

St. Augustine Parish

♦ Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord ♦

March 25, 2018

"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.



National Shrine of
Santo Niño de Cebú



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PARKING ON EASTER SUNDAY
On Easter Sunday we will be able to **park under the Benjamin Franklin Bridge** from 8:00 AM to 1:30 PM.



Operation Rice Bowl

Now that Lent is coming to a close, we would like to remind you to return your Operation Rice Bowls. Please place them in the Collection Basket at any Mass.



Mass Intentions

**Saturday & Sunday,
March 24 & 25, 2018**

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

5:15 PM

9:00 AM † Francis J.. Hoban

11:00 AM In Thanksgiving, Tanjutco Family

7:00 PM

Monday, March 26, 2018

12:05 PM

Tuesday, March 27, 2018

12:05 PM † John A. Georeno

Wednesday, March 28, 2018

12:05 PM The Parish Community

Thursday, March 29, 2018

HOLY THURSDAY of the LORD'S SUPPER

7:30 PM Deceased Members of the Georeno Family

Friday, March 30, 2018

GOOD FRIDAY

5:00 AM Pagbasa Ng Mahal Na Pasyon

3:00 PM Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

7:30 PM The Seven Last Words of Christ

Saturday, March 31, 2018

HOLY SATURDAY

Easter Vigil in the Holy Night of Easter

7:30 PM † Laurence McGrath

† = Deceased

Rediscover the Love in Your Marriage!

Is your marriage going down the right road.... or is it a little off track?

Life can be difficult, and so can the challenges you face in marriage.



Does the distance between you seem wide? Are you already separated? Looking for a better way? Retrouvaille (retro-VIE) can help and offers hope for a better relationship. Retrouvaille is a peer ministry of volunteer couples that can help you learn the tools of healthy communication, build intimacy and heal, just as they have done in their own marriages. Retrouvaille is Christian-based, and Catholic in origin, but welcomes couples of all faiths as well as non-religious couples. Retrouvaille can help get your relationship back on track. **The next program will be held at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA on April 13-15.** For more information, or to register for one of our weekends, visit our web site at: www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 1-800-410-2230.

All inquiries are kept strictly confidential.



The Parish Office will be **CLOSED** on:
Good Friday, March 30th
and
Easter Monday, April 02nd



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 17 & 18, 2018

Number of Envelopes Used: **56**
Amount in Envelopes: **\$1,529.00**
Average \$/Envelope: **\$27.30**
Electronic Giving: **36**
Amount Electronic: **\$835.00**
Average \$/Electronic: **\$23.19**
Loose Money: **\$684.00**
Total Collection: **\$3,048.00**

Explore the **Wines and Shrines of Portugal** hosted by **Diana von Glahn**, the **Faithful Traveler** as seen on EWTN and CatholicTV. Clips include the Monastery of Batalha, The Eucharistic Miracle of Santarem, Jeronimos Monastery, Church of St. Anthony and Featuring Wines Curated by Cristian Bento of "Silver Coast Imports." Holy Martyrs Catholic Church, 120 Allison Rd., Oreland, Pa 19075 on April 28th from 6 to 9PM. Cost is \$50 per person which includes wine and delicious food. Call 215-884-8575 or email holy martyrs secretary@gmail.com for tickets.

The Bulletin Board

Sunday, March 25, 2018
Palm Sunday

8:15 PM 7 PM Mass Monthly Social

Monday, March 26, 2018

6:00 PM Communications Task Force Mtg

6:30 PM Solicitor Workshop Training

Tuesday, March 27, 2018

7:00 PM Lenten Program: DOPE

7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB

Wednesday, March 28, 2018

7:00 PM RENEW Faith Sharing

7:00 PM Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

8:00 PM Fiat Prayer Group

Thursday, March 29, 2018

Holy Thursday

7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB

Friday, March 30, 2018

Good Friday

7:30 PM Seven Last Words of Christ

Saturday, March 31, 2018

Holy Saturday

7:00 PM N.A. Meeting in CHB

9:00 PM Light Refreshments after Mass



A word from Fr. Bill.....

Dear Parishioners:

Once again, we have the opportunity to enter into the holiest week of the Church year. I invite all of us to prayerfully enter into it. It is a week for us to reflect on and to celebrate the central events in the life of Jesus. We reflect on His humanity (suffering and death) and His divinity (the Resurrection) and how all of these things relate to us today.

This weekend, we recall how some of the people of Jesus' day wanted to declare Him king and do as they hailed Him with palm. They were impressed with all the miracles he did and they wanted to be the recipient of some. (Wouldn't you want Him at your party to change water into wine?) Then we hear the same people turn on Him because He told them that wasn't His mission, but that His mission was to suffer and die and if anyone wanted to follow Him, they would have to do the same. They didn't like hearing this. It wasn't quite as appealing.

Thursday, we recall Jesus' example of service. Only servants washed feet but here Jesus was washing the feet of His friends and telling them if they were going to be his followers they had to do the same. Then he gave us the great gift of the Eucharist, the sign of our unity and the bond of our community. There is no Church without the Eucharist. Receiving Jesus' Body and Blood is a sign that Jesus is with us and nourishes us on our journey to the kingdom. At this liturgy (7:30 PM), we also will receive the Holy Oils, which Archbishop Chaput will bless at the Cathedral earlier in the day. We will commission our newest Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and install our new Lectors. There will be the opportunity to pray before the Blessed Sacrament until 10:00 PM when we will pray the Evening Prayer of the Church together.

On Good Friday afternoon (3:00 PM), we will hear the Passion of Christ, venerate the Cross and even though it is technically not a Mass, we will receive the Eucharist.

On Good Friday evening (7:30 PM), Father Jim and a number of our parishioners will help us reflect on "The Seven Last Words," the last things Jesus said before he died. Those who will share a reflection and on what they will reflect is as follows:

Fr. Jim Keating, OSA -- "*Father, forgive them for they do not know what they do.*"

Anne Marie Bonner -- "*Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.*"

Ed Riehl -- "*My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?*"

Paul Dacanay -- "*Woman, here is your son...Here is your mother.*"

Greg and Lily Walsh -- "*Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.*"

Keith Weikel -- "*I am thirsty.*"

Dr. Lita Manguba -- "*It is finished.*"

At the Easter Vigil (which I call the super bowl of liturgies) on Holy Saturday night (7:30 PM), we will have the blessing of the Easter Fire outside, the singing of the beautiful Exsultet, and the opportunity of hearing scripture readings describing our salvation history. It is at this liturgy that our Elect, **Katie Kenny**, **Miles Humenansky**, and **Evan Schaffner** will be baptized, confirmed, and receive Jesus for the first time in the Eucharist. Of course, it is at this liturgy that we celebrate the culmination of Lent as we celebrate Jesus' Resurrection, the central mystery of our faith, and renew our baptismal vows.

When we think of all we remember, all that we celebrate, and all that we believe which we publicly proclaim this week, it truly is a Holy Week. I hope we can all truly enter into it.

Have a Blessed Holy Week!

P.S.: Please keep handy the enclosed flyer with the schedule of our Holy Week Liturgies.

Fr. Bill