

St. Augustine R. C. Parish

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time – August 23, 2020



National Shrine of
Santo Niño de Cebú

"Creating A Community Of Involvement And Evangelization"

Served by the Augustinian Friars since 1796

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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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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Feast Day of Saint Augustine of Hippo

"Doctor of Grace"

Bishop, and Doctor of the Church

August 28th

"Anima una et cor unum in Deum"

"One heart and soul in God"



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.

Saturday, August 29, 2020

Lenox Ethan Sawyer Falcon,

son of Brian & Melissa Falcon

Congratulations!

Please keep Lenox's family in your prayers.

Pope Francis' August 2020 Intention



The Maritime World

We pray for all those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and their families.



Mass Intentions

**Saturday & Sunday,
August 22 & 23, 2020**

9:00 AM † Lita Manguba
11:00 AM Arevalo Family, In Thanksgiving
7:00 PM † Ray Perri

Monday, August 24, 2020
12:05 PM † Diane Capertina

Tuesday, August 25, 2020
12:05 PM † Lita Manguba

Wednesday, August 26, 2020
12:05 PM † Lita Manguba

Thursday, August 27, 2020
FEAST OF SAINT MONICA
12:05 PM † Lita Manguba

Friday, August 28, 2020
FEAST OF SAINT AUGUSTINE
12:05 PM † Lita Manguba

Saturday, August 29, 2020

† = Deceased



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**Happy
Saint Augustine
Feast Day!
August 28th**



Bequest to Saint Augustine Parish

For many, charitable giving is an act of faith, grounded in confidence in God's abundance and motivation by a desire to create additional resources for accomplishing God's work.

Leaving a legacy gift to Saint Augustine Parish offers the opportunity to pass on not only your assets, but also the values that have guided your life.

Remembering Saint Augustine Parish in your estate planning is a wonderful way to put your values into action, ensuring that our parish is maintained for future generations, as a center of worship and devotion as a personal legacy.

To remember Saint Augustine Parish in your will, please contact your attorney or financial advisor for assistance in making a bequest. Thank you for your generosity.

Sacrificial Giving August 15 & 16, 2020

Number of Envelopes Used: 16
Amount in Envelopes: \$1,000.00
Average \$/Envelope: \$62.50
Electronic Giving: 42
Amount Electronic: \$903.00
Average \$/Electronic: \$21.51
Loose Money: \$195.00
Total Collection: \$2,098.00



Capital Campaign News

Goal: \$750,000 (Phase 1) To date:

Pledges: 201 Percentage: 94.5165%
Amount Pledged: \$708,873.50
Pledges Received: \$573,535.83
June 1st Gala Revenue: \$40,250.00
In-Kind Gifts Received: \$10,437.71
Campaign Total Rec'd: \$624,223.54

Electronic Giving

Just log on to our website,
www.st-augustinechurch.com
and click on:
“Sign Up For Electronic Giving”



The Bulletin Board

**21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday, August 23, 2020**

Monday, August 24, 2020

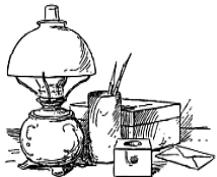
Tuesday, August 25, 2020
7:00 PM DMI Survey Meeting—Zoom
8:00 PM Parish Rosary—Zoom

Wednesday, August 26, 2020
7:00 PM Pastoral Council Meeting—Zoom

Thursday, August 27, 2020
7:00 PM Parish Scripture Study—Zoom

Friday, August 28, 2020

Saturday, August 29, 2020
2:00 PM Lenox Ethan Falcon Baptism



A word from Fr. Bill....

Dear Parishioners:

In my letter on the weekend of June 20-21, I mentioned the process for those who wish to receive the Sacraments of Initiation in the Catholic Church, the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. In that letter I mentioned how important it is for all of us to share our faith with others, not knowing the impact it might have. This is uncomfortable for some of us for a number of reasons. There has to be a balance on how we approach this, being obnoxious about it is one extreme and not doing it at all is another extreme.

Right now, it appears we have 5 individuals (2 men and 3 women) who are going to be involved this year (beginning September 7th) in the process of the RCIA (The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults). Two (2) will be Catechumens preparing to be baptized, receive First Communion, and be confirmed. Three (3) will be Candidates (1 who is already baptized in another Christian denomination preparing to make a Profession of Faith to the Catholic Church, receive First Communion and be confirmed, and 2 who already have been baptized Catholic and have received First Communion preparing to be confirmed).

This year, we are probably going to have to begin our sessions on Zoom.

I meet individually with each interested person in order that we get to know each other and to explain the process. In light of my comments above about sharing our faith, I would like to share what two of the ones I met with this week shared with me.

One of the “to be Catechumens” (alias Joe) told me he had a business associate (alias Pete) who each time they had a meal together, Pete asked Joe if Joe minded if he said a prayer before the meal. Joe related that Pete would at times ask other individuals who shared concerns with him if it was OK if Pete prayed for them. This is one of the things that has affected Joe to receive the Sacraments of Initiation in the Catholic Church.

A “to be Candidate” (alias Bob) shared with me he grew up in another Christian denomination, was very active in it but fell out of practice. He recently has been talking to a Catholic friend about the friend’s faith. Bob is now taking the steps to become Catholic.

I share these 2 stories to reiterate how important it is in a balance and healthy way to share our faith with others. We never know how God may be using us and the effects it may have on another.

If you know someone who you think might be interested in the RCIA process, talk about it with that person, encourage him or her to view the “Becoming Catholic” page on our website where the person will be able to learn more about the process and will be able to hear firsthand the experiences of others who have taken part in this process. Then, if the person is interested, have the person get in touch with me.

On another note, this week the Augustinians celebrate two of the most important dates on our Augustinian liturgical calendar, the feast of St. Monica on Thursday, and on Friday the feast of St. Augustine, the patron of our Order and obviously the patron of our parish. Hopefully, we might spend time on these days reflecting on perseverance in prayer, being able to search in our restlessness for truth and being willing to change from any sinful ways. May we ask both St. Monica and St Augustine to intercede for us asking for God’s blessings on our parish and in particular with the ramifications of the pandemic.

Lastly, at the 11:00 Mass on Sunday, September 6th, we will have an opportunity to thank Fr. Bill Donnelly (the elder Fr. Bill) for his services to the parish during my absence last year. I will say more about this in next week’s letter.

Have a SAFE and good week.

Fr. Bill