# St. Augustine Parish

# The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph December 30, 2018



National Shrine of Santo Niño de Cebú

 $"Creating\ A\ Community\ Of\ Involvement\ And\ Evangelization"$ 

#### **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. 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

(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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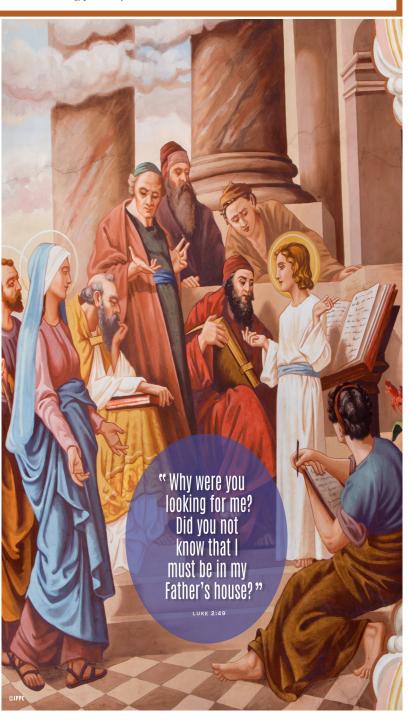
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### **January 18, 2019** Washington, D.C.

#### www.marchforlife.org

End abortion by uniting, educating, and mobilizing pro-life people in the public square.

#### **SAVE THE DATE!**

MARRIAGE DAY OF REFLECTION

SATURDAY. FEBRUARY 23, 2019 10:30 AM TO 6:30 PM (CONCLUDES WITH MASS)

Please visit our parish website for all of the latest parish news and events! www.st-augustinechurch.com



Please visit our Facebook: St.AugustineChurchPhiladelphia

Blessed are they who dwell in your house, O Lord.

Psalm 84:4

#### A Biographical Sketch of an Augustinian Saint....... Saint Fulgentius, Bishop • January 3rd



Fulgentius was born in 462 of the Gordiani senatorial family at Thelepte in Tunisia. As a young man he was a procurator, an office in the Vandal administration which included the collection of taxes. Later he felt a call to the religious life and decided to enter after reading Saint Augustine's exposition of Psalm 36. About the year

499 he set out to join the hermits of the Thebaid in Egypt, but arriving in Sicily he changed his mind, when he learned of the influence of monophysitism on Egyptian monks. He visited Rome in 500 and was elected Bishop of Ruspe in 502. He was twice exiled to Sardinia and died at Ruspe on January 1, 527. As his writings show he was a keen student of Augustinian doctrine, and his form of monasticism clearly follows the mind and way of life of the saint. Indeed he was popularly known as the pocket Augustine. He loved the ideal of community life and the actual living of it. Disliking to be away from the fellowship of monks, he founded several monasteries not only in Africa but while in exile. The Order has been celebrating his feast since 1581 on January 3rd.

## Winter Sinulog • Feast of Santo Niño Our annual Mass and festival in honor of

Santo Niño will be held on:

Sunday, January 20th, 2018. Mass begins at 11:00 AM followed by a procession inside the church. After the procession, there will be a light luncheon in Carr Hall.

All parishioners and guests are welcome to attend.

#### VIVA SANTO NIÑO! PIT SEÑOR!



#### Saturday & Sunday. December 29 & 30, 2018

5:15 PM Young & Ong Families 9:00 AM The Parish Community 11:00 AM † Fernando Dacanay † Kevin Kelleher 7:00 PM

Monday, December 31, 2018 Young & Ong Families

Tuesday, January 01, 2019 Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God 12:15 AM † Nicholas & Philomena Georeno **10:00 AM** Young & Ong Families

Benefactors of the O.S.A.

