

St. Augustine Parish

Fourth Sunday of Easter – April 22, 2018

"Creating A Community Of Involvement And Evangelization"

Served by the Augustinian Friars since 1796



National Shrine of
Santo Niño de Cebu

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
(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.



Baptism Celebration

We have the blessed opportunity through the celebration of the holy Sacrament of Baptism to welcome a new member into our parish community.

Sunday, April 22, 2018

Virginia Jean O'Brien,

daughter of Patrick & Jeannie O'Brien.

Congratulations!

Please keep Virginia's family in your prayers.

A Thank you.....

To: St. Augustine Church,

Thank you so much for your generous donation from Holy Thursday collection. This will go towards helping the women that live here.

From: Women of Hope
Kathryn Eise



Environmental Corner

Home:

- Start a compost pile in your backyard, and there are composting services available in Philly.
- Plant drought tolerant native plants in your garden. Many plants need minimal watering. Find out which occur naturally in this area.



Office: All agendas can be emailed ahead of time (and no need to print them out at the meeting itself).

- Use a white board during a meeting and appoint a note taker who can distribute notes via email to all involved (again saving paper and time).

Outside:

Continue to lobby Philadelphia to increase spending on sidewalks and bike lanes. With little cost these improvements can pay huge dividends in health and reducing traffic.



Mass Intentions

**Saturday & Sunday,
April 21 & 22, 2018**

5:15 PM † Edna Planster
9:00 AM -----
11:00 AM † In Thanksgiving, Arevalo Family
7:00 PM -----

Monday, April 23, 2018

12:05 PM The Parish Community

Tuesday, April 24, 2018

12:05 PM -----

Wednesday, April 25, 2018

12:05 PM Richard Despirito

Thursday, April 26, 2018

12:05 PM † Honora Franchetti

Friday, April 27, 2018

12:05 PM † John A. Georeno

Saturday, April 28, 2018

5:15 PM † Alberta & Edna Planster

† = Deceased

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www.st-augustinechurch.com

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"Sign Up For Electronic Giving"



Sacrificial Giving

April 14 & 15, 2018

Number of Envelopes Used: 63
Amount in Envelopes: \$1,951.00
Average \$/Envelope: \$30.97
Electronic Giving: 38
Amount Electronic: \$945.00
Average \$/Electronic: \$24.87
Loose Money: \$726.00
Total Collection: \$3,622.00



**Fourth Sunday of Easter
Sunday, April 22, 2018**

1:00 PM Virginia O'Brien Baptism

Monday, April 23, 2018

5:00 PM Steering Committee Meeting

Tuesday, April 24, 2018

7:00 PM Sending Forth Solicitors
7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB

Wednesday, April 25, 2018

7:00 PM Parish Pastoral Council Meeting
8:00 PM Fiat Prayer Group

Thursday, April 26, 2018

7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB

Friday, April 27, 2018

Saturday, April 28, 2018

10:00 AM Filipino Consulate Outreach
7:00 PM N.A. Meeting in CHB



A word from Fr. Bill.....

Dear Parishioners:

As you know, we had a more severe winter this year than we have had for several years, especially with four northeastern storms, three of which occurred in the month of March alone. On the advice of the Parish Finance Commission two years ago we entered a contract with a commercial ice and snow removing company. They have been very conscientious, reliable and thorough. Their responsibilities are to clear all the ice and snow from all the sidewalks, walkways, driveways, and parking lots on our parish property. They often come before a storm to spread calcium and rock salt. They often come after a storm, if the temperature gets colder, to deice the property. Once, they had to return to remove snow in certain areas because a city plow returned snow that already had been removed. This past year they were here approximately 12 times. We had budgeted \$3,600 for snow removal this past winter (I hope it is past) but the actual cost was \$7,830. You can appreciate that this difference of budgeted vs. actual of over \$4,000 has a tremendous effect on a balanced budget. Because of this, our Parish Finance Commission has recommended to me that we have two special second collections to help make up this difference. These special collections will be the weekends of May 12 & 13 and May 26 & 27. Obviously, your understanding of this situation and your generosity will be greatly appreciated and a tremendous help to our parish finances.

While I am on the topic of the property, on behalf of all of us, I would like to thank a parishioner and neighbor who continuously beautifies our property. A special effort has been made for the Easter season. It looks seasonal and it looks as if we care and take care of our property. This is a tremendous contribution to us specifically and to the neighborhood in general. This is a great example of using time, talents and treasures for the good of the entire community. We are grateful.

This Sunday's Gospel is about Jesus being the Good Shepherd, the Shepherd who is kind, sensitive and caring for his flock. I encourage you to look on the homepage of our parish website at a 5-minute video of an encounter Pope Francis had this past Sunday with a young boy. After a great deal of difficulty, the boy who looks to be approximately ten years old asked the Pope if his father who died and who was not a believer was in heaven. The reason I encourage you to look at the video is I think it is better than any homily or explanation one can give on what a Good Shepherd is. In my opinion the Pope's verbal and nonverbal response to this boy is a great model of our God's relationship with us: kind, sensitive and caring.

Have a great week.

Fr. Bill



National Take-Back Event

The 2015 National Survey on Drug Use and Health found that 6.4 million Americans abused controlled prescription drugs. These drugs were often obtained from friends' and family's medicine cabinets. Help to lower this risk by participating in the

DEA's 15th National Prescription Drug Take-Back Event on Saturday, April 28th. Please visit the link below to find a Take-Back site near you.

<http://www.deatakeback.com>