

St. Augustine R. C. Parish

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time – July 19, 2020



National Shrine of
Santo Niño de Cebú

"Creating A Community Of Involvement And Evangelization"

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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
(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.



SUMMER SINULOG 2020

Due to the current Covid19 pandemic, we are cancelling the 2020 Summer Sinulog which was scheduled in August.

We will continue to pray to
Señor Santo Niño de Cebu
in thanksgiving for all of our blessings!

"Viva Santo Niño! Viva! Pit Señor!"



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, July 19, 2020

Jett Joseph Rainstein,

Son of Steven and Amanda Rainstein

Congratulations!

Please keep Jett's family in your prayers.

MASS INTENTIONS

There are still Masses available until the end of 2020 for your Mass special intentions.

A Mass can be celebrated to remember a loved one, a special intention, a birthday, thanksgiving or an anniversary. Contact the Parish Office to schedule a Mass.

Please visit our parish website for all of the latest parish news and events!

www.st-augustinechurch.com



Please visit our Facebook:

St.AugustineChurchPhiladelphia



"Travelers," to find a Mass while you are on the road this summer, go to the website: www.MassTimes.org or call: 734-794-2100.

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.



Mass Intentions

**Saturday & Sunday,
July 18 & 19, 2020**

9:00 AM
11:00 AM † Catalina Amora
7:00 PM

Monday, July 20, 2020

12:05 PM

Tuesday, July 21, 2020

12:05 PM † Santiago Pedroso

Wednesday, July 22, 2020

12:05 PM

Thursday, July 23, 2020

12:05 PM Dylan Carney,
Special Intention

Friday, July 24, 2020

12:05 PM

Saturday, July 25, 2020

† = Deceased

Sacrificial Giving July 11 & 12, 2020

Number of Envelopes Used: 14
Amount in Envelopes: \$925.00
Average \$/Envelope: \$66.07
Electronic Giving: 42
Amount Electronic: \$968.00
Average \$/Electronic: \$23.05
Loose Money: \$218.00
Total Collection: \$2,111.00



Capital Campaign News

Goal: \$750,000 (Phase 1) To date:
Pledges: 200 Percentage: 94.4705%
Amount Pledged: \$708,528.50
Pledges Received: \$569,340.10
June 1st Gala Revenue: \$40,250.00
In-Kind Gifts Received: \$10,437.71
Campaign Total Rec'd: \$620,027.81

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www.st-augustinechurch.com
and click on:
"Sign Up For Electronic Giving"

Parish Giving

The Bulletin Board

**16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday, July 19, 2020**

Monday, July 20, 2020

7:00 PM Racism Discussion Group—Zoom

Tuesday, July 21, 2020

7:00 PM DMI Survey Meeting—Zoom
8:00 PM Parish Rosary—Zoom

Wednesday, July 22, 2020

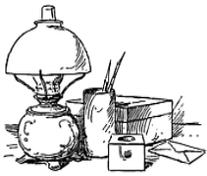
7:00 PM Pastoral Council Meeting—Zoom

Thursday, July 23, 2020

7:00 PM Parish Scripture Study—Zoom

Friday, July 24, 2020

Saturday, July 25, 2020



A word from Fr. Bill.....

Dear Parishioners:

Many people (inside and outside the parish) have asked me over the past few months how we as a parish are doing in the midst of the coronavirus pandemic. In the context of last weekend's Gospel, the parable of the farmer sowing the seeds, I would say we are sowing on fertile soil. In the context of this weekend's Gospel, the parables of the mustard seed and the yeast, I would say, the seeds are yielding a good harvest. This is thanks to the faithfulness of you, our parishioners. It is also thanks to new technology, Zoom and LiveStreaming, (at least new to me).

We have re-established three of our four public weekend Masses (Sunday 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM and 7:00 PM) as well as our weekday 12:05 PM Mass. A great deal of detail involving masks, sanitation, social distancing and having volunteer ushers at each of the Sunday Masses has been given to our first priority, the safety of all involved and at the same time being able to have a prayerful experience. Thanks to the cooperation of all participating in our liturgies, things seem to be going smoothly.

