

St. Augustine R. C. Parish

Second Sunday of Lent

February 25, 2024

"Creating A Community Of Involvement And Evangelization"

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St. Augustine parish is an open, diverse, and active Roman Catholic community rooted in the Gospel of Jesus Christ and founded in the Augustinian Tradition. We invite all to participate in our worship, service to others, and our faith development. These endeavors allow us to grow in the knowledge of God present in ourselves and each other.

Our community joyfully welcomes all who are searching for a spiritual center to call home.



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

Mass Schedule:
Monday - Friday: 12:05 PM (LiveStreamed)
(10:00 AM on Legal Holidays)

Saturday Vigil — *Suspended Indefinitely*

Sunday: 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM & 7:00 PM
(All Masses are LiveStreamed
on masslivestream.com)

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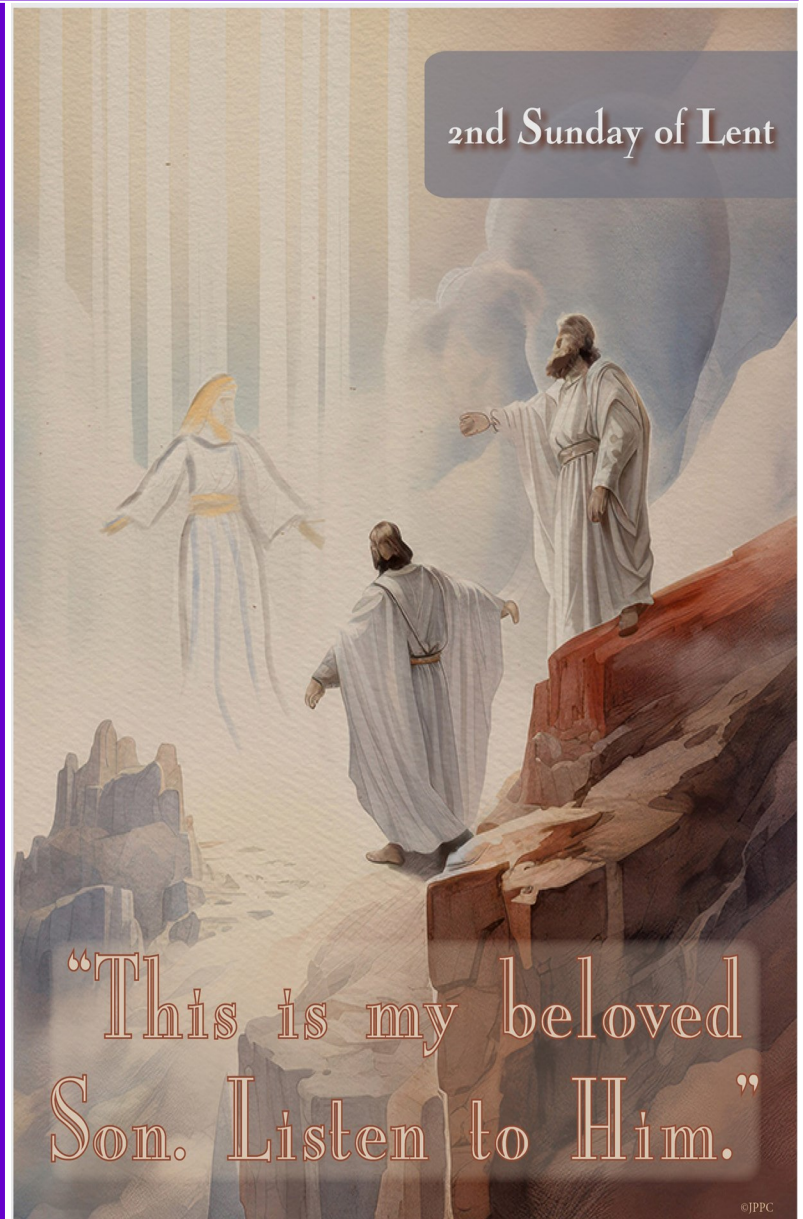
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Weekly Scripture Study via Zoom—7:00 PM on Thursday
Meeting ID: 832-4986-0935 PW: 025786



Stations of the Cross

Friday Evenings During Lent ♦ 7:00 P.M.
Come, walk, and meditate on the
Way of the Cross

Zoom ID: 5590497986 PW: 7139



Wednesday, March 13, 2024 – 7-9 PM

Evening of Mercy – Doors Open for Confession

All Catholics are invited to the Cathedral for an evening with the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation. Allow Jesus to unburden your heart this Lent through a thorough confession of your sins. Multiple priests will be available for confession, including our Missionaries of Mercy.

