## St. Augustine R. C. Parish 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time October 15, 2023



Santo Niño de Cebú

"Creating A Community Of Involvement And Evangelization"

#### Served by the Augustinian Friars since 1796

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ACCESSIBLE

243 North Lawrence Street Philadelphia, PA 19106 (GPS Address: 250 N. 4th Street)

Phone: 215-627-1838 FAX: 215-627-3911

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 on masslivestream.com)

#### Parish Staff:

**Rev. William F. Waters, O.S.A.** *Pastor (Ext. 110)* **pastorstaugustine@gmail.com** 

Jacob A. Marquart, III, O.F.S. Parish Services Director (Ext. 115) staugustineparish09@gmail.com

Jean Mangini Wedding Coordinator (Ext. 118) staugweddings9@gmail.com

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Tim Babbage Accountant (Ext. 116) timbabbage@hotmail.com

In Residence: Rev. Paul Morrissey, O.S.A., spirhealth@aol.com Rev. James Paradis, O.S.A., Prior Rev. Richard O'Leary, O.S.A.

#### 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

After Sunday Masses or Anytime by appointment.

#### Parish Registration

Please call the parish office or visit the parish website for a registration form or more information. Forms are also available in the back of the Church.

#### Parish Committees

The Parish Council and Finance Council 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.

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



Next weekend, Sunday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>, we join Catholics from around the world for the celebration of World Mission Sunday 2023. Please remember we are called to offer our prayers and financial help for the Church's Missionary work. The second collection is for this purpose. Thank you for your generosity.

#### Gender and Faith Panel - Thursday October 26th, 7-8 PM Location: St. Paul Church

Free to the public, free parking available across the street.

Fr. David Cregan, and Villanova professors Stephanie Knauss and Tia Noelle Pratt will host a conversation on gender and faith in today's world.

"Do you have questions about the shifting social landscape of gender and identity? How do we as Christians meet the spiritual needs of people who often feel marginalized or unwelcome in churches? This panel discussion will offer insight into these important topics and engage in a compassionate dialogue of questions and answers about how we might respond to a rapidly evolving world."

> Free registration link: https://genderandfaithpanel.eventbrite.com

#### The Mix Young Professional Kick-Off Mass—Sunday October 29th, 5 PM Mass

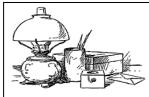
Location: **St. Paul Church**. The Mix is a ministry of the Augustinian Order and St. Paul Parish that is designed for young professionals and recent college graduates who want to deepen their faith. The Mix will start with three components:

Social - meet other people like yourself Engagement - service to the community

Education - learn about your faith

You can attend the Mass of October 29 without registering on-line. Registering helps us count the number of people staying for the social after the Mass. Registration link: https://themixreception.eventbrite.com





A word from Fr. Bill...

Dear Parishioners:

Chesley Turner one of our parishioners, a Cantor, former member of our Parish Pastoral Council, and presently the Director of the Center for Church Management at the Villanova School of Business will be speaking at the end of our Masses this weekend. Chesley will be giving the annual financial report to the parish. I am very grateful to Chesley, not only for being willing to do this, but also for all the preparation she has put into this presentation, including all the people she consulted for information and observations. She will present not only the financial status of the parish but also how the financial status relates to the mission of the parish. Thank you, Chesley for providing this great service to the parish.

Next Saturday, October 21, Fr. Denis Gill, the Director of Liturgy for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia and Rector of the Cathedral will be leading us in a retreat day (half day 9-1). The theme of the Day is "It is more than possible to live a Eucharistic Life." There will be talks, opportunity for confession, adoration, lunch, sharing and Mass. If you are interested, please sign up in the back of the church or call the Parish Office, 215-627-1838 or email: staugustineparish09@gmail.com

As I mentioned for the last few weeks, the next night, Sunday, October 22 after the 7:00 PM Mass there will be a Theology on Tap (speakers, discussion with snacks, beer, wine and soda). The topic of the evening is to become familiar with Dawn's Place which is a residence helping women who have been sexually exploited, and women recovering from the trauma of sex-trafficking. The purpose of the evening is to help us become more aware of these issues and to discuss common misconceptions about the issues.

There will be two speakers:

Sr. Meaghan Patterson, SSJ, is a Sister of St. Joseph from Chestnut Hill. Sister has worked with women who have or were about to experience homelessness. Sister has two Master's degrees, one in Multicultural Education and another in Social Work. She currently is the Executive Director of Dawn's Place.

Ann Marie Jones is a former resident of Dawn's Place and now is the Residential Coordinator there. She has a unique perspective to share from the insights she has acquired from her journey of transformation from victim to healer. Ann Marie is a peer recovery specialist who initiated and developed a Twelve Step Sexual exploitation recovery group.

Please join us in order that we can become more familiar with these issues about which most of us know very little but which are very prevalent in our community.

