

St. Augustine Parish

The Epiphany Of The Lord – January 03, 2016

“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 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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Adeodatus Prison Ministry/Restorative Justice
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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 Nino

Our annual Mass and festival in honor of Santo Nino will be held ~ **Sunday -**

January 17th, 2016.

Mass begins at **11:00 AM** followed by a procession inside the church. After the procession, there will be a light luncheon in the social hall.

All parishioners are welcome to attend.



Saint Augustine Student Excels

CONGRATULATIONS!

ROMAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

Edward R. Dunbar '17

achieved **First Honors**

IMPORTANT! Carr Hall

Please note that Carr Hall will be **CLOSED** to **ALL** parish groups and functions from **Monday, January 11th to Saturday, January 16th** so that much needed cleaning and repairs to the hall can be accomplished. Please contact the parish office for alternate meeting space for your group. We are sorry for any inconvenience.

Ever Thought About the Priesthood?

Come & See Weekend Retreats

These retreats are an opportunity for men in high school and older who wish to know more about Seminary life, priesthood, and the steps to discerning a priestly vocation. Hear from seminarians & priests how they awakened to their own call to "come and see." Pray and live with the Seminarians for a weekend at Saint Charles Seminary. To register call (610) 667-5778, email adeo@archphila.org or visit www.HeedtheCall.org

Jubilee Year of Mercy

December 8, 2015 - November 20, 2016



"We constantly need to contemplate the mystery of mercy. It is a wellspring of joy, serenity, and peace. Our salvation depends on it."
~ Pope Francis

Visit our parish website:

www.st-augustinechurch.com

and on the homepage click on the icon above to learn all about the

Jubilee Year of Mercy.

Vatican Splendors Exhibition at The Franklin Institute

Vatican Splendors is an awe-inspiring exhibition. The exhibition features more than 200 objects dating back to the earliest days of Christianity. Parishioners at Saint Augustine are eligible to receive discounted tickets for just \$24.95 (or 28% off the box office price) by referencing the code **ARCHPHL** when purchasing tickets at The Franklin Institute Box Office, online at www.fi.edu or by calling 215-448-1200. *This special offer will end February 1, 2016.*



Mass Intentions for the Week

**Saturday & Sunday,
January 02 & 03, 2016**

5:15 PM Silverio Berarducci and Family

9:00 AM Jerry & Rosemary Lorenz
48th Wedding Anniversary

11:00 AM † Maureen Callinan
7:00 PM The Parish Community

Monday, January 04, 2016

12:05 PM All Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday, January 05, 2016

12:05 PM † Julia Baumann

Wednesday, January 06, 2016

12:05 PM All Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, January 07, 2016

12:05 PM † All Souls in Purgatory

Friday, January 08, 2016

12:05 PM † Rosendo Bernado

Saturday, January 09, 2016

5:15 PM In Honour of St. Augustine

† = Deceased

Sacrificial Giving

December 19 & 20, 2015

Number of Envelopes Used: 53

Amount in Envelopes: \$1,739.00

Average \$/Envelope: \$32.81

Electronic Giving: 19

Average \$/Electronic: \$20.11

Loose Money: \$517.00

Total Collection: \$2,638.00

Electronic Giving

*It's simple!
It's secure!
It's convenient!*

Just log on to our website,
www.st-augustinechurch.com
and click on:

"Sign Up For Electronic Giving"



What's Happening

**The Epiphany Of The Lord
Sunday, January 03, 2016**
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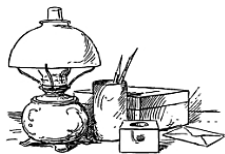
Tuesday, January 05, 2016
7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB

Wednesday, January 06, 2016
8:00 PM Fiat Prayer Group

Thursday, January 07, 2016
7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB
8:00 PM St. Augustine Choir Rehearsal

Friday, January 08, 2016
5:00 PM Eckard-Saunders Rehearsal

Saturday, January 09, 2016
3:00 PM Eckard-Saunders Wedding
7:00 PM N.A. Meeting in CHB



A word from Fr. Bill.....

Dear Parishioners:

Happy New Year! January is the National Respect of Life month in the United States. Why January? It was on January 22, 1973 that the Supreme Court legalized abortion.

Since then countless babies have had their lives taken from them. As time goes on modern medical technology affirms what the Church has always said---that there is human life from the moment of conception. There is constant growth. Scientists tell us that there are human blood cells present, even before a woman knows she is pregnant. The human heart and human nervous system begin to form at 18 days. At 30 days, with reference to the normal span of human life, the developing human being has completed his/her period of greatest growth, being 10,000 times larger than the original fertilized ovum. At the beginning of the second month of his/her growth, the child assumes a distinctly human appearance.

As science reinforces these facts and it is affirmed that the fetus has his/her own identity (fetal tissue, brain, heart and other organs are different from the mother's), it is said that the majority of American citizens oppose abortion on demand. As different restrictions have been legalized, e. g. need for parental consent for minors to have an abortion and at times counseling mandated before the abortion, there are fewer abortion clinics and fewer abortions, but there are still human lives being taken from the womb. It is estimated that in 2013 there were 32,108 abortions in Pennsylvania alone or an average of 88 each day in this state. If 88 people died each day in any other way, we would be in an uproar.

It is easy to slump into apathy. What can we do? Continue to educate ourselves about the facts. During this respect life month, we will have a different insert in the bulletin each of the five weeks to help educate us and keep us aware of this issue. Also, we can pray for women contemplating abortion. Write to legislators, clearly, firmly, and courteously expressing our convictions. Point out to friends the far-reaching consequences of abortion. Seek to dissuade anyone who is considering abortion. Be willing to provide financial or other assistance that may be needed in finding an alternative solution.

We need to be proactive and vocal about the right of all life, not only the life of the unborn, but the life of the elderly, the dying, the poor, the marginalized, the imprisoned, all people in all situations. But this month the bishops have asked us to pay special attention to the life of the unborn.

Have a great week.

Father Bill



Rediscover the Love in Your Marriage!

The Retrouvaille Marriage Program offers help for struggling marriages. *If you are struggling in your marriage, attending a Retrouvaille program could be the best gift you give to your spouse, and family, this Christmas season!* Tens of thousands of couples have successfully saved their marriages by attending a Retrouvaille weekend and the six post sessions that follow it. Retrouvaille is not just a social gathering or series of seminars, but rather a way to rediscover and rekindle the loving relationship in your marriage. **The next program begins on the weekend of February 12th at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA.** For more information, or to register for our upcoming weekend, visit our website at: www.helpourmarriage.com or call 1-800-470-2230. All inquiries are kept strictly confidential.