

# St. Augustine Parish

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time – September 24, 2017

*"Creating A Community Of Involvement And Evangelization"*

**Served by the Augustinian Friars since 1796**



National Shrine of  
Santo Niño de Cebu

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

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

**Rev. Paul Morrissey, O.S.A.**

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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**

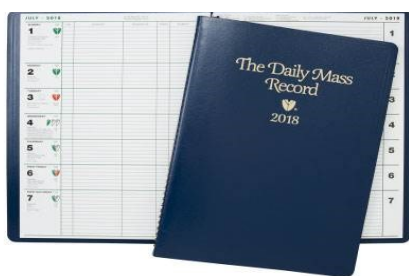
Please call the parish office for information. Forms are also available in the back of the Church.

### **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** opened. Office hours are from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Monday to Friday to schedule a Mass.

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

#### The Japanese Martyrs ♦ September 28th

In 1602 the first Augustinian missionaries reached Japan. It was a vast vineyard, but daily the harvest increased, with many conversions to the faith. The Augustinian life also gradually took root, with professed, tertiaries and Confraternity members. Suddenly, however, persecution came and the great hopes vanished. And so martyrdoms began: in 1617 there was Ferdinand of St. Joseph and his catechist, Andrew Yoshida; in 1622 it was the turn of Father Peter Zuniga; in 1630 Brother John Shozaburo, with the oblates Michael Kiuchi Tayemon, Peter Kuhieye, Thomas Terai Kahioye, and the tertiaries Mancio Seisayemon and Lawrence Hachizo; finally in 1632 came the deaths of Fathers Bartholomew Guterrez, Vincent of Saint Anthony and Francis of Jesus. These were all beatified by Pope Pius IX in 1867.

### 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 25 ♦ 5 PM-6 PM

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



Other members of the Order had also been killed with them during the persecution. Since they represent four countries, Spain, Portugal, Mexico and Japan, their feast is a testimony to the universality of the Order. It is also a reminder of the fraternal bond that existed among all orders in Japan at the time.

### IHM Sisters Oktoberfest

The annual IHM Oktoberfest will be held on Saturday, October 7th from 10 am - 3 pm on the grounds of Camilla Hall, located in Immaculata, PA. Join us for a fun-filled day of delicious food, crafts, children's games, white elephant flea market, and entertainment. Proceeds benefit Camilla Hall Nursing Home for the Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary (IHM).

**Camilla Hall ♦ 100 Camilla Drive, Malvern, PA 19355**  
**610-644-1152**



### Mass Intentions

#### Saturday & Sunday, September 23 & 24, 2017

5:15 PM Margaret & Bethann Kasper  
9:00 AM † Jerry DeFoney  
11:00 AM Nacian & Zachary Largoza  
7:00 PM † Edmund Gracey

#### Monday, September 25, 2017

12:05 PM The Parish Community

#### Tuesday, September 26, 2017

12:05 PM The Reitmeier Family

#### Wednesday, September 27, 2017

12:05 PM † John A. Georeno, Jr.

#### Thursday, September 28, 2017

12:05 PM Angelina Young

#### Friday, September 29, 2017

12:05 PM Angelina Young

#### Saturday, September 30, 2017

5:15 PM Deceased Members of the  
Georeno Family

† = Deceased

### Sacrificial Giving

September 16 & 17, 2017

Number of Envelopes Used: 49  
Amount in Envelopes: \$1,504.00  
Average \$/Envelope: \$30.69  
Electronic Giving: 27  
Amount Electronic: \$575.00  
Average \$/Electronic: \$21.30  
Loose Money: \$621.00  
Total Collection: \$2,700.00

### Electronic Giving

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

and click on:

"Sign Up For Electronic Giving"



#### 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, September 24, 2017

4:00 PM Gift of Life Family House Dinner

8:00 PM 7PM Mass Monthly Social

#### Monday, September 25, 2017

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#### Tuesday, September 26, 2017

7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB

#### Wednesday, September 27, 2017

6:30 PM Franklin Bridge Neighbors Mtg.

7:00 PM Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

8:00 PM Fiat Prayer Group

#### Thursday, September 28, 2017

7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB

8:00 PM St. Augustine Choir Rehearsal

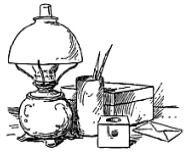
#### Friday, September 29, 2017

6:00 PM Pino-Trusik Wedding Rehearsal

#### Saturday, September 30, 2017

2:30 PM Pino-Trusik Wedding

7:00 PM N.A. Meeting in CHB



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

Dear Parishioners:

I would like to take the opportunity this weekend to thank approximately 30 parishioners who represent all of us as a parish community at the "Gift of Life Family House." What is the "Gift of Life Family House?" They describe themselves in this way:

*Gift of Life Family House serves as a "home away from home" for transplant patients and their families by providing temporary, affordable lodging and supportive services to those who travel to Philadelphia for transplant-related care.*

I liken it to Ronald McDonald houses, except it is not for children cancer patients but for transplant patients and their families. It is located within our parish boundaries at the corner of 4th and Callowhill Sts. The atmosphere is similar to a very nice hotel but at a low cost. It is a place where patients and their families can return in the evening to a well appreciated home cooked meal. You will get a sense of how appreciated it is by taking a look at the thank you cards displayed in the back of the church.

Between one Sunday a month and one Tuesday a month we have approximately 30 parishioners who serve at Gift of Life. In the past two years they have served in the neighborhood of 2500 meals. They plan the menus, buy the food, cook the dinner, and help serve the meal to the guests. I am especially grateful to Rosemary and Jerry Lorenz who coordinate the Tuesday volunteers and Jane O'Connor who coordinates the Sunday volunteers.

I gather with all the volunteers twice a year (September and March) to give them an opportunity to reflect on their service. They are able to share with each other why they do this, how their experience is related to their faith and then we talk about what is going well and what could be improved. We met this past Tuesday night. With their permission, I would like to share some of the things which were mentioned at that gathering of why they do what they do:

*"I want to give something back to the community."*

*"I received a transplant 12 years ago. I want to help people who receive them today."*

*"It is a ministry we can do together as a couple."*

*"I think it is good to do something outside of the internal parish activities."*

*"It is a great way to meet other parishioners."*

*"It is a way to build community, and meet parishioners from different Masses."*

*"It is a great way to get involved in the community."*

*"It is uplifting as there is so much optimism and hope."*

*"The simple gratitude people show makes it all worthwhile."*

*"Gift of Life is unique. It is a way to serve people who come to Philadelphia."*

*"You see the passion of the volunteers as they respond to the individual needs."*

*"We are giving food to the hungry and drink."*

As you come in the main door of the church as well as the side door, you see a mat which reads, "We gather to worship. We leave to serve." The ministry at "Gift of Life" is a very real and concrete way these men and women gather with us to hear God's word and to share the Eucharist and then they leave to live what they just experienced by serving God's people.

Have a great week.

Fr. Bill