As you know, for the past three months, we have been LiveStreaming the 11:00 AM Sunday Mass. This has been received extremely well. Literally, hundreds of people have participated in these liturgies, live or by recorded video, from throughout the country and the world, including Italy and the Netherlands. Last Monday, we submitted a request to the Catholic Foundation of Greater Philadelphia for a grant to purchase equipment to LiveStream automatically on a regular basis. We probably will not hear until the end of August or the beginning of September if the request will be granted. The cost of the equipment is approximately \$17,000 and the most we could apply for was \$10,000. If anyone would like to make a donation to help defray this cost, it certainly would be greatly appreciated.

Since the pandemic has begun we have had a great deal of Zoom meetings. This past Monday night, 10 parishioners (at least four new parishioners) and I had our second of six sessions discussing the US Bishops' pastoral letter on racism. On Tuesday night, a subcommittee of five of us met for the 10th time reflecting on the input from the parish survey which was taken 1 1/2 years ago. As a result of these discussions, we are planning a parish program for Advent and Lent next year. Also, on Tuesday about eight of us prayed the rosary together. A week ago Wednesday night, the eight members of our Parish Finance Commission (PFC) met to discuss the financial situation of the parish and to review the improvements of our facilities. On Thursday night, six of us shared insights into this weekend's scripture reading. In addition to these Zoom meetings, I have had a number of marriage preparation and baptism preparation meetings on Zoom. Ironically, I never heard of Zoom four months ago.

If you would like to participate in the rosary on Tuesdays at 8:00 PM, the Zoom number is 854 1235 0301 and the password is 150408. If on Thursdays at 7:00 PM you would like to share in the discussion of the scripture readings for the following weekend, the Zoom number is 832 4986 0935 and the password is 025 786. Please consider joining us for either or both of these gatherings and invite others to join us as well.

In the next several months you will experience a lot of improvements to our parish property: repairs to the façade below the tower (began this past Monday), painting the outside window frames of the church (probably within the next two weeks); repairs to the louvers in the steeple, repairs to the tunnel below the church and Carr Hall (probably in September) and assessing the cost to restore the eight paintings of St. Augustine's life in the church (hopefully before the summer is over). All of these projects are being done after consultation during the pandemic in Zoom meetings with the Steering Committee of the Capital Campaign and the Parish Finance Commission.

In the past several months, we have added five new members to our Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) for a full contingent of nine parishioners in addition to three staff members. Naturally, the pandemic has brought about changes and challenges to our parish community. In September, one of the topics that the PPC will be discussing is how the pandemic has affected the parish, what are the challenges, e.g. our choirs have not been able to sing and enhance our liturgies; we have not been able to have socials after the Masses;



A word from Fr. Bill.....

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weddings have been rescheduled; and a number of people are not comfortable coming to the liturgies at this time. The PPC will discuss how we might respond to some of these new realities.

During this whole pandemic, you, our parishioners, have been very faithful and generous in your financial support to the parish over these months. Speaking for all the parish, we are extremely grateful for this as it has allowed us to pay our salaries to our employees who are still working every day and our other bills.

I am happy to say that over the past several months, three young adults have indicated that they are seriously interested in being part of the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) process next year, two who never have been baptized (Catechumens) and one who was baptized Catholic and received First Communion and would like to receive confirmation (Candidate).

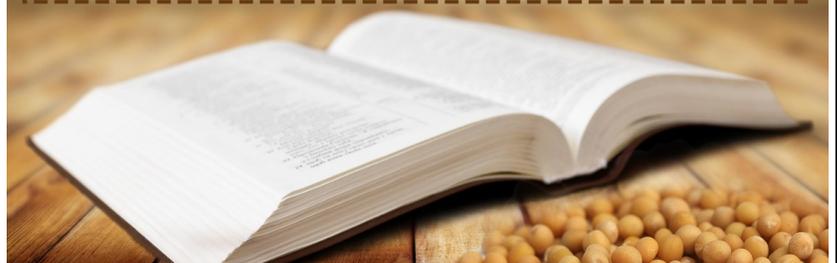
How are we doing during the pandemic? In a time when we have had to be separated, many have made the effort to be present to us in various ways and to help us to stay united. We certainly still have challenges to face. Thanks, however, to God's grace, the hard work of our staff, the commitment of the members on our councils, committees, commissions, and the faithfulness of our parishioners, in reference to last weekend's Gospel, God's seed is falling on good soil and in reference to this weekend's Gospel, a great deal of wheat has grown in the past few months since the pandemic began.

Have a SAFE and good week.

Fr. Bill

The Parable of the Mustard Seed

explains the growing of the kingdom of God from the smallest beginning to a worldwide shelter for mankind.



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