

# St. Augustine Parish

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time – September 17, 2017

*"Creating A Community Of Involvement And Evangelization"*

**Served by the Augustinian Friars since 1796**



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.

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Website: [www.st-augustinechurch.com](http://www.st-augustinechurch.com)  
**Office Hours: 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM**  
Monday to Friday

## Mass Schedule:

Monday - Friday: 12:05 PM  
(10:00 AM on Legal Holidays)

Saturday Vigil: 5:15 PM

Sunday: 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM & 7:00 PM

## **Parish Staff:**

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*Executive Director, Augustinian Defenders of the Rights of the Poor*

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**Rev. James Keating, 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**

Saturday: 4:30 PM to 5:00 PM  
Anytime by appointment.

### **Parish Registration**

Please call the parish office for information. Forms are also available in the back of the Church.

### **Parish Committees**

The Parish Council, Filipino Sub-Council, and Finance 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.



## 2018 Mass Book Opening

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



### Are you Moving?

Please remember to notify the parish office if you are moving. By keeping us up to date we can make sure that you will always receive everything that you need from us.

### A Biographical Sketch of an Augustinian Saint....

#### Saint Alonso of Oropesa, Priest ♦ September 19th

Alonso was born on October 17, 1500 in Oropesa, Toledo, Spain, to deeply Christian parents. When he was still young the family moved to the nearby city of Talavera de la Reina, where he received his schooling. At the age of 14 Alonso's parents sent him to the University of Salamanca where his brother Francisco was already a student. At the time, Thomas of Villanova was preaching in Salamanca and many were touched by his words, including a number of young people who were drawn to religious life. Among them were the two Orozco brothers, Francisco and Alonso, who entered the novitiate together in 1522 at the monastery of San Augustin.

### Hour of Peace in the Shrine of Saint Rita:

Visit the National Shrine of Saint Rita of Cascia at Broad and Ellsworth for an Hour of Peace in the downstairs chapel on Monday evenings in September. We are gathering for an extra hour of Eucharistic Adoration to pray together for peace in our world and wisdom for our leaders.

- Monday, September 18 ♦ 5 PM-6 PM
- Monday, September 25 ♦ 5 PM-6 PM

The Shrine is located at 1166 S. Broad Street, Philadelphia, PA.

On June 9, 1523 Alonso made his profession, but his brother was unable to do so because of illness. He died shortly thereafter, making a deep impression on Alonso who began to suffer physical and spiritual afflictions that lasted for many years. All of these served to purify him, however, for he continued to live religious life with great fidelity. Following ordination he was assigned to preach and served, as well, as prior in various houses of his province. Later he volunteered to go as a missionary to Mexico but on the way he became ill and was ordered to return home. In 1554 he was named preacher of the royal court, but lived always as a simple friar, in absolute poverty and in the humblest of conditions. Ever attentive to the poor, the sick, and the imprisoned, he became known as 'the saint of San Felipe'. Alonso was also a prolific writer, publishing about 50 books, including a commentary on the Rule, works on Saint Augustine and the saints of the Order, and his own Confessions. Moved by a desire for reform within the Order, he founded several friaries and convents of contemplative nuns. He died on September 19, 1591. His body is venerated in the church of the Augustinian nuns of Madrid. Alonso was beatified by Leo XIII on January 15, 1882 and canonized on May 19, 2002 by John Paul II. Alonso is the newest Augustinian saint.



### Mass Intentions

#### Saturday & Sunday, September 16 & 17, 2017

5:15 PM † John Waters  
9:00 AM The Victims of Abuse  
11:00 AM † Emelia Mayol  
7:00 PM † Lourdes Mikesell

