



# St. Augustine Parish

*Second Sunday of Advent – December 04, 2016*

*"Creating A Community Of Involvement And Evangelization"*

**Served by the Augustinian Friars since 1796**

## *Mission Statement:*

*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**

## **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.

### 3rd ANNUAL FALL CLEANUP



**December 10, 2016**

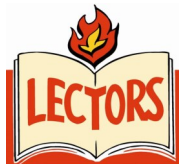
**10 AM to 1 PM**

Meet at the corner of  
5th & Vine Streets

**Gloves & Tools Provided**

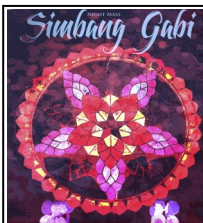
**Lunch after Cleanup!**

*Rain/Snow Date—December 11th*



**Lector Workbooks** are now available

for the new **2016-2017 Liturgical Year**, which began last week on the **First Sunday of Advent, November 27<sup>th</sup>**. Please pick up your reserved workbook in the sacristy after Mass today.



On **Thursday, December 15<sup>th</sup>**, at the **7:00 PM Mass**, we will celebrate the annual beginning of **Simbang Gabi**, the Novena of Masses, in preparation for the Christ Child's coming.



**Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

**Thursday, December 08, 2016**

**Holy Day of Obligation**

**Mass will be Celebrated at 12:05 PM and 7:00 PM**



### Mass Intentions

**Saturday & Sunday, December 03 & 04, 2016**

5:15 PM In Honour of St. Augustine  
9:00 AM † Anthony Bernato  
11:00 AM † Jerry DeFoney  
7:00 PM † Edmund & Genevieve Gracey

**Monday, December 05, 2016**

12:05 PM † Julia Baumann

**Tuesday, December 06, 2016**

12:05 PM † Catherine Cubbin

**Wednesday, December 07, 2016**

12:05 PM The Parish Community

**Thursday, December 08, 2016**

**Feast of the Immaculate Conception**

12:05 PM † Philip Robertson  
7:00 PM For Religious Vocations

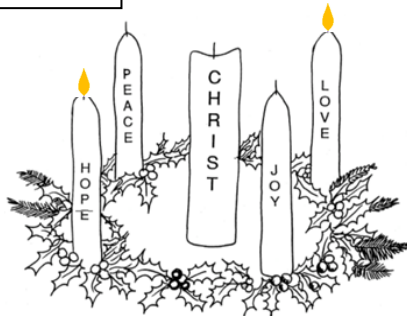
**Friday, December 09, 2016**

12:05 PM † Elsie Manning

**Saturday, December 10, 2016**

5:15 PM Theresa & Joseph Toman and David Shibochevski

† = Deceased



**Second Sunday of Advent - LOVE**

### Electronic Giving

*It's simple!*

*It's secure!*

*It's convenient!*

Just log on to our website,

[www.st-augustinechurch.com](http://www.st-augustinechurch.com)

and click on:

**Parish Giving**



**St. Augustine's Giving Tree** will

be supporting the following organizations: Women of Hope, Our Brother's Place, Augustinian Defenders of the Rights of the Poor (ADROP), Adeodatus Prison Ministry, Family House Now, Gift of Life Family House, and the Philippine Medical Mission.

**Starting this weekend**, we ask you to take an ornament, purchase the requested gift and return it **unwrapped with the ornament tag attached to the gift** by **Sunday, December 18th** and place it in one of the boxes by the tree. Thank you for your generosity.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available after the 11:00 AM and 7:00 PM Masses on the four Sundays of Advent.



This year we will be decorating the church for Christmas on:

**Thursday Evening, December 22nd at 7pm.**

*Your help is needed!*



The holiday season is quickly approaching and we will soon be preparing the way for the Lord. But first, we have to clean his house! Our parish family bi-annual **Church Cleaning Day** is just around the corner. Please join us on **Sunday, December 18th at 1:00 PM**. It's a big church, but many hands make light work. We look forward to seeing you here.



### The Bulletin Board

**Second Sunday of Advent**

**Sunday, December 04, 2016**

3:00 PM Rosario-Taylor Wedding

**Monday, December 05, 2016**

**Tuesday, December 06, 2016**

7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB

**Wednesday, December 07, 2016**

8:00 PM Fiat Prayer Group

**Thursday, December 08, 2016**

7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB

8:00 PM St. Augustine Choir Rehearsal

**Friday, December 09, 2016**

6:00 PM Lazar-Dominic Rehearsal

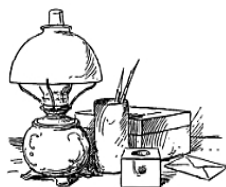
**Saturday, December 10, 2016**

2:00 PM Lazar-Dominic Wedding

5:15 PM Murphy Baptism

6:00 PM Ilocano Christmas Party

7:00 PM N.A. Meeting in CHB



## *A word from Fr. Bill.....*



Dear Parishioners:

