St. Augustine R. C. Parish Feast of Christ The King November 26, 2023



National Shrine of 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.

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Website: www.st-augustinechurch.com

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

<u>Mass Schedule:</u> 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

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Feast Of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King Of the Universe

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





Saint Augustine Parish Giving Tree will be supporting the following organizations this year: Bethesda Project, Adeodatus Prison Ministry, The Gift of Life Family House, Woman of Hope and ADROP.

This year we will be donating Gift Cards GIVING TREE to the various organizations. <u>Please return</u> <u>the tree tag along with the gift card that you purchased</u> <u>into the basket on the altar</u>. We want to pass along the gratitude from all these organizations to our parish.

Your consistent generosity has brought and continues to bring joy to each of the organizations over the Holiday Season.

Again, thank you for your consistent generosity over the years.

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**!





Lector Workbooks are available for the new 2023-2024 Liturgical Year, which begins, in one week, on the First Sunday of Advent, December 3rd. Please pick up your reserved workbook in the sacristy after Mass.

Thank you for your ministry!



Sunday, November 26, 2023 Feast of Christ the King 9:00 AM † Isidoro Dizon, Jr. and Genoveva Rosales Francisco 11:00 AM † Cesar Manguba 7:00 PM † Concepcion & Mopesto Lagura

Monday, November 27, 2023 12:05 PM † Dolores Pearse

Tuesday, November 28, 202312:05 PM† Christopher Mermer

Wednesday, November 29, 2023 12:05 PM The Parish Community

Thursday, November 30, 202312:05 PM† Alphonse DiGiovanni

Friday, December 1, 2023 12:05 PM Deceased Members and Benefactors of the OSA

Saturday, December 2, 2023

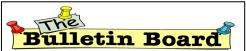
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Goal: \$750,000 (Phase 1) To date: Pledges: 221 Percentage: 116.1502% Amount Pledged: \$871,126.68 Pledges Received: \$815,576.68 In-Kind Gifts Received: \$10,437.71 Campaign Total Rec'd: \$826,014.39

Sacrificial Giving November 19, 2023 Number of Envelopes Used: 22 Amount in Envelopes: \$1,632.00 Average \$/Envelope: \$70.98 Electronic Giving: 44 Amount Electronic: \$1,500.00 Average \$/Electronic: \$ Loose Money: \$665.00 Total Collection: \$3,797.00





Feast of Christ the King Sunday, November 26, 2023 3:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

Monday, November 27, 2023

Tuesday, November 28, 2023 7:00 PM 3-5 Year Plan Meeting—Zoom 7:00 PM Sexaholics Anonymous (SA) 8:00 PM Weekly Parish Rosary—Zoom

Wednesday, November 29, 2023 7:00 PM Parish Pastoral Council – Zoom

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

Friday, December 1, 2023

Saturday, December 2, 2023 7:00 PM Narcotics Anonymous (NA)



A word from Fr. Bíll...

Dear Parishioners:

I hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving and that your turkey wasn't burnt.

In the spirit of Thanksgiving, I would like to remind you of what you heard in the announcements at Mass for the past several weeks, in my letters here in the bulletin, and hopefully have seen on our parish website. This Tuesday is "Giving Tuesday," "#iGiveCatholic."

The #iGiveCatholic" campaign is a bishop-led initiative in collaboration with the United States Bishop Conference and individual (arch)dioceses to inspire and support generosity. It is an independent 501(c)(3) organization.

I understand about \$20 million dollars was raised last year from this campaign. This year is the first time that we are participating in this campaign. We are one of 169 organizations and one of 38 parishes in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia to do so. Catholic grammar and high schools and nonprofit ministries also are participating this year.

You can participate by responding to an email you received from us on Thursday, November 16th or one that you will receive on Monday, November 27th. You also can just go to our parish website and follow the link to #iGiveCatholic. We are reaching out not just to you, our parishioners, but also to friends of the parish, businesses with whom our parish deals, couples who have been married here over the years, and those who have participated in our RCIA process for the past nine years.

Participants will be given the opportunity to donate to St. Augustine Parish in order to help finance one of a number of various activities in the parish. For example, one can help support the cost of updating the sound system in the church or help support the expense to video the faith witness stories of four parishioners or help support the repairs to the tower which are directed by the City of Philadelphia or help support several more security cameras for the property or help support the general operating expenses of the parish.

Obviously, we ask that you be supportive of this new initiative in the parish. But we also ask something else. Would you please pass this request on to your family and friends asking them to support us as well? Please use contact lists you may have as well as other social media outlets like Facebook and Instagram.

