### St. Augustine R. C. Parish 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time November 12, 2023



Santo Niño de Cebú

"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. 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.



Young Adult Retreat Participants Saturday, November 4, 2023

#### MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW: Friday, December 1st - 7:30 PM

#### A Concert to Celebrate the Season

The Chamber Choir and the Filipino Choir will host their annual pre-Christmas Concert to begin the Advent Season! This St. Augustine's annual tradition is not to be missed!



Bring a friend if you like sharing joy!

FREE Admission! (Free will offering)

November 14th, 21st, and 28th from 7:30-9:00pm Zoom Discussion on St. John Paul II's Veritatis Splendor (Splendor of Truth)

This November, join us for an in-depth exploration of St. John Paul II's Veritatis Splendor, on its 30th anniversary. The St. John Paul II Institute (University of St. Thomas) hosts its inaugural program on John Paul's encyclicals with the first papal encyclical on the foundations of moral theology.





Sunday, November 12, 2023 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:00 AM All Souls' Novena 11:00 AM † Cesar Manguba 7:00 PM † Bob Dolan

Monday, November 13, 2023 12:05 PM The Parish community

Tuesday, November 14, 202312:05 PMCronin Family

Wednesday, November 15, 2023 12:05 PM Cronin Family

Thursday, November 16, 202312:05 PMCronin Family

Friday, November 17, 2023 12:05 PM † Robert Pearse

Saturday, November 18, 2023

† = Deceased



Goal: \$750,000 (Phase 1) To date: Pledges: 221 Percentage: 116.1402% Amount Pledged: \$871,051.68 Pledges Received: \$815,421.68 In-Kind Gifts Received: \$10,437.71 Campaign Total Rec'd: \$825,859.39

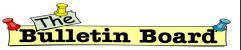
Sacrificial Giving November 5, 2023 Number of Envelopes Used: 34 Amount in Envelopes: \$1,658.00 Average \$/Envelope: \$48.76 Electronic Giving: 48 Amount Electronic: \$1,805.00 Average \$/Electronic: \$37.60 Loose Money: \$525.00 Total Collection: \$3,988.00



This year, we have the privilege of participating in **#iGiveCatholic** on **#GivingTuesday**, November 28th! **#iGiveCatholic** is regarded as a Global Day of Charity and a Catholic Day of Giving. Any contributions given on **#GivingTuesday** will go to directly support the parish. We count on your charitable gifts to sustain programs and provide support to our various ongoing preservation projects. Please save the date and stay tuned for more details about **#iGiveCatholic**!







32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday, November 12, 2023

Monday, November 13, 2023 9:30 PM St. Augustine Prep Visit

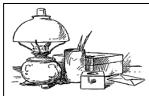
**Tuesday, November 14, 2023** 7:00 PM Sexaholics Anonymous (SA) 8:00 PM Weekly Parish Rosary—Zoom

Wednesday, November 15, 2023

Thursday, November 16, 2023 5:30 PM Lita-Kelly Rehearsal 6:00 PM —7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal 7:00 PM Parish Scripture Study—Zoom 7:00 PM Sexaholics Anonymous (SA)

**Friday, November 17, 2023** 4:00 PM Lita-Kelly Wedding 5:30 PM Tirado-Mullen Rehearsal

Saturday, November 18, 2023 1:30 PM Tirado-Mullen Wedding 7:00 PM Narcotics Anonymous (NA)



A word from Fr. Bill...

Dear Parishioners:

A week ago Friday, our local Augustinian Community, Fr. Paul, Fr. Jim, Fr. Rich and I, spent the day in what is called "A Chapter of Renewal." Every month we have a "House Chapter" to discuss what is happening in our lives and in our Augustinian Community. Once a year, we have the "Chapter of Renewal" where we look at every aspect of our community life: our daily prayer, meals, finances, recreation, days of recollection, and various other aspects of our community life. We discuss what is working well and where there could be improvements. After we did this last Friday, we then had a discussion on what gives us encouragement and what we see as challenges in the Church today as well in the Augustinian Order in general and our province specifically. Within the day we had several opportunities for common prayer and ended the day by going out to dinner together. The quality of our community life is a high priority for us. Some would say our community life is our first apostolate. It was a very worthwhile day. I mention this because I think it is so important to share with you the life style of the friars of the Augustinian community here at St. Augustine Parish.

As was announced for the past several weeks, last Saturday we had the first retreat day for young adults in our parish. We are very grateful to Br. Stephen Glodek, a member of the Marianist Community, for preparing and facilitating the day. As you can see on the front page of this bulletin ten young adults joined us (one is missing from the picture). We discussed "What are you experiencing with faith, Church, and life: Challenges and Blessings."

Please see the comments of some of those who participated in last Saturday's gathering:

"Getting a chance to meet other young people was a blessing. I look forward to the sessions coming up."

"I left feeling really refreshed and I am so excited about developing a community with everyone."

"I found it refreshing to reconnect with my own faith journey and be encouraged by the stories of others."

"It was so great getting to know other young adults who are also seeking community and want to grow in their relationship with God."

"I thought it was a great opportunity to reflect on the impact of the Catholic faith on our personal lives as young adults and to form relationships with others in the community."

"It was such a gift to meet more young adults in the St. Augustine's community and take time for fellowship and sharing about our experience of the Catholic faith."

"Often there are not many opportunities to sit with other young Adult Catholics and share our faith together but the retreat on Saturday allowed me to sit with others and be present. It is clear that there is a growing YA community within St. Augustine Parish."

The group decided to meet once a month, the first Saturday of the month from 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM. There will be a discussion on various issues each month from 11:00 AM to 12:00 noon and then an opportunity for adoration and confession from noon to 12:30. One of the members of the group will give a short presentation on Advent on Saturday, December 2 and then there will be a discussion on Advent.

Please inform anyone you know who might be interested in participating in this new endeavor in our parish. They can be in touch with me for more details.

Do you know anyone who is an inactive Catholic? We all do and we all feel badly about the fact that there are so many inactive Catholics. Surveys show 83% of Catholics are inactive. I mentioned in my letter last week, we as a parish are launching a process to reach out to inactive Catholics. If you are concerned about the problem, will you help us with the solution? If you are willing to be part of this process, please be in touch with me.

Have a great week.

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Fr. Bill

St Augustine Church will now be hosting MONTHLY:

# YOUNG ADULT DISCUSSIONS

Please consider joining for the first one on:

## Sat, Dec 2nd

<u>11am-12pm:</u> Advent Discussion <u>12-12:30pm:</u> Opportunity for Adoration/Confession Located in Carr Hall

# SAINT AUGUSTINE

With the Angels,

Let Us Sing.

### A SEASONAL CONCERT

*featuring*: The St. Augustine Church Chamber Choir The St. Augustine Church Parish Choir *under the direction of Mr. Kim Barroso* 

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1 | 7:30 PM All Are Welcome!



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