

St. Augustine Parish

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time – February 03, 2019

"Creating A Community Of Involvement And Evangelization"

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National Shrine of
Santo Niño de Cebú

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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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 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.

Is your marriage hurting? Do you feel helpless?

Hopeless? Retrouvaille (retro-VIE) can help and offers *hope for a better relationship*. Retrouvaille is a peer ministry of volunteer couples who can help you re-awaken the love, trust and commitment that originally brought you together, just as they have done in their own marriages. Retrouvaille can help heal your marriage as it has for tens of thousands of couples throughout the world. The next program begins on **the weekend of February 8-10 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA**. Additional weekends will be held in April and August. For more information, or to register for one of our weekends, visit our website at: **www.HelpOurMarriage.org** or call **1-800-470-2230**. All inquiries are kept strictly confidential.



Dear Parishioners of St. Augustine:
May the peace of our Lord be with you! Thank you for your generosity in providing so many wonderful gifts to our community through your Giving Tree. The children in our neighborhood are very appreciative of your kindness.

May God bless you abundantly
this New Year.

Peace and all good, **Brother Andrew McCarty OFM Cap.** and
all of us at **Padre Pio Prayer Center (Franciscan Outreach)**

Feast of Saint Blaise ♦ February 03

Blaise, who had studied philosophy in his youth, was a doctor in Sebaste in Armenia, the city of his birth, who exercised his art with miraculous ability, good-will, and piety. When the bishop of the city died, he was chosen to succeed him, with the acclamation of all the people. His holiness was manifest through many miracles: from all around, people came to him to find cures for their spirit and their body; even wild animals came in herds to receive his blessing.

Tradition has it..... while Blaise was being taken into custody, a distraught mother, whose only child was choking on a fishbone, threw herself at his feet and implored his intercession. Touched at her grief, he offered up his prayers, and the child was cured. Consequently, Saint Blaise is invoked for protection against injuries and illnesses of the throat. Blaise died in 316 A.D.

In many places on the day of his feast the blessing of St. Blaise is given: two candles, are held in a crossed position by a church minister over the heads of the faithful or the people are touched on the throat with them. At the same time the following blessing is given: *"Through the intercession of Saint Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from every disease of the throat and from every other illness."* The minister then makes the sign of the cross over the faithful.



Mass Intentions

**Saturday & Sunday,
February 02 & 03, 2019**

5:15 PM Deceased Members and
Benefactors of the O.S.A.

9:00 AM † Helen O'Brien Armstrong

11:00 AM † Kaela DeJesus

7:00 PM † Peggy Ann McMonagle

Monday, February 04, 2019

12:05 PM † Angel Yang

Tuesday, February 05, 2019

12:05 PM -----

Wednesday, February 06, 2019

12:05 PM The Parish Community

Thursday, February 07, 2019

12:05 PM † Angel Yang

Friday, February 08, 2019

12:05 PM -----

Saturday, February 09, 2019

5:15 PM -----

† = Deceased

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website for all of the latest parish
news and events!



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**4th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday, February 03, 2019**

Monday, February 04, 2019

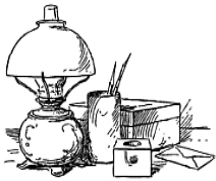
Tuesday, February 05, 2019
7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB

Wednesday, February 06, 2019
8:00 PM Fiat Prayer Group

Thursday, February 07, 2019
7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB

Friday, February 08, 2019

Saturday, February 09, 2019
7:00 PM N.A. Meeting in CHB



A word from Fr. Bill.....

Dear Parishioners:

There are a lot of important things coming up in our life in the parish. You have heard most of these before but by repeating them, I hope it is a good reminder for as many as possible to participate in these activities.

First of all, our **Theology on Tap on Sunday, February 17th**. This is a result of group discussions last Lent and Advent on how we as a parish might respond to the drug problem in our society. More on that next weekend but please put it in your calendar now. *(See the flyer insert in this bulletin.)*

Secondly, we will have our third annual **Day of Reflection for Married Couples on Saturday, February 23rd**. This is a great opportunity for couples to take some quality time to strengthen their marriage. Please see the enclosed flyer for specific details, like the time span of the day, the titles of the specific talks and who is going to give them as well as directions on how to register.

