

#### **HEADLINES**

- Simbang Gabi
- Simbang Gabi Gifting Program
- **Christmas Mass Schedule**
- New Year's Eve Dinner Dance

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 7:45am, 9:30am Sunday 11:00am, 12:30pm 5:30pm

8:40am, 12:15pm Holy Day 5:30pm, 7:00pm

#### **CONFESSION**

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

#### **BAPTISM**

2nd & 4th at 12:00N Saturday

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

#### **OFFICE HOURS**

Monday-Friday 9:00am-5:00pm 9:00am-3:00pm Saturday Closed between 12noon-1:00pm Fax (650)873-1356 Email staugustinessf@aol.com

#### **PASTORAL STAFF**

Rev. Rene Ramoso, Pastor Rev. Ed Dura, Associate Pastor Rev. Mr. Nestor L. Fernandez II, Deacon Patricia Abdelalim, Operations Manager Amor Baldomero, Administrative Assistant

#### **CHILDREN FAITH FORMATION**

Sr. Nona Barairo, Parish Catechetical Leader (650)873-2878 Phone

#### **YOUTH MINISTERS**

Nicole Macaraeg Melanie Macaraeg

#### **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.

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## Third Sunday of Advent

#### December 14, 2014

Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing.
— 1 Thessalonians 5:16

#### MORE THAN DISCIPLES

Each of today's four scriptural roles—disciple, prophet, apostle, herald—forms a facet of our life in Christ as we live it day by day. Isaiah tells us that a prophet is anointed, as we were anointed at our baptism in water and the Spirit, to bring glad tidings and to promote God's reign of healing, justice, and peace. An apostle, like Paul, is one who is "sent." Each of us, in his or her own way, is sent by Christ to be a voice of rejoicing, to encourage prophetic voices in the world, and to make sure that the work of the Spirit thrives. John the Baptist shows us the job of the herald, making the Lord's way straight, announcing the coming of the Light of the world.

Today we also hear from Mary, model disciple. Her song, the Magnificat, shows us the world we must believe in and work for: one in which God is praised, where God's favor is bestowed on the humble, where the hungry are filled and the rich are sent away empty, a world that continues to know and rejoice in the mercy of God that lasts for all ages.

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#### **TODAY'S READINGS**

First Reading — As a garden makes its growth spring up, so will God make justice spring up before all the nations (Isaiah 61:1-2a, 10-11).

**Psalm** — My soul rejoices in my God. (Luke 1:46-50, 53-54).

Second Reading — Do not quench the Spirit. Do not despise prophetic utterances. Test everything; retain what is good (1 Thessalonians 5:16-24).

**Gospel** — I am the voice of one crying out in the desert, make straight the way of the Lord (John 1:6-8, 19-28).

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#### POINSETTIA FOR CHRISTMAS

St. Augustine Church is accepting donations of poinsettia planters for our Christmas decoration. Plants may be dropped off at the parish office or placed by the church side door near the chapel.

#### 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, 17-18, 19, 23;

Mt 21:28-32

Wednesday: Gn 49:2, 8-10; Ps 72:1-

4ab, 7-8, 17;

Mt 1:1-17

Thursday: Jer 23:5-8; Ps 72:1-2, 12-

13, 18-19;

Mt 1:18-25

Friday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a;

Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17;

Lk 1:5-25

Saturday: Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-4ab,

5-6; Lk 1:26-38

Sunday: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a,

16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29;



### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The tradition of anointing the sick with blessed oil is very old, but developed slowly and unevenly in the first eight centuries of the church's life. St. Augustine, who wrote volumes of homilies from his thriving church in North Africa, plus pastoral directives, letters, and memoirs, never mentions it at all. We know from ancient prayers that it did happen in Rome, Milan, Gaul, and the British Isles. In Rome the bishop blessed the oil of the sick, but it could be applied by a priest, deacon, or a layperson. It seems that sick persons could even anoint themselves. St. Genevieve of Paris was known for anointing the sick in her care.

Perhaps inevitably, complaints of abuses, and even trickery by sorcerers, brought an end to this consoling practice. In a dangerous world with a dispersed population, clerics may have preferred that this hands-on care was a lay privilege. The purpose of anointing, however, was not simply healing, but forgiveness of sin and an experience of saving power of Christ. By the year 800, dioceses everywhere were organizing rituals for priestly anointing. Although anointing of the sick is reserved to priests today, perhaps this treasured memory will enrich the future of the sacrament.

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# THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH December 15 - December 21

#### Mon - December 15 Legion of Mary 6:30pm Conf. A 6:30pm Conf. B Legion of Mary Simbang Gabi Church 7:30pm Tue - December 16 Simbang Gabi 7:30pm Church Wed - December 17 Simbang Gabi Church 7:30pm Thu - December 18 Santo Niño 6:30pm Chapel Simbang Gabi Church 7:30pm Fri - December 19 Children's Choir 5:30pm Hall Simbang Gabi Church 7:30 Sat - December 20 St. Vincent Christmas Distribution 1:00pm Hall Simbang Gabi 7:30pm Church Sun - December 21 Legion of Mary Conf. C 9:30am Jr. Legion 11:00am Conf. A **RCIA** 9:00am Conf. A Pageant Rehearsal 4:00pm Church Simbang Gabi 7:30pm Church

#### ANGELS OF PEACE

Let us not be justices of the peace, but angels of peace.

