

St. Augustine Parish

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time – November 08, 2015

“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 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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Website: www.st-augustinechurch.com
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

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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.



Baptism Celebration

On Saturday, November 07th, 2015 at the 5:15 PM Mass, we have the opportunity through the celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism to welcome a new member into our parish community. The son of Carlos Andres Arias Ballesteros and Natalie Avila, **Alejandro Arias**, will be baptized. Please keep Alejandro and his parents in your prayers.

Next Sunday, November 15th, 2015 at the 11:00 AM Mass, we have the opportunity through the celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism to welcome a new member into our parish community. The son of Ferdinand Mendoza and Lisa Luyun, **Lucas James Mendoza**, will be baptized. Please keep Lucas and his parents in your prayers.

For decades, the Catholic Church has declared that organ, eye and tissue donation supports the culture of life.

Join our Catholic brothers and sisters in making the life-affirming decision to save and heal lives as an act of compassion and charity.

"Organ donation is a testimony of love for our neighbor."

- His Holiness Pope Francis

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GIFT of LIFE
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THE REGION'S ORGAN & TISSUE TRANSPLANT NETWORK

Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions for November 2015:

Universal: That we may be open to personal encounter and dialogue with all, even those whose convictions differ from our own.

Evangelization: That pastors of the Church, with profound love for their flocks, may accompany them and enliven their hope.

THE GOSEPL OF JOHN—LIVE! Our Mother of Consolation Parish, 9 East Chestnut Hill Ave., Philadelphia 19118 is please to announce a theatrical production of *The Gospel of John*. This is not a reading or a talk but a dynamic proclamation of the gospel by actor Brad Sherrill, who commands the stage, using only his voice and body and a few props to tell the entire story of life, ministry, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. **Saturday, November 21, 2015 at 7:30 PM** Admission: Free will offering. For more information visit: www.gospelofjohn.com



Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday & Sunday, November 7 & 8, 2015

5:15 PM All Souls Novena
9:00 AM Carly Ocampo Tan
11:00 AM Deceased Members of the Largoza Family
7:00 PM All Souls Novena

Monday, November 09, 2015

12:05 PM All Souls Novena

Tuesday, November 10, 2015

12:05 PM All Souls Novena
† Josephine Fenuto

Wednesday, November 11, 2015

12:05 PM † Harold F. Griffith

Thursday, November 12, 2015

12:05 PM † Bob Dolan

Friday, November 13, 2015

12:05 AM The Parish Community

Saturday, November 14, 2015

5:15 PM Matthew Slattery

† = Deceased

Sacrificial Giving

October 31 & November 1, 2015

Number of Envelopes Used: 60
Amount in Envelopes: **\$2,370.00**
Average \$/Envelope: **\$39.50**
Electronic Giving: 18
Average \$/Electronic: **\$24.83**
Loose Money: **\$841.00**
Total Collection: **\$3,658.00**

Electronic Giving

It's simple!

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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"

Parish Giving

What's Happening

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, November 08, 2015

9 AM, 11 AM & 7 PM Mass

12:00 Noon PREP (CCD) Class

12:30 PM Wedding Music Open House

Monday, November 09, 2015

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**Tuesday, November 10, 2015**

7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB

**Wednesday, November 11, 2015**

**6:00 PM Parish Finance Council Meeting**

8:00 PM Fiat Prayer Group

**Thursday, November 12, 2015**

4:00 PM Rice-Murray Rehearsal

6:00 PM McCauley-Britton Rehearsal

7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB

8:00 PM St. Augustine Choir Rehearsal

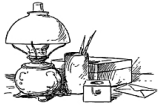
**Friday, November 13, 2015**

4:00 PM Rice-Murray Wedding

**Saturday, November 14, 2015**

2:30 PM McCauley-Britton Wedding

7:00 PM N.A. Meeting in CHB



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

Dear Parishioners:

Close to thirty of us gathered this past Tuesday night to listen to Fr. Jim McCartney, OSA, professor of Bioethics at Villanova University, speak about "End of Life" issues. Everyone there found it informative and educational. At the end I asked a number of the participants what they heard that was new and/or helpful to them. I would like to share with you some of their responses.

One person said she found most helpful that all the directives of the Catholic Church concerning these end of life issues can be found on the website of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB). There is a link to their website from our parish website. Go to the St. Augustine Parish website, click the "Being Catholic" tab, and then click "Catholic Links." Once there, you will find a link to take you to the USCCB website as well as a link directly below the USCCB link to the bishop's "Ethical and Religious Directives for Catholic Healthcare Services" document page.

Someone else said they did not know that the Catholic Church no longer speaks about Limbo and that Pope Benedict said very publicly that there is no scriptural basis for Limbo. This gave the person a real sense of relief and hope for babies he knew had died before birth, during birth or after birth before baptism.

The talk reemphasized for those who were there the need to have healthcare proxies and very clear directives of a person's wishes for treatment or non-treatment when they are near death. It is a terrific help for relatives to know what a person's wishes are. If it is clear what the desires are of a loved one, it takes a burden off of family members to not have to make decisions.

People who were at the talk appreciated that there was a great deal of discussion about hydration, respirators and feeding tubes. They found it educational to hear that the directives for these things centered around not postponing death for someone whose death is imminent and to take into consideration the quality of life of that person.

Some were surprised to know that the Church allows a funeral Mass for someone who commits suicide and that the body of that deceased person can be brought to the Church and that the person can be buried in a Catholic cemetery. They were told that the thinking is that if one commits suicide, they are so confused, distraught, and depressed that it is a good possibility that the person was not in his/her right state of mind.

One person who was there who is not presently Catholic was surprised to hear that the Catholic directives for these issues are not so rigid, but they take into consideration the pastoral needs of the person and the family, not just the physical needs but also the financial and psychological needs as well.

The topic of transplants was also raised and it was pointed out that Pope Saint John Paul II, Pope Benedict and Pope Francis have all endorsed the practice of transplants. Pope Benedict said, "Organ donation is a unique testimony of charity." Pope Francis recently said that "we need to encourage the donation of organs out of compassion." Pope Francis also said, "organ donation is a testimony of love of a neighbor." Some people did not know this as the thinking of the church.

Overall, it was a very good evening. Once again, those who were there found it educational, hopeful, helpful and informative. Have a great week. Father Bill

### **Donation of food items needed for Gift of Life Family House** *(Next dinner to be served will be 11/17/15)*

Canned Corn  
Canned Mushrooms  
Croutons  
Flour  
Cornmeal  
Orzo

Canned Green Beans  
Canned Diced Tomatoes  
Elbow Macaroni  
Grated Parmesan Cheese  
White Rice

Canned Baked Beans  
Canned Tomato Sauce  
Spiral Pasta  
Wide Egg Noodles  
Canned Chicken Gravy



**Please bring food items to church or drop off at the Parish Office, Monday – Friday 9 am to 2 pm.**