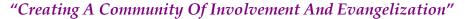
St. Augustine Parish

First Sunday of Lent – March 10, 2019





National Shrine of Santo Niño de Cebú

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.

243 North Lawrence Street Philadelphia, PA 19106

(GPS Address: 250 N. 4th Street)

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

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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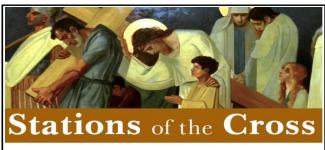
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Rev. James Keating, O.S.A.

Rev. James Paradis, O.S.A., Prior





Friday Evenings During Lent 7:00 P.M.

Come, walk, and meditate on the Way of the Cross

The Annual Archdiocesan Mass Honoring the Gifts of Persons with Disabilities, The Deaf Community, Family, Friends and Caregivers is **Saturday**, **March 30**, **2019** at 10:30 a.m. at the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul at 18th Benjamin Franklin and Parkway, Philadelphia. Archbishop Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap., will be the principal celebrant and homilist. There will be a 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 with the number attending.

St. Rita Flea Market - Saturday, April 27th, 8:30 AM - 2:00 PM The annual Flea Market returns this spring! Spaces are \$15 each or two for \$25. Participants must supply their own tables. To support our Shrine, donate your goods to the Saint Rita table! Please bring items to the Shrine Office between 9:30am and 4:30pm M-F, or drop them off in the Shrine Gift Shop on weekends (no clothes or bed linens, please). The donation deadline is Friday, April 12th. Join us for the fun whether you're shopping, selling, donating, or just stopping

CHURCH GROUNDS SPRING MULCHING

March 30, 2019 9 AM to 12 Noon

Please RSVP email to Charlie if you are coming out to help at: charles.nygard@gmail.com

Cultural Heritage Mass 2019 Saturday, March 23, 2019 2:00 PM Procession, 2:30 PM Mass

We welcome all in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia community to join us in the celebration of the Extraordinary Year of Mission! Our principal celebrant and homilist will be Archbishop Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap., and the procession will begin at 2:00 PM followed by Mass at 2:30 PM at the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter & Paul. Many cultures join in one faith to create one family in Christ! Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter & Paul, at 18th Street and the Benjamin Franklin Parkway, Philadelphia, PA 19103.

For more information: http://culturalministries.org



Saturday & Sunday, March 09 & 10, 2019

5:15 PM The Parish Community 9:00 AM † Anna Poinisciak 11:00 AM † Rev. Walter J. Quinn, OSA 7:00 PM

Monday, March 11, 2019 12:05 PM Arevalo Family, In Thanksgiving

Tuesday, March 12, 2019 12:05 PM

Wednesday, March 13, 2019 12:05 PM † Anna Candelora

Thursday, March 14, 2019 12:05 PM Rose Candelora (Intention)

Friday, March 15, 2019 12:05 PM Deceased Members of OSA

Saturday, March 16, 2019 5:15 PM † Maria & Guglielmo Germano

† = Deceased

Sacrificial Giving March 2 & 3, 2019

Number of Envelopes Used: 53 Amount in Envelopes: \$1,854.00 Average \$/Envelope: \$34.98 Electronic Giving: 43 Amount Electronic: \$1,248.25 Average \$/Electronic: \$29.03 Loose Money: \$496.00 Total Collection: \$3,598.00

Capital Campaign (Phase 1) To date:

Pledges:148 Percentage: 82.87% Amount Pledged: **\$621,532.50** Amount Received: \$274,136.76

Electronic Giving

Just log on to our website, www.st-augustinechurch.com and click on: "Sign Up For Electronic Giving"



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First Sunday in Lent Sunday, March 10, 2019 4:00 PM Gift of Life Family House Dinner

Monday, March 11, 2019

Tuesday, March 12, 2019 7:00 PM Lent Program: Discover Augustine 7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB

Wednesday, March 13, 2019 6:00 PM Parish Finance Council Meeting 7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB 8:00 PM Fiat Prayer Group

> Thursday, March 14, 2019 7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB

> Friday, March 15, 2019 7:00 PM Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 16, 2019 7:00 PM N.A. Meeting in CHB



A word from Fr. Bill....

