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St. Augustine R. C. Parish

The Baptism of the Lord – January 10, 2021

“Creating A Community Of Involvement And Evangelization”



National Shrine of
Santo Niño de Cebú

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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: 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)

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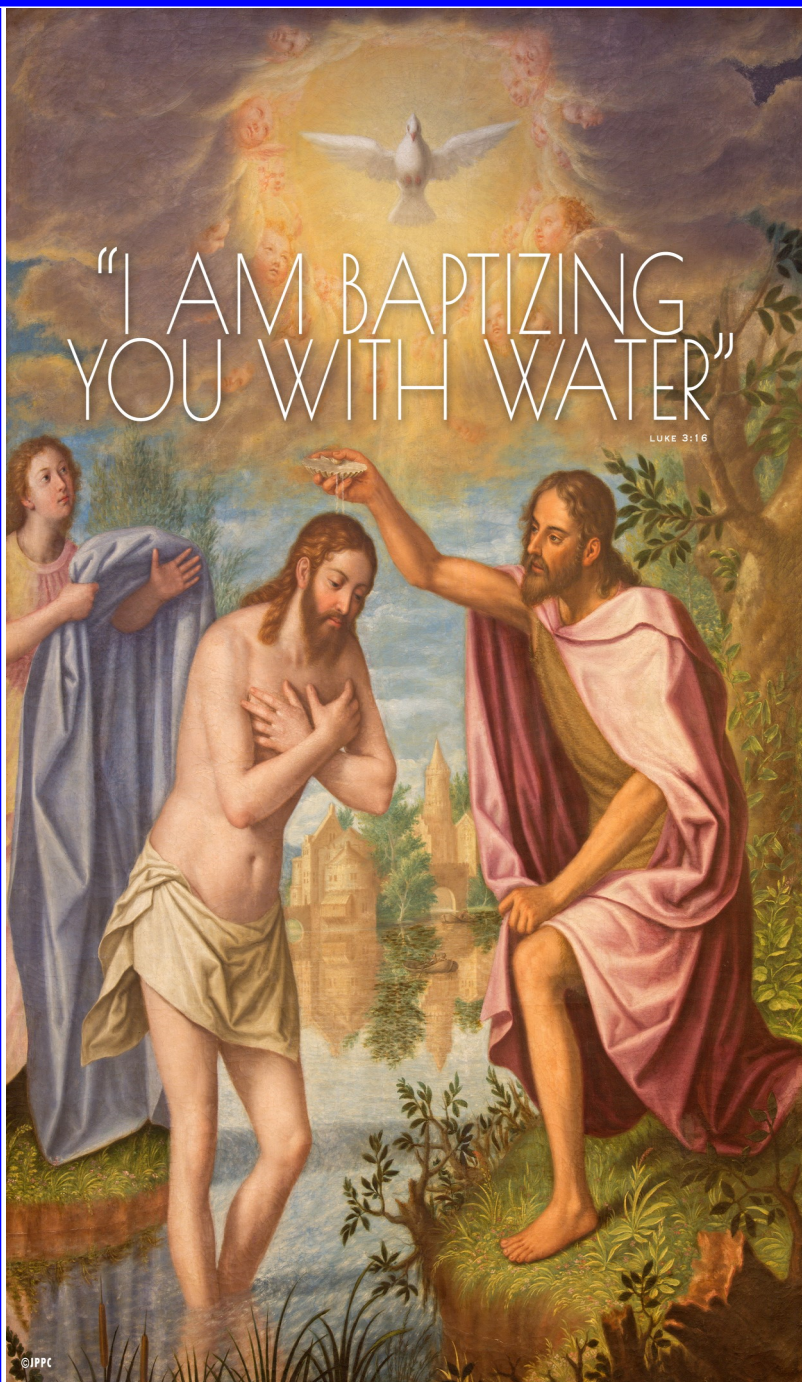
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In Residence:

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

Rev. James Keating, O.S.A.

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





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

All parishioners and guests are welcome to attend.

VIVA SANTO NIÑO! PIT SEÑOR!




We are excited to announce the re-airing of **ExtraOrdinary: The Bill Atkinson Story** on **WHYY Channel 12, Sunday, January 10th, 2021 at 7:30pm!** It can also be seen live at: <https://video.whyy.org/livestream/>

OSA FRIENDS.... Over the past several years a small group of parishioners have been meeting regularly to learn more about St. Augustine: his life, teaching and legacy. (Because of the pandemic, we have been meeting via Zoom.) We have named this group: **The OSA Friends**. The OSA Friends of St. Augustine Parish are actively searching for new members. Anyone interested in broadening their knowledge of St. Augustine is invited to join the OSA Friends. If interested, please contact Fr. Jim Keating at the Parish Office for more details.

Sacrificial Giving
December 27, 2020
 Number of Envelopes Used: 22
 Amount in Envelopes: \$1,210.00
 Average \$/Envelope: \$55.00
 Electronic Giving: 45
 Amount Electronic: \$1,230.00
 Average \$/Electronic: \$27.33
 Loose Money: \$225.00
 Total Collection: \$2,665.00

Sacrificial Giving
January 03, 2021
 Number of Envelopes Used: 29
 Amount in Envelopes: \$3,060.00
 Average \$/Envelope: \$105.52
 Electronic Giving: 46
 Amount Electronic: \$1,583.00
 Average \$/Electronic: \$34.41
 Loose Money: \$212.00
 Total Collection: \$4,855.00

Thank you
 Thank you for your continuous 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.

