

St. Augustine Parish

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord – April 09, 2017

"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.

St. Augustine Parish Community Lenten Program in conjunction with Pope Francis' encyclical on the environment *Laudato Si'* (On Care for our Common Home)

**1's Column represents responses of anything you were doing before Lent began and continue to do
2's Column represents responses of anything you started to do during this season of Lent**

A) Sustainability

1's 2's

38	3
4	4
7	3
18	18
3	1
51	13

- Purchase locally produced and/or fair traded food items
- Join a CSA (Community Supported Agriculture) program
- Help out in a local garden (or donate money, tools, etc.)
- Add another meatless day during each week in Lent
- Help create a "Central Kitchen" in Philadelphia similar to other cities
- Be mindful of what I do with leftover food from eating out or cooking

**86
Responses**

B) Energy Conservation

9	0
22	3
14	10

- Complete a home energy audit
- Switch to more renewable sources of energy
- Become more informed about social justice coalitions and faith based environment groups focused on renewable energy in Philadelphia. e.g., POWER, The Earth Quaker Action Team, and Green Justice Philly

C) Energy Efficiency

71	10
62	3
29	13
42	9
15	2

- Turn off lights as I leave a room
- Use efficient light bulbs and appliances
- Reduce the idling of my car
- Walk, bike, and/or use public transportation
- Install high efficiency faucet aerators and shower heads

D) Management of Natural Resources

50	6
5	2
17	5
43	12
54	8
30	7

- Not flush prescription medications, etc. down the toilet
- Use the Marine Stewardship Council (MSC) guidelines when purchasing fish and seafood
- Be aware of the materials used in furniture and flooring
- Reduce my items of clothing, then recycle or donate them to appropriate charities, etc.
- Use refillable water bottles
- Use coffee thermoses

E) Safeguarding Drinking Water

54	9
15	5
54	9

- Not waste water in the faucet, shower, tub, garden, etc.
- Use cleaners with the "Safer Choice/US EPA" label. (List on EPA website)
- Be mindful of how I dispose of litter (even chewing gum)

F) Lenten Observances

7	8
4	8

- Donate money saved from any of the above to an appropriate environmental cause
- Call and/or write your congressional representatives to insist that the Environmental Protection Agency's emphasis on the global warming crisis be maintained

3	8
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- Inform the parish what I am doing in order to "Care for our Common Home" and allow it to be communicated to the entire parish

The Order of Saint Augustine
and the Province of Saint Thomas of Villanova
are happy to announce
The Solemn Opening of the diocesan process of
The Cause of Beatification and Canonization

of our confrere
THE SERVANT OF GOD
WILLIAM ATKINSON, O.S.A.
to be held

Monday, April 24, 2017
Feast of the Conversion of Saint Augustine



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SERVANT OF GOD

The Solemn Ceremony of the
Opening of the Cause
will follow the Celebration of the Eucharist
offered by
The Most Rev. Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap.
Archbishop of Philadelphia
6:00 P.M.
at
Saint Thomas of Villanova Church
Villanova University, Villanova, PA

All are welcome to attend.

Catholic Homeschool Conference

The IHM Philadelphia Homeschool Conference will be held at St. Helena Catholic Church, 1489 Dekalb Pike, in Blue Bell, PA, on Friday, April 28th (12:00pm-6:00pm). This is the perfect event for those who are curious and want to discover more about Catholic homeschooling.

Admission is free and pre-registration is not required. For more information, please visit: www.ihmconference.org or email: info@ihmconference.org.



Mass Intentions

**Saturday & Sunday,
April 08 & 09, 2017**

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
5:15 PM The Parish Community
9:00 AM People Suffering From Injustice
11:00 AM Brandon & Gabrielle Largoza
7:00 PM † Jennie Capo

Monday, April 10, 2017

12:05 PM † Edward Manning

Tuesday, April 11, 2017

12:05 PM † Dr. Leonardo Arevlo

Wednesday, April 12, 2017

12:05 PM † Dr. Leonardo Arevlo

Thursday, April 13, 2017

HOLY THURSDAY of the LORD'S SUPPER
7:30 PM The Parish Community

**Friday, April 14, 2017
GOOD FRIDAY**

5:00 AM Pagbasa Ng Mahal Na Pasyon
3:00 PM Liturgy of the Lord's Passion
7:30 PM The Seven Last Words of Christ

Saturday, April 15, 2017

HOLY SATURDAY
Easter Vigil in the Holy Night of Easter
7:30 PM † Walter Manning

† = Deceased



**NUTRITIONAL
DEVELOPMENT SERVICES**
Archdiocese of Philadelphia

MANNA Canned Food Collection

Parishioners are asked to take one of the Manna Bags located in the rear of the church to fill with canned food items. Items in greatest need are: beef stew, tuna fish, fruit, vegetables, can pasta, soups, and pork & beans. **For safety, please don't include any glass bottles.**

We ask that you return the bags with donated food on the weekend of **May 20th & 21st**. The food will be taken to the *Dreuding Center* in our neighborhood. Thank you for your generosity and helping our neighborhood friends who are in emergency situations.

