

St. Augustine R. C. Church

Second Sunday of Advent – December 08, 2019

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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
(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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Rev. James Paradis, O.S.A., *Prior*

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 or visit the parish website for a registration form or more 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

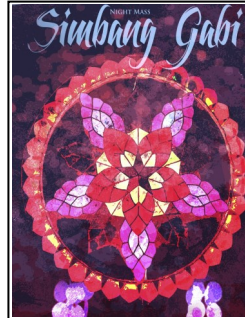
Each Sunday, after the 11:00 AM Mass there is a novena in honor of the Santo Niño.

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion

We are in need of additional ministers to distribute the Blessed Sacrament at the week-end Masses. If you feel called to this ministry, please call Jacob in the Parish Office. We will supply all of the training that you need for this ministry. Once you are trained and commissioned, you will be officially appointed by the Archbishop of Philadelphia to serve in the parish of Saint Augustine.



Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion



On Sunday, December 15th, at the 7:00 PM Mass, we will celebrate the annual beginning of **Simbang Gabi**, the Novena of Masses, in preparation for the Christ Child's coming.

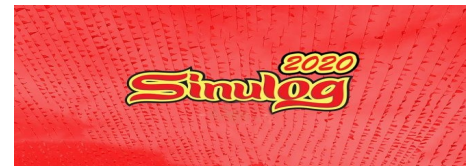
Mass will be celebrated in English.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available after the 11:00 AM and 7:00 PM Masses on the four Sundays of Advent.

Save the Date !

**Winter Sinulog
Feast of Santo Niño**

**January 19th, 2020
11:00 AM Mass**



**Light Lunch to follow Mass
in Carr Hall.**

All Are Welcome!

SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY Observed on Monday, December 9, 2019. The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, the patronal feast of the United States of America, is always a Holy Day of Obligation, even if it falls on a Monday or Saturday. This year December 8th falls on a Sunday. The Second Sunday of Advent displaces the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. However, the Solemnity is observed the next day, December 9th, but not as a Holy Day of Obligation when it is transferred.



Mass Intentions

**Saturday & Sunday,
December 07 & 08, 2019**

5:15 PM -----
9:00 AM † Jerry DeFoney
11:00 AM † Napoleon Bacas
7:00 PM † Jerome & Anne Kelleher

Monday, December 09, 2019

12:05 PM † Mary Dempsey Flanagan

Tuesday, December 10, 2019

12:05 PM Young & Ong Families

Wednesday, December 11, 2019

12:05 PM Young & Ong Families

Thursday, December 12, 2019

12:05 PM † JoAnne Brady

Friday, December 13, 2019

12:05 PM Young & Ong Families

Saturday, December 14, 2019

5:15 PM -----

† = Deceased



MARCH FOR LIFE

The **March for Life** official program will be held on Friday, **January 24, 2020** on the **National Mall in Washington, D.C.** The program begins with a rally at 12 noon, and a time of musical reflection at 11:00 a.m. There will be jumbo-trons for easier viewing.

www.marchforlife.org

End abortion by uniting, educating, and mobilizing pro-life people in the public square.

Electronic Giving

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



The Bulletin Board

**Second Sunday of Advent
Sunday, December 08, 2019**

11:00 AM Ainsley Cassera Baptism
11:00 AM Evelyn Coulter Baptism
4:00 PM Gift of Life Family House Dinner

Monday, December 09, 2019

Tuesday, December 10, 2019

7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB

Wednesday, December 11, 2019

7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB

Thursday, December 12, 2019

7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB

Friday, December 13, 2019

Saturday, December 14, 2019

10:00 Am Steering Committee Meeting
7:00 PM N.A. Meeting in CHB



Saint Augustine Parish Giving Tree will be supporting the following organizations this year: **Bethesda Project, Augustinian Children's Orphanage in Tagaytay City Philippines, Adeodatus Prison Ministry, Family House NOW, The Gift of Life Family House, and Woman of Hope.**

Please return unwrapped gifts along with tag by December 8th for the Adeodatus Prison Ministry as well as the Bethesda Project and December 15th for ALL OTHER Groups. We want to pass along the gratitude from all these organizations to our parish.

