

St. Augustine Parish

First Sunday of Lent – March 05, 2017

"Creating A Community Of Involvement And Evangelization"

Served by the Augustinian Friars since 1796



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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Phone: 215-627-1838 FAX: 215-627-3911
Website: 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

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Executive Director, Augustinian Defenders of the Rights of the Poor

Rev. Paul Morrissey, O.S.A.

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www.adeodatusprisonministry.com (215) 925-3566

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

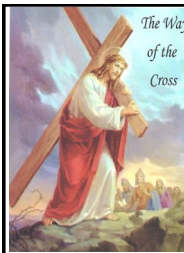
Each Sunday, after the 11:00 AM Mass there is a novena in honor of the Santo Niño.

Young Adults

Join us at the Catholic Center for Young Adults for Mass and a talk from renowned speaker Christopher West, as he presents on **Life, Love, and Mercy, how Theology of the Body can heal our ailing society.**

Tuesday March 14 at 7:15pm

Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish - 1404 S. 3rd Street
Email us at: Catholiccenterforyoungadults@gmail.com



Stations of the Cross
Friday Evenings
During Lent
7:30 P.M.
Come, walk, and meditate on the Way of the Cross



The Archdiocese is considering resuming a print publication containing local Church news that would come out every other week. The subscription rate would be \$40 to \$50 annually. If you think you would subscribe to a regular archdiocesan publication, please call or email the rectory to say that you are interested in a print publication.

The Annual Archdiocesan Mass Honoring the Gifts of Persons with Disabilities, The Deaf Community, Family, Friends and Caregivers is Saturday, April 1st, 2017 at 10:30 a.m. at the Cathedral Basilica of

SS. Peter and Paul at 18th and Benjamin Franklin Parkway, Philadelphia. Archbishop Charles J. Chaput,

O.F.M. Cap., will be the principal celebrant and homilist. There will be a light reception immediately following the Mass. **All are Welcome.** To **RSVP** go to www.opdarchphilly.org, or call the Office for Persons with Disabilities at 215-587-3530.

Mothers of Children with Disabilities Retreat ♦ Tuesday, May 2, 2017 at Malvern Retreat House, Sr. Sheila Galligan, IHM will direct a retreat for mothers and grandmothers who are raising children with disabilities and also those who have adult children with disabilities. Fr. Jim Olson will be the celebrant for Mass. There will be time to pray, reflect, and chat with other mothers. To register on line go to www.opdarchphilly.com. For more information please contact Malvern Retreat House at 610-644-0400 or the Office for Persons with Disabilities at 215-587-3530.

Rediscover the Love in Your Marriage!

Matrimony: A calling to forgive! "Mercy is the force that reawakens us to new life and instills in us the courage to look to the future with hope."

Retrouvaille offers a welcoming and loving space to couples who have been living with the misery of a failing marriage. *Retrouvaille offers hope: hope that it is not too late, hope of a different and better marriage.* Retrouvaille helps couples to show each other mercy through the opportunities it provides to listen, to forgive, to be reconciled and to move into their futures believing that God loves them and with His help and their efforts, their marriages can be healed and restored. Retrouvaille provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. The next program in your area begins on the weekend of April 21 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. Another weekend will be held in August. For more information, or to register for one of our weekends, visit our web site at: www.HelpOurMarriage.com or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are kept strictly confidential.



Mass Intentions

Saturday & Sunday, March 04 & 05, 2017

5:15 PM † Maria Germano
9:00 AM † Julia R. Baumann
11:00 AM Nadene Shearstone, For Healing
7:00 PM Daniel Roarty, For Healing

