

St. Augustine Parish

Fifth Sunday of Easter – April 24, 2016

"Creating A Community Of Involvement And Evangelization"

Served by the Augustinian Friars since 1796

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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Philadelphia, PA 19106
(GPS Address: 250 N. 4th Street)
Phone: 215-627-1838 FAX: 215-627-3911
Website: www.st-augustinechurch.com
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

Parish Staff:

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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

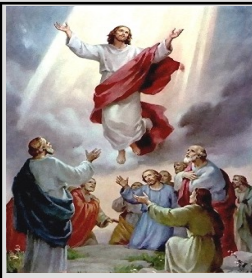
Please call the parish office for information. Forms are also available in the back of the Church.

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.



The Ascension of the Lord

**Thursday,
May 05, 2016**

Holy Day of Obligation

Mass Times: 12:05 PM and 7:00 PM

(No Vigil Mass on Wednesday)

*Thank
You!*

We are very grateful to the parishioners who have dedicated a great deal of resources, time and energy for the beautification of the outside of our parish property. We know it is "Spring Time" when we see beautiful flowers, plants and new mulch surrounding us. This dedication and concern for the parish is greatly appreciated.



**PLEASE VISIT OUR PARISH WEBSITE!
www.st-augustinechurch.com**

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

— 220th Anniversary Concert —
Sunday, June 12, 2016 • 3:00 PM (*Note date change*)

— Dinner and Dancing as we Cruise the Delaware River
onboard the Spirit of Philadelphia —
Friday, September 30, 2016 • 7 PM —10:30 PM

"During Child Abuse Prevention Month, we are reminded of the call to be instruments of justice, working for the common good of all, which includes the provision of healing for those who have suffered as victims of abuse. As Jesus entrusts to Peter the care of the flock, we are reminded that this responsibility belongs to everyone as a matter of charity and justice. Child Abuse Prevention Month should lead to heightened awareness of the need to be vigilant about providing a safe environment for all within the Church and for the world."

As we continue to do all we can to keep our children safe know that the Office for Child and Youth Prevention has services and resources for those who are victims and survivors of child sexual abuse and their families. They can be reached at 215-587-3880 or 1-888-800-8780 or email to: philavac@archphila.org

*The
Mother's Day
Offering*

Mother's Day Offering & Memorial Envelopes are available on the tables in the rear of the Church for you to remember both Living and Deceased Mothers on this special day. What a great "Thank You" for your mother to have her remembered at Mass on Mother's Day!

MASS **SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS**

**Saturday & Sunday,
April 23 & 24, 2016**

5:15 PM † Thomas J. Walsh, Jr.
9:00 AM † Regina & Thomas Walsh, Sr.
11:00 AM -----
7:00 PM -----

Monday, April 25, 2016

12:05 PM † Margaret & Fred Haeberlin

Tuesday, April 26, 2016

12:05 PM † John Steinbronn

Wednesday, April 27, 2016

12:05 PM † John A. Georeno, Jr.

Thursday, April 28, 2016

12:05 PM Deceased members and
Benefactors of OSA

Friday, April 29, 2016

12:05 PM The Parish Community

Saturday, April 30, 2016

5:15 PM † Catalina Insong

† = Deceased

Sacrificial Giving April 16 & 17, 2016

Number of Envelopes Used: 78
Amount in Envelopes: \$2,244.00
Average \$/Envelope: \$28.74
Electronic Giving: 23
Average \$/Electronic: \$19.65
Amount Electronic: \$452.00
Loose Money: \$730.00
Total Collection: \$3,426.00

Electronic Giving

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It's secure!

It's convenient!

Just log on to our website,

www.st-augustinechurch.com
and click on:

"Sign Up For Electronic Giving"

Parish Giving

The Bulletin Board

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Sunday, April 24, 2016

4:00 PM Gift of Life Family House Dinner

Monday, April 25, 2016

Tuesday, April 26, 2016

7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB

Wednesday, April 27, 2016

7:00 PM Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

8:00 PM Fiat Prayer Group

Thursday, April 28, 2016

7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB

8:00 PM St. Augustine Choir Rehearsal

Friday, April 29, 2016

3:30 PM Magners-Ehret Rehearsal

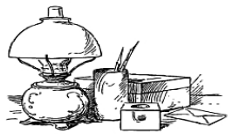
5:00 PM Seneres-Jose Rehearsal

6:00 PM Seneres-Jose Rehearsal Dinner

Saturday, April 30, 2016

3:00 PM Magners-Ehret Wedding

7:00 PM N.A. Meeting in CHB



A word from Fr. Bill.....

Dear Parishioners:

We had a wonderful liturgical celebration last Sunday for the 220th Anniversary of our parish. It was wonderful to give thanks to God for all that has evolved in these two centuries plus twenty years. It was wonderful to give thanks for all the many faithful men and women whose faith and hard work allowed the parish to grow in good times and survive the difficult times. It was wonderful to pray as a parish community asking God to continue to give blessings to us as we continue for many years to build on what has taken place in the past 220 years.

We are grateful to so many that the celebration was so wonderful.

We were blessed that Father Peter Donahue OSA, the President of Villanova, was able to be the presider and homilist at Mass. The suggestion to ask him to lead our liturgy evolved from a discussion of the 220th Anniversary Committee. Considering Villanova has its roots in our parish and considering the national and international attention it has recently received (NCAA basketball champion), it was a wonderful suggestion. Fr. Peter gave a superb homily reflecting on Fr. Matthew Carr, our first pastor, and how one person can accomplish so much when there is determination, focus, hard work, faith and a willingness to take risks. He reminded us that each of us is called to be just as effective in continuing the life of the parish with determination, focus, hard work, faith, and a willingness to take risks.

Kim Barroso, our choir, cantors and instrumentalists were outstanding in enhancing the Mass-- not just on Sunday but in all the preparation leading up to Sunday.

The reception after Mass was fantastic. A great deal of work went into setting up Carr Hall, buying the food, donating some food, cooking the food, serving the food, entertaining the approximate 220 (appropriate number) people who were there, and cleaning up after it was all over. A sincere thank you to one and all.

On another entirely different note, as has been announced for the past two weekends we plan to have a discussion group to reflect on the Pope's recent apostolic exhortation, *The Joy of Love in the Family*. You can read the document online at: <http://www.documentcloud.org/documents/2793677-AL-INGLESE-TESTO.html>. Four of us came together for a preliminary meeting last Tuesday evening to discuss what would be a practical way to reflect on and discuss the Pope's exhortation which consists of 9 chapters and 264 pages. It was decided to meet for 9 Thursday's from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM beginning on May 26th. They will not be consecutive Thursdays because of different commitments which the four of us already had. The Thursday dates are 5/26, 6/9, 6/23, 6/30, 7/7, 7/14, 7/28, 8/4 and 8/11. This approach was agreed to in order that the participants would have enough time before we begin to read the document as well as articles concerning the document. It also allows for sufficient quality time to discuss and reflect on each chapter, rather than just hearing about the document or doing this hastily, which the Pope himself cautions against. We agreed that one does not have to be at each meeting. We do encourage that each person read ahead of time the chapter which will be discussed on a particular night. We will publicize in the bulletin and on our website which chapter will be discussed which week. Now that we have our plan to approach this educational and faith sharing opportunity, if you would like to join us, please let me know. We are very open to more parishioners participating in this opportunity.

Have a great week.

Fr. Bill