Thirdly, please be prepared to participate in a **Parish Survey** between **February 16 and March 16**. This survey will be invaluable to us and our various ministries as we plan for the future and strive to best respond to your spiritual needs. The survey can be done online or with a hard copy. More information and directions will be made available, especially on the weekend of February 16 and 17. The Catholic Leadership Institute facilitates the survey for us as they have in 400 parishes from 22 dioceses and archdioceses in the United States. We are very fortunate that they took the initiative and volunteered their services to us free of charge. *(See the flyer insert in this bulletin.)*

Our **Capital Campaign** is getting ready to move into new stages. We now have **\$620,000 pledged or 83%** of our first goal of \$750,000 (Phase I). Two other exciting things are happening right now: There will be a **Fund Raising Event at Villanova from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM on Saturday, June 1st**. I will be meeting shortly with the Assistant to the President of the University for Special Events to work out details. You will be hearing a lot more about this in the future, but **please put June 1st on your calendar now**. The second exciting thing is we are in the early stages of working with the Communication Office of the Archdiocese to help us "get the word out" about the campaign. I hope to be able to tell you what that specifically means in the near future.

It seems Advent was just over, but we need to be thinking about Lent. After I meet with our Parish Pastoral Council later this week, I will be able to give you specific information in next weekend's bulletin of what we might be doing this year as a parish for Lent. But, for now please reserve on your calendars the Tuesday's of Lent.

Have a great week

Fr. Bill

Do you wish that you could interact better with your neighbors who speak other languages? Would you like to learn more about their cultures and lives while also sharing your own? The A.D.R.O.P. Language Exchange would be perfect for you! Once a week, each person will be paired up with another individual who speaks a language different from them and the two will practice based on a different theme of the night. Come build true community with your neighbors! Free, Every Wednesday from 7-8pm at St. Anthony of Padua School Auditorium, 913 Pierce Street (9th & Pierce) starting 2/6/2019. Email adropinfo@augustinian.org or call (215) 925-3566 for more information.



Please join us on:

Sunday, February 17, 2019

8:15 PM *(after the 7 PM Mass)*

Saint Augustine R.C. Church

250 N. 4th Street, Philadelphia, PA

Father Matthew Carr, O.S.A. Hall

for a presentation on:

“Franciscan Street Ministry Outreach”

Guest Speaker:

Brother Andrew McCarty, OFM Cap.

Padre Pio Prayer Center, Philadelphia (Frankford)

Br. Andrew is a member of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin (“Franciscan”) which is a male religious order in the Roman Catholic Church. The vision of the Capuchins is to follow the Gospel of Jesus in the manner of St. Francis of Assisi.



- ⇒ *He will discuss the mission of the Prayer Center which is to rebuild the local Church by witnessing to the Gospel in the manner of Saint Francis of Assisi.*
- ⇒ *They do so by encountering their neighbors where they are, healing wounds, building relationships, and forming community.*
- ⇒ *They aim to equip disciples for their journey of faith through dynamic worship and nourishing relationship.*

**There will be an opportunity to
ask all of your questions.**

Beer/Wine & Munchies provided!

A free will offering will be accepted.

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Catholic Leadership
INSTITUTE

Do you know **who**
participates in your
parish community?
Why are they
coming?

Are your people
growing spiritually?
Are their spiritual
needs being met?

Do you know if the
time and energy being
spent by the parish is
actually **making a**
difference?

THE DISCIPLE MAKER INDEX SURVEY

“Giving parishes the tools to know the concerns and needs of parishioners and to respond to them”

As a result of the Parish Pastoral Council recommendation, I am very excited to announce that we will be participating in a parish-wide survey about discipleship conducted by the Catholic Leadership Institute, a non-profit Catholic apostolate that does leadership training and development. We are the recipients of a grant. There will be no cost to the parish!

In order to answer the five questions above, we need your help!