Dear Parishioners:

Welcome to Lent. I say that sincerely because it can be a wonderful opportunity for us.

I think for many of us growing up, Lent was a time we dreaded because it meant I had to go without something I liked, such as the movies, candy, or ice cream. I couldn't get away with giving up liver. We couldn't wait until Easter Sunday when we could make up for all we missed in the past forty days (more days than that if you counted Sundays). The "giving up" was an end in itself and not thought of as a means to a greater good.

St. Paul says, "When I was a child I thought as a child but when I became a man I put away childish things." Hopefully, as adults we can see Lent in a different light.

Hopefully, as an adult I can see Lent as a positive thing because it is an opportunity through prayer, fasting and almsgiving to grow in my relationship with God. By giving up something that is important to me, it can be an opportunity to see what God has given me and wants to give me. By turning from my sins, I can be more aware of God's mercy. By changing from some bad habits, I can see the grace God gives me to be able to change and the union God wants to have with me. May we think not like a child, but like an adult and a mature Christian.

As we will renew our baptismal promises at Easter, may we do so as adults maturely reflecting on what we are saying when we say we reject sin, the glamour of evil and say we believe in God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit and all that entails.

To help make Lent a positive experience please:

- ⇒ Use one or both of the Lenten reflection pamphlets in the back of the church.
- ⇒ Get to confession, perhaps after the 11:00 AM and 7:00 PM Sunday Masses.
- ⇒ Participate in the Stations of the Cross on Fridays at 7:00 PM.
- ⇒ Fill a "Blessing Bag" for the homeless. (Plastic bags and suggestions are in the back of the church)
- ⇒ Give any money saved from fasting to "Operation Rice Bowl."
- ⇒ Participate with us in prayer on April 2nd at Planned Parenthood at 12th and Locusts.

Each week of Lent we will have a suggestion for fasting. This week is: "Fast from complaining, feast on gratitude."

We have one more week to participate in the Parish Survey facilitated (designed and summarized) by the Catholic Leadership Institute. Please do this by going to: **www.disciplemakerindex.com** or finding the link on the homepage of our parish website: **www.st-augustinechurch.com**. It will be a tremendous help to us if you would take the 10-15 minutes to fill out this survey. It is 100% confidential.

Please keep Karen Connolly, Ashley Foreman and Tom White in your prayers as they participate this Sunday in the "Rite of Election." On The First Sunday of Lent in every cathedral in every Diocese and Archdiocese in the world, those preparing for the Sacraments of Initiation in the Church join their (arch)bishop for a prayer service. Karen, Ashley and Tom will join hundreds of other catechumens and candidates from this Archdiocese this Sunday with Archbishop Chaput at the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul.

Have a very positive and fruitful Lent.

Fr. Bill

Dear Parishioners:

As the result of group discussions last Lent and Advent on how we as a parish might respond to the drug and homeless problem in our society, we have now established a relationship with the Franciscan Outreach of the Padre Pio Prayer Center in Frankford. One of the important needs identified is the need for daily hygiene and food/personal items as well as clothing items to help the homeless get through the rough winter months.



Lent this year begins on Wednesday, March 6, 2019. During Lent, we are customarily asked to do three things (as a minimum), that of Prayer, Fasting and Alms Giving. We can do all three with the homeless and drug addicted in mind. First, let us offer daily prayer that God will provide for, comfort and help them to find support services. Secondly, through fasting, we can use the money that we would normally spend on food and drinks, to provide for the less fortunate. Finally, alms giving or sacrificial offerings. This year we are asking our parishioners to consider providing "Blessing Bags" that will be given to the homeless. Included on this flyer, you will see a picture and a list of suggested personal items that can be placed in a gallon-sized Ziploc bag and then they will be taken to the Padre Pio Prayer Center in Frankford and distributed to the homeless and drug addicted population in the Frankford and Kensington area of our city. These small personal items can help to restore the dignity of one's person as well as appearance.

There is also a need for some clothing items such as: gloves, warm hats, hoodies, white socks, underwear (men and women), pants, jeans, sweatpants and winter coats. We ask that underwear is new and socks can be slightly used. If you are able to provide the Blessing Bags or clothing, it can be dropped off in the large boxes in the rear of the church.

Thank you for your generosity of helping the less fortunate in our community and may you have a blessed and fruitful Lent this year.

