

# St. Augustine R. C. Parish

## The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

### December 27, 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.*

243 North Lawrence Street  
Philadelphia, PA 19106

(GPS Address: 250 N. 4th Street)

Phone: 215-627-1838 FAX: 215-627-3911

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 (LiveStreamed)  
(10:00 AM on Legal Holidays)

Saturday Vigil: 5:15 PM— *Due to the pandemic, suspended until end of 2021*

Sunday: 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM & 7:00 PM  
(All Masses are LiveStreamed  
on [masslivestream.com](http://masslivestream.com))

#### Parish Staff:

**Rev. William F. Waters, O.S.A.**

*Pastor (Ext. 110)*

[pastorstaugustine@gmail.com](mailto:pastorstaugustine@gmail.com)

**Jacob A. Marquart, III, O.F.S.**

*Parish Services Director (Ext. 115)*

[staugustineparish09@gmail.com](mailto:staugustineparish09@gmail.com)

**Jean Mangini**

*Wedding Coordinator (Ext. 118)*

[staugweddings9@gmail.com](mailto:staugweddings9@gmail.com)

**Kim Barroso**

*Music Director*

[kim.barroso@gmail.com](mailto:kim.barroso@gmail.com)

**Robert Zigmund**

*Maintenance/Facilities Manager (Ext. 111)*

[facilities243@gmail.com](mailto:facilities243@gmail.com)

**Tim Babbage**

*Accountant (Ext. 116)*

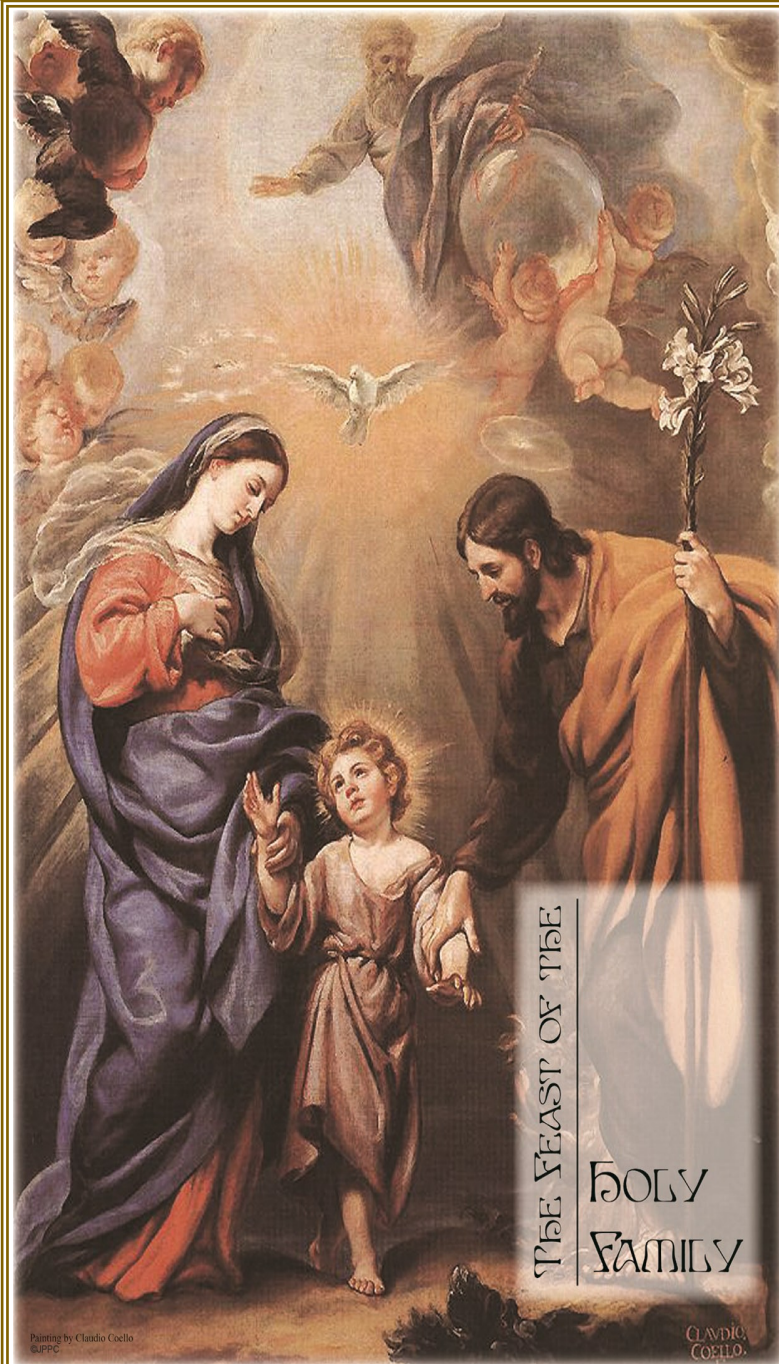
[timbabbage@hotmail.com](mailto:timbabbage@hotmail.com)

#### In Residence:

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

**Rev. James Keating, O.S.A.**

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



# Honor Roll

We were very happy to receive a notification from Father Judge High School that one of our parishioners, **Michael Fox**, received Second Honors there for the First Quarter of the present school year.

Congratulations, Michael !

**Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.**



**Catholic Social Services** is currently seeking a **Part time Residential Aide** for Visitation Homes. For more information and other job opportunities, please visit our website: at [www.archdiocese-phl.org](http://www.archdiocese-phl.org)

Thank you for your continued support of Saint Augustine Parish during the pandemic through the use of your Sunday envelopes and Parish Electronic Giving. Sunday envelopes may be dropped off at the rectory, or mailed directly to the Parish Office.

## Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions January 2021



### Intention for evangelization - Human fraternity

May the Lord give us the grace to live in full fellowship with our brothers and sisters of other religions, praying for one another, open to all.



**Winter Sinulog ♦ Feast of Santo Niño**  
Our annual Mass and festival in honor of Santo Niño will be held on:  
**Sunday, January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021** ★ Mass begins at 11:00 AM

*All parishioners and guests are welcome to attend.*

**VIVA SANTO NIÑO! PIT SEÑOR!**



## Mass Intentions

### Sunday, December 27, 2020

9:00 AM The Parish Community  
11:00 AM † Lita Manguba  
7:00 PM † Nick & Philomena Georeno

### Monday, December 28, 2020

12:05 PM Young & Ong Families

### Tuesday, December 29, 2020

12:05 PM Young & Ong Families

### Wednesday, December 30, 2020

12:05 PM Young & Ong Families

### Thursday, December 31, 2020

5:30 PM VIGIL Young & Ong Families

### Friday, January 01, 2021

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God  
10:00 AM Young & Ong Families

### Saturday, January 02, 2021

† = Deceased



## Capital Campaign News

Goal: \$750,000 (Phase 1) To date:  
Pledges: 206 Percentage: 104.4933%  
Amount Pledged: \$783,699.50  
Pledges Received: \$678,666.51  
In-Kind Gifts Received: \$10,437.71  
Campaign Total Rec'd: \$689,104.22

### Sacrificial Giving December 13, 2020

Number of Envelopes Used: 19  
Amount in Envelopes: \$750.00  
Average \$/Envelope: \$39.47  
Electronic Giving: 40  
Amount Electronic: \$1,243.00  
Average \$/Electronic: \$31.08  
Loose Money: \$309.00  
Total Collection: \$2,302.00

### Electronic Giving

Just log on to our website,  
[www.st-augustinechurch.com](http://www.st-augustinechurch.com)  
and click on:  
"Sign Up For Electronic Giving"



Feast of the Holy Family  
Sunday, December 27, 2020

Monday, December 28, 2020

Tuesday, December 29, 2020  
7:00 PM Advent Program—Zoom

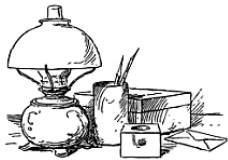
Wednesday, December 30, 2020  
6:00 PM Losasso-Farrell Rehearsal  
7:00 PM Steering Committee Meeting

Thursday, December 31, 2020  
5:00 PM Losasso-Farrell Wedding

Friday, January 01, 2021  
HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Saturday, January 02, 2021





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

Dear Parishioners:

Although it may have been different from other years, I hope your celebration of Jesus' birth was a good one. Because of the pandemic, the accidentals of how we celebrated Christmas this year may have been different from other years but hopefully, the essence of our celebration was the same. No matter what, the reality is God became one with us. We often use that expression but hopefully we can ponder that reality and grow in our appreciation of what that means. It means God was like us in all things but sin. God got tired. God got hungry. God got frustrated. God felt forsaken. God felt pain. God felt the loss of loved ones. Jesus in becoming human experienced everything we experience. Why? So that you and I can have the opportunity to be with God forever. We lost that because of sin. By Jesus' birth that relationship is able to be restored. There is only one basic mystery in our faith and that is God's love for us. Hopefully, the lights we continue to see on our trees and homes will remind us that by Jesus' birth he brought us from darkness into light. Hopefully, the gifts we gave and received remind us of the greatest gift we could receive, the gift of Jesus.

I am very grateful to all those who shared their time and talents to help us celebrate that reality here in the parish: those who decorated outside—thank you, Charlie; those who decorated inside - thank you Rey, Brother Jack, Bob; those who enhanced our liturgies—thank you Kim as well as thank you to our cantors, lectors and Ministers of the Eucharist; thank you to all who generously supported the parish financially in the Christmas collection as well as throughout the entire pandemic.

As 2021 begins on Friday, we pray it will be better than 2020. Very specifically, we pray that the pandemic will come under control. Having said that, we are grateful for the positive things which happened in the calendar year that ends this Thursday. We are grateful that people made many sacrifices and adjustments during these challenging days, e.g. those in the medical world, our scientists, our teachers, our public health officials, our public safety officials, and all those who put the common good above their own good.

I am grateful for all those who helped us in the parish to stay connected in 2020 during the time we had to be apart: Jacob and all those who helped our livestreaming of Masses become a reality, those who participated in our 6 discussions on the Bishops' pastoral on racism and in our 5 discussions on Pope Francis' latest encyclical—Fratelli Tutti, those who participated in the rosary on Tuesday nights and those who participated on Thursday nights in the sharing of the Scripture Readings for the upcoming Sunday's Mass, those who participated in the 3 discussions on the sacraments, (all of those on Zoom), the Parish Pastoral Council members who have made phone calls to parishioners, those who have made sacrifices to be cantors, lectors and Ministers of the Eucharist at our Masses, those who sanitized our pews after the weekend Masses and everyone who made adjustments for the betterment of our parish community so that we could stay connected.

2020 had its challenges, but there also was light in the midst of darkness.

Have a SAFE and have a wonderful New Year!

Handwritten signature of Fr. Bill

Fr. Bill