# St. Augustine R. C. Parish

## Solemnity of Corpus Christi – June 14, 2020



"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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# SOLEMNITY of The MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD of JESUS

While they were eating, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them, and said, "Take it; this is my body... This is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed for many."

The Gospel of St. Mark 14:22,24

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### SUMMER SINULOG 2020

Due to the current Covid19 pandemic, we are cancelling the 2020 Summer Sinulog which was scheduled in August.

We will continue to pray to **Señor Santo Niño de Cebu** in thanksgiving for all of our blessings!

#### "Viva Santo Niño! Viva! Pit Señor!"



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## MASS INTENTIONS

There are still Masses available until the end of 2020 for your Mass special intentions.

A Mass can be celebrated to remember a loved one, a special intention, a birthday, thanksgiving or an anniversary. Contact the Parish Office to schedule a Mass.

Please visit our parish website for all of the latest parish news and events!

#### www.st-augustinechurch.com



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I am the living bread that came down from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live forever.



**ARE YOU MOVING?** If you are moving to a new home, please take a few minutes out of your hectic day to call or email the Parish Office and let us know the date of your move and your new address. Also, if you have just moved into Saint Augustine Parish boundaries and would like to register in the parish, please call the parish office at: 215-627-1838. Thank you!

#### Mass Intentions

Saturday & Sunday, June 13 & 14, 2020

5:15 PM 9:00 AM 11:00 AM 7:00 PM

Monday, June 15, 2020 12:05 PM † Nicholas & Philomena Georeno

Tuesday, June 16, 202012:05 PMValentina Gigliotti

Wednesday, June 17, 2020 12:05 PM † John & Elizabeth Talorido

Thursday, June 18, 202012:05 PMDante Candelora

Friday, June 19, 2020 12:05 PM Deceased Members of the Augustinian Family

**Saturday, June 20, 2020** 5:15 PM

† = Deceased

#### Sacrificial Giving June 06 & 07, 2020

Number of Envelopes Used: 32 Amount in Envelopes: \$1,760.00 Average \$/Envelope: \$55.00 Electronic Giving: 45 Amount Electronic: \$1,563.00 Average \$/Electronic: \$34.74 Loose Money: \$76.00 Total Collection: \$3,399.00



Capital Campaign News Goal: \$750,000 (Phase 1) To date: Pledges:199 Percentage: 94.4405%

Amount Pledged: \$708,303.50 Pledges Received: \$536,860.32 June 1<sup>st</sup> Gala Revenue: \$40,250.00 In-Kind Gifts Received: \$10,437.71 Campaign Total Rec'd: \$587,548.03





Solemnity of Corpus Christi Sunday, June 14, 2020

Monday, June 15, 2020

**Tuesday, June 16, 2020** 7:00 PM DMI Survey Meeting—Zoom 8:00 PM Parish Rosary—Zoom

Wednesday, June 17, 2020 7:00 PM Parish Pastoral Council—Zoom

**Thursday, June 18, 2020** 7:00 PM Parish Scripture Study—Zoom

Friday, June 19, 2020

Saturday, June 20, 2020



A word from Fr. Bill .....

Dear Parishioners:

"How did it go over the weekend?" This is a question I was asked a number of times in the past few days. Of course, to what people were referring was how did things go with our first public Masses since March 15th. The answer is....overall things went very smoothly. We certainly did not have large crowds, nor did we expect to. We were informed that parishes in other dioceses and archdioceses that had public Masses before we did had very few people in attendance as they resumed public Masses. We had about 10 people at 2 of the Masses (Saturday 5:15 PM and Sunday 9:00 AM) and about 20 people at the other 2 Masses (Sunday 11:00 AM and 7:00 PM). This includes volunteer ushers, musicians, lectors and Eucharistic Ministers. I am very grateful for the presence of all of them because it very much helped things to go smoothly and prayerfully. Everyone was very cooperative with the social distancing, wearing masks, and sanitizing the space they occupied.

Once again, as I have said several times, I remind you that until further notice Archbishop Perez has dispensed the faithful from the obligation of physically attending Mass during the pandemic. He furthers directs that those who are sick and/or in danger of contracting the coronavirus not to come to Mass. We have a responsibility not to put our health or the health of others in jeopardy. If you do not physically come to Mass, please find ways to continue "to keep holy the Sabbath."

Before last weekend, we said a number of times (by means of the bulletin, email, video and at the LiveStream Mass last Sunday) that we would resume public Masses first with all four Masses and then modify according to the numbers. Having had the experience of last weekend, I consulted on Tuesday evening by Zoom with our Parish Pastoral Council asking if we should modify the number of Masses. After a very good discussion of different views, it was decided that for the remainder of the yellow phase we will have just two Masses, the Sunday 11:00 AM and the Sunday 7:00 PM. When we move into the green phase we will resume the Sunday 9:00 AM Mass. One of the reasons for this is that there is a greater sense of community when there are more people. I am confident that the numbers will continue to improve as there will be better access to the city and as parishioners continually become more comfortable coming to church. We will continue LiveStreaming the 11:00 AM Sunday Mass while we are in the yellow phase. Some of the comments I heard last weekend were: "It feels so good to be back." "Thanks for providing this for us." "You had it all well thought out." "It is wonderful to be here again."

As we continue the process of once again being able to physically be together as a parish community for the celebration of the Eucharist, please be assured of our commitment to keep everyone healthy and safe. The three pillars for this are sanitizing (the church was professionally sanitized, parishioners bring wipes to sanitize the area they occupied, and volunteers sanitize after each Mass), social distancing (before Mass, designated seats during Mass, going to Communion, and leaving church), and capacity which certainly doesn't seem to be a problem for us as the Archdiocese has communicated we can have 50% capacity.

We continue to have parishioners saying the rosary together on Zoom on Tuesdays at 8:00 PM and the sharing of insights into next Sunday's scripture readings on Thursdays at 7:00 PM. Everyone is welcome to be a part of these Zoom gatherings. You can connect with us for the rosary on Tuesdays at 8 PM at 854 1235 0301 150408 and for the scripture sharing on Thursdays at 7 PM at 832 4986 0935 025786. Seriously consider inviting others to join us.

I had a Zoom meeting last Saturday morning with six members of the Filipino community and it was unanimously recommended to cancel the Sinulog for this August. We are happy to announce that Archbishop Perez will be able to preside at the Sinulog liturgy on August 15, 2021. To cancel it this year was a sad decision. The Sinulog is certainly one of the highlights of our parish year. But considering the numbers that often participate (over a thousand) and that many people come from a distance, it was thought it was prudent to cancel it this year.

As we announced in last weekend's bulletin, we are very happy to welcome Brett Schneider and Lindsay Wagar into the Catholic community. They have been meeting for the past year with Fr. Bill Donnelly and Patrick Lanza in the process of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. Both Brett and Lindsay were baptized into other Christian faiths. They will be making a profession of faith to the Catholic Church, receiving the Eucharist for the first time and being confirmed at the 7:00 PM Mass this Sunday at which Fr. Bill (the older) will preside. Welcome Brett and Lindsay.

I was asked a few weeks ago if we were using money from the Capital Campaign to pay our parish expenses during the pandemic. The answer is Absolutely No —not a penny! First of all, that is not for which this money was given. Secondly, so many of you have been very faithful and generous during these months that it has not been necessary.

Have a great and SAFE week.

Aile Fr. Bill