

St. Augustine Parish

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - January 24, 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:

Rev. William F. Waters, O.S.A. Pastor (Ext. 110) pastorstaugustine@gmail.com

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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.

St. Mary Interparochial School Fifth and Locust Streets Philadelphia, PA 19106 **OPEN HOUSE - All are welcome!** Sunday, January 31, 2016 10:00 am to Noon

Join us for the 42nd anniversary of National Catholic Schools Week, starting Sunday, January 31. You are invited to the St. Mary Interparochial School Open House at Fifth and Locust Streets on Sunday, January 31, 2016 from 10:00 am to Noon. Visit our classrooms and meet our students. teachers and staff. Founded in 1782, St. Mary Interparochial School is a fiscally independent Catholic elementary school of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia providing outstanding and faith based Catholic education. Located in the heart of the historic district, we successfully serve children from kindergarten through eighth grade and their families from neighborhoods throughout the city and suburbs. Saint Mary Interparochial School challenges its diverse student body to grow morally, academically and socially into passionate, confident, and Christ-centered leaders of the 21st century. There are limited seats open for the 2016 -2017 school year for students entering first through eighth grade. Parents of Kindergarteners for the 2017-2018 are encouraged to begin the admissions process and complete an application.

Second Collection January 30 & 31, 2016

In response to the major storms and severe flooding that have hit the South and Midwest regions of our country, the US Bishop's Conference has asked each diocese to take up a special collection next weekend for the Storm Relief Collection.

Donations will be forwarded to Catholic Charities USA.

Jubilee Year of Mercy



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.

Women of Hope 251 North Lawrence St., Philadelphia, PA 19106

Dear Parishioners:

On behalf of the residents and staff at Women of Hope, we would like to thank you for the wonderful gifts donated to us at Christmas.

Saint Augustine's has always been such a wonderful neighbor and our women certainly enjoy the gifts that they receive on Christmas. This is all made possible because of generous donors such as you.

Please convey our sincere appreciation for all those who made this possible for our residents.

May you have a blessed Christmas and a peace filled New Year.

Sincerely,

Sister Maureen Crissy, RSM

Mass Week *Intentions*

Saturday & Sunday, January 23 & 24, 2016

5:15 PM Deceased Members and Benefactors of the Augustinian Order 9:00 AM

11:00 AM † Jerome Feldman 7:00 PM

Monday, January 25, 2016 12:05 PM

Tuesday, January 26, 2016 12:05 PM † Venerando Gahob, Sr.

Wednesday, January 27, 2016 12:05 PM † John Georeno, Jr.

Thursday, January 28, 2016 12:05 PM The Parish Community

Friday, January 29, 2016 12:05 PM

Saturday, January 30, 2016

5:15 PM † = Deceased

Sacrificial Giving January 16 & 17, 2016

Number of Envelopes Used: 100 Amount in Envelopes: \$2,321.00 Average \$/Envelope: \$23.21 Electronic Giving: 17 Average \$/Electronic: \$18.06 Loose Money: \$1,228.00 Total Collection: 3,856.00

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Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday, January 24, 2016

12 Noon PREP/CCD Class 2:00 PM Wedding Music Open House 4:00 PM Gift of Life Family House Dinner

Monday, January 25 2016

Tuesday, January 26, 2016 7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB

Wednesday, January 27, 2016 7:00 PM Parish Pastoral Council Meeting 8:00 PM Fiat Prayer Group

Thursday, January 28, 2016 7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB 8:00 PM St. Augustine Choir Rehearsal

Friday, January 29, 2016 6:00 PM Kundick-Minnucci Rehearsal

Saturday, January 30, 2016 2:00 PM Kundick-Minnucci Wedding 7:00 PM N.A. Meeting in CHB



A word from Fr. Bill....

Dear Parishioners:

As you know St. Augustine Parish has a very active ministry at *Gift of Life Family House* which is a residence at 4th and Callowhill Streets for those receiving transplant-related care at one of Philadelphia's 8 area transplant centers. We have approximately 25 parishioners who are divided into two teams that buy, prepare, and serve dinners on the third Tuesday and fourth Sunday of each month.

Last summer we asked what parishioners might be interested in participating in this outreach. We have served 9 dinners since September 13th and we are scheduled to serve another 9 dinners until May 22.

This past Tuesday, we had a "critique meeting" to affirm the good things which are happening and to make adjustments which might be helpful.

Since many parishioners participate in this ministry directly and many others support it by donations of food as well as money (2nd collection on the 3rd Sunday of each month), I wanted to give you an update on how it is going.

Everyone at the meeting including a representative from *Gift of Life* agreed it is going very well, and that people are having a good time participating in this outreach. We are very grateful to the parishioners who have donated food and who have been so generous in our once a month financial collection. We agreed at our meeting to continue both of these efforts. It is a way for all parishioners to be involved in this parish activity.

The possibility of even forming a third team for a third night each month was raised. We are very open to this idea, but thought we should wait until September when we have completed a full year of service to make this decision.

As I mentioned above, we have been committed to dates until May 22nd. We agreed on Tuesday night to ask *Gift of Life* to give us dates until the end of this 2016 calendar year. I think this alone reflects the interest, energy, dedication and enthusiasm of the participants.

We agreed to make the effort of keeping all of our parishioners informed about this ministry by making available in the back of the church the "Thank You" cards we receive after each dinner we serve. We also thought it would be a good idea to keep you informed on a regular basis (maybe the second weekend of each month) about this ministry: things like how many guests have been served, how many volunteers have served, what the menus have been and what the cost was each month.

I would like to offer a sincere thank you to everyone who is participating in this outreach in any capacity. Jesus said "When I was hungry you gave me to eat." Those who are involved in any way, in any kind of a transplant as well as their families are extremely grateful for the dinners we provide them after a day of recuperating, having doctor appointments, being anxious about the operation, etc. We are providing a tremendous need. "When I was hungry you gave me to eat."

Have a great week.

Father Bill

Print Out of Church Contributions



As the season of tax return preparation approaches, many people who itemize on their tax returns like to have a printed copy of their yearly church contributions. This report is available to all parishioners who request a printed copy. Simply call Jacob Marquart in the Friary Office, Monday to Friday from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM and request a copy to be mailed to you.