

# Saint Augustine Church

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#### **OFFICE HOURS**

Monday-Friday 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Saturday 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

### MASS SCHEDULE

DAILY: 8:40 AM, 5:30 PM - Monday thru Friday

WEEKEND: Saturday: 8:40 AM, 4:30 PM (Vigil)

Sunday: 7:45 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM

12:30 PM, 5:30 PM

**HOLY DAY**: 8:40 AM, 12:15 PM, 6:30 PM

#### **BAPTISM**

Sunday at 2:30 PM
2nd & 4th Saturdays at 12 NOON
Parents must contact the office at least one month before baptism. Parents and godparents are required to attend pre-baptismal catechesis.

#### WEDDING

Parishioners who wish to have their wedding at St. Augustine must contact the office at least 6 months before the desired date.

#### **CONFESSION**

Friday, 4:30 PM-5:00 PM Saturday, 3:30 PM-4:00 PM

#### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Every Friday 9:15 AM to 5:15 PM

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 or call the parish office.

#### **OUR VISION**

Saint Augustine Parish is a worshiping 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.



# **Sixth Sunday of Easter**

May 25, 2014

"I will ask the Father, and he will give you . . . the Spirit of truth." — John 14:16–17

#### THE POWER OF THE SPIRIT

Do you recognize the sacrament that is celebrated in today's first reading from the Acts of the Apostles? When Peter and John imposed hands on those who had been baptized, they received the Holy Spirit in the sacrament of confirmation. The reading from the First Letter of Peter and the passage from John's Gospel both consider the results of our baptism and confirmation. Peter reminds us it is likely that we will have to suffer for what we believe.

In today's Gospel Jesus speaks clearly about the Holy Spirit, referring to a "Paraclete," one who will stand with us to defend us. Poignantly, Jesus promises his disciples, and all of us, "I will not leave you orphans." He has never left his followers orphaned. We have always had the Holy Spirit to guide us.

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

**First Reading** — The people of Samaria accepted the word of God preached by Philip; they received the Holy Spirit (Acts 8:5-8, 14-17).

**Psalm** — Let all the earth cry out to God with joy (Psalm 66)

**Second Reading** — Act with gentleness and reverence toward all, so that when you are maligned those who defame you will be the ones put to shame (1 Peter 3:15-18) *or 1 Peter 4:13-16.* 

**Gospel** — I will not leave you orphans, but will come to you (John 14:15-21) *or Jn 17:1-11a*.

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#### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b;

Jn 15:26 — 16:4a

Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8;

Jn 16:5-11

Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22 — 18:1; Ps 148:1-2,

11-14; Jn 16:12-15

Thursday: Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17-23;

Mt 28:16-20 (for Ascension); otherwise Acts 18:1-8; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 16:16-20

Friday: Acts 18:9-18; Ps 47:2-7; Jn 16:20-23

Saturday: Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16; Is 12:2-3,

4-6; Lk 1:39-56

Sunday: Acts 1:12-14; Ps 27:1, 4, 7-8; 1 Pt 4:13-

16; Jn 17:1-11a; or (for Ascension) Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17-

23; Mt 28:16-20

**LIGHT OF BELIEF.** Every believer in this world must become a spark of light. —Blessed Pope John XXIII

#### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In the tradition of the Church, not necessarily in your own life's timeline, confirmation is the midpoint of Christian initiation, standing between font and table. Full initiation is completed when a confirmed person shares in the Eucharist. Centuries ago, this first sharing in the eucharistic assembly was marked by a first sharing in the Prayer of the Faithful. This prayer raises up the needs of the church and human community, the concerns of the faithful assembled. as they prepare to lift up the world to the Father's love. So a person could not participate in the prayer until they were anointed with the "Oil of Thanksgiving." Next, the newly baptized presented their gifts at the altar, a sure sign of their investment a new way of life. Until the sixth century, these people normally drank a mixture of milk and honey as a kind of pre Communion. They were hungry, of course, since they were baptized hungry after long fasting. but this beautiful symbol of the promised land revealed them as God's chosen, heirs to the promise. Although the "milk shake" disappeared centuries ago, we still see the vigor of this new life whenever adults are initiated at Easter, and increasingly in confirmation ceremonies that are attentive to this

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"Thank you for those serving and who have served in the military that protect this country of ours. Thank you for those men and women in our military services who were willing to give their lives and who gave their lives to fight to keep this country free."



