay City Philippines, Adeodatus Prison Ministry, Family House NOW, The Gift of Life Family House, and Woman of Hope.**

Please return unwrapped gifts along with tag by December 8th for the Adeodatus Prison Ministry as well as the Bethesda Project and December 15th for ALL OTHER Groups. We want to pass along the gratitude from all these organizations to our parish.

Your consistent generosity has brought and continues to bring joy to each of the organizations over the Holiday Season.

Again, thank you for your consistent generosity over the years. Have a wonderful Thanksgiving!

Saint Charles  Borromeo Seminary  
*presents*



**Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary's 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Open House and Christmas Concert** will be held on **Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup>**. Beginning at 1:00 p.m., visitors can tour the campus and art collection including the international Christmas Crèche display and Papal artifacts from the 2015 Apostolic visit. The Christmas Concert begins at 4:00 p.m. in the Chapel of Saint Martin of Tours. It will feature the musicians and choir of Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary. All are welcome to attend. There will be a free will offering for a charity to be chosen by the seminarians.

**Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary**  
**100 East Wynnewood Avenue**  
(Wynnewood Ave. & City Line Ave.)  
**Wynnewood, PA 19096**

## A Prayer For Advent

Let us open our hearts to receive the grace of this Advent season, which is Christ himself, whom God our Father has revealed to the entire world.

Where God is born, hope is born. Where God is born, peace is born. And where peace is born, there is no longer room for hatred and for war. God alone can save us and free us from the many forms of evil and selfishness in our midst.

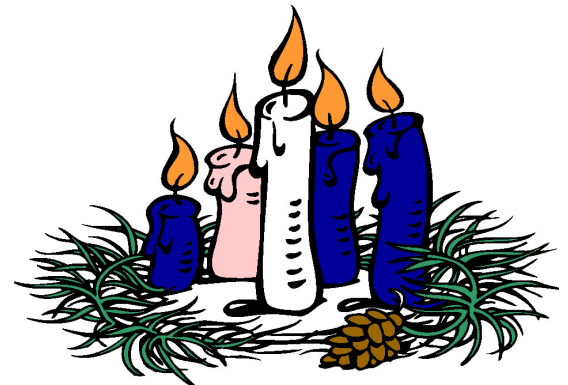
Let us welcome into our lives God's mercy, which Jesus Christ has bestowed on us, so that we in turn can show mercy to our brothers and sisters. In this way, we will make peace grow!

*Pope Francis*

### Why do we use an advent wreath?

**Evergreen wreath**—The circle of the wreath, which has no beginning or end, symbolizes the eternity of God (the Alpha and Omega). The evergreen is chosen as the base because God is the foundation of all good. Green is the colour that represents hope and new life.

**Four Candles**—represent the four (4) weeks of Advent. Traditionally, each week represents one thousand years, to sum to the 4,000 years from Adam and Eve until the birth of the Savior. The first two purple candles symbolizes **Hope** and **Love**, respectively. The third candle (which is pink/rose) symbolizes **Joy**. The fourth and last purple candle represents **Peace**. The light of the candles signifies the light of Christ to mankind. On Christmas, the center white Christ candle is lit.



SAINT AUGUSTINE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH  
PRESENTS

# SOMETHING WONDERFUL

*a Christmas Concert*

**DECEMBER 6 | 7:30 PM**

**FREE WILL OFFERING**

RECEPTION TO FOLLOW

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