Young Adults (18-35, single, married), please mark your calendar for a retreat day, Saturday, November 4 from 10 am to 3 pm. This will be an opportunity to slow down from busy schedules, to experience some quiet time, to share with peers, to share ideas of how the Church (the parish) may be of service to you and help meet your needs. Lunch (what else, pizza) will be provided. Please invite others: friends, relatives, coworkers, etc. In order that we can plan, please let us know by emailing: billcastro123@gmail.com

Have a great week.

~ Aile

Fr. Bill

### St. Augustine Parish Financial Review

Fiscal Year 2023

#### St. Augustine Parish Mission Statement

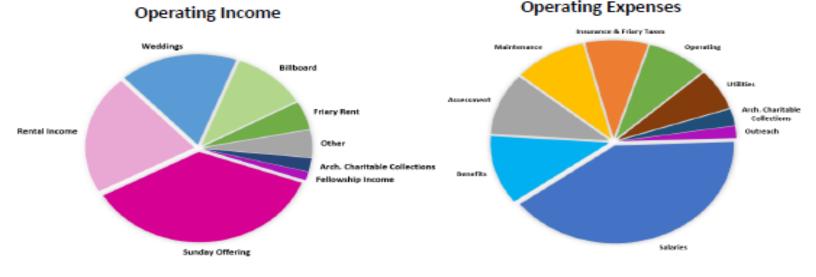
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Thanks to the generous contributions of parishioners, St. Augustine Parish can cover all operating expenses for the year, including outreach and many maintenance costs.

However, the success of the Capital Campaign, particularly gifts from benefactors, has enabled us to begin crucial projects that keep our historic church welcoming and safe.

Operating Income	Amount	
Sunday Offering	\$210,043	- Your parish relies on the variable income
Rental Income	\$122,906	from your generosity (Sunday Offering) and
Weddings	\$100,650	the Wedding ministry.
Billboard Income	\$63,918	the wedding ministry.
Friary Room & Board	\$28,950	- The Augustinian Province pays rent (Friary
Other (donations, Baptisms, etc.)	\$27,946	Room & Board) for the Augustinian friars
Archdiocese Charitable Collections	\$13,837	, <b>,</b>
Fellowship Income (2nd Collection)	\$8,740	(other than our pastor) to live in the rectory.
Total Operating Income	\$576,990	<ul> <li>Salaries and Benefits represent over half of operating expenses, which is comparable to most organizations and businesses.</li> </ul>
Operating Expenses		Community Outreach expenses are small in
Salaries (religious & lay)	\$204,687	proportion, but remember that operating,
Payroll Taxes & Benefits	\$57,575	
Diocesan Assessment	\$51,500	maintenance, salaries, and utilities categories
Maintenance Expenses	\$50,238	support the community outreach initiatives.
Insurance & Friary Taxes	\$43,283	
Operating (Office, Printing, Liturgy)	\$42,187	<ul> <li>Archdiocese Charitable Collections is the</li> </ul>
Utilities	\$34,252	money from specific special collections
Archdiocese Charitable Collections	\$13,837	through the year, collected on behalf of the
Community Outreach, Fellowship & Socials	\$10,055	Archdiocese. (Peter's Pence, Black & Indian
Total Expenses	\$507,614	Missions, Catholic Charities, etc.) We
Net Operating Income	\$69,376	collect/deposit it, then send exactly what was collected to the Archdiocese.

The Parish spends most of the positive balance (Net Operating Income) on long-term or emergency repairs and improvements (windows, fire escape, streaming camera). Historically, we haven't been able to keep up with long-term and emergency needs. The Capital Campaign was undertaken to fund many of the deferred projects. Supported by the Capital Campaign, we've been able to set aside a portion of the annual Net Operating Income in a savings account, to be better prepared for these expenses, and better stewards of financial resources. You can find the full annual report (and past reports) at www.st-augustinechurch.com/e-givingfinances



#### St. Augustine Parish Financial Review Fiscal Year 2023 (July 2022 – June 2023)

#### WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

#### Our community joyfully welcomes all who are searching for a spiritual center to call home.

- 61 New Parishioners in FY 2023
- 1305 Current Registered Parishioners
- 68 Registered Parishioners who give weekly (avg.) (45 e-giving and 23 envelope donors per week)
- \$52.86 is the average weekly gift
- \$210,043 is the total Collections this year



Scan QR Code to sign up for Online Giving or to give now.

#### Outreach and Ministry

Gift of Life: We cook/serve dinner two nights each month for the Gift of Life Family House. More volunteers always needed! Choose Tuesday group or Sunday group.

After-Mass Socials: Consider volunteering to help arrange/host the social hours after the 9am, 11am, or 7pm Sunday Masses. Help is always welcome! Coordinators rotate responsibilities.

Liturgical Ministry: We always welcome new lectors, Eucharistic ministers, and choir members, and cantors.

Other Events: Various retreats and continuing faith formation opportunities are offered for free throughout the year.

Parish Pastoral Council: Advises the pastor in making decisions for the pastoral life of the church.

Parish Finance Council: Canonically-required council that advises the pastor on the financial decisions of the church.

New Council members join the councils each year. This is an excellent way to participate in the life and decisions of the parish. Talk to Fr. Bill to learn more!