Two weeks from this Saturday, December 17th, one of our Augustinian Friars, Aldo Potencio, will be professing Solemn Vows. What does that mean? It means that after a number of years of prayer, spiritual direction, study, living the Rule of St. Augustine with us, he has decided to publicly profess vows of Poverty, Chastity and Obedience for life. He will profess that he will own nothing as his own, but will hold all things in common with us. He will profess that he will be chaste and that he will serve wherever it is discerned he can best serve within our community life, matching the needs of the Church with his gifts and talents. Aldo who was born in the Philippines is 42 years old. After spending several years experiencing Augustinian community life, he professed these same vows three years ago for one year and has renewed them each year. So, you can see that it has been a gradual and prayerful process for Aldo. Please join us in thanking God for his commitment to live the Augustinian way of life for life.

I mention this because it is a good opportunity to let you know that young people (and some not so young) are looking at priesthood and/or religious life today. This is a sense of joy and hope. I mention this so that you may ask and encourage someone who you think is suitable to consider this way of life. When was the last time you suggested to someone to think about a religious vocation?

Please find within the bulletin this weekend a poster with the pictures of 40 men from the Augustinian Provinces in the United States who are currently 'in formation.' Aldo is on the third row from the bottom on the left side. Please do not throw this poster away but put it somewhere in your home to remind yourself to pray for these men and to pray for others who may be considering a religious vocation. Place it somewhere where others will see it. You never know in what way that could speak volumes to whomever may see it. You will notice that these men range in ages from 22 to 59---15 are in their 20's; 16 are in their 30's. 6 are in their 40's, and 3 are in their 50's.

As you hear discussions about the shortage of priests and religious today, ask yourself "what have I done to help this situation?" Hopefully, you can say that you prayed for vocations in general, that you prayed for someone specifically who is "in formation," and that you asked someone(s) to consider this way of life for themselves.

Have a great week.

Fr. Bill

### **Sacrificial Giving**

**November 19 & 20, 2016**

Number of Envelopes Used: **52**  
Amount in Envelopes: **\$1,292.33**  
Average \$/Envelope: **\$24.87**  
Electronic Giving: **25**  
Amount Electronic: **\$502.00**  
Average \$/Electronic: **\$20.08**  
Loose Money: **\$520.00**  
Total Collection: **\$2,314.33**

### **Sacrificial Giving**

**November 26 & 27, 2016**

Number of Envelopes Used: **57**  
Amount in Envelopes: **\$1,976.00**  
Average \$/Envelope: **\$34.67**  
Electronic Giving: **25**  
Amount Electronic: **\$547.00**  
Average \$/Electronic: **\$21.88**  
Loose Money: **\$564.00**  
Total Collection: **\$3,087.00**

### **The Second Sunday of Advent**

We re-light the candle of hope and now also light the Second Purple candle of love. We know that God is love. We remember with thankful hearts the gift of Jesus, who came as a babe in a manger, lived and loved among us, was killed on a cross, and arose!

Love endures forever.







### Baptism Celebration

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

**Saturday, December 10, 2016**

**Aislinn Victoria Murphy,**

daughter of Brad Murphy & Paula Marchese.

*Please keep Aislinn's family in your prayers.*



### A Prayer For Advent

Let us open our hearts to receive the grace of this Advent season, which is Christ himself, whom God our Father has revealed to the entire world.

Where God is born, hope is born. Where God is born, peace is born. And where peace is born, there is no longer room for hatred and for war. God alone can save us and free us from the many forms of evil and selfishness in our midst.

Let us welcome into our lives God's mercy, which Jesus Christ has bestowed on us, so that we in turn can show mercy to our brothers and sisters. In this way, we will make peace grow!

*Pope Francis*



### New Year's Eve Party

Come and enjoy a night of fun, singing, dancing, free champagne, Filipino and American food (BYOB) at St. Augustine Church – Carr Hall on **December 31<sup>st</sup> from 7:00 PM to 12:00 AM.** Mass to follow at **12:15 AM.** Tickets are: \$15 for adults, \$10 for child ages 13-17, \$5 for children ages 8-12, and children under the age of 7 are free. For more info contact:

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### Save the Date!

### Winter Sinulog

### Feast of Santo Niño

**January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

**11:00 AM Mass**

### Schedule of Christmas Masses

#### Christmas Eve

**December 24, 2016:**  
**5:30 PM, 8:30 PM & 10:30 PM**  
(No Confessions on Christmas Eve)

#### Christmas Day

**December 25, 2016:**  
**10:00 AM**



### Schedule of New Year's Masses

**Solemnity of Mary,  
The Mother of God**

**December 31, 2016**  
**5:15 PM**

**January 1, 2017:**  
**12:15 AM (After the N.Y. Eve Party)**  
**10:00 AM & 7:00 PM**