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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 and thus 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 2:00 PM**  
Monday through 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

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## 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 for 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.

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**PARKING ON EASTER SUNDAY**  
On Easter Sunday we will be able to park under the Benjamin Franklin Bridge from 8:30 AM to 1:30 PM.



St. Augustine Church will be helping the Easter Bunny bring some Easter wishes to the youngest members of our parish community by sponsoring an **Easter Egg Hunt** on **Easter Sunday** after the **9:00 AM** and **11:00 AM Masses** in the "Healing Garden."

*Come and join us for some fun!*

**SAVE THE DATES!**  
**Let's CELEBRATE our 220th ANNIVERSARY!**

— 220th Anniversary Mass —  
Celebrated on Sunday, April 17, 2016 • 11:00 AM Mass  
Rev. Peter M. Donohue, OSA, President of Villanova University,  
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**Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord**  
**March 20, 2016**  
Regular Weekend Schedule


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**Holy Thursday,**  
**Mass of the Lord's Supper**  
**March 24, 2016**  
**Mass at 7:30 PM**  
*Church open until 11:00 PM for Private Adoration*

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**Good Friday,**  
**March 25, 2016**  
**Pagbasa Ng Mahal Na Pasyon 5:00 AM**  
**Celebration of the Lord's Passion 3:00 PM**  
**Stations of the Cross 7:00 PM**

**Holy Week Schedule**



**Holy Saturday,**  
**Easter Vigil Mass**  
**March 26, 2016**  
**7:30 PM**  
**Baptism of 2 Catechumens**  
*No Confessions Saturday Afternoon*  
*No 5:15 PM Mass*  
Reception in Carr Hall after Mass

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**Easter Sunday**  
**March 27, 2016**  
**9:00 AM & 11:00 AM**  
*No 7 pm Mass*

*Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson*

I have a close friend who tends to use the word “awesome” a bit more than I prefer. He applies the adjective to everything from a plate of sushi to a ski slope. Friendship trumps grammar, and I would never want to be a curmudgeonly ex-English teacher. So I offer him neither correction nor suggestion. But I did think of my friend’s habit as I pondered the Passion of Jesus, and thought to myself : “How awesome!”

This account of God’s unparalleled love for us almost baffles the mind, and brings to light how puny our response often is. Or how quickly and often we forget what Jesus endured for our sake.

We know deep down that the lesser characters in the drama act as stand-ins for us and how we act. We betray Him. We deny Him. We run from Him. We’re there in the crowd that shouts “Crucify Him!” to Pilate. Maybe often. Maybe seldom. But we do these things in our relationship with God. We need His mercy to survive and start over.

Our guilt is assuaged somewhat by those stout hearts and loyal followers who stayed with Jesus to the end. They were mostly women, who dare us from their vantage point at the foot of the cross, to call them “the weaker sex.” Mary His Mother, “Tower of gold and ivory” stands among them, bloodied from His wounds.

The Church holds us back today from letting us hear officially about the events of Easter morning. We stop reading at the point in the gospel where Pilate lets the chief priests and the Pharisees use his soldiers as a guard at the temporary tomb of God.

We will wait out the week ahead and recall and honor the events that will come. The Holy Eucharist and the new priesthood will originate before the nails get driven into His hands and feet. We will watch in our minds’ eyes as the story is read to us twenty-one centuries afterward. We will be stunned to see the dark side in each of us contrasted sharply with the holiness of the Nazarene. We will perhaps hear with our imagination the words and music of Handel’s “Messiah” as background for our meditation. But at certain points this week we will be compelled to silence in the face of what happened before Easter. It is Holy Week, and it is entirely... awesome.

**First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7**

The Suffering Servant who can sustain the weary bears with cruel bodily torture Himself. The description makes for a clear reference to Jesus’ suffering.

**Second Reading: Philippians 2:6-11**

This section, commonly referred to by scholars as “The Christ Hymn” captures both the humiliation and the exaltation of Jesus our Lord in a beautiful way.

**The Passion Narrative in Luke 22:14-23:56, or 23:1-49**

A farewell speech and Jesus’ legacy to the Church, the Eucharist is followed up by His betrayal, bodily torture, and disgrace culminating in the crucifixion. The ultimate in God’s mercy is incorporated in Luke’s Passion account read to us this year.

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