

St. Augustine Parish

The Fourth Sunday of Lent – March 26, 2017

"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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Phone: 215-627-1838 FAX: 215-627-3911
Website: www.st-augustinechurch.com
Office Hours: 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM

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

Parish Staff:

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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

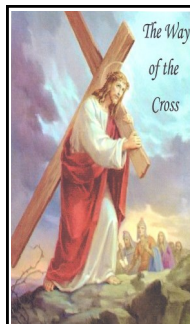
Please call the parish office for information. Forms are also available in the back of the Church.

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.

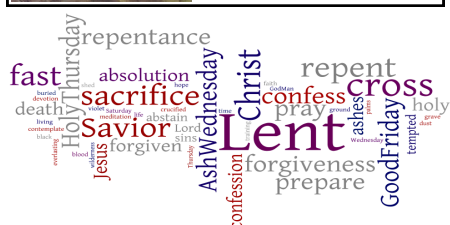
Novena to the Santo Niño

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



Stations of the Cross
Friday Evenings
During Lent
7:30 P.M.

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



spring cleanup

With Spring around the corner, we are planning to place mulch around the Church property on **April 1st from 10 AM—Noon**. We are hoping to get volunteers to help on that day. We had a great turnout last year and are excited as Easter falls a little later this year and we will have the opportunity to have our gardens ready for Holy Week.

If you are interested, please contact our Parish Facilities Director, **Bob Zigmund**, at **facilities243@gmail.com** or **215-627-1838 ext. 111**.
 Thank you for your help!



Gift of Life Donor Dash Run/Walk April 2, 2017

On **Sunday, April 2, 2017** Gift of Life is holding their **22nd Annual Run/Walk Donor Dash** at the **Philadelphia Art Museum** to raise both awareness and funds about organ and tissue donation. The money raised goes to Transplant Foundation, the charitable foundation supporting the mission of Gift of Life. As you many of you know, for the past 18 months, St. Augustine's has been serving meals twice a month at the Gift of Life Family House. We thought this would be a great way to support the work of Gift of Life in a different way. St. Augustine's is putting together a team so please consider joining us!



General Info on the event: www.donors1.org/volunteer/dash

Register to join the "St. Augustine Parish" team:

http://events.donors1.org/site/TR/Events/2017Refresh?team_id=3290&pg=team&fr_id=1100

Race Day Details

10K run begins 7:10 AM ♦ 5K run begins 7:20 AM ♦ Kids Fun Run begins 7:45 AM ♦ 3K walk begins 8:30 AM

Any questions or to get involved, please contact Jane O'Connor at: jane.e.oconnor@gmail.com



Mass Intentions

Saturday & Sunday,
March 25 & 26, 2017

5:15 PM The Parish Community
 9:00 AM † Susan Marascio
 11:00 AM † Resty Tiduto Manalon
 7:00 PM The Parish Community

Monday, March 27, 2017

12:05 PM † John A. Georeno, Jr.

Tuesday, March 28, 2017

12:05 PM Deceased Members of the Augustinian Family

Wednesday, March 29, 2017

12:05 PM † Rena Bernato

Thursday, March 30, 2017

12:05 PM Single-parent Families

Friday, March 31, 2017

12:05 PM Deceased Members of the Georeno Family

Saturday, April 01, 2017

5:15 PM † Alberta Planster

† = Deceased

Sacrificial Giving

March 18 & 19, 2017

Number of Envelopes Used: 62
 Amount in Envelopes: **\$1,594.00**
 Average \$/Envelope: **\$25.71**
 Electronic Giving: 25
 Amount Electronic: **\$575.00**
 Average \$/Electronic: **\$23.00**
 Loose Money: **\$568.00**
 Total Collection: **\$2,737.00**

Electronic Giving

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It's convenient!

Just log on to our website,

www.st-augustinechurch.com

and click on:

"Sign Up For Electronic Giving"



The Bulletin Board

The Fourth Sunday of Lent
Sunday, March 26, 2017

7:00 PM 7 PM Mass Social Get-Together

Monday, March 27, 2017

7:00 PM Training for NEW Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Tuesday, March 28, 2017

7:00 PM Training for NEW Lectors
 7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB

Wednesday, March 29, 2017

7:00 PM Parish Pastoral Council Meeting
 8:00 PM Fiat Prayer Group

Thursday, March 30, 2017

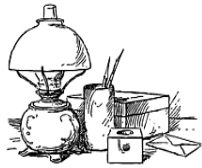
6:00 PM Burke-Cirino Rehearsal
 7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB
 8:00 PM St. Augustine Choir Rehearsal

Friday, March 31, 2017

7:30 PM Stations of the Cross

Saturday, April 01, 2017

10:00 AM Spring Cleanup of the Grounds
 2:30 PM Burke-Cirino Wedding
 7:00 PM N.A. Meeting in CHB



A word from Fr. Bill.....



PRAYER



FASTING



ALMSGIVING

Dear Parishioners:

Last weekend we heard the story of Jesus, tired from his journey, sitting at the well and requesting of the woman whom he met there to give him a drink. On Good Friday in the midst of reflecting on the "Seven Last Words," we will hear Jesus saying that he thirsts. As we reflect on "Our Care of Our Common Home" this Lent, it might be advantageous to consider some of the things which Pope Francis says about water.

Pope Francis said the questions concerning the right to water are not marginal, but basic and pressing. Basic, because where there is water there is life, and pressing, because our common home needs to be protected.

Noting that every day a thousand children die from water-related illnesses and millions of people consume polluted water, the Pope said we must give high priority to educating future generations about the gravity of the situation.

We cannot be indifferent to these facts, he said, but rather we must work to develop a culture of care and encounter, in order to make our common home a more livable and fraternal place, where none are excluded, but all are able to live and grow in dignity.

I mention this in order keep alive our Lenten focus of the care of our environment. Do I waste water? Do I contribute in any way to the pollution of water? Am I aware of those who do not have access to clean water? Do I encourage anyone to right this wrong?

Just about midway through Lent now, this is an appropriate time for us to "take stock" if we are doing the things concerning "the care of our common home" that we indicated we would at the beginning of Lent. To this end, as we indicated in the beginning of Lent, we will have a form in the pews again next weekend so that we can indicate what we have been able to do in this area in the last few weeks. The results of this will be communicated to the entire parish community the following week.

As you know, we have "The Stations of the Cross" each Friday during Lent at 7:30 PM. This is a good opportunity for us to recall and reflect on what Jesus endured on the way to Calvary.

On Good Friday at 7:30 PM, in place of the "Stations" we will reflect on "The Last Seven Words of Christ." In the midst of reading the scripture passage, some silence, a few petitions, and a hymn concerning each "Word," a parishioner will share a reflection on that "Word." "The Seven Last Words" are: "Father, forgive them for they do not know what they do," "Into your hands I commend my spirit," "This day you will be with me in paradise," "Mother, behold your son. Son, behold your mother," "I thirst," "It is finished," and "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" Please plan to be with us for this service as it can really help us to appreciate why we call that eventful Friday "Good."

Have a great week.

Fr. Bill

Mass and Reception

The Annual Archdiocesan Mass Honoring the Gifts of Persons with Disabilities, The Deaf Community, Family, Friends and Care-givers 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.