We want as many parishioners as possible to complete a 10-15 minute ONLINE survey (paper surveys will be available as well in English and Tagalog). The survey will only be available from **February 16 to March 16, 2019** and will ask you to reflect on your own spiritual growth and enable you to provide feedback on what our parish is doing to help you grow. All responses will be confidential and **ONLY the parish will receive the survey results.**

The survey results will be invaluable to me, the staff, and our Parish Pastoral Council, as we ascertain our pastoral needs, develop a pastoral plan, and continue to build our parish community.

Additional details will be available in future bulletins and announcements.

I look forward to sharing the findings with you when the project is complete!

Thank you for helping with this important project!

Fr. Bill



SEEKING HEALING in the CHURCH

**Thursday, February 7, 2019
7pm - Lower Shrine Chapel**

How can we be about the work of healing in the church? This February, the National Shrine of Saint Rita of Cascia will host an evening of reflection on Seeking Healing in the Church. Fr. Jim Paradis, O.S.A. will provide thoughts addressing healing in the church following new revelations last year pertaining to the sexual abuse crisis. This will be followed by questions and moderated discussion among participants. There is no charge for this event.

“The Church is the traveler's inn where the wounded are healed.” - Saint Augustine

Free parking in Shrine parking lot off of Ellsworth Street
or take the Broad Street Subway Line to Ellsworth/Federal stop



All are welcome.

1166 S. Broad Street, Philadelphia, PA 19146
215.546.8333 • www.SaintRitaShrine.org
www.SaintRitaShrine.org/cascia-center-ministries

Marriage Day of Reflection

Saturday, February 23, 2019 - 10:30 AM,

Concluding with the 5:15 PM Mass

Transforming Our Love

Based on St. Paul's Letter to the Romans, Chapter 12

Saint Augustine Roman Catholic Church – Carr Hall

Fourth and Vine Streets

GPS Address: 250 North Fourth Street

Philadelphia, PA 19106

215-627-1838 ♦ www.st-augustinechurch.com

10:30 AM Welcome

Join us for coffee and doughnuts

Anticipate One Another In Showing Honor

Father Bill Waters, O.S.A.

Pastor of Saint Augustine Parish, Philadelphia

Group Discussion

1:00 PM Lunch

Two Shall Be One: Different But Joined

Presenters: Mike and Maria Fichera

Representatives of Philadelphia Area Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Reflection and Sharing with your Spouse

Going For The Gold

Tony and Cathy Witczak

USA representatives at the 2015 World Synod on Family Life held in Rome, Italy.

Reflection and Sharing with your Spouse

Renewal of Wedding Vows at the 5:15 PM Mass

Let the love of your life know that you would do it all over again!

Registration Required - Please contact: pastorstaugustine@gmail.com or call 215-627-1838

Please include first & last name(s) of couple, phone number and email address with registration request.

