

St. Augustine Catholic Church

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HEADLINES

- Santo Niño Novena and Mass
- Parish Policies and Guidelines

Our warmest welcome to all who worship with our parish family, whether long time residents or newly arrived in the parish. If you are not registered, please do so in the vestibule, visit the parish office, or go on line at www.staugustinessf.org.

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday-Friday 8:40am, 5:30pm
Saturday 8:40am, 4:30pm
Sunday 7:45am, 9:30am
11:00am, 12:30pm
5:30pm
Holy Day 8:40am, 12:15pm
5:30pm, 7:00pm

CONFESSION

Friday 4:30pm - 5:00pm
Saturday 3:30pm - 4:00 pm

BAPTISM

Saturday 2nd & 4th at 12:00N
Sunday 2:30 pm

Parents must contact the office at least one month before baptism. Parents and godparents are required to attend a pre-baptismal catechesis.

WEDDING

Parishioners who wish to be wed in St. Augustine Catholic Church must contact the parish office at least 6 months before the desired date.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Friday 9:15am - 5:15pm

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday 9:00am-5:00pm
Saturday 9:00am-3:00pm
Closed between 12noon-1:00pm
Web: www.staugustinessf.org
Email staugustinessf@aol.com

CCD Office 650-873-2878

CCD OFFICE HOURS

Mon & Fri 9:30am to 5:30pm
Wed & Thu 2:00pm to 9:00pm
Sat 8:00am to 1:30pm

PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Rene Ramoso, Pastor
Rev. Ed Dura, Associate Pastor
Rev. Mr. Nestor L. Fernandez II, Deacon
Sr. Nona Barairo, Parish Catechetical Leader
Patricia Abdelalim, Operations Manager
Amor Baldomero, Administrative Assistant

YOUTH MINISTER

Melanie Macaraeg
Daniel Diaz

Youth Office
Open Sundays
9:30am to 2:30pm

BAPTISMAL COORDINATORS

Loy Bañez
Lari Collins

OUR VISION

St. Augustine Parish is a worshipping community that enthusiastically manifests faith through action, with open arms for all of God's children.

OUR MISSION

We live God's Word and continue His Work.



The Epiphany of the Lord

January 3, 2016

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you.

— *Isaiah 60:1*

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! The LORD shines upon you and the glory of the Lord appears over you (Isaiah 60:1-6).

Psalm — Lord, every nation on earth will adore you (Psalm 72).

Second Reading — The mystery has been made known that the Gentiles are coheirs, copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel (Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6).

Gospel — Magi from the east arrived, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews?" (Matthew 2:1-12).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: 1 Jn 3:22 — 4:6; Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
- Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10; Ps 72:1-4, 7-8; Mk 6:34-44
- Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18; Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13; Mk 6:45-52
- Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19 — 5:4; Ps 72:1-2, 14, 15bc, 17; Lk 4:14-22a
- Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Lk 5:12-16
- Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 3:22-30
- Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 29:1-4, 3, 9-10 or Ps 104:1b-4, 24-25, 27-30; Acts 10:34-38 or Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7; Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

LOOKING IN THE RIGHT PLACES

"Appearances can be deceiving," as the saying goes. As we celebrate the *epiphania*, the "appearing" of the eternal Word of God on earth, this is still true.

What rapturous foresight must have filled Isaiah as he wrote the words we hear today. How, for four hundred years, they must have filled the hearts of the people of Israel with hope for the day when God's glory would shine on them. How deceived some must have felt when the glory of God came to them in the lowliest and humblest of human lives.

We have many expectations about how the divine presence will appear among us. But we can also set ourselves up, through these expectations, to miss the divine glory when it truly appears. We get caught up in looking for the star, forgetting that the star is not the divine sign, the babe is. It may take a persistent journey for us to come upon the true appearance of God's glory in our lives: Jesus Christ.

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Over the next few weeks, if you were to stroll around Prague or Budapest or Kraków, you might see curious graffiti scratched in chalk over some doorways:

"20 + C + M + B + 16." The families dwelling behind those doors have celebrated the Epiphany door blessing. They have gathered before the feast-day meal, probably after Mass, and the head of the family has traced the sign of the cross on the piece of chalk. Standing on a ladder, the leader traces the numbers for the new year, and the letters C M B for *Christus Mansionem Benedicat*, Latin for "May Christ bless this house." The letters also point to the names that tradition has assigned to the mysterious magi, Caspar, Melchior, and Balthasar—although scripture tells us nothing of their number, their country, or their names.

The blessing speaks of journeys ended and journeys begun at the doorway, and prays that all journeys be as satisfying as was the magi's. It prays that the house beyond the door have the quality of love and peace that the magi marveled at when they at last arrived in Bethlehem. In some countries where the Soviet Union tried to impose a harsh atheism, the vigor of this household custom survived all efforts to erase Christian customs. In the years of struggle, the chalked blessings were a pervasive sign of defiance, and now in the light of new freedoms, they are a sign of the resilience of our tradition and the fulfillment of the magi's quest for meaning and peace.

