

St. Augustine R. C. Parish

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time – October 18, 2020

“Creating A Community Of Involvement And Evangelization”

Served by the Augustinian Friars since 1796



National Shrine of
Santo Niño de Cebú

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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Website: www.st-augustinechurch.com

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: 5:15 PM— *Due to the pandemic, suspended until end of 2021*

Sunday: 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM & 7:00 PM
(11:00 AM Mass is LiveStreamed
on masslivestream.com)



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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

After Sunday Masses or
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.

Weekly Parish Rosary via Zoom—8:00 PM on Tuesday

Meeting ID: 854-1235-0301 PW: 150408

Weekly Scripture Study via Zoom—7:00 PM on Thursday

Meeting ID: 832-4986-0935 PW: 025786



2021 Mass Book OPENING

The 2021 Mass Book has opened.

Office hours are from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Monday to Friday, to schedule a Mass.

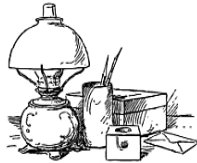
Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions

OCTOBER 2020



The Laity's Mission in the Church

We pray that by the virtue of baptism, the laity, especially women, may participate more in areas of responsibility in the Church.



A word from Fr. Bill.....

Dear Parishioners:

“Forty Days for Life” is a grassroots movement which organizes peaceful and prayerful vigils outside an abortion clinic for 40 straight days. Each parish in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia has been asked to take one day to pray at one of the centers from September 23rd to November 1st. We have been asked as a parish to pray outside the Philadelphia Women Center (8th and Arch, Phila-19106) on Tuesday, October 27th. Several of our parishioners, Greg Walsh, Bill and Maureen Castro, are organizing this. If you are interested in being a part of this endeavor, you can sign up in the back of the church or let me know, pastorstaugustine@gmail.com and I will have one of the organizers be in touch with you. This is an opportunity to witness in one of many situations (immigrants, homeless, prisoners, etc.) for the dignity of life.

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Mass Intentions

Sunday, October 18, 2020

9:00 AM Arevalo Family, In Thanksgiving
11:00 AM † Lita Manguba
7:00 PM † Manoling Espinola

Monday, October 19, 2020

12:05 PM † Howard manning

Tuesday, October 20, 2020

12:05 PM The Parish Community

Wednesday, October 21, 2020

12:05 PM † Dorothy Camelliri

Thursday, October 22, 2020

12:05 PM † Manoling Espinola

Friday, October 23, 2020

12:05 PM † Corrine Berg

Saturday, October 24, 2020

† = Deceased

Sacrificial Giving

October 11, 2020

Number of Envelopes Used: 29
Amount in Envelopes: \$2,500.00
Average \$/Envelope: \$86.21
Electronic Giving: 41
Amount Electronic: \$1,185.00
Average \$/Electronic: \$28.90
Loose Money: \$286.00
Total Collection: \$3,971.00



Capital Campaign News

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

Pledges: 203 Percentage: 94.9798%
Amount Pledged: \$712,348.50
Pledges Received: \$598,923.37
June 1st Gala Revenue: \$40,250.00
In-Kind Gifts Received: \$10,437.71
Campaign Total Rec'd: \$649,611.08

Electronic Giving

Just log on to our website,
www.st-augustinechurch.com
and click on:

“Sign Up For Electronic Giving”

Parish Giving



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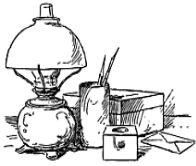
Tuesday, October 20, 2020
7:00 PM DMI Survey Meeting—Zoom
8:00 PM Parish Rosary—Zoom

Wednesday, October 21, 2020

Thursday, October 22, 2020
7:00 PM Parish Scripture Study—Zoom
9:00 PM Fratelli Tutti Discussion—Zoom

Friday, October 23, 2020
5:00 PM Coscia-Smollock Rehearsal

Saturday, October 24, 2020
2:00 PM Coscia-Smollock Wedding



A word from Fr. Bill.....

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In my letter last weekend, I suggested we go thru our drawers and closets and give away “slightly used” clothes which we do not use or need. As I said last week, St. Augustine says if we hoard what we do not use or need, we are stealing from the poor. Someone who read that last weekend (I was happy to see someone reads the bulletin) emailed and asked where they should drop off the clothes. You can bring the clothes to the Parish Office (M-F, 9AM-5 PM) and Jacob Marquart, O.F.S., our Director of Parish Services, will bring them to the Padre Pio Prayer Center in Frankford. It is staffed by the Capuchin Franciscan Friars who will distribute the clothes to the homeless in the Frankford and Kensington areas of Philadelphia.

Usually, once a year we have an extended Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) meeting to be able to discuss some things more in depth than we can usually do at our monthly meetings. Last Saturday we met on Zoom for 2 1/2 hours. There are 12 people on the Council and 11 of us were present. One member had to attend a funeral. We also had Dan Cellucci who is the CEO of the *Catholic Leadership Institute* join us. He works with bishops, priest councils and parishes throughout the country (and further) to discuss the pastoral needs of the church today.

Dan facilitated a discussion for us on how we as a parish can respond to the pastoral needs of our parishioners in the middle of the pandemic. He shared with us what other parishes have found effective and some of his own insights. We reviewed what we are doing and talked about other possibilities. Stay tuned.

Each year I like to ask the PPC to review our Parish Mission Statement. This helps to remind us of who we say we are and what our mission is. After reviewing it this year, the Council suggested that we do not make any changes to it. I would ask you to read it. It is on the front page of this bulletin and on the homepage of our parish website. Some members of the Council said it was helpful to them when they were looking for a parish. It was felt there was not a need to change it because it is very welcoming (“open and diverse community”; “invite all”; “joyfully welcomes all”) and it highlights the values of St. Augustine as he prayed to get to know himself better and to get to know God better. This is expanded on the “Becoming Catholic” section of our website where we are very specific of all who are welcome, e.g. all faiths, races, separated and divorced, members of the LGBTQ community, the homeless, visitors, those in recovery, widows and widowers, diverse cultures, etc.

Our 3rd topic was a discussion on the Saturday 5:15 PM Vigil Mass. It was recommended that at this time we suspend this Mass thru 2021 and revisit the topic next Fall. Various factors went into that recommendation: For a number of years the average attendance at that Mass has been about 35 people (including some visitors); It does not seem the pandemic will end in the near future; Many parishes do not provide evening Masses on both Saturday and Sundays; There is a need for weddings to be celebrated later on Saturday afternoons and up until now we have not been able to accommodate that need. So, at least until the end of 2021, we will not have a Saturday Vigil Mass at 5:15 PM.

In my letter last week and in the announcements, I asked who might be interested in joining a group on Zoom to discuss Pope Francis’ new encyclical entitled: “*Fratelli Tutti*” (On Fraternity and Social Friendship) in which the Pope discusses how we as a society should respond to the wounds of our world. In addition to myself, five people signed up. As you can imagine, it was a challenge to find a common mutual time that would be convenient for the four of us but we did agree on Thursdays at 9 PM. So, if you’re interested in joining us, please sign up in the back of church or be in touch with me at: pastorstaugustine@gmail.com. We will be meeting on Zoom on Thursdays at 9 PM. Feel free to mention this to others.

Have a SAFE and good week.

Fr. Bill