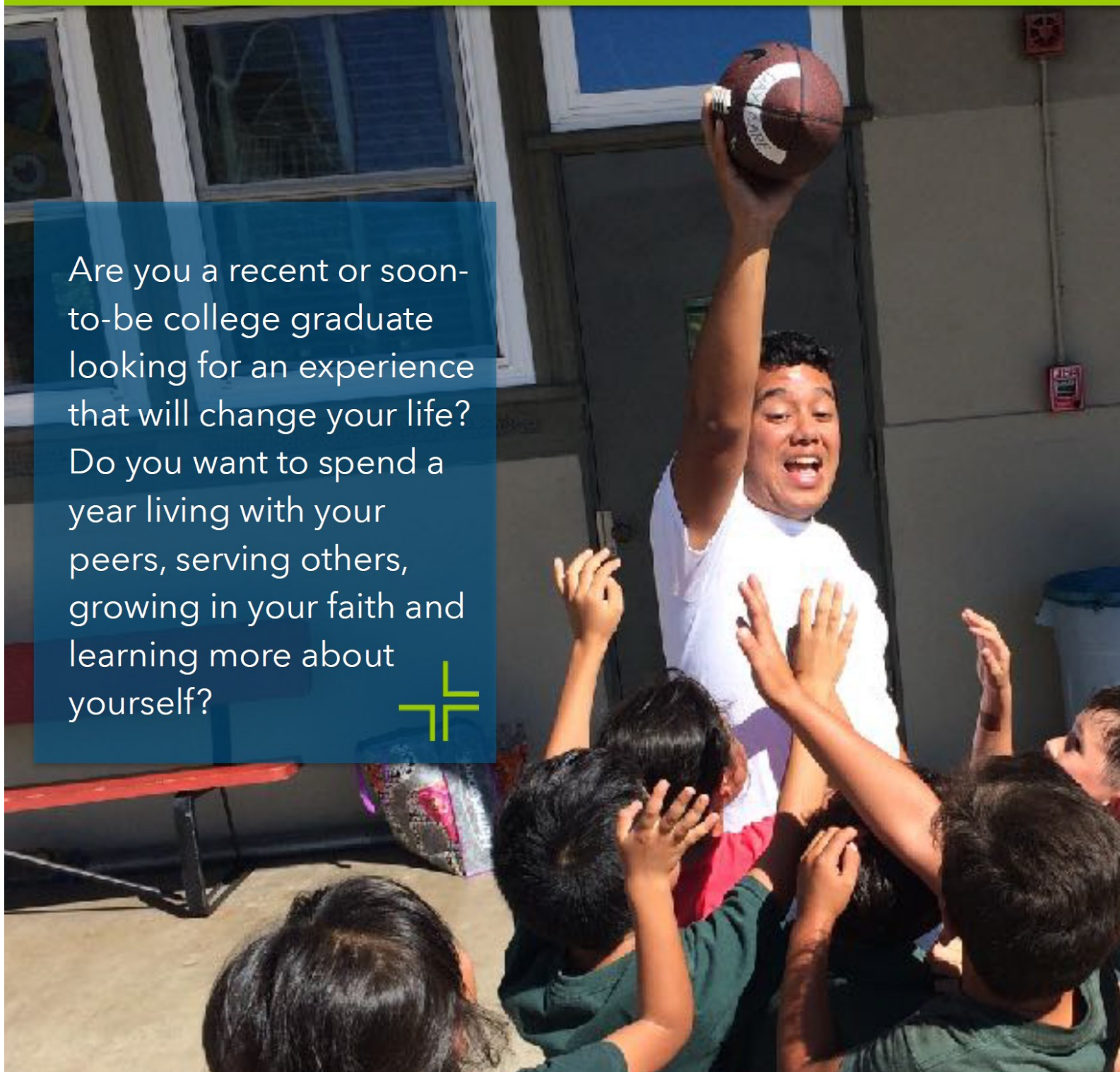
Free will offering accepted.



Augustinian Volunteers

SERVICE. SPIRITUALITY. COMMUNITY.

Are you a recent or soon-to-be college graduate looking for an experience that will change your life? Do you want to spend a year living with your peers, serving others, growing in your faith and learning more about yourself?





**GIVE MORE.
BECOME
MORE.**

FAQ

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Service Sites: Lawrence, MA; Philadelphia, PA; San Diego, CA; Ventura, CA and Chulucanas, Peru

Length of Service: Domestic volunteers serve on-site from August 2019 through June 2020. International volunteers serve on site from January 2020 through mid-December 2020.

Financial Arrangements: Room and board, health insurance, transportation and all necessary living costs consistent with our commitment to simple living are provided by the program. Volunteers also receive a small personal stipend.

Living Arrangements: A fully furnished house or apartment that can accommodate three to six volunteers will be provided.

Small Size: The average size of the program is 20 volunteers a year. As a result, you will get to know that other volunteers well, not just those with whom you are directly living. It also enables the staff to have an ongoing relationship with each volunteer.

Connection with the local Augustinians: You will meet and interact the Augustinians located in your cities on a regular basis. The Augustinian Friars become a part of your experience in a variety of ways and you are welcomed into the Augustinian family.

Augustinian Volunteers serve in parochial schools as teachers, coaches, tutors, mentors and teachers aids; in high schools and colleges as campus ministers; and in social services as case managers, legal aids, advocates, nurses and in a variety of other roles.

Following the example of the Augustinian Friars, all AVs live in community with 2 to 5 of their peers—sharing meals and praying together regularly. During the volunteers experience, community life is a means of giving and receiving support. It provides an opportunity to work together for shared goals, to learn from one another and to have fun!

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