Date	Weekly 1st Collection	2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection
11/02/14	\$10,427.61	\$3,810.00
11/09/14	\$10,621.00	\$7,135.00
11/16/14	\$10,318.52	\$4,582.00
11/23/14	\$ 9,791.00	\$3,537.00
11/30/14	\$11,165.00	\$3,566.00

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK December 15 - December 21

MON	8:40am	COMMUNITY MASS
	5:30pm	Christina D. Dulatre (BD)
	7:30pm	Mauro de la Cruz, Sr. †
TUE	8:40am	Michaela & Rachelle Ignacio (BD)
	5:30pm	Ricardo Liao †
	7:30pm	Carmelita Padilla (BD)
WED	8:40pm	Margarita de Leon (BD)
	5:30pm	Darren Carlo Mamaril †
	7:30pm	Ricardo Lopez†
THU	8:40am	Maria Mabanag (BD)
	5:30pm	Joe & Tess Torres (TG)
	7:30pm	Jeremiah Baldomero
FRI	8:40am	Sarah C. Dulatre (BD)
	5:30pm	Fermin C. Ballesteros †
	7:30pm	Jeremiah Baldomero
SAT	8:40am	Arnelio & Linda Anicete (WA)
	4:30pm	Juanito Valdez†
	7:30pm	Imelda Medina
SUN	7:45am	Arthur Briones, Sr. †
	9:30am	The People of St. Augustine
	11:00am	Felipe & Onyang Panganiban †
	12:30pm	Deborah Zeitschel
	5:30pm	Encarnacion Beltran †
	7:30pm	Joy Catherine Besas (TG)

(†) Deceased BD) Birthday (PI) Personal Intention (WA) Wedding Anniversary

(TG) Thanksgiving

#### **OFFERINGS**

Regular Sunday Offering:

December 7, 2014 \$ 11,601.00 Debt Reduction \$ 4,963.00 Our Lady of Perpetual Help (Tue) \$ 220.00 Sacred Heart Of Jesus (Fri) \$ 507.00

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

<sup>-</sup>St. Thérèse of Lisieux

## SIMBANG GABI CHRISTMAS NOVENA and MASS 7:30 pm in the church

Schedule for CCD & Confirmation: ATTENDANCE IS REQUIRED OF STUDENTS, PARENTS & CATE-**CHISTS** 

Dec 15 (Mon) Grade 1

**Dec 16** (Tue) SP1 Thursday and 9:00am Saturday Classes

**Dec 17** (Wed) SP1 10:15am Saturday & 2nd Yr Confirmation

Dec 18 (Thu) Grades 2-A,B,C & 1st Yr Confirmation

Dec 19 (Fri) SP2-A,B,C,D

Dec 20 (Sat) Grade 3

Dec 21 (Sun) Grade 4 Dec 22 (Mon) Grade 5

Dec 23 (Tue) Grade 6

Simbang Gabi is a parish wide event. Invite your family and friends to this beautiful tradition and spirituallyenriching novena and masses, plus, a bonus of delectable fellowship.



#### **CHRISTMAS MASS 2014**

CHRISTMAS VIGIL Wednesday, December 24

4:30 pm Vigil Mass

7:30 pm Children's Choir Caroling

8:00 pm Children's Mass

11:00 pm Caroling

12:00 am Midnight Mass, Church/Hall

CHRISTMAS DAY

Thursday, December 25

7:45 am 9:30 am 11:00 am 12:30 pm NO 5:30 pm Mass on Christmas Day

### SIMBANG GABI FELLOWSHIP ASSIGNMENT FOR MINISTRIES & **ORGANIZATIONS**

**Dec 15 -** Knights of Columbus

**Dec 16 -** Legion of Mary

**Dec 17 -** Bible Study, Charismatic Group, Santo Niño, St. Vincent de Paul

**Dec 18 -** Music Ministry (all choirs and cantors)

Dec 19 - Fil-Am, SCC, AFFT, Hospitality Ministers

Dec 20 - CCD Catechists and Parents, Children's Choir Parents

Dec 21 - Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers

Dec 22 - Parish Staff, Youth Group

Dec 23 - Finance Council, Parish Council

Coordinate with Patricia (Parish Office) at 650-873-2282 on the food list.

THANK YOU

#### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION **CLASS SCHEDULE**

Dec 18 (Thursday) CCD Christmas

Dec 20 (Saturday) CCD Christmas Party



Pravfor... HEALING

Rhys River Yuen

Johnny Aquino, Josie Calimlim Symond Chang, Marian Courbis Dr. Aurora Genuino. Renato Gonzalez, Carmelo Mendoza, Rolando Noriega, Domingo Nuesca

Cameron Anthony Kalaw

## HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION SOLEMNITY OF MARY THE MOTHER OF GOD MASS SCHEDULE

Vigil Mass on Dec. 31, 2014 at 5:30 pm

January 1st Mass Schedule:

9:30 am

11:00 am

12:30 pm

**NO** 5:30 pm Mass

#### SIMBANG GABI GIFTING

Let's give love this Christmas! Please participate in the Simbang Gabi Stewardship Program for the needy:

First Three Nights - Gift of Food (non-perishable items)

Second Three Nights - Gift of Warmth (socks, jackets, bonnets, scarves)

Last Three Nights - Gift of Simple Necessities (soap, lotion, toothpaste, toothbrush, face towel)

Collection at mass during offertory.

## St. Augustine Parish

## NEW YEAR'S EVE DINNER DANCE

Wednesday, December 31, 2014 7:00 PM to 12 MIDNIGHT

Attire: Formal

Music: Pat's Music Delight

Contact: Lita Ang (650) 583-4277

St. Augustine Parish Hall 3700 Callan Boulevard South San Francisco, CA 94080

Donation: \$35.00

Aida Almojuela (650) 8780-5282