Sacrificial Giving April 01 & 02, 2017

Number of Envelopes Used: 64
Amount in Envelopes: \$1,868.00
Average \$/Envelope: \$29.19
Electronic Giving: 25
Amount Electronic: \$595.00
Average \$/Electronic: \$23.80
Loose Money: \$687.00
Total Collection: \$3,150.00

PARKING ON EASTER SUNDAY

On Easter Sunday we will be able to park under the Benjamin Franklin Bridge from 8:00 AM to 1:30 PM.



The Bulletin Board

**Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
Sunday, April 09, 2017**

1:00 PM Church Cleaning
4:00 PM Wedding Music Open House

Monday, April 10, 2017

Tuesday, April 11, 2017
7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB

Wednesday, April 12, 2017
6:30 PM Parish Finance Council Meeting
8:00 PM Fiat Prayer Group

**Thursday, April 13, 2017
Holy Saturday**
7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB

**Friday, April 14, 2017
Good Friday**
7:30 PM Seven Last Words of Christ

**Saturday, April 15, 2017
Holy Saturday**
7:00 PM N.A. Meeting in CHB
9:00 PM Light Refreshments after Mass



A word from Fr. Bill.....



Dear Parishioners:

As you know this weekend we celebrate *Passion Sunday*. This used to be more commonly known as *Palm Sunday* which placed the emphasis on the distribution of the palms rather than on Jesus' love as manifested in His passion. We can look at the word "passion" in two ways: Jesus felt such passion (love) for humanity that He took on our human condition and endured the most extreme passion (suffering) so that we may have life eternal.

In order to make this truly a week which is "Holy," I encourage everyone to participate in as many of our Holy Week liturgies as possible. Our schedule for the week has been sent to the homes of all of our parishioners who receive envelopes. You can also find it on our website, on the table in the back of the church, and on the bulletin board in the back of the church.

I especially encourage you to join us on Good Friday evening (7:30 PM) for a prayer service reflecting on "The Last Seven Words" of Christ. This is the first time we have had this service in the parish, at least in modern times. There will be a short scripture passage, a short reflection by seven persons (Fr. Paul and six parishioners), some silence, petitions, a prayer and a hymn.

Please take the time to peruse on the front page of this bulletin the response of our environment survey last weekend. We are grateful we received 86 responses indicating at least 86 parishioners are doing something to "Care of Our Common Home." It is very encouraging to know that 57 parishioners are doing things for our environment that they never did before Lent began. For example, 13 said they began to reduce the idling of their cars; 18 said they would add another meatless day during Lent; 8 said they would write a congressional representative about the environment issues. There will be a meeting on Monday, April 17th in Carr Hall at 7:00 PM. This is an opportunity for parishioners to share what this Lenten experience was like and to see how much interest there is in establishing a permanent environment committee.

Talking about the "Care of our Common Home" and our environment, I would like to thank the eight parishioners who helped with the spring cleanup of our parish grounds last Saturday. One of the main things they did was the spreading of mulch at various places around the property. Thank you Mark, Fred, Laura, Tim, Bob, Francis, Francis, Charlie, and Bob who oversaw the project.

May 21st is MANNA Sunday throughout the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. This is an opportunity to collect canned food items such as beef stew, tuna fish, fruit, vegetables, pasta, soups and pork and beans. This will help stock the emergency food cupboards with sufficient supplies for the coming summer months when food donations traditionally decline. There are special bags in the back of the church for this. We ask that you take a bag home, fill it with canned goods (see above list) and bring the bag back by Sunday, May 21st. We have volunteers who will transport the canned goods to the Dreuding Center.

Have a truly "Holy Week."

Fr. Bill



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 join us for Fun!**

Operation Rice Bowl

Now that Lent is coming to a close, we would like to remind you to return your Operation Rice Bowls. Please place them in the Collection Basket at any Mass.

