

# St. Augustine Parish

*Solemnity of Mary, The Mother of God—January 01, 2017*

*"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. 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](http://www.st-augustinechurch.com)  
**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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**Rev. Paul Morrissey, O.S.A.**  
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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*

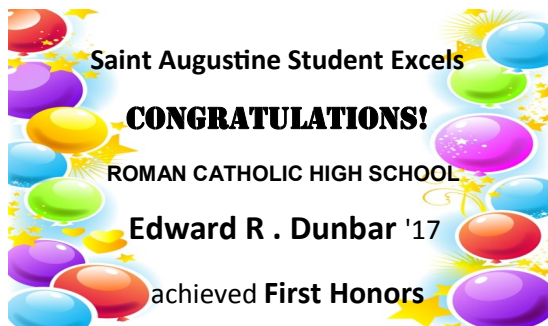
Please call the parish office for information. Forms are also available in the back of the Church.

### *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.





### Winter Sinulog ♦ Feast of Santo Niño


Our annual Mass and festival in honor of Santo Niño will be held on **Sunday, January 15th, 2017**. 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!**


**Hail, Holy Mother, who gave birth to the King who rules heaven and earth for ever.**  
*Isaiah 9:1,5; Luke 1:33*

### PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

January 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday ~ CLOSED  
 January 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday ~ Re-Open at 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM




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




**A Biographical Sketch of an Augustinian Saint.....**

**Saint Fulgentius, Bishop • January 3<sup>rd</sup>**

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 3<sup>rd</sup>.





### Mass Intentions

**Saturday & Sunday, December 31, 2016 & January 01, 2017**  
 5:15 PM † Nicholas & Philomena Georeno  
 12:15 AM Young & Ong Families  
 10:00 AM Pro Populo (For the People)  
 7:00 PM † Silverio Bararducci & Family

**Monday, January 02, 2017**  
 12:05 PM In Honor of Saint Augustine

**Tuesday, January 03, 2017**  
 12:05 PM † Raffaele Berarducci & Family

**Wednesday, January 04, 2017**  
 12:05 PM † Raffaele Giacomucci & Family

**Thursday, January 05, 2017**  
 12:05 PM † Julia R. Baumann

**Friday, January 06, 2017**  
 12:05 PM † Michele DiCandilo & Family

**Saturday, January 07, 2017**  
 5:15 PM † Benedict Arul & Family

† = Deceased

### Sacrificial Giving

December 17 & 18, 2016

Number of Envelopes Used: 66  
 Amount in Envelopes: \$2,105.00  
 Average \$/Envelope: \$31.89  
 Electronic Giving: 23  
 Amount Electronic: \$495.00  
 Average \$/Electronic: \$21.52  
 Loose Money: \$868.00  
 Total Collection: \$3,468.00

### 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:  
**"Sign Up For Electronic Giving"**





### The Bulletin Board

**The Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God**  
**Sunday, January 01, 2017**  
**HAPPY NEW YEAR !**  
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**Monday, January 02, 2017**  
**PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED TODAY**

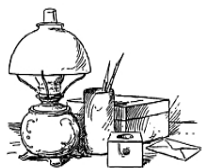
**Tuesday, January 03 2017**  
 7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB

**Wednesday, January 04, 2017**  
 8:00 PM Fiat Prayer Group

**Thursday, January 05, 2017**  
 7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB  
 8:00 PM St. Augustine Choir Rehearsal

**Friday, January 06, 2017**  
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**Saturday, January 07, 2017**  
 7:00 PM N.A. Meeting in CHB



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

Dear Parishioners:

Happy New Year!

I would like to begin 2017 by thanking everyone who helped make many things go so well in 2016.

I thank the Parish Pastoral Council for their consultation in looking at different aspects of a pastoral plan and all that is involved with that. I thank the Parish Finance Commission for their collaboration in guiding me with the temporal aspects of the parish, and in particular in guiding me with plans for a Capital Campaign. I thank the staff for their labors of love in many, many different areas (overseeing the needs of all the facilities, keeping track of all of our finances, keeping the buildings clean, shopping and cooking for the Friars, working closely with all the arrangements of the 60 weddings we had last year, working consistently with two choirs, overseeing all the liturgical music, coordinating concerts, being on top of the innumerable details of the parish office, as well as the Augustinian Friars who support us in so many way.)

We as a parish, and I specifically, are so blessed to have had the services of all of these people in 2016. In addition, I am grateful for the consistent presence, affirmation, encouragement and generosity of time, talents and treasures of so many of our parishioners. Among many, a few examples of how all this was manifested in 2016 was with all those involved in the different activities of our 220th anniversary and our regular presence at the Gift of Life Family House.

All of these people and many more helped us grow in 2016 as a faith community centered on Jesus Christ with all the implication in which that involves. That is what we are about and why we are here.

In this spirit of thanks, I would to thank all those involved in making the celebration of Jesus's birth so beautiful. This includes:

All those who donated several hundred gifts to five agencies by means of the "Giving Tree" and in particular Deidra Gatta and Jacob Marquart, O.F.S., who coordinated this whole project;

All those who cleaned the church so thoroughly and those who helped with the beautiful decorations of the church, and in particular Rey Borres, Bob Zigmund, and Br. Jack Stagliano, OSA;

All those who enhanced our four Christmas liturgies with beautiful music, and in particular our choirs, instrumentalists, and especially Kim Barroso who coordinated every aspect of this.

We have so much to be thankful for in the year of 2016. It gives me great hope for 2017.

Happy New Year and have a great week.

Fr. Bill



### **Pope Francis' January 2017 ♦ Prayer Intentions**

#### **Christian Unity**

That all Christians may be faithful to the Lord's teaching by striving with prayer and fraternal charity to restore ecclesial communion and by collaborating to meet the challenges facing humanity.