



# St. Augustine Parish

*Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time—November 06, 2016*

*"Creating A Community Of Involvement And Evangelization"*

**Served by the Augustinian Friars since 1796**

## *Mission Statement:*

*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 and thus 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 2:00 PM**

**Monday through 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**

## **Parish Staff:**

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**Rev. Paul Morrissey, O.S.A.**

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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***

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.



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**MOTHER BONIFACE SPIRITUALITY CENTER**, 3501 Solly Avenue in northeast Philadelphia is offering an overnight program entitled **"Making Holy Choices: A Young Adult Discernment Retreat"** on November 12-13, 2016. The retreat will begin at 10 a.m. on Saturday and conclude Sunday following the 3 p.m. mass. Join together with other young adults who desire to learn more about making good, holy choices in their lives. This retreat will provide a balance of reflection and prayer, input on the skills and tools useful for discernment, and sharing among retreat participants. The retreat will be given by Sr. Olivia Montejano, MSBT, Sr. Mary Kay McDonald, MSBT, Carolina Soares, and Laura Endara Mantilla. The fee is \$50 (includes a \$10 non-refundable deposit). Please register by November 2nd. For more information and/or to register, please call Sr. Geraldine at 267-350-1830.

**During the Year of Mercy, may we reflect this week on.....**

Go and learn what this means, "I desire mercy, and not sacrifice." For I came not to call the righteous, but sinners.

*Matthew 9:13*



For information on the Year of Mercy,  
 please go to: <http://archphila.org/mercy>

## YOU CAN CHANGE THE FUTURE—BECOME A FOSTER PARENT!




Foster families provide temporary homes to children of all ages and cultures whose families are in crisis. The love and commitment that foster parents provide can have a lasting and positive effect.

For more information please call **Catholic Social Services** at: **267-331-2502**

**MOTHER BONIFACE SPIRITUALITY CENTER**, 3501 Solly Avenue in northeast Philadelphia is offering a workshop for the Hispanic community entitled: **"Addictions: Prevention, Diagnosis, and Treatment"** on Friday, November 11th from 7-9:30 p.m. The objective of this workshop is to raise awareness and increase knowledge about addiction and how it affects our families, community and society. The presenter for this retreat is Sara Serrano, BSW, who has more than 30 years of experience as a drug and alcohol counselor. She also trains parents and foster parents dealing with addiction in their families. There is no charge for this event but free will donation is accepted. To register or for more information, please contact Laura Endara-Mantilla at (267) 496 - 6508.



MASS  <b>SCHEDULE &amp; INTENTIONS</b>	
<b>Saturday &amp; Sunday, November 05 &amp; 06, 2016</b>	
5:15 PM	All Souls Novena
9:00 AM	All Souls Novena
11:00 AM	In Honor of Saint Augustine
7:00 PM	† Julia Baumann
<b>Monday, November 07, 2016</b>	
12:05 PM	All Souls Novena
<b>Tuesday, November 08, 2016</b>	
12:05 PM	All Souls Novena
<b>Wednesday, November 09, 2016</b>	
12:05 PM	All Souls Novena
<b>Thursday, November 10, 2016</b>	
12:05 PM	All Souls Novena
<b>Friday, November 11, 2016</b>	
<b>Veteran's Day</b>	
10:00 AM	† Maria T. Marhefka
<b>Saturday, November 12, 2016</b>	
5:15 PM	The Parish Community
† = Deceased	

## Sacrificial Giving

October 29 & 30, 2016

Number of Envelopes Used: 56  
 Amount in Envelopes: \$1,749.00  
 Average \$/Envelope: \$31.23  
 Electronic Giving: 23  
 Amount Electronic: \$482.00  
 Average \$/Electronic: \$20.96  
 Loose Money: \$461.00  
 Total Collection: \$2,692.00

## Electronic Giving

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 and click on:

**"Sign Up For Electronic Giving"**



## The Bulletin Board

**Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 Sunday, November 06, 2016

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**Monday, November 07, 2016**

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**Tuesday, November 08, 2016**

