

St. Augustine R. C. Parish

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 11, 2022



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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 — *Suspended Indefinitely*

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

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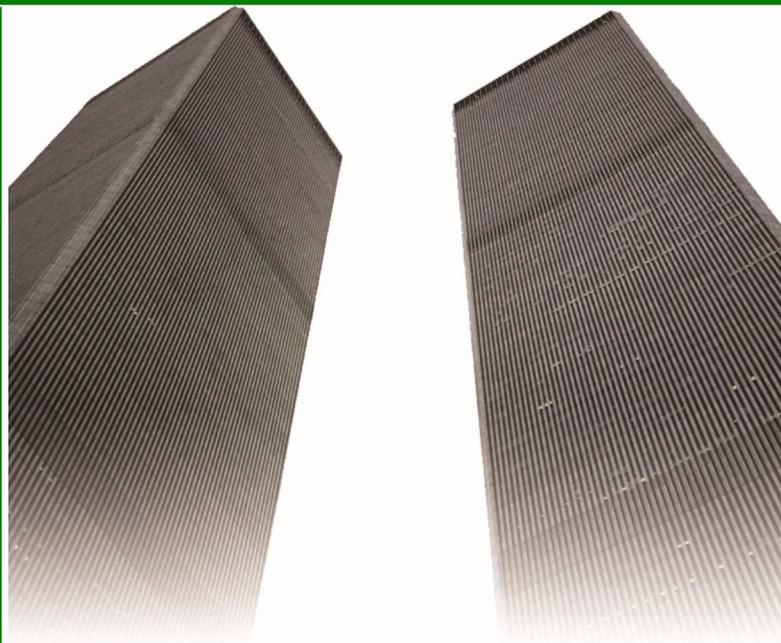
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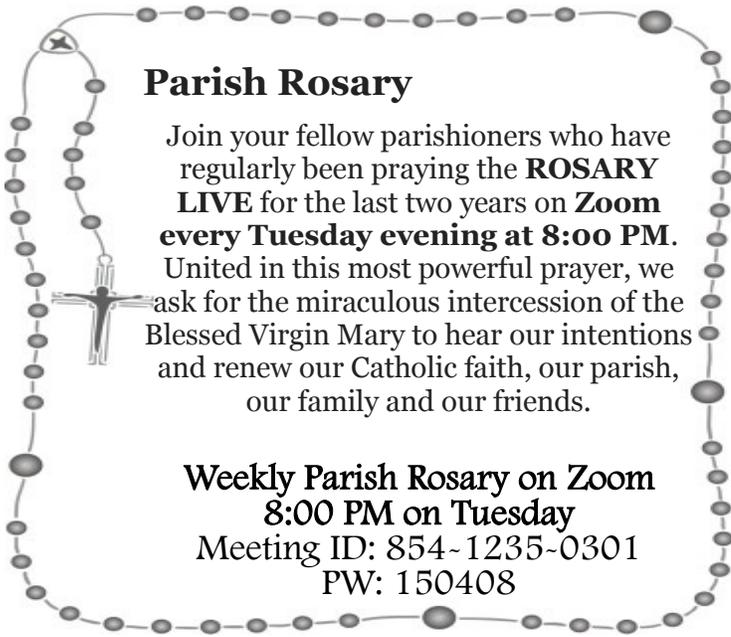
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... We Remember



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



Parish Rosary

Join your fellow parishioners who have regularly been praying the **ROSARY LIVE** for the last two years on **Zoom every Tuesday evening at 8:00 PM**. United in this most powerful prayer, we ask for the miraculous intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary to hear our intentions and renew our Catholic faith, our parish, our family and our friends.

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8:00 PM on Tuesday
 Meeting ID: 854-1235-0301
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Saturday, September 17, 2022 - 12:00-9:00 PM

Sunday, September 18, 2022 - 12:00-6:00 PM

7th Annual Padre Pio Festival

presented by St. Bede the Venerable Parish and Knights of Columbus Council 15478

Saturday – *Community Family Picnic with food, games, entertainment and amusements; free evening concert at 7:30 (The Jersey Tenors)*

Sunday – *Solemn High Mass at 12:30 (Homilist Fr. Thomas Betz) followed by a street procession and healing service with Padre Pio Relics; food, games, entertainment and amusements*

St. Bede the Venerable Parish, 1071 Holland Road, Holland, PA.

More info: www.padrepiofestivalhollandpa.com/



Wednesday, September 14, 2022 at 7:00pm

Vespers for the Feast of the Holy Cross: Choral Evensong in the Ordinarate Rite

Join Collegium Institute and Durandus Institute for Sacred Liturgy and Music for Vespers for the feast of the Holy Cross. This evening choral experience will be held in person at St. Agatha - St. James Parish in West Philadelphia. Join Collegium Institute and Durandus Institute for Sacred Liturgy and Music for Vespers for the feast of the Holy Cross. This evening choral experience will be held in person at St. Agatha - St. James Parish in West Philadelphia.

