St. Augustine R. C. Church 225th ANNIVERSARY Philadelphia 2021

St. Augustine R. C. Parish

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time ◆August 22, 2021

"Creating A Community Of Involvement And Evangelization"



National Shrine of Santo Niño de Cebú

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. 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 — Suspended Indefinitely

Sunday: 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM & 7:00 PM (All Masses are LiveStreamed on masslivestream.com)

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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

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



The Augustinian Volunteers are recent college graduates between the ages of 21-29 who feel called to spend a year in service to others while living and working in an intentional community. Volunteers serve with local community partners in social service, campus ministry, and education placements.

By engaging in a way of life inspired by the Augustinian Friars, volunteers experience personal and spiritual development as they build relationships with fellow volunteers and those they serve. Applications are currently being accepted for the 2021-2022 volunteer year for our sites in Lawrence, MA, San Diego, CA, Ventura, CA and Chulucanas, Peru.

If interested, www.augustinianvolunteers.org or contact us at: info@augustinianvolunteers.org

September 3-5, 2021

"Living the Beatitudes" Young Adult Retreat

Young Adults (20s & 30s) are invited to Malvern Retreat House for a weekend retreat on the joy of living the Beatitudes while deepening our relationship with Jesus Christ. Led by Fr. Remigio Morales, SCV, and Fr. Steven DeLacy, the weekend will include Mass, Adoration, Confession, Lectio Divina, Liturgy of the Hours, and time for recreation, socializing and group sharing. Enjoy the peaceful and beautiful grounds of Malvern in fellowship with other young adults seeking to grow in their Catholic faith. Meals and lodging will be provided.

Cost: \$175. Financial assistance is available!

For more information or to register,

MalvernRetreat.com/calendar or call 610-644-0400.

Happy Saint Augustine Feast Day!

August 28th





Eternal rest grant unto him, 0 Lord.. JOHN CLARK

Entered eternal life August 11, 2021

May he rest in peace.

Saturday, September 18, 2021 AbbeyFest: Faith, Family and Music Festival



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Sunday, August 22, 2021

9:00 AM † Elmer Francis Laffey 11:00 AM † Peggy DeFoney Smith 7:00 PM † Julia Tobin

Monday, August 23, 2021 12:05 PM † Dr. Elmer Laffey

Tuesday, August 24, 2021 12:05 PM † Christopher Mermer

Wednesday, August 25, 2021 12:05 PM † Elmer Francis Laffey

Thursday, August 26, 2021 12:05 PM † Mark Adamo

Friday, August 27, 2021 Feast Day of Saint Monica 12:05 PM The Parish Community

> Saturday, August 28, 2021 Feast Day of Saint Augustine

† = Deceased



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7:00 PM Parish Pastoral Council—Zoom

Thursday, August 26, 20217:00 PM Parish Scripture Study—Zoom
832 4986 0935 025786

Friday, August 27, 2021

Saturday, August 28, 2021



A word from Fr. Bill...

Dear Parishioners:

In the midst of so many negative things in our world today which bring about darkness: e.g. the sickness, deaths, and the spreading of the Corona Virus as well as all the implications from the pandemic, the everyday deaths and shootings in our city from guns and other forms of violence, and the devastation of the people in Haiti and Afghanistan and other parts of the world, I was encouraged by many positive signs of light here in the parish this past weekend.

On Friday evening, I met on Zoom with a family whose funeral of a loved one (John Clark) was celebrated here on Tuesday. I didn't know John (at least I don't think I did) but he traveled from Bristol most weeks to come to our 7 PM Sunday Mass because of how much he liked the music. The family shared other stories of how in his professions as a funeral director and as a Mason, he helped innumerable persons. It was wonderful to hear from people of faith about a person of faith.

On Saturday, I was privileged to witness the marriage of a young couple (Matt and Kelsie) who very publicly and confidently committed to give themselves to each other totally and completely for life, obviously not knowing the future. We heard their insightful and beautiful understanding of each of the phrases of the vows. One thing they plan to do to help support them to fulfill this commitment is to pray with each other each day. What a delight to be with young people of faith.

Later Saturday evening, I celebrated with the Filipino Community one of the Triduum Masses as they prepared for the mammoth celebration of the Summer Sinulog. I mention this because in the midst of all their business in taking care of innumerable details for Sunday, they came to Mass on Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings, I was privileged to be in their midst.

And of course, Sunday's celebration of the Sinulog is the epitome of experiencing a faith community. From the incredible work in preparing the journal, to the preparation on many levels for the liturgy, to the involvement of so many liturgical ministers, to the incredible music, to the decorating of Santo Niño, to the uniqueness in the preparation of the gifts, to working on the challenge of parking, to the many acts of selflessness behind the scenes taking care of details, to the involvement of so many in the procession around the neighborhood, to the preparation for the social (food, tents, moving chairs, tables, etc.), to facilitating the 50-50 raffle, to the massive job of cleaning up, and many other details in-between, one cannot help but be awed by the sharing of time, talents and treasures so selflessly and lovingly by so many.

Yes, there is darkness in our world. It is not difficult to find it. It is presented to us every day in one form or another. But, yes, if we keep our eyes and ears open we can experience a great deal of light in our midst, starting right here at St. Augustine Parish.

On Sunday, as part of the celebration of the Sinulog, we took Santo Niño (the Child Jesus) around the local area of Olde City. This is symbolic of how John Clark and his family, Matt and Kelsie, the Filipino Community in general and so many individuals specifically manifested the presence of Jesus in our midst this past weekend. Thank you one and all. We so desperately need this.

Have a great week and may we be a sign of Jesus to those we encounter this week. As the Prayer of St. Francis says, where there is darkness, may we bring light.

Fr. Bill



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