Your consistent generosity has brought and continues to bring joy to each of the organizations over the Holiday Season.

Again, thank you for your consistent generosity over the years. Have a wonderful Thanksgiving!

Baptism Celebration



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

Sunday, December 08, 2019

11:00 AM

Ainsley Elizabeth Cassera,
daughter of Matthew & Ashley Cassera.

Evelyn Elizabeth Coulter,
daughter of Shaun and Lisa Coulter.

Congratulations!

Please keep Ainsley's & Evelyn's family in your prayers.

A Prayer For Advent

Let us open our hearts to receive the grace of this Advent season, which is Christ himself, whom God our Father has revealed to the entire world.

Where God is born, hope is born. Where God is born, peace is born. And where peace is born, there is no longer room for hatred and for war. God alone can save us and free us from the many forms of evil and selfishness in our midst.

Let us welcome into our lives God's mercy, which Jesus Christ has bestowed on us, so that we in turn can show mercy to our brothers and sisters. In this way, we will make peace grow!

Pope Francis

Cathedral hosts free, one-day Advent Retreat A one-day Advent retreat on "The Three Comings of Christ" will be held on **Sat., Dec. 14th** at the **Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul**. The retreat will be led by Sr. Sara Butler, M.S.B.T. After a welcome and refreshments at 9AM, Sr. Sara will speak at a 10AM conference. Quiet time in the cathedral and the sacrament of penance will follow. Mass is at 12:05PM in the cathedral chapel and lunch will follow in Drexel Hall and Neumann Hall at the cathedral. Another conference at 1:45PM, exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is at 2:30 followed by benediction, and the retreat concludes at 3:30. Contact 215-587-3795 to indicate attendance.

Advent
A Season of Hope
& Expectation

**Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths:
all flesh shall see the salvation of God. Luke 3:4,6**

Sacrificial Giving

November 23 & 24, 2019

Number of Envelopes Used: **53**
Amount in Envelopes: **\$1,654.00**
Average \$/Envelope: **\$31.21**
Electronic Giving: **34**
Amount Electronic: **\$691.00**
Average \$/Electronic: **\$20.32**
Loose Money: **\$491.00**
Total Collection: **\$2,836.00**

Sacrificial Giving

November 30 & December 01, 2019

Number of Envelopes Used: **54**
Amount in Envelopes: **\$2,076.00**
Average \$/Envelope: **\$38.44**
Electronic Giving: **38**
Amount Electronic: **\$712.00**
Average \$/Electronic: **\$18.74**
Loose Money: **\$425.00**
Total Collection: **\$3,213.00**



Capital Campaign News

(Phase 1) To date:

Pledges: **191** Percentage: **92.5150%**
Amount Pledged: **\$693,862.50**
Pledges Received: **\$429,134.02**
June 1st Gala Revenue: **\$40,250.00**
Campaign Total Rec'd: **\$469,384.02**

A detailed illustration of the Nativity scene. In the center, the infant Jesus lies in a manger of straw, held by the Virgin Mary. To the left, three kings in ornate, colorful robes kneel in adoration, offering gifts. To the right, Joseph stands with a young boy. In the foreground, two white lambs are visible. The background features palm trees and a star in the night sky.

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE 2019

Tuesday, December 24, 2019

CHRISTMAS EVE

5:30 PM, 8:30 PM and 10:30 PM

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THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

CHRISTMAS DAY

Wednesday, December 25, 2019

10:00 AM

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SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

New Year's Day

Holy Day Vigil Mass 5:15 PM

Tuesday, January 01, 2020

10:00 AM

No 7:00 PM Mass