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THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH**January 04 - January 10****Monday - January 04**

Legion of Mary	6:30pm	Conf. A
Legion of Mary	6:30pm	Conf. B
Pre-Baptismal Class	7:00pm	Church

Tuesday - January 05

Youth Choir	5:00pm	Hall
Bible Study	7:00pm	Conf. A

Wednesday - January 06

Legion of Mary	6:30pm	Conf. C
K of C Rosary	7:00pm	Chapel
2nd Yr Confirmation	7:00pm	Hall

Thursday - January 07

CCD Class	4:30pm	Hall
Santo Niño	6:30pm	Church
1st Yr Confirmation	7:00pm	Hall

Friday - January 08

Children's Choir	5:00pm	Hall
Chorale	7:00pm	Hall

Saturday, January 09

K of C Choir	5:30pm	Hall
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Sunday - January 10

SAYG	9:00am	YC
Legion of Mary	9:30am	Conf. C
Jr. Legion	11:00am	Conf. A
RCIA	9:30am	Conf. A

**SANTO NINO NOVENA
AND FIESTA****Santo Niño Novena**

January 7-15, 2016

Novena will be recited immediately after the regularly scheduled afternoon mass.

Santo Niño Fiesta

January 16, 2016

Mass will be celebrated at 4:30 PM.

Contact Person: Vilma Lorenzo

650-922-9322

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**January 04 - January 10**

MON	8:40am	COMMUNITY MASS
	5:30pm	Sean Concepcion
TUE	8:40am	Evelyn Domingo
	5:30pm	Lourdes Verne Ignacio (Birthday)
WED	8:40am	Jamessa Rozal Chin (Birthday)
	5:30pm	Theodore Steiner
THU	8:40am	Frank Reyes
	5:30pm	Adoracion Ballesteros (Birthday)
FRI	8:40am	Noah Reyes (Birthday)
	5:30pm	Marcela Padilla
SAT	8:40am	Rudy & Solie Herbas (Wedding Anniv)
	4:30pm	Black Nazarene
SUN	7:45am	Jose Q. Torrijos
	9:30am	People of St. Augustine
	11:00am	Emmanuel Ignacio (Birthday)
	12:30pm	Oscar Tumbaga
	5:30pm	Patrocinio Sembrano, Jr.

OFFERINGS

This bulletin issue is printed in advance. Collection for the weekends of December 20, and 27, 2015 will be printed in the January 10 bulletin issue.

This Sunday's second collection is for our Debt Reduction Program.

Next Sunday's second collection is for the Archbishop's Annual Appeal.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU

To the Art and Environment Committee for the aesthetically beautiful altar floral and seasonal liturgical arrangements throughout the year 2015: Lu Navor, Elsa Rozal, Meliza Moscardini, Melanie Bumanglag, and Tess Jusay.

To the Kitchen Crew of Simbang Gabi for your selfless dedication in preparing dishes for the novena fellowship headed by Elmer Macaraeg.

2016 PARISH POLICIES AND GUIDELINES

Bulletin Announcements:	Articles for the bulletin must be submitted by twelve noon (12:00 NOON) on Monday, either in person or email to staugustinessf@aol.com .
Pulpit Announcements:	One or two-liner announcements must be submitted by twelve noon (12:00 NOON) on Friday. No announcement is to be released without the pastor's approval.
Fundraising Activities:	Groups and organizations must seek the approval of the Finance Council. Fundraising Request Form may be requested from the parish office. Once approved, the fundraising activity will be posted on the master calendar.
Making Copies:	The Parish Office requests that materials for copying must be submitted at least 2 days prior to use or distribution. Include a note that includes the requestor's name and name of organization and the number of copies needed. Copies printed may be picked up from the parish office during business hours.
Mass Intentions:	The Mass Intention Calendar for the following year opens in October of the present year. Offering for mass intention is on a first come, first served basis. Monday morning Mass is considered a Community Mass. In this particular Mass, more than one name and intention may be offered by different families. If one cannot be accommodated to a specific date desired because it was already taken, the Community Mass is the alternative choice.
Meetings and Rehearsals:	All organization and ministry meetings must end at 8:30 PM. Remember to lock the door after you. The church security alarm system will be turned ON as soon as the facility is vacated. No one is allowed to hold a meeting in the premises without proper notification from the parish office.
Poster Display:	Posters to announce events and activities must be approved and initialed by the Pastor. Once approved, a designated individual in the parish office will post it on the appropriate area(s) of the church.
Prayers of the Faithful:	Request for names to be added to the Prayers of the Faithful are ONLY for recent deaths and hospitalized parishioners within the week.
Security System:	St. Augustine Church is a fenced and gated compound. Gates and doors are opened and locked at specified times. Gates are normally opened at 7:00 AM and secured at 9:00 PM. No individual or car can come through the gates after 9:00 PM.
Other Matters:	Submit any requests pertaining to parish activities to the Pastor for approval prior to scheduling and announcing.

Thank you for your continued cooperation and support of our parish.

Fr. Rene Ramosa