Location: Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul, Philadelphia 19103

More info: visit archphila.org/mercy



Spring Clean Up and Flower Planting & Mulching

The Friends of Old City will be holding their **Annual Spring Cleanup and Flower Planting** on **Saturday, March 23, 2024** from **9 a.m. to 12 Noon**. This year we will meet in the parking lot at Saint Augustine Church. The plantings (and mulching) will be for the planters along the 4th and Vine Streets blocks. The cleanup will entail areas north of the Ben Franklin Bridge. All supplies and tools will be provided. This is a valuable community event that helps enhance our neighborhood significantly. If you are interested in helping, please see the signup sheet in the back of the church on the glass counter. (*Rain date March 24*)

Old Palms

If you have old palms and you are wondering how to dispose of them, you may return them to the church so that we can burn them in the Easter Fire at the Easter Vigil. There is a basket in rear of the church for you to deposit your old palms.



Mass Intentions

Sunday, February 25, 2024

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9:00 AM † Nicanor Robert DiMaculangan
11:00 AM † Millicent Linden
7:00 PM † Jacob & Margaret Marquart

Monday, February 26, 2024

12:05 PM † Venerando Gahob, Sr.

Tuesday, February 27, 2024

12:05 PM The Parish Community

Wednesday, February 28, 2024

12:05 PM † Rene Rodrigo

Thursday, February 29, 2024

12:05 PM † Anna Ponisciak

Friday, March 1, 2024

12:05 PM Deceased Members and Benefactors of the OSA

Saturday, March 2, 2024

† = Deceased



Capital Campaign News

Goal: \$750,000 (Phase 1) To date:

Pledges: 228 Percentage: 130.7021%

Amount Pledged: \$980,265.68

Pledges Received: \$924,915.68

In-Kind Gifts Received: \$10,437.71

Campaign Total Rec'd: \$935,353.39

Sacrificial Giving February 18, 2024

Number of Envelopes Used: 17

Amount in Envelopes: \$662.00

Average \$/Envelope: \$38.94

Electronic Giving: 46

Amount Electronic: \$1,638.00

Average \$/Electronic: \$35.61

Loose Money: \$426.00

Total Collection: \$2,726.00

Electronic Giving

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www.st-augustinechurch.com

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Parish Giving



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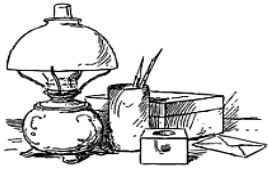
Tuesday, February 27, 2024
7:00 PM Lenten Program—Zoom
7:00 PM Sexaholics Anonymous (SA)

Wednesday, February 28, 2024
7:00 PM Parish Pastoral Council—Zoom

Thursday, February 29, 2024
7:00 PM Parish Scripture Study—Zoom
7:PM Sexaholics Anonymous (SA)

Friday, March 1, 2024
3:00 PM Clark-Drumel Wedding

Saturday, March 2, 2024
11:00 AM Young Adult Discussion Group
7:00 PM Narcotics Anonymous (NA)



A word from Fr. Bill...

Dear Parishioners:

Last Sunday, at the 11:00 AM Mass we celebrated what is called “The Rite of Sending Forth.” At the liturgy, the community heard the testimony of Kathrina Inchoco. She informed us that Bryan Sobchuk, who was baptized Catholic as an infant, has been preparing since last September for “full participation in the Church.” She told the community that Bryan is now petitioning to be confirmed and receive Communion for the first time. Kathrina testified that she believes Bryan is worthy to be accepted into full union with the Church. The members of the congregation then were asked if they affirmed the testimony given by Kathrina and if they would support Bryan in faith, prayer and example as he continues to prepare to participate more fully in the Church’s sacraments. The community enthusiastically responded, “yes.”

With the blessing of the community, Brian was then “sent forth” to the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul to participate in a liturgy entitled, “Celebration of the Call to Continuing Conversion.” Kathrina (his sponsor), Frank Hobin (who since September has been participating in the process of Christian Initiation with Bryan) and I, accompanied him to the Cathedral. At the liturgy, Archbishop Perez announced that the Church recognized Bryan’s desire “to be sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit and to have a place at Christ’s Eucharistic table.”

