

# St. Augustine Parish

*Fifth Sunday of Lent – March 13, 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

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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.

## Church Cleaning Day

The Easter season is right around the corner and we'll soon be preparing for the Resurrection of the Lord. But first, we have to clean his house! Our bi-annual Church Cleaning Day has arrived. Please join us **NEXT Sunday, March 20<sup>th</sup> (Palm Sunday)** at **1:00 PM**. Thank you in advance for your help!

## CONSULAR OUTREACH TO PHILADELPHIA

**APRIL 2, 2016 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM**  
**SAINT AUGUSTINE PARISH in CARR HALL**

Services offered:

- ⇒ Passports
- ⇒ Retention/Reacquisition of  
Philippine Citizenship
- ⇒ Report of Marriage
- ⇒ Notarization & Authentication

For more information please contact the  
 Philippine Consulate General NY Office at:  
 212-764-1330 or [consularoutreach@newyorkkpcg.org](mailto:consularoutreach@newyorkkpcg.org)

Ruth Luyun 215-740-3499  
 Nida Imperial 267-987-9611



### PARKING ON EASTER SUNDAY

On Easter Sunday we will be able to **park**  
**under the Benjamin Franklin Bridge**  
**from 8:30 AM to 1:30 PM.**



St. Augustine Church will be helping the Easter Bunny bring some Easter wishes to the youngest members of our parish community by sponsoring an **Easter Egg Hunt** on **Easter Sunday** after the **9:00 AM** and **11:00 AM** Masses in the "Healing Garden."

*Come and join us for some fun!*

## Mass Intentions for the Week

**Saturday & Sunday,**  
**March 12 & 13, 2016**

5:15 PM In Honour of St. Augustine  
 9:00 AM † Brenda Carl  
 11:00 AM Nelvin & Garret Largoza  
 7:00 PM † Janet Esposito

**Monday, March 14, 2016**

12:05 PM † Jane Esposito

**Tuesday, March 15, 2016**

12:05 PM † Janet Esposito

**Wednesday, March 16, 2016**

12:05 PM The Parish Community

**Thursday, March 17, 2016**

12:05 PM -----

**Friday, March 18, 2016**

12:05 PM -----

**7:00 PM STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

**Saturday, March 19, 2016**

5:15 PM -----

† = Deceased

## Sacrificial Giving March 5 & 6, 2016

Number of Envelopes Used: 60  
 Amount in Envelopes: \$2,157.00  
 Average \$/Envelope: \$35.95  
 Electronic Giving: 25  
 Average \$/Electronic: \$25.80  
 Amount Electronic: \$645.00  
 Loose Money: \$709.00  
 Total Collection: \$3,511.00

### Electronic Giving

*It's simple!*

*It's secure!*

*It's convenient!*

Just log on to our website,  
[www.st-augustinechurch.com](http://www.st-augustinechurch.com)  
 and click on:

**"Sign Up For Electronic Giving"**



## SAVE THE DATES!

**Let's CELEBRATE our 220th ANNIVERSARY!**

— 220th Anniversary Mass —

Celebrated on Sunday, April 17, 2016 • 11:00 AM Mass  
 Rev. Peter M. Donohue, OSA, President of Villanova University,  
*Main Celebrant and Homilist* • Reception to follow the Mass

— 220th Anniversary Concert —

Sunday, June 5, 2016 • 3:00 PM

— Dinner and Dancing as we Cruise the Delaware River  
 onboard the Spirit of Philadelphia —

Friday, September 30, 2016 • 7 PM —10:30 PM



If you would like to contribute towards **Easter Flowers**, please do so by **Sunday, March 20<sup>th</sup>**. If you receive envelopes, there is an envelope for flowers in your packet. You may place your offering envelope with the regular Sunday collection.

## What's Happening

**Fifth Sunday of Lent**  
**Sunday, March 13, 2016**

3:00 PM Wedding Music Open House

**Monday, March 14, 2016**  
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**Tuesday, March 15, 2016**

4:00 PM Gift of Life Family House Dinner  
 7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB

**Wednesday, March 16, 2016**

8:00 PM Fiat Prayer Group

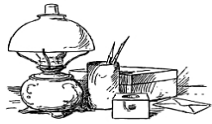
**Thursday, March 17, 2016**

**HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S Day!**

7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB  
 8:00 PM St. Augustine Choir Rehearsal

**Friday, March 18, 2016**  
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**Saturday, March 19, 2016**



## *A word from Fr. Bill.....*

Dear Parishioners:

In the Gospels last week (The Prodigal Son) and this week (The woman caught in adultery) we hear two very moving stories about mercy. I think a problem is we hear these stories so often we can lose the depth of what God wants to reveal to us.

It was against the culture for the father in last week's Gospel to run to his son and to kiss and embrace him. Imagine how ashamed and embarrassed the son must have felt to have to tell his father that he sinned against him and against God by squandering all that the father had given him. Imagine how he felt being accepted back and treated like royalty with a ring, a robe and sandals.

Imagine how ashamed, humiliated, embarrassed and scared the woman must have been who was caught "in the very act of adultery." Imagine how relieved she must have felt when no one threw a stone and she heard Jesus say that he didn't condemn her. She had to feel like a new woman. She had to be grateful that she was given a chance to start fresh again.

You and I can have the same feelings of the prodigal son in last week's Gospel and the woman in this week's Gospel. We can move from feeling embarrassed, ashamed and afraid to feeling mercy. That is why Jesus gave us the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Some people say, "I just confess to God. Why do I have to go to another person who also sins." Why? So that we can experience what the Prodigal Son and the woman experienced: relief, forgiveness, and an opportunity to start over.

It is no secret that Confession is an underused sacrament. What a shame not to take advantage of the means which Jesus has given us to experience Him saying: "I do not condemn you."

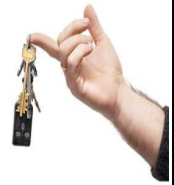
Next Sunday is Passion (Palm) Sunday and the beginning of Holy Week. A wonderful way "to start over" as we renew our baptismal vows at Easter is to experience the same mercy, forgiveness and acceptance which the Prodigal Son and the woman caught in adultery experienced. We have confessions here at St. Augustine Parish every Saturday from 4:30 to 5:00 PM and during Lent after the 11:00 AM and 7:00 PM Masses and certainly any time by appointment.

Have a great week.

Fr. Bill

### **LOST & FOUND**

On Sunday, February 21<sup>st</sup> a large set of keys containing a Toyota car key, house keys, a tag from Westminster Choir College Alumni, a tag from the Drexel Hill Planet Fitness, etc., was found after the 7 PM Mass in our parking lot. Please contact the parish office or see Fr. Bill to claim.



**Palm Sunday of the  
Passion of the Lord  
March 20, 2016**  
Regular Weekend Schedule

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**Holy Thursday,  
Mass of the Lord's Supper  
March 24, 2016  
Mass at 7:30 PM  
Church open until 11:00 PM  
for Private Adoration**

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**Good Friday,  
March 25, 2016  
Pagbasa Ng Mahal Na Pasyon 5:00 AM  
Celebration of the Lord's Passion 3:00 PM  
Stations of the Cross 7:00 PM**

## **Holy Week Schedule**



**Holy Saturday,  
Easter Vigil Mass  
March 26, 2016  
7:30 PM  
Baptism of 2 Catechumens  
No Confessions Saturday Afternoon  
No 5:15 PM Mass**  
Reception in Carr Hall after Mass

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**Easter Sunday  
March 27, 2016  
9:00 AM & 11:00 AM  
No 7 pm Mass**