

St. Augustine Catholic Church

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HEADLINES

- Pledge Drive Update
- CCD & Confirmation Christmas Break
- Donate Blessing Bags
- *Simbang Gabi*

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 - 4:00pm

BAPTISM

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

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.



Third Sunday of Advent

December 13, 2015

With joy you will draw water at the fountain of salvation.

— Isaiah 12:3

First Reading — Shout for joy! Sing joyfully! Be glad and exult! The LORD, your God, is in your midst, a mighty savior (Zephaniah 3:14-18a).

Psalm — Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel (Isaiah 12).

Second Reading — Rejoice! The Lord is near. Make your requests known to God (Philippians 4:4-7).

Gospel — John tells his hearers to share their possessions with the needy; be honest; do not threaten or accuse others falsely (Luke 3:10-18).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6, 7bc-9; Mt 21:23-27

Tuesday: Zep 3:1-2, 9-13; Ps 34:2-3, 6-7, 17-19, 23; Mt 21:28-32

Wednesday: Is 45:6b-8, 18, 21b-25; Ps 85:9-14; Lk 7:18b-23

Thursday: Gn 49:2, 8-10; Ps 72:1-4ab, 7-8, 17; Mt 1:1-17

Friday: Jer 23:5-8; Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19; Mt 1:18-25

Saturday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17; Lk 1:5-25

Sunday: Mi 5:1-4a; Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19; Heb 10:5-10; Lk 1:39-45

CELEBRATE

This Sunday, God rejoices and sings because of us. We read in Zephaniah today that God “will sing joyfully because of you, / as one sings at festivals” (Zephaniah 3:18). We know plenty about singing at festivals. Already our ears are ringing with the songs and carols that anticipate the Christmas season.

Paul reminds us of the source of our own double rejoicing: God is the mighty savior who is in our midst (in Zephaniah’s words). Because this is so, says Paul, we can rejoice and be at ease. We don’t have to worry, for God’s peace will stand guard over our hearts and minds.

A medieval carol depicts Christmas as “my dancing day” and urges us to enter into the dance. Why all the merrymaking? Because “the Lord is near,” as Paul reminds us (Philippians 4:5). He then points to another reason for the dancing: the dawn of the promise of peace, the peace beyond all understanding, that is now within our grasp.

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Children Faith Formation (or CCD)

December 17 and 19
Christmas Party

CCD CHRISTMAS BREAK

December 20, 2015 to January 3, 2016

STRENGTH AND COURAGE

Prayer infuses the weak with strength and the fainthearted with courage.

—Anonymous

PLEDGE DRIVE UPDATE

Last month we mailed the initial statements to all who pledged for the Altar Renovation Project. I am very pleased with the rapid response from our parishioners and friends in sending their contributions. The following is a summary of our pledge drive as of December 1, 2015:

Total Collections as of
December 1, 2015 **\$ 43,007.00**
24.67%

Pledges That Are Outstanding
\$131,327.00
75.33%

Total Amount Pledged \$174,334.00
100.00%

If you have not yet responded to our pledge drive, now is the time to do so. Take advantage of your tax deductible charitable donations before year end. We are in the season of gift giving and I would like for all of you to please include St. Augustine Church in your list of benefactors for the Christmas season. Thank you very much.

Sincerely,
Fr. Rene Ramos

First Year Confirmation Winter Break

December 20, 2015 to January 3, 2016

Second Year Confirmation Winter Break

December 17, 2015 to January 5, 2016

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH**December 14 - December 20****Monday - December 14**

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

Tuesday - December 15

Youth Choir	5:00pm	Hall
Youth Group	6:30pm	Hall
<i>Simbang Gabi</i>	7:30pm	Church

Wednesday - December 16

Legion of Mary	6:30pm	Conf. C
K of C Rosary	7:00pm	Chapel
<i>Simbang Gabi</i>	7:30pm	Church

Thursday - December 17

CCD	4:30pm	Hall
Santo Niño	6:30pm	Church
<i>Simbang Gabi</i>	7:30pm	Church

Friday - December 18

Children's Choir	5:00pm	Hall
Pageant Rehearsal	6:30pm	Church
Chorale	7:00pm	Hall
<i>Simbang Gabi</i>	7:30pm	Church

Saturday - December 19

CCD	9:00am	Hall
K of C Choir	6:00pm	Hall
<i>Simbang Gabi</i>	7:30pm	Church

Sunday - December 20

Edith Stein SCC	9:00am	Conf. B
SAYG	9:00am	YC
Legion of Mary	9:30am	Conf. C
RCIA	9:30am	Conf. A
Jr. Legion	11:00am	Conf. A
Fil-Am	12:00pm	Hall
Pageant Rehearsal	2pm-4pm	Church
<i>Simbang Gabi</i>	7:30pm	Church

AN ADVENT PRAYER

May the God of peace make us completely holy. May God keep us blameless in spirit, soul and body for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Forever faithful is the One who calls us—God our Father!