At the liturgy at the Cathedral last Sunday, there were 177 Catechumens (men, women and children who were never baptized) and 120 Candidates (men and women like Bryan who were baptized but have not received the other two Sacraments of Initiation). I understand approximately the same number of Catechumens and Candidates participated in an exact same liturgy on the day before, Saturday. This liturgy is celebrated in every Cathedral throughout the world on the First Sunday of Lent.

It is very encouraging to see the desire and sincerity of Bryan as he prepares rather intently to be in full union with us. It also is very encouraging to see about 600 others, just in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, walking the same journey of faith this year. On the other hand, what a shame it is that this received no secular publicity and that no one was interviewed by the local press to share his or her experience of receiving the Sacraments of Initiation. We certainly hear the bad news. What a shame it is that such a positive thing as 600 people becoming Catholic just in our local area is not brought to the attention of the public.

On Tuesday, we continue our Lenten presentations at 7:00 PM on Zoom. Professor Janet Haggerty, Ph.D., of the Theology department at St. Charles Seminary will speak this Tuesday on why Jesus had to suffer and die. You will find information on how to register on the homepage of our parish website.

Have a wonderful week.

Fr. Bill



MARCH 3, 2024

Support the
THE Augustinian Fund
Annual Appeal



The Augustinian Province of Saint Thomas of Villanova will conduct its annual Augustinian Appeal in support of the friars' way of life and ministries in our parish during the month of March. This Appeal helps us to provide for our brothers who can't work because of age or health, and those who are students in formation preparing for ministry.

The presentation of the Augustinian Annual Appeal will be made next weekend, March 3, 2024, followed by a direct mail appeal.

Donations will also be accepted online at: www.augustinian.org/augustinian-parish-appeal



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Jesus

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WHAT ARE YOUR QUESTIONS?

Join us this Lent for our ongoing series when we will discuss and answer questions regarding **"Lent and the suffering, death and resurrection of Jesus."** Join us and our special guests via Zoom from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM on the dates listed below!



2/20 "Why do we observe Lent each year?" - Rev. G. Dennis Gill, S.L.L., M.Div., Director, Office for Divine Worship and Rector of the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul, Philadelphia - Register at the link below:

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZEKfu6urzorGtNmEShspH_urRCI7GP21FRz



2/27 "Why did Jesus have to suffer and die?" - Dr. Janet Haggerty, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Theology, College Seminary and Associate Professor of Systematic Theology, Theological Seminary, Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary - Register at the link below:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAucOQtqDMuH9I3UPg2PeClrFxQufGOKNR7>



3/5 "What does it mean, if we share in Jesus' life in Baptism, we have to share in his suffering and death?" - Dr. Joseph T. Kelley, Ph.D., D.Min., Professor of Religious and Theological Studies, Merrimack College - Register at the link below:

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZIkce2pqTotHtDB2X24fQlNkb_XyvQwUbg



3/12 "Why did Jesus rise from the dead and what does St. Paul mean when he says, 'If Jesus did not rise from the dead, our faith is in vain?'" - Rev. James Paradis, O.S.A., D.Min., Director of Cascia Center Ministries, Shrine of St. Rita, Philadelphia - Register at the link below:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZEpcemtri8jGtJapRZBU9X4-4FfODvsvlQo>



3/19 "What will our risen life be like?" - Most Reverend Daniel Turley, O.S.A., D.D., Bishop Emeritus of Chulucanas, Peru - Register at the link below:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0kf-2sqzsvE9Oco-nbui7OJvDXCarZQrP->

For more information and to submit your questions, contact Jacob Marquart, O.F.S. at: staugustineparish09@gmail.com or call (215) 627-1838
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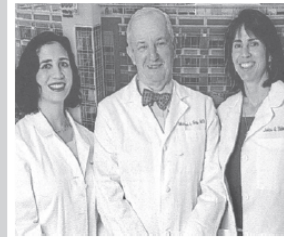
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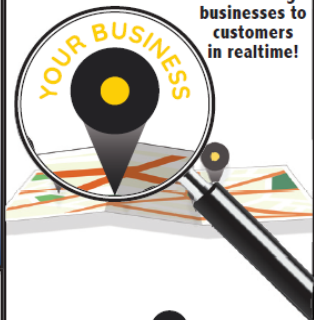
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