Monday, March 06, 2017

12:05 PM Kate Slepsova and Her Family

Tuesday, March 07, 2017

12:05 PM † Harry G. Lento

Wednesday, March 08, 2017

12:05 PM Deceased Members of the Augustinian Family

Thursday, March 09, 2017

12:05 PM The Parish Community

Friday, March 10, 2017

12:05 PM † Paul & Dorothy Hargadon

Saturday, March 11, 2017

5:15 PM † Daniel A. Duffy, Sr.
10th Anniversary

† = Deceased

Sacrificial Giving

February 25 & 26, 2017

Number of Envelopes Used: 48
Amount in Envelopes: \$1,732.35
Average \$/Envelope: \$36.09
Electronic Giving: 24
Amount Electronic: \$570.00
Average \$/Electronic: \$23.75
Loose Money: \$560.00
Total Collection: \$2,862.35

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"

Parish Giving

The Bulletin Board

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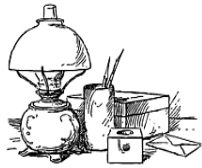
Tuesday, March 07, 2017
7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB

Wednesday, March 08, 2017
6:30 PM Parish Finance Council Meeting
8:00 PM Fiat Prayer Group

Thursday, March 09, 2017
5:30 PM Wetzel-Bramowski Rehearsal
7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB
8:00 PM St. Augustine Choir Rehearsal

Friday, March 10, 2017
3:00 PM Wetzel-Bramowski Wedding
5:00 PM BonAnno-Doyle Rehearsal
7:30 PM Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 11, 2017
3:00 PM BonAnno-Doyle Wedding
7:00 PM N.A. Meeting in CHB



A word from Fr. Bill.....



PRAYER



FASTING



ALMSGIVING

Dear Parishioners:

Among other questions, on Easter we will be asked very publicly the following: if we reject sin, if we reject the glamour of evil, and if we refuse to be mastered by sin. In 45 years as a priest, I have never heard anyone say "No" to any of these questions. But, it is important that our "Yes" responses are not just mechanical. It is important that we answer these questions maturely, reflectively, and responsibly. In order to do that the Church gives us the season of Lent. These days and weeks are meant to be opportunities to "recalculate" as the GPS says.

One of the things which we may not even be reflective that is sinful is the lack of care of our environment, or "our common home" as Pope Francis says. As has been mentioned, this Lent our parish is going to focus on this moral responsibility. This weekend we are going to ask each person to fill out a form indicating what you might do this Lent to help our environment. This can be things like not littering, conserving water, distributing clothes you do not use, writing a Senator or Congressperson about this issue or just getting more information about this topic. In the pews you will find two copies of this form. We ask that you return to us as you leave church the one with blue ink. Next week, we will give you an account of what you and your fellow parishioners said. We ask that you take home the one with black ink. This will be a reminder to you during Lent of what you said. On the back of that page are quotes from Pope Francis on which you might reflect as well as various websites where you can find more information about this topic. You can also find this information on our parish website.

I know this is one area about which I need "to recalculate" because I haven't paid all that much attention to it until Pope Francis wrote his encyclical and then nine of us discussed it for several months, starting in Advent.

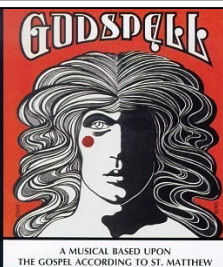
At the Easter Vigil, we will hear the account from Genesis about God's creation and how "He found it all very good." Shortly after hearing this we will be asked if we reject sin. May our answer "yes" be sincere because of what we did during Lent to protect all of God's creation, "our common home."

Have a great week and a productive Lent.

Fr. Bill



Please join us for our **Legion of Mary's "Marian Day"** at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, **Saturday, March 11 from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm.** Includes: morning and afternoon presentations by Fr. Mark Mary, MFVA, EWTN's host of "Life on the Rock," Mass, box lunch and Holy Hour. Donation request for box lunch is \$10. RSVP at www.scs.edu or call (610) 785-6270.



Roman Catholic and Hallahan High Schools are proud to present the musical **GODSPELL** on **March 9, 10 & 11 at 7:00 PM.** *All shows are at Hallahan.* Tickets cost \$15.00 for adults and \$8.00 for students. Advanced tickets can be ordered by calling 215-563-8930 ext. 228 or tickets can be purchased at the door.