 **Mass Intentions**

Sunday, January 10, 2021
 9:00 AM Br. Lawrence Oelschlegel, FSC
 11:00 AM † Lita Manguba
 7:00 PM † Elisa Oretga

Monday, January 11, 2021
 12:05 PM The Parish Community

Tuesday, January 12, 2021
 12:05 PM † Lawrence Borchardt

Wednesday, January 13, 2021
 12:05 PM † Francis & Grace Flood

Thursday, January 14, 2021
 12:05 PM † Lawrence & Helen Borchardt


Friday, January 15, 2021
 12:05 PM Deceased Members of the Augustinian Family

Saturday, January 16, 2021


† = Deceased


CHRISTMAS OFFERING
 Christmas Collection: \$7,437.00
 Christmas Flowers: \$513.00

John saw Jesus approaching him, and said: Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. *John 1:29*


Capital Campaign News
Goal: \$750,000 (Phase 1) To date:
 Pledges: 208 Percentage: 104.9113%
 Amount Pledged: \$786,834.50
 Pledges Received: \$684,811.06
 In-Kind Gifts Received: \$10,437.71
 Campaign Total Rec'd: \$695,248.77

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The Bulletin Board

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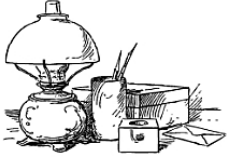
Tuesday, January 12, 2021
 7:00 PM DMI Survey Meeting—Zoom
 8:00 PM Parish Rosary—Zoom
 854 1235 0301 150408

Wednesday, January 13, 2021
 7:00 PM Parish Finance Council—Zoom

Thursday, January 14, 2021
 7:00 PM Parish Scripture Study—Zoom
 832 4986 0935 025786

Friday, January 15, 2021

Saturday, January 16, 2021



A word from Fr. Bill.....

Dear Parishioners:

Hopefully, the New Year has started out well for everyone.

Everyone is saying, and understandably so, how grateful they are that 2020 is behind us. As I said in my letter last week, the pandemic has affected all of us to some degree or another. Many of us know someone who has died from it. Several of our Augustinians have. Probably all of us know people who have been quarantined because of having the virus or being exposed to it. All of this just reinforces the need for us to be very diligent in observing the directives of face masks and social distancing, etc.

In the midst of all this, we can ask "Where is God?" First and foremost, it is important to say God did not cause the coronavirus. You cannot get evil out of all good. God is all good. We cannot get evil out of God.

James Martin, SJ who volunteered his help at Ground Zero after 9/11, wrote a book entitled "Where was God on 9/11." He said God was in those who responded to the needs of the victims, with those who prayed with victims, family members and first responders, with those who brought food, clothing and supplies to all those at the site of the Towers. He said he very much experienced God's presence at Ground Zero.

Where is God in the midst of the pandemic? I think we can safely say God is in the scientists who are using their God given abilities to develop vaccines. God is in all healthcare workers who are working directly with victims of the virus and their families, as Jesus responded to the sick in his time. God is with all those using their gifts in their occupations (teachers, public safety officials, etc. etc.) who work tirelessly, and selflessly for all of us.

On the local scene in the parish, God is working in all those who are living out their baptism by sharing their time, talents and treasurers to keep the parish going. I am referring to all those who consult with me and advise me on pastoral issues referring to the pandemic and other areas of the parish; those who consult and advise me with the financial ramifications of the virus and other issues; those who consult and advise me on the Capital Campaign; liturgical ministers who have helped our liturgies go smoothly; those who have met virtually many times so that other aspects of the parish would continue; those who have helped in soooo many ways (like making phone calls to parishioners) so that we can stay connected when we have to be apart; those who have soooooo generously continue to support us financially. I recently received a check from a parishioner for five months of donations. The Christmas collection and last weekend's collection were very encouraging, especially considering there were not many people in church. Please see the reports elsewhere in this bulletin. We are so grateful for the generosity of our parishioners during these (overused words) challenging and unprecedented times. I need to add that even some parishioners have provided meals for the friars. By no means are we undernourished.

As we celebrate the Baptism of Jesus this weekend and experience the results of those who share in Jesus' life, may we not lose sight of God's presence, love, care and faithfulness during these days. May we look for it. May we observe it. May we be aware of it. May we help it to happen. And may we be thankful for it.

Stay strong, SAFE, and informed.

Fr. Bill



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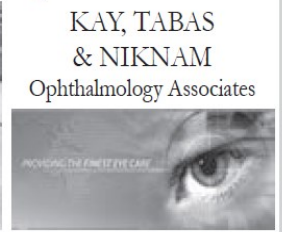
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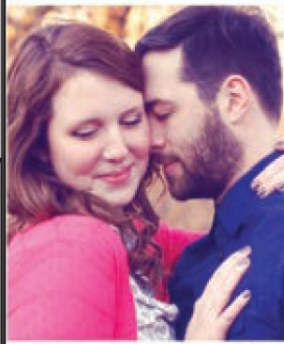
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