

St. Augustine Parish

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time—August 28, 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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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.

A Biographical Sketch of an Augustinian Saint.... Saint Augustine, Bishop & Doctor ◆ August 28th

The life span of Saint Augustine (354-430) covered a time of crisis and change. The Roman Empire was slowly disintegrating under the invasions of the surrounding peoples. On august 28 Hippo was already under siege. So while Augustine lay dying, this drama of events was intensely alive, and although his mind was now fixed on God, he could not but have been a co-sufferer with his people in their plight. Form the time of his priestl ordination (391) and especially since he became bishop (395) his people had been one with him in seeking God's glory through the service of their Church, while one of his greatest aspirations was the promotion of unity in the whole Church. Wishing to live this unity more clearly himself, he founded religious communities. These he saw as centers and symbols of his ideal. Augustine is now dead, but as Saint Possidius said he still lives on gloriously in the books he left to posterity.



Confessions 1-2 PM.

Blessing with St. Rita's Oil, Novena Prayers and Relic Veneration.

All are welcome! For more info: 215-546-8333

During the Year of Mercy, may we reflect this week on.....



"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

For information on the Year of Mercy, please go to: http://archphila.org/mercy

220th Anniversary Celebration

Please join us for a Buffet Dinner and an Evening of Music and Dancing as we Cruise the



Delaware River aboard the Spirit of Philadelphia

Friday, September 30, 2016 • Boarding Time: 7:00 PM Cruise Times: 7:30 PM to 10:30 PM

Tickets are \$85.00 per person • Please contact the Parish Office for Tickets

NEW YORK CITY at Christmas Time! Saturday, December 3, 2016 Depart 7:30am/Return 8:30pm

St. Rita's Shrine will sponsor a Trip to New York City to Healing Mass at St. Rita's Church visit St. Francis Cabrini Shrine where the remains of Mother Cabrini are displayed in a glass coffin. Lunch will be held at Sunday, September 18th, 2:00 PM DaRosina Restaurant in Manhattan, NY (Theater District) where you will enjoy a three-course lunch featuring Italian specialties. Off to Radio City Music Hall to see the Christmas Spectacular featuring the famous ROCK-ETTES! (Front Mezzanine Seating). Free time in New York after the show - maybe go see the Rockefeller Center Christmas Tree or do some Christmas Shopping! \$230 pp which includes all of the above, luxury bus transport and snacks on bus. Call Shrine office 215-546-8333 asap to reserve your spot as there are only 50 seats available. Deposit \$100 due by Aug. 31. Payments of \$50 will be due Sept. 30 & Oct. 28. \$30 due 11/11.

Schedule & Intentions

Saturday & Sunday, August 27 & 28, 2016

5:15 PM † John A. Georeno, Jr. 9:00 AM † Peggy DeFoney Smith 11:00 AM † Paula Recaro Uy 7:00 PM † Julia Baumann

Monday, August 29, 2016 12:05 PM

Tuesday, August 30, 2016 12:05 PM † Lee Crockett

Wednesday, August 31, 2016 12:05 PM † Nicholas & Philomena Georeno

Thursday, September 01, 2016 12:05 PM † Hugh Curran, Jr.

Friday, September 02, 2016 12:05 PM The Parish Community

Saturday, September 03, 2016 5:15 PM In Honor of St. Augustine

† = Deceased

Sacrificial Giving August 20 & 21, 2016

Number of Envelopes Used: 44 Amount in Envelopes: \$1,337.00 Average \$/Envelope: \$30.39 Electronic Giving: 24 Amount Electronic: \$452.00 Average \$/Electronic: \$18.83 Loose Money: \$4,695.00 Total Collection: \$6,484.00

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Bulletin Board

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday, August 28, 2016 4:00 PM Gift of Life Family House Dinner

Monday, August 29, 2016

Tuesday, August 30, 2016 7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB

Wednesday, August 31, 2016 7:00 PM Parish Pastoral Council Meeting 8:00 PM Fiat Prayer Group

Thursday, September 01, 2016 7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB 8:00 PM St. Augustine Choir Rehearsal

Friday, September 02, 2016 6:00 PM McHale-Schlosser Rehearsal

Saturday, September 03, 2016 2:30 PM McHale-Schlosser Wedding 7:00 PM N.A. Meeting in CHB



A word from Fr. Bill....

Dear Parishioners:

First and foremost a sincere thank you to everyone who made the celebration of the Sinulog Festival last weekend such a festive occasion. It was truly a festival. It encompassed well over 1,000 people who were extremely happy and joyful to demonstrate their faith by singing, dancing, waving handkerchiefs and carrying images of Jesus as a child, Señor Santo Niño. It was surrounded by people who were selfless in the sharing of their time and talents with the liturgy, the procession thru the streets, entertaining us with music and dance, preparing for, serving of, and cleaning up after the lunch. We experienced that it was not only Jesus who could feed the multitude, 1,000 people. Others helped to raise money to cover the expenses. All of these things are mammoth tasks to be accomplished so smoothly. It truly is a reflection of many selfless individuals sharing themselves to form a community focused on Jesus, and on this occasion under the title of Señor Santo Niño. Many thanks to one and all.

To see so many people be so selfless and happy about their faith in Jesus is truly humbling. Humility is very much the theme of our scripture readings at Mass this weekend. In the first reading from Sirach we are told to conduct our affairs with humility and that the person who is humble finds favor with God. In the Gospel Jesus talks about humility in reference to not seeking places of honor at a banquet and not just inviting our friends to banquets.

Humility was something about which St. Augustine, whose feast we celebrate this weekend, often spoke. Of course, St. Augustine is the patron saint of our parish as well the patron saint of the community who founded and has continuously served the parish for 220 years, the Augustinian Friars. His notion of community becomes the model for us as we live as a parish community. There were many aspects of community which were important to Augustine: be intent upon God, share all things in common, put the common good above your own, put an end to guarrels, take responsibility for each other, and provide for the needs of all. Interwoven in all of the things Augustine says about community is the notion of humility. He said that "it was pride that changed angels into humans, and humility that changes humans into Angels."

We experienced many of Augustine's concepts of community last weekend. The weekend was very much intent upon God. Many people put the common good above their own. Many shared their resources for the community, and I am not aware of any quarrels, but if there were any, they must have been handled maturely and responsibly.

The following is a prayer (litany) of St Augustine. As we say it often, may it help us to stay focused on this important attribute for St. Augustine, humility.

O Jesus! meek and humble of heart. Hear me

From the desire of being esteemed, Deliver me, Jesus.

From the desire of being loved...

From the desire of being extolled...

From the desire of being honored ...

From the desire of being praised ...

Fr. Bill

From the desire of being preferred to others...

From the desire of being consulted...

From the desire of being approved ...

From the fear of being humiliated ...

From the fear of being despised...

From the fear of suffering rebukes ...

From the fear of being calumniated ...

From the fear of being forgotten...

From the fear of being ridiculed. Amen.



St. Augustine Parish will be hosting a clothing drive to benefit The Society of Saint ST. VINCENT PRO TO Sunday, September 11th from 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM. There will be a truck parked on 4th Street for your old clothing donations.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be using the services of GreenDrop to support their clothing drive. Look for the GreenDrop truck parked in front of the Church where an attendant will be available to assist you with your donations. Please place your donations of usable men's, women's and children's clothing in plastic bags or boxes. Household items such as: kitchenware, games/toys, small appliances under 50 pounds, electronics, sporting goods, books, CDs & videos are also accepted. Unfortunately, furniture, large appliances, TVs or computer monitors cannot be accepted. For a full list of acceptable items please visit our website: www.gogreendrop.com