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

# St. Augustine R. C. Parish

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time \*August 29, 2021

"Creating A Community Of Involvement And Evangelization"



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# **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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**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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# Feast Day of Saint Augustine of Hippo

"Doctor of Grace" Bishop, and Doctor of the Church

# August 28th

"Anima una et cor unum in Deum"

"One heart and soul in God"

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

# Happy Saint Augustine Feast Day!



August 28th

# Legion of Mary 100th Anniversary Celebration

Archbishop Nelson J. Pérez will celebrate Mass commemorating the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the founding of the Legion of Mary on **Saturday, September 11 at 1:00 PM** in the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul. All present and former Legionaries as well as auxiliaries are cordially invited to participate in this joyous occasion.

# September 17-19, 2021 and November 12-14, 2021 Marriage Encounter Weekends

Marriage Encounter weekend experiences are once again being held in person

in the greater Philadelphia area. Register today! Location: Our Lady of Czestochowa, Doylestown, PA More information: https://wwme.org/for-couples/

The Father willed to give us birth by the word of truth that we may be a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

James 1:18

# Saturday, September 18, 2021 - 12:00-9:00 PM and Sunday, September 19, 2021 - 12:00-6:00 PM 6th Annual Padre Pio Festival presented by St. Bede the Venerable Parish and Knights of Columbus Council 15478

Saturday – Community Family Picnic with food, games, entertainment and amusements; evening concert at 7:30 (The Jersey Tenors)

Sunday – Solemn Mass at 12:30 (Homilist Fr. Pio Mandato) followed by a street procession and healing service with Padre Pio Relics; food, games, entertainment and amusements

Location: St. Bede the Venerable Parish, 1071 Holland Road, Holland, PA.

More info: https://padrepiofestivalhollandpa.com/

# Monday, September 20, 2021 – 7:00 PM Presentation: "The Wonders of St. Joseph!"

Join us for a talk by local Catholic physician and Third Order Carmelite, Dr. Antone Raymundo. You will learn all about the glories of St. Joseph and the power he has to protect, provide and lead you deeper into the spiritual life. The talk is based on book, Consecration to St. Joseph by Fr. Donald Calloway, MIC

Location: **St. Isaac Jogues Church**, 50 W. Walker

Road, Wayne, PA

More info: https://stisaac.org/



9:00 AM The Parish Community
11:00 AM † Joe DeFoney
7:00 PM Joseph Cohill, Special Intention

Monday, August 30, 2021 12:05 PM † Jeff Hird

Tuesday, August 31, 2021 12:05 PM † Hugh Curran, Jr.

Wednesday, September 01, 2021 12:05 PM † Robert Pearse

Thursday, September 02, 2021
12:05 PM Deceased Members and
Benefactors of the OSA

Friday, September 03, 2021 12:05 PM † Jean Bateman

Saturday, September 04, 2021

† = Deceased

# Capital Campaign News Goal: \$750,000 (Phase 1) To date:

Pledges: 210 Percentage: 105.5854% Amount Pledged: \$791,890.50 Pledges Received: \$725,464.90 In-Kind Gifts Received: \$10,437.71 Campaign Total Rec'd: \$735,902.61

# Sacrificial Giving August 22, 2021

Number of Envelopes Used: 18
Amount in Envelopes: \$1,310.00
Average \$/Envelope: \$72.78
Electronic Giving: 43
Amount Electronic: \$1,155.00
Average \$/Electronic: \$26.86
Loose Money: \$298.00
Total Collection: \$2,763.00

# Electronic Giving

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"Sign Up For Electronic Giving"





22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday, August 29, 2021

Monday, August 30, 2021

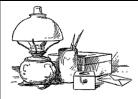
**Tuesday, August 31, 2021** 8:00 PM Parish Rosary—Zoom 854 1235 0301 150408

Wednesday, September 01, 2021

Thursday, September 02, 2021 7:00 PM Parish Scripture Study—Zoom 832 4986 0935 025786

**Friday, September 03, 2021** 3:45 PM Iwasko-Beerley Wedding

Saturday, September 04 2021 12:30 PM Motts-McMonigle Wedding 3:00 PM Rokowski-Blackburn Wedding



# A word from Fr. Bill...

### Dear Parishioners:

August 28th is the Feast of St. Augustine (born in 354). This weekend we will be celebrating the Feast of the Patron Saint of our parish and the Patron Saint of the Augustinians who have served here for 225 years.

As we celebrate the feast this weekend, I would like to draw your attention to the paintings in the balcony of the church. They were painted in Italy by Tito Troja and they have been here since 1897-98. They are considered the most valuable items in the church. We recently had assessed what it would cost to restore them. The figure for all 8 panting is about \$560,000 (repair paint cracking, saggy canvases, buckling and tear problems, remove distortions in paintings, etc.).

As a whole, they reflect St. Augustine's life from the time of his conversion. The story begins in the paintings above the new piano and new choir area. The first is his reading of the Scriptures and his conversion. The second is St. Ambrose baptizing him (387) in Milan at 33 years of age with his son, Adeodatus (Gift from God) and his good friend, Alypiius. The third is he and his mother, Monica, who prayed and prayed that he would turn his life around and the fourth picture is the death of Monica (387) as they were on their way home to Africa from Italy. On the parking lot side of the church beginning in the back is Augustine giving the way of life to his fellow community members. The next is Augustine talking on the beach with a youngster about the Holy Trinity, followed by him speaking at the Council of Carthage (reflecting 500 sermons, 200 letters and over 100 books) and the final painting on the parking lot side and by the sanctuary depicts Augustine at 76 years old reading the psalms on the wall from his death bed (430).

St. Augustine provides many inspirations for us. He led a very restless life. He was searching and searching for fulfillment. He looked for it in prestige as a university professor, in sex ("Lord, give me chastity but not yet."), etc. He concluded that he was looking for God in many places, but the whole time God was within. He concluded by realizing our restless hearts will continue to be restless until they rest in God.

These insights by Augustine are inspirational to me and I hope to all of us as we each look for fulfillment on our own journeys with our own restless hearts.

You may find surprising that Augustine is not the "founder" of the Augustinian Order. He had no intention of finding a Religious Order in the same way St. Ignatius of Loyola (Jesuits), St. Dominic (Dominicans), St. Benedict (Benedictines) or St. Theresa of Calcutta (Missionaries of Charity) did.

What was important to St. Augustine was living in community "being of one mind and heart intent upon God." He believed he and the others with whom he lived were helping each other to salvation by sharing their insights and experiences of God with each other. As time went on, other communities in different areas sprung up following this same way of life. Over 800 years after his death (430), Rome directed (1256) all the groups following the way of life of St. Augustine to come together under one umbrella (so to speak) and thus the beginning of the Augustinian Order as we know it today. It is called "The Grand Union."

I think these values of Augustine are also important to us as St. Augustine Parish Community. Hopefully, we can see ourselves striving to be "of one mind and heart intent upon God," sharing our experiences and insights into God and helping one another to Salvation.

Happy Feast Day and have a great week.

Lr. Siele Fr. Bill



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