#### WE LEAVE TO SERVE

#### Rental Income

3 Funerals

We charge a fair market value for rent so that these non-profit organizations can continue their work in Old City.

We invite all to participate in our worship,

56 Weddings from July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023

7 Parishioner Weddings (included in number above)

New Adult Catholic (Ted Baker)

service to others, and our faith development.

11 Infant Baptisms (Amelia, Nara, Naomi, Hazel, Robert,

Vera, Giovanni, Jack, Theodore, Vivian, and Anderson)

#### Women of Hope:

The Women of Hope-Vine Street program is a personal care residence providing long-term care and housing to women experiencing chronic mental illness who were previously homeless. The women receive case management services and medication administration support in a comfortable home-like environment.

#### Vagabond Missions:

The second floor of our ministries building is used by missionaries with Vagabond Missions, a non-profit that serves inner-city teens who are dealing with neglect, violence, and broken family lives. Vagabond Missions invite these teens into a relationship with God and others. Through outreach and mentorship, teens experience hope for their lives and a place to call home.

#### Women Veterans Program:

The Women Veterans Program (WVP) provides community-driven and comprehensive resources for Women Veterans and their families in a trauma-informed space. The WVP Old City location features a clothing closet, open computer lab, lending library, children's play area and a full calendar of wellness and fellowship events. All activities, resources and events are free for military women and their children.

#### The Augustinian Friars:

While our pastor's rent/salary is in our Operating Expenses, the Augustinian Province of St. Thomas of Villanova pays for the room and board of three other friars who live in the parish rectory. Whenever anyone other than Fr. Bill Waters says a Mass, the parish gives them a stipend (at a rate set by the Archdiocese).

#### What about the Capital Campaign?

\$869,842: Pledged in Phase 1, surpassing our goal of \$750,000!
\$75,316: Capital Campaign gifts were received in cash this Fiscal Year.
A total of \$814,000 has been received in cash since Phase 1 launched in 2019.

- \$496,000 cash gifts from parishioners or private citizens (60%)
- \$250,000 cash gifts from the three U.S. Augustinian provinces (31%)
- \$68,000 cash gifts from external foundations or entities (9%)

#### 15 major projects have been completed and many more are in progress or about to begin. To learn more, visit www.st-augustinechurch.com/capital-campaign

It's important not to consider this "extra money for the parish." <u>All</u> of the received cash gifts have been allotted toward the necessary building/edifice projects that were delayed or ignored because the parish operating income couldn't cover them for many, many years. We celebrate with great gratitude that so many generous donors saw the worth in our beautiful historic building and contributed to the campaign. And we aren't done yet! We need to raise an additional \$300,000 for parapet repairs. To this end, the *St. Augustine Heritage Foundation* is about to be launched and is currently waiting to receive 501(c)(3) status from the IRS. This will enable the *Foundation* to solicit funds from more diverse organizations to help with restoring artwork and preserving the building.

## St. Augustine Church Parish Day of Recollection



## "It is More than Possible to Live a Eucharistic Life"

Saturday, October 21, 2023 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Rev. Matthew Carr, OSA Hall

- Spiritual Talks
- Discussion
- Prayer and Adoration
- Opportunity for Confession
- Noon Mass
- Lunch will be provided



**Retreat Master** Fr. Dennis Gill Rector and Pastor of the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul and the Director of the Office for Divine Worship

Please sign-up by 10/16/2023 on the Signup Sheet in the back of the Church, OR email to staugustineparish09@gmail.com OR call the Parish Office at 215-627-1838

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Ages 21 - 35 Single, Married, Discerning

# **Conversation** and Prayer SHARING YOUR EXPERIENCES of Faith, Church and Life Bring a friend!

Sign up with Bill Castro Email: billcastro123@gmail.com

CARR HALL St. Augustine Parish **250 North Fourth Street** Philadelphia, PA 19106

Saturday, November 4, 2023 10:00 am - 3:00 pm Lunch provided



## Theology on Tap

## Confronting the Myths of:

Sex Trafficking

Prostitution

**Commercial Sexual Exploitation** 

### Sunday, October 22

Sister Meaghan Patterson, SSJ, Executive Director

Ann Marie Jones, Residential Coordinator, Dawn's Place

Presentation after the 7:00 PM Mass in The Rev. Matthew Carr, OSA Hall 250 North 4th Street, Philadelphia, PA 19106

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St. John's Hospice, a program of Catholic Social Services, is asking for your support of their **Boot Up Philly** event.

Please consider donating any of the

following individually packaged snack items:

Chips	Peanut butter or cheese crackers	
Fruit snacks	Fruit cups	
Pudding cups	Snack cakes or pies	
Bottled water	Canned soda	
Uncrustables	Juice boxes	

Halloween candy (yes, it can be leftovers!)

Donations can be dropped off to Amy Stoner, on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the Archdiocesan Pastoral Center, anytime between now and Friday, November 3, 2023. Amy can be reached at 215-587-3590 or at <u>astoner@chs-adphila.org</u>