St. Agatha-St. James Parish (3728 Chestnut St, Philadelphia, PA 19104)

More info: <https://www.collegiuminstitute.org/calendar/vespers-holy-cross>



Mass Intentions

Sunday, September 11, 2022

9:00 AM
 11:00 AM † Fortunata & Mauricio Insong
 7:00 PM

Monday, September 12, 2022

12:05 PM

Tuesday, September 13, 2022

12:05 PM The Parish Community

Wednesday, September 14, 2022

12:05 PM

Thursday, September 15, 2022

12:05 PM Deceased Members and Benefactors of the OSA

Friday, September 16, 2022

12:05 PM † John Waters

Saturday, September 17, 2022

† = Deceased



Capital Campaign News

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

Pledges: 214 Percentage: 106.2488%
 Amount Pledged: \$796,865.68
 Pledges Received: \$739,385.68
 In-Kind Gifts Received: \$10,437.71
 Campaign Total Rec'd: \$749,823.39

Sacrificial Giving September 4, 2022

Number of Envelopes Used: 25
 Amount in Envelopes: \$1,122.00
 Average \$/Envelope: \$44.88
 Electronic Giving: 44
 Amount Electronic: \$1,655.00
 Average \$/Electronic: \$37.61
 Loose Money: \$410.00
 Total Collection: \$3,187.00

Electronic Giving

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www.st-augustinechurch.com
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 "Sign Up For Electronic Giving"



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Sunday, September 11, 2022

4:00 PM Gift of Life Family House Dinner

Monday, September 12, 2022

Tuesday, September 13, 2022

7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB
 8:00 PM Parish Rosary—Zoom

Wednesday, September 14, 2022

7:00 PM Parish Finance Council—Zoom

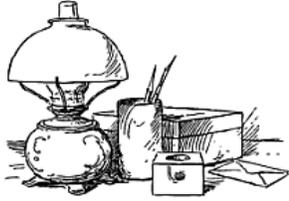
Thursday, September 15, 2022

7:00 PM Parish Scripture Study—Zoom
 7:00 PM S.A. Meeting in CHB

Friday, September 16, 2022

Saturday, September 17, 2022

1:00 PM Persichetti-Duff Wedding



A word from Fr. Bill...

Dear Parishioners:

This Sunday at Mass we hear the very familiar story of the “Prodigal Son” or as it sometimes is called, the story of the “Loving Father.” I think all of us can identify, at least I can, with each of the characters in the parable.

We can identify with the younger son. Sometimes we have gone to “far off places.” Sometimes we have wasted the gifts given to us by God. Yes, and sometimes we “have come to our senses,” realized our brokenness and have experienced the Father who “is filled with compassion.”

We can identify with the older son. Sometimes we are envious of what others have, especially if we don’t think they deserve it. Sometimes we act self-righteous and judgmental toward others. Sometimes we think we should get better treatment than someone else. Sometimes we may refuse to acknowledge someone else as our brother or sister (the older son refers to his brother as “this son of yours”). Sometimes we have refused “to go into the party” because we had a hard time sharing in the joy of someone else, especially if the party isn’t for us.

We can even identify with the father. Sometimes we have extended mercy to others. Sometimes we have forgiven those who have offended us, and maybe even have broken our hearts.

I can identify with all of these three persons. I bet each of us also can to some degree.

Where do I fit into this story in the context of our parish community here at St. Augustine? Have I wasted my time, gifts and talents that could be shared to build up the community? How can I use my gifts better rather than going to “a far off place and squandering them?” Have I stood on the sidelines of some of the life in the parish because of resentment, jealousy, arrogance, entitlement and not entered the “party?” Have I forgiven someone in the community who has hurt me or do I pout feeling sorry for myself, saying they don’t appreciate what I have done?

But you know who doesn’t get much attention in the story but with whom I would like to identify? The servants. The servants had the pleasure to dress the younger son with the best of everything in the house: robes, sandals, rings, etc. The servants made him feel accepted and important. A servant announced the good news of the reconciliation that took place between the father and the younger son. He announced the good news of the generosity of the father. The servant was telling the older son about the festive party. What a great thing it is to be able to share good news with others.

Have I “dressed” anyone at St. Augustine Parish that made them feel special and very important? Have I shared the good news of our heavenly God and God’s characteristics of forgiveness, mercy and reconciliation with others? Have I told others about the party? Have I invited others to share in the celebration of the community, like coming together at Mass or other parish events?

About 1977, I heard “Servant of God” Bill Atkinson, OSA, reflect at Mass on this parable. He ended his homily by asking if the older son ever went into the party. At the time, I had never thought about that question. We don’t know if he did or if he didn’t. If he didn’t go in, he lost out. We know if we ourselves enter the banquet Jesus has prepared for us, or if we stay on the sidelines. If we don’t enter it, we lose out.

Talking about gatherings, I hope as many as possible will come to Carr Hall after our Sunday Masses as we return to our socials this weekend. It is a way to be together, get to know each other and build community, and not just stay on the sidelines.

This week, may we be like the servants in the parable, “dress” someone else up, and announce the good news.

Have a great week.

Fr. Bill

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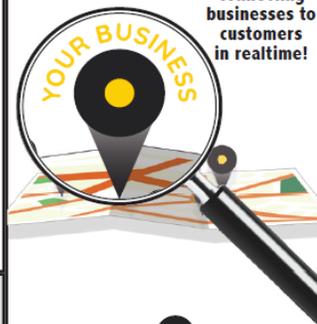
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