St. Augustine R. C. Parish 6th Sunday of Easter May 22, 2022



National Shrine of Santo Niño de Cebú

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Capital Campaign donations, \$77,124.00 hard at work two weeks ago, replacing the louvres on all four sides of the church steeple at the "bell level" of the tower that had deteriorated away beyond repair.

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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.





A word from Fr. Bill...

Dear Parishioners:

You will see on the front cover of this bulletin a picture of a very large crane with a person on the other end at the steeple of our church. What were they doing!? They were removing and replacing new louvers on the steeple. I wanted you to see a picture of this because I think it is important for you to have a visible sign of how the income from the Capital Campaign is spent. A great deal of work went into this project long before the crane was on the scene. The company was on the property several months ago to ascertain measurements, both internal and external. They collaborated with the Philadelphia Historic Commission to make sure everything was done in accordance with their requirements, including colors. The total cost of this project was \$77,124.

It would not have been possible without the generosity of so many people. Many thanks! Hopefully, you can see from this picture a sign how of the Capital Campaign money is put into action. For a fuller account of how the Capital Campaign money has been spent, please go to our parish website and to the special tab entitled, "Capital Campaign."

Close to 8 years ago, our parish took on the beautiful work of helping the ministry of Gift of Life Family House. This is a ministry which provides "a home away from home for transplant families." I liken it to a Ronald McDonald House which is for children suffering from cancer. A number of Philadelphia hospitals provide transplants to patients from many distant places. The patients as well as their families need decent and affordable lodging with all the comforts of home. How do we as a parish help their ministry? We have two teams, one on the 3rd Tuesday of the month and the other on the 2nd Sunday of the month. What do these teams do? They plan a menu for a dinner, shop for the food, take the food to the Gift of Life residence (4th and Callowhill Streets) and then cook the food. We as a parish, help subsidize this effort from the collection on the 3rd Sunday of the month. We also provide "warm bodies" to help the with the logistics of the ministry. We need help with shopping, dropping food off, and cooking. If you would be willing to help with this outreach on the 3rd Tuesday of the month, please be in touch with Rosemary and Jerry Lorenz at: **g.lorenz2023@gmail.com**. If you would be willing to help on the 2nd Sunday of the month, please be in touch with Jane O'Connor at: **jane.e.oconnor@gmail.com**.

Jesus said, "blessed are the ones who give a cup of cold water in my name." He said, "what you do to the least of my people you do to me." He said, "when I was hungry you fed me" and "when I was a stranger you welcomed me." Participating in the Gift of Life ministry you feed the hungry, give a cup of cold water, and welcome the stranger.

Because of Covid19, we had to take about a two year break from being "hands on," although we continued to support this effort from your generosity to the collection on the 3rd Sunday of each month. Now we are able to return to "hands on" help. If you would be interested in participating, please be in touch with Rosemary and Jerry (g.lorenz2023@gmail.com) or Jane (jane.e.oconnor@gmail.com)

One of the things which excites me about this ministry is that it is responding to a need within our parish boundaries. In addition, it is not only a way to build community within the parish, but also it helps to build community with others in addition to members of our parish community.

If anyone has any questions or needs any clarifications, please be in touch with me or with Jane or Jerry and Rosemary at their respective emails mentioned above.

Have a great week.

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Fr. Bill



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Website: www.st-augustinechurch.com

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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