

St. Augustine Parish

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time – October 01, 2017

"Creating A Community Of Involvement And Evangelization"

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National Shrine of
Santo Niño de Cebú

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.



Above: Members of the FBI and DEA at a Prayer Service here at St. Augustine's.

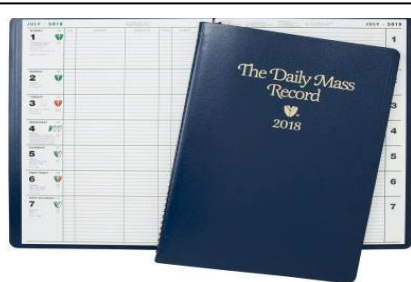


Below: Evan Schaffner, Miles Humenansky, Katie Kenny, Scott Gillenwater, and Mike McGrory are preparing for the Sacraments of Initiation at Easter.

Lorena Connolly made her First Holy Communion with the assistance of Jackie Lanza.



Students from Villanova who were at the parish to provide service.



2018 Mass Book Opening

On Monday, September 18th, the **2018 Mass Book** opened. Office hours are from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Monday to Friday to schedule a Mass.



Baptism Celebration

We have the blessed opportunity through the celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism to welcome a new member into our parish community.

Sunday, October 01, 2017 ♦ 9:00 AM

Benjamin Joseph Hodos,

son of Jerome and Veronika Hodos.

Congratulations!

Please keep Benjamin's family in your prayers.

Roman Catholic HS will host its annual Roman Run on Sunday, October 8, 2017. The 5K run will take place on Kelly Drive along the historic Boat House Row. All proceeds benefit Roman Catholic Students.

To register please visit www.romancatholichs.com/Page/808 or for more information contact Lisa Mertz 215-627-5487 ext. 315 or lmertz@romancatholichs.com

St. Anne's Senior Center Fall Craft Fair Saturday October 21st, 9:00am to 3:00pm

St. Anne's Senior Center, 2607 E. Cumberland Street.

Community crafters, free off street parking, Bake Sale, Refreshment for sale. Community crafters, artisans and Vendors of all ages welcome! Tables are still available.

For more information or to reserve a space, please call 215-426-9799.

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www.facebook.com/St.AugustineChurchPhiladelphia

PLEASE VISIT OUR PARISH WEBSITE

www.st-augustinechurch.com

My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord;

I know them, and they follow me.

John 10:27



Mass Intentions

Saturday & Sunday,

September 30 & October 01, 2017

5:15 PM Deceased Members of the Georeno Family

9:00 AM All Volunteers

11:00 AM Angelina Young

7:00 PM † Edmund Gracey

Monday, October 02, 2017

12:05 PM In Honour of St. Augustine

Tuesday, October 03, 2017

12:05 PM The Parish Community

Wednesday, October 04, 2017

12:05 PM Jonathan Largoza

Thursday, October 05, 2017

12:05 PM † Julia R. Baumann

Friday, October 06, 2017

12:05 PM † Aloysius Gallagher

Saturday, October 07, 2017

5:15 PM Roger Griffith

† = Deceased

Sacrificial Giving

September 23 & 24, 2017

Number of Envelopes Used: 44

Amount in Envelopes: **\$1,334.00**

Average \$/Envelope: **\$30.32**

Electronic Giving: 29

Amount Electronic: **\$620.00**

Average \$/Electronic: **\$21.38**

Loose Money: **\$580.00**

Total Collection: **\$2,534.00**

Electronic Giving

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www.st-augustinechurch.com

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"Sign Up For Electronic Giving"

Parish Giving



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9:00 AM Benjamin Hodos Baptism

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**Tuesday, October 03, 2017**

7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB

**Wednesday, October 04, 2017**

8:00 PM Fiat Prayer Group

**Thursday, October 05, 2017**

7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB

**Friday, October 06, 2017**

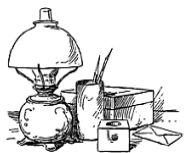
6:00 PM Duncan-Poretta Rehearsal

**Saturday, October 07, 2017**

3:00 PM Duncan-Poretta Wedding

7:00 PM N.A. Meeting in CHB





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

Dear Parishioners:

I thought you might find it interesting to see the pictures on the cover of this bulletin and read about some of the activities that recently have taken place here at St. Augustine's.

A week ago, Wednesday (September 20th), we hosted a prayer service for the deceased members of the Philadelphia branches of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA). This is the first time there ever has been such a service for both agencies combined. It consisted of bagpipes, the National Anthem, scripture readings, several reflections, and the tolling of bells as each deceased person's name associated with the FBI and DEA was read. The heads of the Philadelphia branches of the FBI and DEA were present as was the chaplain for the FBI. I serve as chaplain for the DEA. It is really gratifying to see these men and women take part in and genuinely appreciate a religious service. It also serves the purpose of allowing them to become familiar with where we are located for their own individual religious needs.

A week ago Saturday, (September 23rd), 22 students from Villanova spent several hours volunteering here at St. Augustine's. They did some much needed patching up paint work in the friary. They appreciated hearing about the history of our parish and especially how it is the forerunner of Villanova University. They had their picture taken in what was the former St. Augustine Academy, the roots of Villanova.

Last Sunday, (September 25th) at the 11:00 AM Mass, we were thrilled to have **Lorena Connolly** make her First Holy Communion and for the first time fully participate with the community in the celebration of the Eucharist. I am especially grateful to Jackie Lanza for serving as the catechist helping Lorena prepare for this great moment.

Lastly, we are very excited to have 5 adults participating this year in our Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). **Evan Schaffner**, **Katie Kenny**, and **Miles Humenansky** (Catechumens) have begun the faith journey to prepare to be baptized, receive First Holy Communion, and be confirmed at the next Easter Vigil. **Scott Gillenwater** (Candidate) is preparing to make a Profession of Faith to the Catholic Church, receive First Holy Communion and be confirmed and **Mike McGrory** is preparing to be confirmed, both on the Sunday after Easter next year. Please pray for them and their sponsors as they begin this process as well as for Patrick Lanza as he will walk with them representing the parish community on this faith journey.

You can see it has been a busy time and there are a lot of happenings here in the parish.

Have a great week.

Fr. Bill



### Environmental Corner

#### Home:

Some suggestions for your pets:

- Litter from natural, biodegradable materials
- Picking up after you dog with corn-based bio-degradable bags
- Try using a paw wax to help protect your pup's toes from harsh sidewalk salts (it can actually melt into their paws and burn---ouch!).
- Paw wax can also protect from hot pavement in the summer.

#### Office:

- Organize a Community Supported Agriculture group in the office