#### Monday, September 18, 2017

12:05 PM Deluck Boonsirithum

#### Tuesday, September 19, 2017

12:05 PM Deluck Boonsirithum

#### Wednesday, September 20, 2017

12:05 PM † Philip Robertson

#### Thursday, September 21, 2017

12:05 PM Deluck Boonsirithum

#### Friday, September 22, 2017

12:05 PM The Parish Community

#### Saturday, September 23, 2017

5:15 PM Margaret & Bethann Kasper

† = Deceased

### Sacrificial Giving

September 09 & 10, 2017

Number of Envelopes Used: 60  
Amount in Envelopes: \$1,957.00  
Average \$/Envelope: \$32.62  
Electronic Giving: 30  
Amount Electronic: \$965.00  
Average \$/Electronic: \$32.17  
Loose Money: \$706.00  
Total Collection: \$3,628.00

### Electronic Giving

*It's simple!*

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[www.st-augustinechurch.com](http://www.st-augustinechurch.com)

and click on:

"Sign Up For Electronic Giving"

**Parish Giving**

### The Bulletin Board

#### 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, September 17, 2017

12:00 PM CCD/PREP Class

#### Monday, September 18, 2017

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#### Tuesday, September 19, 2017

4:00 PM Gift of Life Family House Dinner

7:00 PM Gift of Life - "Heroes" Meeting

7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB

#### Wednesday, September 20, 2017

8:00 PM Fiat Prayer Group

#### Thursday, September 21, 2017

7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB

8:00 PM St. Augustine Choir Rehearsal

#### Friday, September 22, 2017

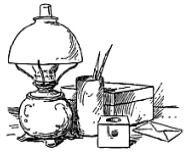
4:00 PM Belke-Cullen Wedding Rehearsal

#### Saturday, September 23, 2017

9:00 AM Villanova Service Day

3:00 PM Belke-Cullen Wedding

7:00 PM N.A. Meeting in CHB



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

Dear Parishioners:

First of all, I extend a sincere thank you to everyone who helped make Fr. Paul's celebration of his 50th anniversary of priesthood such a wonderful experience. Many people were involved in the liturgy and in the reception: the music at Mass, decorating and setting up Carr Hall, making arrangements with the caterer for the food, arranging the parking, cleaning up the hall. Many thanks to everyone. It was a great celebration.

As was announced in an insert in the bulletin last weekend, Mr. Rafat Hilal will be here this weekend selling olive wood religious works. Because we get many requests of this nature, I did not automatically just say "yes." When we received this request many months ago, I asked our Parish Pastoral Council for their advice if we should respond favorably to this request. They very much encouraged it. Weather permitting, Rafat will be in the patio area by the side door of the church.

I think the background information which was in the insert last weekend gives an excellent context of why we should be supportive of this effort.

"The tragic violence in the Middle East and the highly restrictive policies imposed on Palestinians has created severe economic instability for Palestinian Christians who live in the area of Bethlehem, a name which means "House of Bread."

"In the neighboring village of Beit-Sahour, from where the shepherds most likely came to be the first people to worship the Christ Child, Palestinian Christian families have carved exquisite olive wood religious works for generations. Current travel restrictions imposed on Palestine have dramatically reduced both pilgrimages and tourism. The livelihood of these Christian families is severely threatened.

"Mr. Rafat Hilal is part of a group of Palestinian Christians traveling around our country selling these superb carvings. The revenue generated helps to restore justice to an oppressed Palestinian Christian minority, supports over 300 families of skilled carvers and helps in keeping a Christian presence in the Holy Land.

"Rifat will display the carvings after the scheduled Masses. Your purchase, however small or big, will be an act of social justice as well as provide an opportunity to own or give as gifts original folk art from Bethlehem."

You might want to think of gifts you would like to give to someone or think of decorations you might want to have in your home this Christmas season and at the same time help our brother and sister Christians from the place where Jesus was born.

Have a great week.

Fr. Bill



### **Environmental Corner**

**Home:**

**Presoaker/Stain remover for clothes**

Apply a paste (mix 4 tablespoons baking soda and an equal amount of water) to stains to absorb odors

and help break down grease, or presoak new clothes (1/4 cup baking soda to 1 gallon water) to eliminate factory residue.

([www.marthastewart.com](http://www.marthastewart.com))

### **Office:**

- Double sided policy on all printed material
- Chuck the disposable cups
- Ban bottled water
- ([greenimpact.com](http://greenimpact.com))