Wednesday, January 02, 2019 12:05 PM Deceased Members and

**7:00 PM** For The People

Thursday, January 03, 2019 12:05 PM

Friday, January 04, 2019 12:05 PM

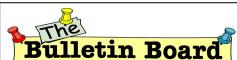
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 $\dagger$  = Deceased



#### Sacrificial Giving December 15 & 16, 2018

Number of Envelopes Used: 45 Amount in Envelopes: \$1,582.00 Average \$/Envelope: \$35.16 Electronic Giving: 39 Amount Electronic: \$818.00 Average \$/Electronic: \$20.98 Loose Money: **\$454.00** Total Collection: \$2,854.00



Sunday, December 30, 2018 2:00 PM Fox-Filippelli Wedding 4:00 PM Gleeson-Ferranti Rehearsal

Monday, December 31, 2018 **NEW YEAR'S EVE** 

4:30 PM Gleeson-Ferranti Wedding

Tuesday, January 01, 2019 New Year's DAY

7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB

Wednesday, January 02, 2019 8:00 PM Fiat Prayer Group

Thursday, January 03, 2019 7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB

Friday, January 04, 2019

Saturday, January 05, 2019 7:00 PM N.A. Meeting in CHB



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

#### Dear Parishioners:

Hopefully, you had a wonderful celebration of Christmas. We certainly did in the parish and that is thanks to the kindness of so many people sharing their time, talents and treasures.

"The Giving Tree" is a great example of our parish community reaching out to others. We distributed gifts to seven agencies which is the largest number of agencies we have helped in recent years. One young person placed on his wish list that he would like to receive an iPad for Christmas. This wish became reality thanks to the generosity of one of our parishioners. Many other people, young and older, have been the recipient of similar generosity. Those who have been helped this Christmas are associated with the prison ministry of **ADROP** (Augustinian Defenders of the Rights of the Poor), **Women of Hope**, **Padre Pio Community Outreach** (especially youth and homeless), **Augustinian Children Orphanage in the Philippines**, the **Bethesda Project** to the homeless, residents at **Gift of Life House** (transplant patients and their families), and **Family House NOW**. There is a tremendous diversification of people (ages, race, religion and life situations, etc.) who were happier this Christmas because of your generosity. I am especially grateful to Deidra Gatta who organized this whole project from preparing the ornaments to separating what gifts went to which agency.

The environment of the church had a great deal to do to set the atmosphere for our Christmas celebration. I am especially grateful to Rey Borres, Bob Zigmund and Br. Jack Staglianno, OSA for organizing this. As always, the church looks beautiful.

Providing the music to enhance our four liturgies is central to our Christmas celebration. Many thanks again to Kim Barasso, our cantors, choir members and instrumentalists.

Just looking at the response to "The Giving Tree," the decorations and the music, we have a tremendous example of stewardship and involvement in the parish. Many thanks to one and all and to all a wonderful Christmas Season which extends to the celebration of the Baptism of Jesus which we celebrate on January 13th.

As you well know, Tuesday is New Year's Day and on this day we celebrate "The Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God." Masses will be at 12:15 AM, 10:00 AM and 7:00 PM.

At Pope Francis' request, all U.S. bishops will gather in January for a spiritual retreat to gain clarity about what additional steps must be taken to prevent child sexual abuse by clergy, to provide accountability for bishops, and to help victims in their healing. Please pray for the guidance of the Holy Spirit for this extremely important gathering.

Have a wonderful week and a happy New Year.

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Fr. Bill

Dear Parishioners:

Your donations this year were amazing. All the participants of our "Giving Tree" will definitely be having a very, very Merry Christmas. Your generosity was off the charts, especially while our Parish continues to focus on our Capital Campaign. I know this coming Christmas morning there will be many smiles on young and old faces throughout our community because of your endless giving to

GIVING TREE others. Thank you for making my job so easy. From the Augustinian Children's Orphanage in Tagaytay City Philippines, Adeodatus Prison Ministry, Woman of Hope, Bethesda Project, Padre Pio Franciscan Outreach, Family House NOW, The Gift of Life, and myself; we wish everyone a joyous Christmas Season and a Happy and Healthy New Year.

Merry Christmas!

Deidre Gatta, St. Augustine's Giving Tree