



## **Condo Outreach Ministry**

If you live in an Old City condo, please consider joining the Condo Outreach Ministry. The Parish

Council is looking to better engage with the Old City community and potential new parishioners.

Parishioners are encouraged to pick up flyers about St. Augustine Catholic Church in the Parish Office and post them on your condo's community bulletin board. If you would like to further engage with the Condo Outreach Ministry, please send an email

to staugustineparish09@gmail.com



## **Parking Volunteers Needed**

We are looking for volunteers to help facilitate the parking at weddings on Friday afternoons and Saturday afternoons. Occasionally, we have Sunday afternoon weddings. The time involved is usually

about one to two hours of your time volunteering in directing people (visitors to the parish) where to park in our lot, on-street parking and public parking lots in the area. The amount of time and days that you volunteer is totally up to you and your schedule.

If you are interested in helping the parish and our many visitors, please contact the Parish Office at 215-627-1838 and we will provide direction for you. Thank you for your help.



Sunday, October 24, 2021 9:00 AM † Howard Manning 11:00 AM † Emeterio Trinidad, Jr. 7:00 PM † Theresa Waters Sabbath

Monday, October 25, 2021 12:05 PM † Megan York

Tuesday, October 26, 202112:05 PM† Marie Ann Croce

Wednesday, October 27, 2021 12:05 PM The Parish Community

**Thursday, October 28, 2021** 12:05 PM † Ricardo Galiste, Jr.

**Friday, October 29, 2021** 12:05 PM † Charles Flanagan

Saturday, October 30, 2021

† = Deceased



Goal: \$750,000 (Phase 1) To date: Pledges:211 Percentage: 105.7889% Amount Pledged: \$793,416.60 Pledges Received: \$728,750.10 In-Kind Gifts Received: \$10,437.71 Campaign Total Rec'd: \$739,187.81

# Sacrificial Giving October 17, 2021

Number of Envelopes Used: 28 Amount in Envelopes: \$830.00 Average \$/Envelope: \$29.64 Electronic Giving: 45 Amount Electronic: \$1,173.00 Average \$/Electronic: \$26.07 Loose Money: \$466.00 Total Collection: \$2,569.00





#### **Baptism Celebration**

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

Sunday, October 24, 2021 Lincoln Michael Hughel Son of Greg & Sherry Hughel

Congratulations!

Please keep Lincoln's family in your prayers.



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Sunday, October 24, 2021

Sam David Tourscher Son of Lee & Christi Tourscher

Congratulations!

Please keep Sam's family in your prayers.



30<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday, October 24, 2021 11:00 AM Lincoln Hughel Baptism 2:00 Filipino Executive Council Meeting 7:00 PM Sam Tourscher Baptism

Monday, October 25, 2021

**Tuesday, October 26, 2021** 8:00 PM Parish Rosary—Zoom 854 1235 0301 150408

Wednesday, October 27, 2021 7:00 PM Parish Pastoral Council—Zoom

**Thursday, October 28, 2021** 7:00 PM Parish Scripture Study—Zoom 832 4986 0935 025786

Friday, October 29, 2021 5:00 PM Yanni-Lurty Wedding Rehearsal

> Saturday, October 30, 2021 3:00 PM Yanni-Lurty Wedding



A word from Fr. Bill...

Dear Parishioners:

This week, I would like to share with your several unrelated "bits and pieces."

First of all, I inform you of the death of Joe Hoffman. For many years Joe was a part-time employee of our parish. For at least 20 years (6 pastors) Joe came to the parish one day a week to "do the books." He was an accountant by trade who provided a very valuable service to the parish. For about 25 years he also served as Assistant to the Treasurer of our Augustinian Province. Joe retired from the parish in 2015. He was 88 when he died last week. Along with our Provincial and Province Treasurer, I concelebrated his funeral Mass this past Monday. We thank God for his long time service to the parish and pray that he now is enjoying total peace with God.

A week ago Friday, our local Augustinian community (Fr. Paul, Fr. Jim K, Fr. Jim P and I) spent the day in what is called "A Chapter of Renewal." It is basically a retreat day where we look at all aspects of our community life together and affirm the good aspects and discuss where things might improve. We also discussed the topic of "Synodality," a concept I mentioned a few weeks ago. Pope Francis has called for a worldwide Synod, asking all Dioceses to consult with the people of the diocese. This process was formally opened in our Archdiocese last Sunday evening. At our day of renewal, we also discussed an article concerning compassion. It was a great day with some very valuable sharing.

As you will see elsewhere in this bulletin, we are looking for volunteers to help facilitate the parking at weddings. As you know, we have about 60-70 weddings a year here at the parish. As you can imagine, being in the city, having limited parking, having neighbors who pay for their parking spots, parking can be a challenge for us. We do have one parishioner who for several years has been volunteering his help with us when he can. In order to keep things going smoothly, we would like to have some more volunteers. If you are interested, please be in touch with me and I will connect you with our Wedding Coordinator, Jean Mangini. We are very fortunate that so many couples want to celebrate their Marriage in our church. It is an essential part of our parish life and it is obviously important for everyone that these celebrations go smoothly.

I have been asked to remind you that the City of Philadelphia has directed that face coverings be worn at inside activities during this period of the pandemic. The Archdiocese of Philadelphia strongly recommends it. We are grateful for your cooperation and concern for the health and comfort of yourself and of other parishioners. There are masks in the back of the church, if needed.

This past Tuesday night, Archbishop Perez presided at a ceremony at Villanova closing the Archdiocesan phase of the cause of beatification and canonization for our Augustinian brother, Fr. Bill Atkinson, OSA. In September 2015, Archbishop Chaput accepted the Order's request and agreed to do what he could to further the process. Then, at the November, 2015 Conference of the United States Bishops, the Bishops unanimously approved that this first phase of investigation could begin. After several years of intensive investigation (interviewing many people asking about the character, personality and values of Fr. Bill), this phase of the process has formally come to a conclusion. As a result of the investigation, it is recommended that the process continue in Rome. Fr. Bill experienced a life changing toboggan accident in February of 1965 which left him a quadriplegic. Because he lived a life of heroic virtue, it is believed he is a source of encouragement for people with similar kinds of accidents and disabilities in their lives. You can get an excellent summary of Bill's life in a 2 1/2 minute video which can be found on the bottom right side of the homepage of our parish website. There is an excellent book, Green Bananas, by Steve McWilliams which gives a great description of Bill's life. There also are certain prayers to pray to God thru the intercession of Servant of God, Father Bill Atkinson, OSA.

Have a SAFE and good week.

tr. Siee Fr. Bill



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