There are signs of new life in the parish. We are initiating several new programs: the development of a young adult group, reaching out to inactive Catholics, and videoing witness reflections of four of our parishioners which will be seen on our parish website. Another sign of new life is the initiative of the "#iGiveCatholic" campaign which in the past has been part of many other Catholic parishes, high schools, colleges, hospitals, etc.

This is all very promising. Please consider participating this coming Tuesday in "#iGiveCatholic."

You have heard it announced for the last several weeks, have seen the flyers in the bulletin and perhaps you have seen the announcement on our parish website that this Friday, December 1 at 7:30 PM our annual pre-Christmas concert will take place (actually this year it is also a pre-Advent concert). It is entitled "With the Angels, Let Us Sing!" Please join us and invite your family and friends.

Next Sunday is the 1st Sunday of Advent, the beginning of a new liturgical year. Next weekend in the pews will be parish registration forms. Many people worship with us but never register. Registration is important in order for us to have as an accurate number as possible of parishioners when the Archdiocese takes its annual census. It also is important for individuals when they need Letters of Eligibility to be a Godparent or permission to be married in another parish. If you are not registered here, please fill out one of the papers in the pew and leave it in the designated box in the back of the church.

Next Sunday at the 7:00 PM Mass we will celebrate the Rite of Acceptance with our Catechumen, Bryan Sobchuk. This is part of the Christian Initiation process. Since the beginning of September, Bryan, his sponsor (Kathrina Inchoco), three parishioners (Frank Hoban, Patrick Lanza, and Brian Halpin) and I have been meeting every Monday night. That is what is called the time of "Inquiry" when many topics about the faith have been discussed (e.g. what is faith, who is Jesus, how to use a Bible, revelation, the Mass, the Saints, and Mary, etc.). Bryan was baptized Catholic but never received the other Sacraments of Initiation which he will receive on the Sunday after Easter, April 7th. Please keep Bryan in your prayers as he continues this process preparing to be confirmed and receive First Holy Communion.

Have a great week and may it be a great "Giving Tuesday" for us in the parish.

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SAINT AUGUSTINE ***** ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH PRESENTS

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!

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE 2023 - 2024

Sunday, December 24, 2023 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM No 7:00 PM Mass

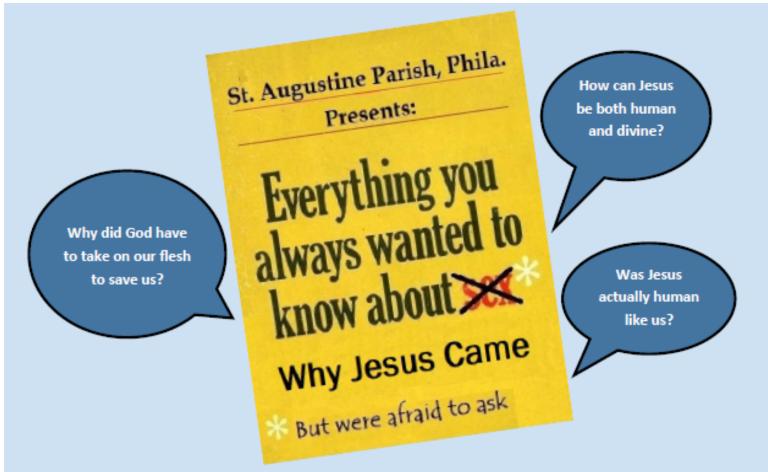
> CHRISTMAS EVE 5:30 PM and 8:30 PM

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD CHRISTMAS DAY Monday, December 25, 2023 10:00 AM

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD New Year's Day

> Sunday, December 31, 2023 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM and 7:00 PM

Monday, January 01, 2024 10:00 AM and 7:00 PM



WHAT ARE YOUR QUESTIONS? Submit your questions for our three-part series during Advent when we will discuss and answer questions regarding Church teaching on "Why Jesus Came." Join us and our special guest participants via Zoom from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM on the dates listed below!



Tuesday, 12/5 - Jesus Came to Give His Life as a Ransom for Many -Rev. John Lydon, O.S.A., Associate Director, Center of Faith and Learning, Villanova University -Register at the link below:

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZApce-gqz0tHtGzynCmabZ9A26ihQM86rXE



Tuesday, 12/12 - Jesus Came to Give Eternal Life -Dr. Janet Haggerty, PhD,, Associate Professor of Theology, College Seminary and Associate Professor of Systematic Theology, Theological Seminary, Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary -Register at the link below:

https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/upclceGqpjktHdKaATasHQFakHMQdD-o715G



Tuesday, 12/19 - Jesus Came to Reveal the Father -Most Reverend David J. Bonnar, Bishop of Youngstown (Ohio), Editor of *The Priest* magazine -Register at the link below:

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZEpd-uuqj8vHdKD1cCpm7fVo2XWmKk8TLAc

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