St. Augustine R. C. Parish 2nd Sunday of Easter • Divine Mercy Sunday April 7, 2024



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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

Office Hours:

9:00 AM to 5:00 PM Monday to Friday

Mass Schedule:

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)

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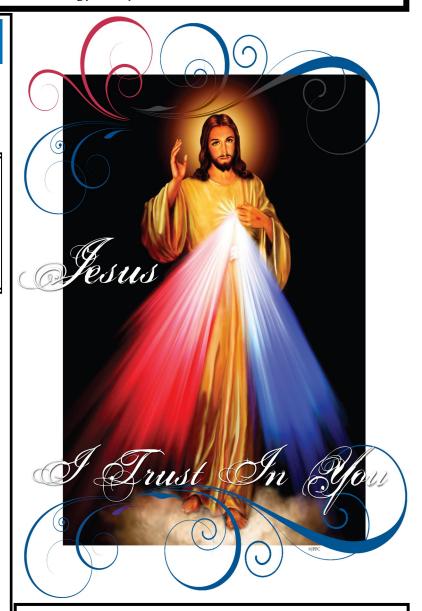
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Rev. Richard O'Leary, O.S.A.



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



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, April 7, 2024

Connor William Kennedy

Son of Brendan & Katherine Kennedy

Congratulations!

Please keep Connor's family in your prayers.

We are truly thankful for our cantors and their ministry leading us in singing at each of the Masses here at St. Augustine.

You may have noticed that at some Masses recently, Kim, our Music Director, has been singing solo. That is where you come



in..... We need some new additional cantors. If the Spirit is calling you, we can use your help!

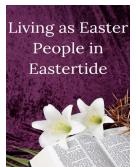
Qualifications needed to be considered for a cantor are:

- You must know the Catholic Liturgy / Mass Parts
- Have a knowledge of reading music
- Someone who is open to singing all styles of liturgical music
- Open to joining the main choir(s), if needed, for special events in the parish
- You must love the Liturgy

So, if you or you know of a friend or family member who might be a perfect fit for our parish, please contact:

Kim Barroso, Music Director kim.barroso@gmail.com

SAINT AUGUSTINE HAS BEEN QUOTED AS SAYING......
"When we sing, we pray twice"



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Number of Envelopes Used: 29 Amount in Envelopes: \$1,236.00 Average \$/Envelope: \$42.62 Electronic Giving: 45 Amount Electronic: \$1,633.00 Average \$/Electronic: \$36.29 Loose Money: \$822.00 Total Collection: \$3,391.00



Mass Intentions

Sunday, April 7, 2024 DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

9:00 AM † Pat Regan 11:00 AM † Suzanne Florian 7:00 PM † David Houser

Monday, April 8, 2024 12:05 PM Cronin Family

Tuesday, April 9, 2024 12:05 PM Cronin Family

Wednesday, April 10, 2024 12:05 PM The Parish Community

Thursday, April 11, 2024 12:05 PM † Anna Ponisciak

Friday, April 12, 2024 12:05 PM † Edward Manning

Saturday, April 13, 2024

† = Deceased



Goal: \$750,000 (Phase 1) To date: Pledges: 229 Percentage: 130.9816%

Amount Pledged: \$982,361.68 Pledges Received: \$927,011.68 In-Kind Gifts Received: \$10,437.71 Campaign Total Rec'd: \$937,449.39

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Number of Envelopes Used: 47
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Average \$/Electronic: \$31.29
Loose Money: \$1,579.00
Total Collection: \$6,207.00

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Divine Mercy Sunday Sunday, April 7, 2024 11:00 AM Connor Kennedy Baptism

Monday, April 8, 2024

Tuesday, April 9, 2024
7:00 PM Sexaholics Anonymous (SA)
8:00 PM Parish Rosary—Zoom

Wednesday, April 10, 2024 7:00 PM Parish Finance Council Meeting

Thursday, April 11, 2024
7:00 PM Parish Scripture Study—Zoom
7:PM Sexaholics Anonymous (SA)

Friday, April 12, 2024

Saturday, April 13, 2024 7:00 PM Narcotics Anonymous (NA)



A word from Fr. Bill...

Dear Parishioners:

Throughout the entire world, this Sunday is Divine Mercy Sunday. It is a day when we are asked to center in on the mercy and forgiveness of our heavenly God. God's mercy is central to all the elements involved in our Easter celebration.

Because of God's mercy, forgiveness is extended to us thru the suffering, death and Resurrection of Jesus. On Passion Sunday and on Good Friday, we heard the account of Jesus forgiving "The Good Thief." We do not know what the person did. It had to be very serious because he was being crucified. He admitted he deserved his punishment. But he showed faith in Jesus. Jesus assured "The Good Thief" that he would be with him in paradise that very day. Didn't he experience God's mercy?

In the Gospel this Sunday, we do not hear Jesus reprimanding Thomas for questioning the apostles about their account of experiencing the Risen Jesus. He shows his love as he invites Thomas to touch his hands and side. Didn't Thomas experience Jesus' mercy?

Out of God's mercy, He gave us his son, Jesus, who destroyed death and restored life. He has moved us from darkness to light. A great way to experience that mercy, that new life and light is in the Sacrament of Penance which is made available after each of our Sunday Masses. Are we open to experiencing Jesus' mercy?

A sincere "shout out" to all who made the celebration of the Triduum so beautiful. There were many people involved who made these liturgies so prayerful: my Augustinian brothers, those involved as choir members, instrumentalists, cantors and their director (Kim Barroso); those involved in making the environment so beautiful (Rey Borres); those involved in helping the liturgies go so smoothly, the lectors and altar servers, and Masters of Ceremonies (Jacob Marquart, O.F.S. and Adam Klukiewski), those involved (including cleaning up) with the social after the Easter Vigil. It takes a parish community.

Part of the Holy Thursday liturgy is the "washing of feet." Jesus washed the apostles' feet as an example for us to be of service to each other. I think the photo on the next page (courtesy of Fr. Paul) from our Holy Thursday liturgy last week is a great reminder for all of us, no matter our age, size or status in life, that we are all called to be of service to each other.

Have a great week.

Jr. Siel

Fr Bill





LOOKING FOR AN OPPORTUNITY TO GIVE BACK?

The newly-formed nonprofit **ST. AUGUSTINE HERITAGE FOUNDATION** (legally independent from the parish) is seeking applicants for **BOARD MEMBER** consideration.

The vision of the Foundation is "to help in the areas of preserving, restoring and improving our historic buildings, grounds and our valuable artwork, as well as supporting historical, civic, educational and cultural programs."

If you, or someone you know, would be interested in being considered, we would love to connect. As only 40% needs to be parishioners, non-parishioners and non-Catholics are also welcomed. We are seeking candidates who are enthusiastic and self-motived, perhaps with a passion for historic preservation, art, churches or, just "giving back". Life skills and experience in one or more of the following areas would be helpful:

historic preservation

art restoration

fundraising

communications/marketing

-construction

-grant writing

-non-profits

-local government

As a **volunteer** board member, you hold a valuable position with responsibilities providing a fulfilling and rewarding experience.

Our Board Members will meet, mostly via ZOOM, 3-4 times a year for approximately 2 hours.

If you would like to learn more, please email us at <u>marieckeith@icloud.com</u>, or call/text Marie Keith, Board Consultant, 215-360-1936.











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