7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB

**Wednesday, November 09, 2016**

6:30 PM Parish Finance Council Meeting  
 8:00 PM Fiat Prayer Group

**Thursday, November 10, 2016**

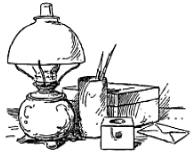
5:00 PM Battaglia-Lyons Rehearsal  
 7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB  
 8:00 PM St. Augustine Choir Rehearsal

**Friday, November 11, 2016**

3:30 PM Battaglia-Lyons Wedding  
 5:00 PM Meklin-Morelli Rehearsal

**Saturday, November 12, 2016**

2:00 PM Meklin-Morelli Wedding  
 7:00 PM N.A. Meeting in CHB



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

Dear Parishioners:

In my letter last weekend, I spoke about the role of the Parish Finance Commission (PFC) and my gratitude to its members. I collaborate with them monthly about the temporal needs of the parish, meaning the financial, and physical needs including all the things which pertain to the budget and maintenance of our various buildings like the paving of the parking lot, contracts for snow removal, a Capital Campaign, etc.

This weekend I would like to share with you the role of the Parish Pastoral Council (PPC). This is another group with whom I collaborate monthly. The members, like the PFC, represent the various elements of our parish community. Their role is to advise me on the pastoral needs of the parish which include developing and reviewing our "Mission Statement" (which you will see on the front page of the parish bulletin), and to review the pastoral needs of the parish and in turn to develop a "Pastoral Plan."

The two groups are distinct, but they are kept informed of each other's activities. This is achieved in two ways: First, the minutes of each other's meetings are shared with each other and secondly, one person is a member of both groups. I am grateful to Mark Alvino who was the liaison between both groups for several years and now Ryan Niedoba who serves in that same capacity. Naturally, both groups have a spiritual aspect to them. At the beginning of each of the PFC meetings we have a discussion on the gospel for the following weekend. At the beginning of the PPC meetings a different member leads us in prayer.

Ten members of the Parish Pastoral Council and three staff members met from 10:00 AM to 4:30 PM this past Saturday (October 29th) for a Day of Reflection/Workshop. We spent time getting to know each other, sharing our understanding of the role of the PPC, looking at significant Augustinian values and how they might integrate into the PPC and into our larger parish community and the trend in the numbers of Mass attendance. At the end of the day the members were formally installed at the 5:15 PM Mass. Please see pictures of this day on our parish website.

A significant part of our time was spent as a follow up to an internal survey in which our PPC participated for the last several months. As a result of that discussion we have planned for the immediate future to center in on the following areas as a "Pastoral Plan."

- 1) Have a Director of Volunteer Services for the parish.
- 2) As a part of evangelization have a greater outreach to our parishioners in Condos.
- 3) Have a social outreach to new parishioners, re-invigorate a social after the Sunday 7:00 PM Mass, and bring back our First Friday activities.
- 4) Continued outreach to existing parishioners: having Lectors hand our bulletins out after Mass, inviting petitions from the "faithful" for the Prayer of the Faithful, having greater networking among parishioners.
- 5) Taking initiatives to better "Market" who we are and what is happening in the parish, in particular marketing the Santo Niño Shrine.
- 6) Finding ways to be more involved with the poor, e.g. connection with the Bethesda Organization who will be speaking at the Masses this weekend.
- 7) Having more continued connection and collaboration with Villanova University.
- 8) Having more educational opportunities: speakers, discussion groups, etc. -- e.g. a discussion group during Advent on the Pope's encyclical concerning the environment and "Global Warming". Please see more information about this in next weekend's bulletin.

This is a very ambitious agenda. We know it will not all be accomplished immediately. But it gives us a "map" for the future. At Saturday's meeting the PPC agreed to look at each of these at its monthly meetings and to reconvene for a half of day on April 22nd to review our progress.

One of the main purposes of the PPC is to plan, and not necessarily to implement. We are constantly aware we need more and more parishioners to take an active role in order to implement such an ambitious and varied agenda. Consequently, if there is anything on this list in which you think you would like to be involved because of some unique talents and/or experiences which you have, please be in touch with me.

Please keep all of our efforts in your prayers.

Have a great week.

Fr. Bill