## St. Augustine R. C. Parish 5th Sunday of Easter May 15, 2022



Santo Niño de Cebú

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## Sister Bell to the Liberty Bell Homecoming and Blessing Ceremony Saturday, May, 7, 2022

To read all about and to see pictures of the Sister Bell festivities, please check out her very own page on our Parish Website at: www.st-augustinechurch.com/sister-of-the-liberty-bell



#### **WE NEED YOUR HELP!**



With Spring upon us, we are watching our outside church property coming alive again with flower blooms and green foliage.

This is where you come in! We are looking for volunteers to water and take care of the various large flower planters/urns along the sidewalks. Maybe just a half hour once a week (perhaps a little more often when it is really hot during the summer months) is all we are looking for from our volunteers. You do not need to supply anything except your time. We will supply the tools and water!

If you love flowers and would also like to keep our property looking alive, beautiful and inviting and have the time to volunteer.....please call Jacob in the Parish Office at 215.627.1838 to let him know you are available and would like to help.



#### SAVE THE DATE!

Summer Sinulog
Feast of Santo Niño
Sunday, August 21, 2022
11:00 AM Mass & Procession



The month of May is Mary's month. Pray to her always for her help.

O Brilliant star of purity, Mary Immaculate, Our Lady of Lourdes, be our comfort, hope, strength and consolation.

Amen.



Congratulations to

Eamon Thomas Stengel
on his

First Holy Communion
Sunday, May 15, 2022

May Chrisi's life and love fill you today and every time you receive Him in Holy Communion.

God love and bless you!



9:00 AM The Parish Community
11:00 AM Mother's Day Novena
7:00 PM † James Wilbur Turner

Monday, May 16, 2022 12:05 PM Mother's Day Novena

**Tuesday, May 17, 2022** 12:05 PM Mother's Day Novena

Wednesday, May 18, 2022 12:05 PM Mother's Day Novena

**Thursday, May 19, 2022** 12:05 PM Mother's Day Novena

Friday, May 20, 2022 12:05 PM Dec'd Members and Benefactors of the OSA

Saturday, May 21, 2022

† = Deceased



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# Bulletin Board

Sunday, May 15, 2022 9:00 AM Eamon Thomas Stengel F.H.C. 4:00 PM Pérez-Consalvo Wedding

Monday, May 16, 2022

Tuesday, May 17, 2022 8:00 PM Parish Rosary—Zoom

Wednesday, May 18, 2022

**Thursday, May 19, 2022** 7:00 PM Parish Scripture Study—Zoom

Friday, May 20, 2022

Saturday, May 21, 2022 3:30 PM Stefanelli-Nguyen Wedding



## A word from Fr. Bill...

Dear Parishioners:

I would like to share some exciting happenings around the parish.....

First of all, we are thrilled to celebrate at the 9:00 AM Mass this Sunday the occasion of Eamon Thomas Stengel receiving Jesus for the first time in the Eucharist. I am very grateful to Jackie Lanza who has been meeting with Eamon on a regular basis since this past September to help him prepare for his First Holy Communion. The primary ones who have guided Eamon for this great occasion have been his parents, Matt and Megan Stengel. They with their three other children, Mary Kate, Theresa, and Rose, participate in the 9:00 AM Mass each Sunday. What a joy it is to see them each week. I am particularly happy to be able to give Eamon his First Communion because I also baptized him at the 7 PM Mass on October 26, 2014, probably my second baptism after coming to the parish. The first was earlier the same day at the 9 AM Mass. I don't know who has changed the most since that day, Eamon or me. I think a significant difference between us since his baptism is that he has more hair and I have less. Congratulations, Eamon, as you now totally participate with us in the celebration of the Eucharist for the first time.

Last Saturday, May 7th, we had the wonderful celebration of welcoming the Sister of the Liberty Bell home to St. Augustine Parish. After being shattered in the anti-Catholic riots of 1844, it was away from the parish for about 175 years and now it has come home. Auxiliary Bishop Timothy Senior presided at our prayer service, shared a reflection and blessed the bell. Sheila Hess, Representative of the City, extended the greetings of the City to us. City Councilman Mark Squilla, presented us with a beautiful Citation from the Philadelphia City Council. Jim Cuorato, President and CEO of the Philadelphia Independence Visitor Center, proclaimed a scripture passage from Leviticus. You can watch the 40-minute ceremony in three places on our website: the link where you can find all of our livestream liturgies, as well as on a page specifically designated for the Sister Bell on the Community and History tab on our website (the link is printed on the cover of this week's Bulletin) and finally on our parish YouTube Channel. There was some great Press coverage of the event which can be found especially on CatholicPhilly.com and a short report on 3CBS News Philly (both have links on our website). Please note a picture of this occasion on the cover of this weekend's bulletin.

On May 1st at the 11:00 AM Mass we had a visit from someone known as The Mystery Worshipper. This isn't unlike the Mystery Shopper, but someone who comes as a mystery visitor to liturgies around the world and critiques them. You can find out more about this entity on Shipoffools.com. Obviously, we didn't know "they" were here other than "they" placed a note in the collection basket which said "you have been blessed by a visit from The Mystery Worshiper. Read about your church soon on shipoffools.com." On Monday of this past week, I Googled the site and discovered very complimentary comments about the parish, especially the homily (Fr. Jim Paradis) and the music at the Mass. Someone said they knew I didn't give the homily because they mentioned in the critique that it was only ten minutes. I invite you to see their comments on our website. Just go to our website and click on the link entitled, "What Do People Say About Us."

This past Monday, two members of our Parish Pastoral Council (Bob Schuck and Bill Castro) and I visited the Ukrainian Sisters of the Order of Saint Basil the Great in Jenkintown. The purpose of the visit was to have a conversation with the Sisters' Provincial, Sister Joann Sosler, OSBM on how we as a parish can assist the people of Ukraine during these horrific days. After we discuss our conversation with Sister Joann with the members of the Parish Pastoral Council on May 25th, we will have more information for you. You can be sure you will hear more about this in the next month.

I thank God for the exciting things, signs of life, which are happening within our parish.

Have a great week.

Fr. Bill

## St. Augustine R. C. Parish 4th Sunday of Easter May 08, 2022



National Shrine of Santo Niño de Cebú

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Office Hours:

9:00 AM to 5:00 PM Monday to Friday

Mass Schedule:

Monday - Friday: 12:05 PM (LiveStreamed) (10:00 AM on Legal Holidays)

Saturday Vigil — Suspended Indefinitely

Sunday: 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM & 7:00 PM (All Masses are LiveStreamed on masslivestream.com)

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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

After Sunday Masses or Anytime by appointment.

#### Parish Registration

Please call the parish office or visit the parish website for a registration form or more 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.

Weekly Parish Rosary via Zoom—8:00 PM on Tuesday Meeting ID: 854~1235~0301 PW: 150408

Weekly Scripture Study via Zoom—7:00 PM on Thursday Meeting ID: 832-4986-0935 PW: 025786



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