Expectant, let us live in joyful hope for the revelation of the glory of our God and Savior, Christ Jesus! To him be glory forever! Come, Lord Jesus! Your grace be with us all.

—From *Come, Lord Jesus* by Lucien Deiss, CSSp, copyright 1976, 1981, Lucien Deiss. Published by World Library Publications. p. 127

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**December 14 - December 20**

MON	8:40am	COMMUNITY MASS
	5:30pm	Felicidad Ignacio
TUE	8:40am	Liza Ignacio (Birthday)
	5:30pm	Christina Dulatre (Birthday)
	7:30pm	Mauro De La Cruz, Sr.
WED	8:40am	Patsy Capetillo
	5:30pm	Micaela & Rachel Ignacio (Birthday)
	7:30pm	Carmelita Padilla (Birthday)
THU	8:40am	Ricardo Liao
	5:30pm	Antonia Soriano
	7:30pm	Ricardo Lopez
FRI	8:40am	Gorgonio & Rosenda Gadong
	5:30pm	Lourdes Estiqueta
	7:30pm	
SAT	8:40am	Holly Hawarth (Birthday)
	5:30pm	Fermin C. Ballesteros, Sr.
	7:30pm	
SUN	7:45am	Martha Arnaldo
	9:30am	People of St. Augustine
	11:00am	Manuel & Fabiana Gadong
	12:30pm	Andy Pimentel (Birthday)
	5:30pm	Augustus "Sonny" Stella
	7:30pm	

OFFERINGS

Regular Sunday Offering:

December 6, 2015	\$ 10,040.06
Debt Reduction	\$ 4,059.00
Our Lady of Perpetual Help	\$ 302.00
Sacred Heart Of Jesus (Fri)	\$ 557.00

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

Next Sunday's second collection is for the Retired Religious Fund.

NO CONFESSION

On Friday, December 25, 2015 (**CHRISTMAS DAY**), there will be NO confession.



SIMBANG GABI IN ST. AUGUSTINE CHURCH

This *Simbang Gabi* we are celebrating the Year of Mercy as recently proclaimed by Pope Francis. To show our compassion to the poor, we are asking for items to be distributed to the homeless. We are assembling **Blessing Bags**. Our goal is 100 bags that will be distributed before Christmas. A Blessing Bag includes the following:

- Toiletries (toothpaste, toothbrush, small bottles of shampoo, conditioner, floss, deodorant)
- Pair of socks
- Something to eat (can of tuna with crackers, jello, fruitcups, individually wrapped crackers/bars, or something small and can be eaten on the go)
- Quarters for bus fare, shower mobiles, cup of coffee, etc.

Please bring any of the above items during the nights of *Simbang Gabi*. Donations will be included during the offertory. Thank you in advance for your generosity. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Sally Ortiz at sal_ymail.com or 650-273-7088.



NO BIBLE STUDY DURING CHRISTMAS BREAK

There will be no Bible Study meetings from now through January 4, 2016. Meeting will resume on January 5, 2016.

2015 SIMBANG GABI SCHEDULE

Year of Mercy

DATE	TOPIC	PRESIDER	CCD CLASS	FELLOWSHIP
15 Dec	Corporal works of	Fr. D. Pettingill	Grade 1	Knights of Columbus
16 Dec	Spiritual conversion	Bishop W. Justice	SP-1 Thursday SP-1 9:00 AM Sat 2nd Yr Confirmation	Legion of Mary
17 Dec	Love	Fr. J. Piderit, SJ	SP-1 10:15 AM 1st Yr Confirmation	Bible Study, Charismatic, Santo Nino, St. Vincent de Paul
18 Dec	Love	Msgr. M. Padazinski	Grade 2-A,B,C	Music Ministry
19 Dec	Compassion	Fr. R. Ramoso	Sp 2-A,B,C,D	Fil-Am, SCC, AFFT, Hospitality Ministers
20 Dec	Spiritual conversion	Fr. E. Dura	Grade 3	CCD, Catechists & Parents, Children's Choir
21 Dec	Mercy	Fr. R. Reyes	Grade 4	Readers, Eucharistic Ministers
22 Dec	Forgiveness	Fr. N. Vitug	Grade 5	Parish Staff, Youth Group
23 Dec	Reconciliation	Bishop D. Walsh	Grade 6	Parish Pastoral & Finance Council

Christopher Asad Asfour, Jr.

Lia Marie-Seng Cha

Kyler Mitchell Borja

Gerome Fernandez Benito

Owyn Leonardo Opelinia

Brandon Victo Cabatic

Kaleo Noah Lozada

Mataio Isaiah Lozada



Efren De Los Angeles

Oscar Gomez

Jun Panelo



Salvador Buhay III

Eliodora Militante

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT REHEARSAL

Reminder to those participating in the Children's Christmas Pageant. Rehearsal dates are: Friday, December 11 at 6:30 PM and Sunday, December 20 at 2:00 PM in the church.