Fr. Bill

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Blessing Bag Checklist for the Homeless

DRINKS:	TOILETRIES:
Bottled Water	Chapstick
Instant Coffee Packets	Facial wipes
Tea Bags	Moisturizer
Energy Drink	Comb
Juice Cans or Boxes	Toothbrush
	Tooth paste
FOOD:	Q-Tips
Beef Jerky	
Dried Fruit	GENERAL:
Granola Bars	Multi-Purpose Wipes
Instant Oatmeal Packets	Compact First Aid Kit
Protein Powder Packets	EmergenC Packets (used
	for when they start to get sick)
TREATS:	Heat Pack
Chocolates (Individually	Warm Socks (Wool)
Wrapped)	
Hard Candy	EXTRA:
Mints	Restaurant Gift Cards
Chewing Gum	Prepaid Phone Card
	Personal Note of
	Encouragement

*Put items in a clear zip lock bag. Size depends on how many items you are putting in each bag. You will need Gallon size bags for more items, and Quart size bags for fewer items.

How to Pack a BLESSING BAG





40DAYS FORLIFE®

Saint Augustine Parish's assigned day for the Prayer Vigil: Tuesday, April 2, 2019

HELP SAVE LIVES IN PHILADELPHIA!

You can protect mothers and children by joining this worldwide mobilization to pray and fast for an end to abortion!

Through prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils and community outreach, 40 Days for Life has inspired 750,000 volunteers!

With God's help, here are the proven results in 23 coordinated campaigns:

- 15,256 babies saved from abortion
- 186 abortion workers converted
- 99 abortion centers closed

Here's how to take part in 40 Days for Life in our community:

Prayer Vigil location:

Elizabeth Blackwell Planned Parenthood 1144 Locust Street Philadelphia, PA 19107

Monday to Friday * 8 AM to 5 PM Saturday * 8 AM to 3 PM

Sign up on the sheet in the back of the church or call Jacob Marquart, O.F.S., in the Parish Office at 215-627-1838.

Contact:

Monique Ruberu – 469-231-9084; <u>roobearoo@hotmail.com</u> Patrick Stanton – 267-718-4851; pjstanton9@gmail.com

40daysforlife.com/Philly



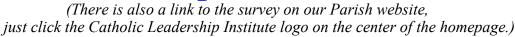
THE DISCIPLE MAKER INDEX SURVEY

"Giving parishes the tools to know the concerns and needs of parishioners and to respond to them"

The Disciple Maker Index Survey IS NOW OPEN!

It's official! The Disciple Maker Index Survey is open and we need your help! Please help us participate by completing a 10-15 minute survey as soon as possible.

Go to: www.disciplemakerindex.com





There are also opportunities to complete the survey after daily and Sunday Mass and you can obtain a paper copy (English & Tagalog) on the tables in the back of the church or by contacting Jacob Marquart, O.F.S. at 215-627-1838 in the Parish Office.

The survey will only be available from February 16 to March 16 and will ask you to reflect on your own spiritual growth and enable you to provide feedback on our parish's efforts to help you grow. All responses will be confidential and the parish will only receive information about the community as whole.

We are trying to get the highest response rate possible. This information will be invaluable to the Parish Pastoral Council and our various ministries as we plan for the future and strive to be the best disciples we can be. We will receive the results this spring/summer at which time we will share what we have learned with the entire parish.

Thank you for helping with this important project!

Fr. Bill

REMAIN IN MY LOVE INITIATIVE FOR THE RENEWAL OF CHRISTIAN MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE



Plenary Sessions for Individuals, Couples & Families

Join us for the third and final year of the Archbishop's *Remain in My Love* initiative! At each session, national Catholic speakers will present the splendor of Christ's teachings on the high dignity of the vocation of marriage and Christian family life. There will also be a personal testimony from a witness couple, a call to action and time for Q&A and discussion.

