

# St. Augustine Parish

Fifth Sunday of Lent – March 18, 2018

*"Creating A Community Of Involvement And Evangelization"*

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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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**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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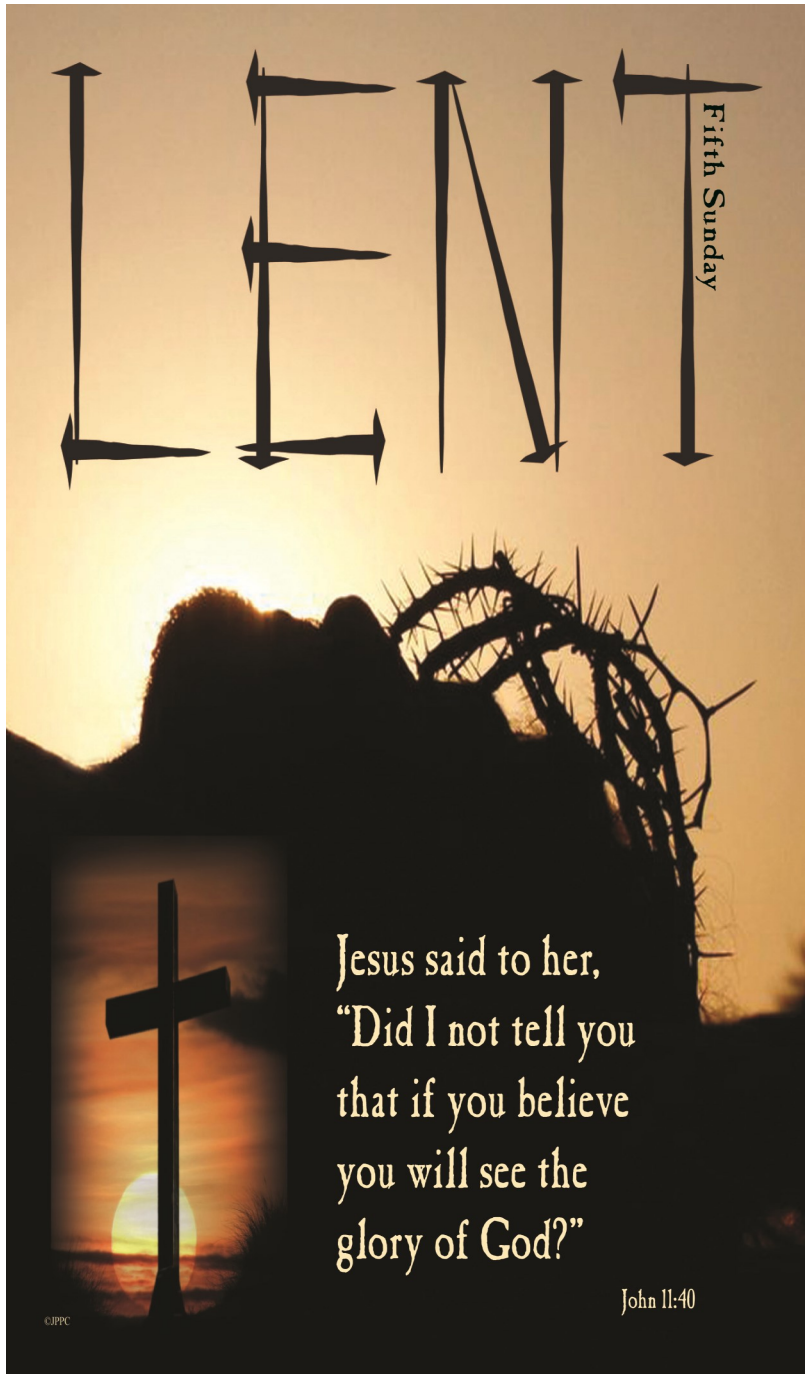
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## Romauction 2018

Roman Catholic High School proudly announces its 2018 premier gala and major fundraising event the Romauction, this event will be held on Saturday ~ March 24th 6:00PM at Roman Catholic High School Plan to join us for an entertaining evening featuring a lavish buffet, raffle items, games of chance as well as silent and live auction items. For more information about tickets, sponsorships, and advertisements please visit our website at: [Romauction@romancatholichs.com](mailto:Romauction@romancatholichs.com) or call 215-627-1270 (ext. 221).

## Spring Open House

Roman Catholic High School 'Will hold a Spring Open House intended for (6th and 7th grade students and their families on Sunday. April 8th from 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM. Registration available online at [RomanCatholicHS.com](http://RomanCatholicHS.com). For additional information or questions regarding the event call (215)-627-1270 ext. 146/159 or e-mail: [admissions@romancatholichs.com](mailto:admissions@romancatholichs.com).

## A Lenten Concert ♦ Thursday, March 22, 2018 ♦ 7:30 PM

### National Shrine of Saint Rita of Cascia

Prepare for Holy Week through the enduring power of music. The Collegiate Choir of Philadelphia will present a Lenten Concert in the exquisite sanctuary of the National Shrine of Saint Rita of Cascia. This compelling presentation is both concert and prayer. No charge for admission; Free will Offering.

## Retreat: St. Rita and the Art of the Passion ♦ Saturday, March 24, 2018

9:30 AM - 4:00 PM \$25 with RSVP

### National Shrine of Saint Rita of Cascia

Join us for this day-long artists' Lenten retreat as we consider Saint Rita's fervent devotion to the Passion of Christ, which occasioned her receipt of the stigmata. Led by artist Anthony Visco, the day will feature several opportunities for devotion, art analysis and appreciation, and Lenten reflection. Call **215.546.8333** or visit- [www.saintrita shrine.org/calendar](http://www.saintrita shrine.org/calendar) for more information.

## LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR

### SPRING CONCERT -

### SCYTHIAN and MCLEAN AVENUE BAND

Come join us for an exciting Little Sisters of the Poor's Annual Spring Concert, with music from two great Irish groups - SCYTHIAN, our featured band, and MCLEAN AVENUE BAND, our opening act! Have fun while helping us raise much needed funds for the elderly poor of Holy Family Home. Concert will be held at Villanova University's Jake Nevin Field House, on Saturday, April 7, with doors open at 6 p.m. General admission is \$50/person (\$20 students, \$10 ages 12 and under) and includes food and beverages. Please send orders to: Holy Family Home, Dept. PB, 5300 Chester Ave., Phila., PA 19143, or call Catherine, (215) 729-5153, or visit our website at: [www.littlesistersofthepoorphiladelphia.org](http://www.littlesistersofthepoorphiladelphia.org). Thank you for your prayers and support!



## Mass Intentions

Saturday & Sunday,  
March 17 & 18, 2018

5:15 PM -----  
9:00 AM Nadene Shearstone & Family  
11:00 AM Agnes Amora, In Thanksgiving  
7:00 PM -----

Monday, March 19, 2018  
SAINT JOSEPH'S FEAST DAY  
12:05 PM -----

Tuesday, March 20, 2018  
First Day of Spring  
12:05 PM † Louise Quinlan

Wednesday, March 21, 2018  
12:05 PM The Parish Community

Thursday, March 22, 2018  
12:05 PM -----

Friday, March 23, 2018  
12:05 PM -----

Saturday, March 24, 2018  
5:15 PM -----  
† = Deceased



Saint 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 join us for some Easter FUN!**

## Sacrificial Giving March 10 & 11, 2018

Number of Envelopes Used: **48**  
Amount in Envelopes: **\$1,347.00**  
Average \$/Envelope: **\$28.06**  
Electronic Giving: **40**  
Amount Electronic: **\$1,165.00**  
Average \$/Electronic: **\$29.13**  
Loose Money: **\$644.00**  
Total Collection: **\$3,156.00**

## The Bulletin Board

Fifth Sunday of Lent  
Sunday, March 18, 2018  
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Monday, March 19, 2018  
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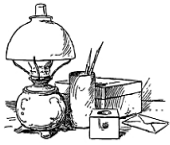
Tuesday, March 20, 2018  
4:00 PM Gift of Life Family House Dinner  
7:00 PM Lenten Program: DOPE  
7:00 PM Gift of Life "Home Cook Heroes"  
7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB

Wednesday, March 21, 2018  
7:00 PM RENEW Faith Sharing  
8:00 PM Fiat Prayer Group

Thursday, March 22, 2018  
7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB

Friday, March 23, 2018  
5:00 PM Stoner-Adler Wedding Rehearsal

Saturday, March 24, 2018  
11:00 AM RENEW Faith Sharing  
3:00 PM Stoner-Adler Wedding  
7:00 PM N.A. Meeting in CHB



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

Dear Parishioners:

As you know, last year during Lent, based on Pope Francis Exhortation, "Our Common Home," we looked at the topic of our environment and how we as a parish community might respond to some of the issues of our environment. This endeavor continues. Matter-a-fact, it is getting new life as several parishioners signed up at the recent Parish Volunteer Fair to join this committee.

This year during Lent we are looking at the issue of drugs in our society. For the past four weeks we have looked at four different videos from Netflix entitled "DOPE" and then had some very insightful discussions. Participation in all four weeks has been excellent as we had 18, 16, 15, and 17 individuals present each week respectfully. A richness of these weeks has been the diversity of the group. The makeup of the group consists of 2 medical doctors, 3 agents from the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), 3 married couples, 4 single people and of course a priest, all of us ranging in ages from our seventies to our twenties. Now that we have seen and discussed all four videos, we will spend the next two weeks brainstorming to develop a realistic plan of how we as a parish might respond to this epidemic in our society. Our group may get more diverse as two recovering addicts hopefully will be joining us.

Asked what these four weeks has been like, some of the comments of the participants were:

*"It has given me a better feel of what is going on the world of drugs."*

*"It has been eye opening."*

*"There has been a power in the conversation by hearing the different opinions and perspectives of people."*

*"The conversations have been really rich."*

*"The input of the three agents with us has been very valuable."*

*"Most of us know people who have used or abused drugs, but this experience has given an insight into the business behind it."*

*"These weeks have brought out just how complicated the whole topic of drugs is."*

*"I have a greater appreciation of the magnitude of the challenge."*

*"It is overwhelming."*

*"It has been optimistic to be with a group of people who want to make a difference."*

As you can see, these four weeks have been very valuable. You will be hearing more about this in the future, but in the meantime please keep us in prayer, especially during the next two weeks as we brainstorm to surface several realistic and concrete things we as a parish might do to respond to the drug situation in our society.

Have a great week.

Fr. Bill



## **Environmental Corner**

### **Home:**

Here are some ideas about how to recycle pots and pans:  
[www.gridphilly.com/grid magazine/2010/5/11/recycling-challenge-pots-pans-pyrex.html](http://www.gridphilly.com/grid%20magazine/2010/5/11/recycling-challenge-pots-pans-pyrex.html)



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**Outside:** Philadelphia Citizen website:

<http://thephiladelphiacitizen.org> is on-line and offers lots of information about what is going on with city government.