

# St. Augustine R. C. Parish

## Fifth Sunday of Easter ♦ May 7, 2023

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Santo Niño de Cebú

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](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 — *Suspended Indefinitely*

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

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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

After Sunday Masses or  
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.

Weekly Parish Rosary via Zoom—8:00 PM on Tuesday  
Meeting ID: 854-1235-0301 PW: 150408

Weekly Scripture Study via Zoom—7:00 PM on Thursday  
Meeting ID: 832-4986-0935 PW: 025786

**OSA Friends** is an association whose members have an interest in learning about St. Augustine's theology and spirituality. OSA Friends already exist in several parishes staffed by the Augustinians in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. Anyone interested in learning about St. Augustine, his thought and spirituality is asked to contact Fr. Jim Keating at St. Augustine's Parish or call him at (215) 629-6351 for more information.



The month of May is Mary's month. Pray to her always for her help and intercession.

*O Brilliant star of purity, Mary Immaculate, Our Lady of Lourdes, be our comfort, hope, strength and consolation.*

*Amen.*

# The Mother's Day Offering

Mother's Day Offering & Memorial Envelopes are available on the tables in the rear of the church for you to remember both Living and Deceased Mothers on this special day. What a great "Thank You" for your mother to have her remembered at Mass during our Mother's Day Novena.



## Baptism Celebration

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

**Sunday, May 7, 2023**

**Anderson Kenneth Offutt**

Son of Nathan & Victoria Offutt

***Congratulations!***

*Please keep Anderson's family in your prayers.*



**SAVE THE DATE !**

**FEAST OF SANTO NIÑO  
— SUMMER SINULOG —**

**Sunday, August 20, 2023**

**11:00 AM Mass and  
Neighborhood Procession**



## Mass Intentions

**Sunday, May 7, 2023**

9:00 AM † Isidoro Dizon  
11:00 AM † Helen Manguba  
7:00 PM

**Monday, May 8, 2023**

12:05 PM The Parish Community

**Tuesday, May 9, 2023**

12:05 PM

**Wednesday, May 10, 2023**

12:05 PM † Mary D. Flanagan &  
† Rosemarie McGinty

**Thursday, May 11, 2023**

12:05 PM

**Friday, May 12, 2023**

12:05 PM

**Saturday, May 13, 2023**

† = Deceased



## Capital Campaign News

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

**Pledges: 219 Percentage: 112.3640%**

**Amount Pledged: \$842,729.68**

**Pledges Received: \$786,319.68**

**In-Kind Gifts Received: \$10,437.71**

**Campaign Total Rec'd: \$796,757.39**

## Sacrificial Giving April 30, 2023

**Number of Envelopes Used: 21**

**Amount in Envelopes: \$780.00**

**Average \$/Envelope: \$37.14**

**Electronic Giving: 45**

**Amount Electronic: \$1,535.00**

**Average \$/Electronic: \$34.11**

**Loose Money: \$546.00**

**Total Collection: \$2,861.00**

## Electronic Giving

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## The Bulletin Board

**Fifth Sunday of Easter**

**Sunday, May 7, 2023**

11:00 AM Anderson Offutt Baptism

**Monday, May 8, 2023**

**Tuesday, May 9, 2023**

8:00 PM Weekly Parish Rosary—Zoom

7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB

**Wednesday, May 10, 2023**

7:00 PM Parish Finance Council—Zoom

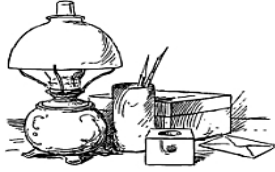
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## *A word from Fr. Bill...*

Dear Parishioners:

This past Tuesday, I attended a gathering with four other priests to become more familiar with Project Rachel. What is Project Rachel? It is an office within the Archdiocese of Philadelphia that helps women (and men) with issues after having an abortion. We talk so much about why abortion, taking the life of a child in the womb, is wrong. But, we don't always share the information to let people know of the resources (e.g. places to stay, doctors who will help with examinations, baby clothes and furniture) which are available to help those contemplating an abortion or to let people know what resources are available to help people to heal after they had an abortion. There are books on the book rack in the back of the church which provide a great deal of information concerning resources which are available.

There also are many resources in the Archdiocese to help people after an abortion has occurred. After an abortion, there is often guilt, pain, shame, and confusion, etc. Sometimes people feel that God would never forgive them, or that they would never be allowed back in the Church, or that others would never forgive them or that they cannot forgive themselves.

There is nothing that separates us from the love of God. God doesn't love us to one degree one day and to another degree another day. God is always present, caring, loving and forgiving. We just need to be open to it. Remember celebrating Divine Mercy Sunday a few weeks ago? Remember the Gospel last week of the shepherd's care for the sheep? Remember the story of the father waiting with open arms as the prodigal son returned? Remember Jesus telling the woman caught in adultery "Neither do I condemn you?" This Sunday we hear Jesus saying, "Do not let your hearts be troubled."

The primary way we experience Jesus' love and forgiveness is in the Sacrament of Penance. Some people may remember when abortion was considered "a reserved sin," meaning only a bishop could absolve someone who had an abortion. This now has been extended and all priests can absolve someone who has had an abortion. Some may think they are excommunicated from the Church because they had an abortion. This never applied to someone who was under 16, had the abortion out of fear, unaware of this law, felt forced to have the abortion, etc. Regardless, the Church welcomes back all of us who have sinned at one time or another.

The Church, the faith community, the Archdiocese of Philadelphia does not want someone who was involved with an abortion to think they have to deal with this issue alone. This is why Project Rachel exists. It reaches out to all women and men hurting emotionally and spiritually after abortion. This ministry helps heal wounded relationships with oneself, the child, and God. Extending God's compassion, unconditional love and forgiveness, Project Rachel offers hope and peace. Again, that someone would know they are not alone in dealing with the ramifications of abortion, there are retreats, professional counseling opportunities and support groups available to help in the healing process. There are retreats in the area called Rachel Vineyard Retreats. They are sponsored by the Immaculata Spiritual Center, Daylesford Abbey and the National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa in Doylestown.

For more specific information about any of this, please be in touch with me or call 844-772-2435, or email [ProjectRachel@chs.adphila.org](mailto:ProjectRachel@chs.adphila.org). All correspondence is confidential.

Have a good week.

Handwritten signature of Fr. Bill

Fr. Bill





# NUTRITIONAL DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

Archdiocese of Philadelphia

**Manna Sunday:** The parish will participate again this year in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia's Manna Sunday to be held the weekend of **May 21<sup>st</sup>**.

In the rear of the church there are paper shopping bags to take with you and to be returned on this weekend with donated **NEW and UNOPENED** food items for the needy in our neighborhood.

Items needed this year are beef stew, tuna fish, fruit, vegetables, canned pasta, soups, pork & beans and non-perishable items. These are the most requested items by people in need of emergency food assistance.

*For safety, please don't include any glass bottles.*





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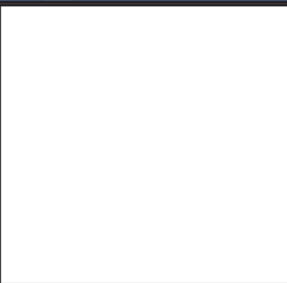
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