Topic 1 MARRIAGE: CREATED BY GOD, FOR GOD

The Sacramentality of Marriage

Speaker: Megan Murphy

- Sun, Mar 10, 1:00-3:30 PM
 Saints Simon and Jude Parish,
 West Chester
- Sun, Mar 17, 2:00-4:30 PM
 Cathedral Chapel of Saints Peter and Paul, Philadelphia
- Sun, Mar 31, 1:00-3:30 PM
 Nativity of Our Lord Parish,
 Warminster

Topic 2 HE SAW THAT IT WAS VERY GOOD

The Goods of Marriage

Speaker: Father Dennis Gill

- Sun, June 2, 2:00-4:30 PM
 Saints Simon and Jude Parish,
 West Chester
- Sat, June 15, 1:00-3:30 PM Nativity of Our Lord Parish, Warminster
- Sun, June 30, 2:00-4:30 PM
 Cathedral Chapel of Saints Peter and Paul, Philadelphia

Topic 3 FAMILIES, BECOME WHAT YOU ARE!

The Family as the Domestic Church

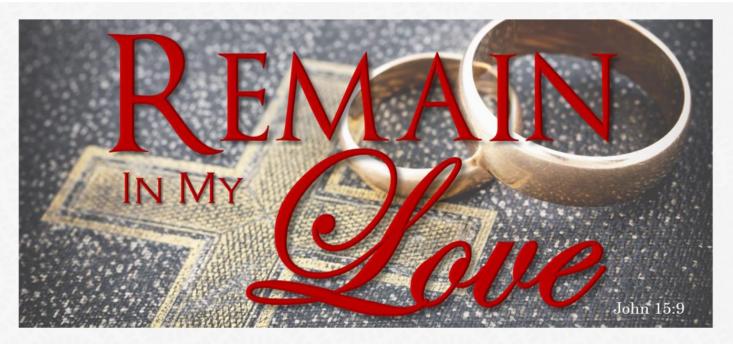
Speaker: Damon Owens

- Sun, Sept 15, 2:00 PM-4:30 PM
 Cathedral Chapel of Saints Peter and Paul, Philadelphia
- Sun, Sept 22, 1:00-3:30 PM Nativity of Our Lord Parish, Warminster
- Sun, TBD
 Saints Simon and Jude Parish,
 West Chester

The same presentation is offered in each of the three locations listed for each topic.

Free and open to the public. Childcare will be provided during each presentation. Please RSVP. More information, speaker bios and online registration can be found at:

archphila.org/remain2019



ABOUT REMAIN IN MY LOVE

In 2017, Archbishop Charles J. Chaput announced a three year project, <u>Remain in My Love</u>, directed to every member of the clergy and lay faithful, to every parish and institution and to the families of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. Its goal is to reinvigorate our understanding, practices and celebrations of Christian marriage and family life.

Year 1 (2017) was addressed to the Archdiocesan Pastoral Center and Year 2 (2018) was for parish staffs. This third and final year (2019) brings the Church's good news about marriage and family life to all of the people of the Archdiocese. The three key topics of Years 1 and 2 will be presented in Plenary Sessions throughout the Archdiocese and are open to everyone. These presentations aim to immerse all of us in the splendor of Christ's teachings about marriage and family and to provide a way for married couples and families to meet and support one another. There is no more urgent time than now to bring marriage and family to new life and to work to protect this most precious institution created by God.

The 2019 Plenary Sessions will take place primarily on Sundays. Families are encouraged to "make a day of it", attending Mass together, perhaps going out to eat together and then attending a session. All are asked to register for the sessions at <u>archphila.org/remain2019</u>.

The Plenary Sessions will include:

- Keynote address by a national Catholic speaker
- A personal witness from a married couple
- Discussion, Q & A and a call to action on the topic
- Childcare will be available at each session
- Local marriage and family ministry information

NOTE FOR PARISH STAFF

Many parishes of the Archdiocese participated in Year 2 of the Remain in My Love initiative. If for some reason your parish was not able to do so, you can do so this year by following the Guidebook for Parish Staff, which can be found on the website, archphila.org/remain2019.

Pastors and Parish Staffs that did participate in Year 2 are invited to share observations, suggestions and plans from the parish discussions to strengthen married life and the family. These comments will be published for the benefit of everyone on the Remain in My Love website and will also aid the presenters throughout 2019. Pastors are asked to forward these comments to Donna Huddell at dhuddell@archphila.org.

QUESTIONS ABOUT YEAR 3

If you have any questions about Year 3, please contact Father Dennis Gill at worship@archphila.org.