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St. Augustine Church will be holding Santacruzan 2014 on May 31, 2014. Its main purpose is for community catechesis, community building and finally to raise funds for the renovation of our Church's Sanctuary. Santacruzan 2014 will attempt to capture the true essence of each character of this religious-historical pageant. For instance, the real Queen Helena or Reyna Elena was nearing her eighties. and her son Emperor Constantine, was in his fifties when they searched for the Hoy Cross. We therefore have candidates from various age groups to represent the biblical women of the Old and New Testaments and the native women of the Philippines. Crowning of the statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary will occur at 4:25 PM. Procession and pageantry immediately follows the 4:30 PM Mass.

#### What is a "Santacruzan"?

"Santacruzan" is a religious-historical pageant held in the Philippines during the month of May. It depicts the finding of the Holy Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ by the mother of the very powerful Emperor, Constantine the Great, who ended the persecution of Christians.

The festivity commemorates the search of the Holy Cross by Queen Helena (Reina Elena) and her son, the newly converted emperor. After finding the Holy Cross in Jerusalem, authenticated by a miracle of healing attributed to it, it was brought back to Rome. The search was marked with a joyful celebration of thanksgiving.

### What is the "Flores de Mayo"?

This is a religious festival in honor of Mary, the Mother of the Son of God, Jesus Christ. The Feast is marked with the offering of flowers by sagalas (shepherd girls). The "Mayflower" offering may refer to the whole flower festival celebrated in the month of May in honor of Virgin Mary.

This custom and celebration started after the proclamation of the dogma of the Immaculate Conception in 1854. Introduced by the Spanish conquerors, this religious tradition is more than 100 years old and lives even more in Europe and America. The tradition is religiously celebrated preceded by the nine days of prayer, a novena, in honor of the Holy Cross and coupled with the Flores de Mayo.

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### CONGRATULATIONS and THANK YOU

The clergy and parish staff of St. Augustine Parish extend their congratulatory exultation to all the sagalas for Santacruzan 2014. By their exemplary efforts and faithfulness to this community, an exhilarating campaign resulted in a surprising financial contribution.

Thank you so much for all your generosity and love for this parish: the Santacruzan 2014 Sagalas, the outgoing Santacruzan 2012 Sagalas, the Santacruzan Committee, and all of you who have shared your resources for this religious-historical pageantry of Santacruzan.

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SANTACRUZAN REHEARSALS

Saturday, May 24th and Friday, May 30th at 6:00 PM in the church

SANTACRUZAN CELEBRATION

The celebration of Santacruzan 2014 is on Saturday, May 31st. Please join the Thanksgiving Mass at 4:30 PM followed by a procession and a pag-

day, May 31st. Please join the Thanksgiving Mass at 4:30 PM followed by a procession and a pageantry commemorating the finding of the Holy Cross by Queen Helena.

For safety reasons, the upper parking lot will be closed to the public on Saturday, May 31st and will not be available for the 4:30 PM Mass attendees. It will be used for the main route of Santacruzan procession.

## THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH May 26- June 1

May 20	Julie 1	
Mon - N Legion of Mar Legion of Mary K of C Officers	6:30 pm 6:30 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 pm	Conf. A Conf. B Conf. C
Tue - N Youth Choir Bible Study St. Vincent de Paul	5:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	Hall Conf. A Conf. B
Wed Legion of Mary K of C Rosary	- <b>May 28</b> 6:30 pm 7:00 pm	Conf. C Chapel
Thu - N Santo Niňo Children's Choir	May 29 6:30 pm 5:30 pm	Chapel Hall
Fri - SantaCruzan Rehearsal St. Augustine Choir	<b>May 30</b> 6:30 pm 7:30 pm	Church Hall
Sat - I SantaCruzan	<b>May 31</b> 4:00 pm	Church
Sun Legion of Mary Jr. Legion K of C Council	9:30 am 11:00 am 9:00 am	Conf. C Conf. A Hall

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All Parish Ministers, members of church organizations and volunteers are required to attend a workshop and a Day of Gratitude for Lay Ministers on Saturday, June 7. Please RSVP to the evite or call Khay Ronquillo-Acosta at 650-455-1060

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Msgr. Juan Alarcon, Jr. Marianne Courbis Jun Panelo

# MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK May 26- June 1

MONDAY	8:40am COMMUNITY MASS
	5:30pm Erika Lopez (TG)
TUESDAY	8:40am Geralyn Gamboa (BD)
	5:30pm John Francis Chase †
WEDNESDAY	8:40am Jude & Yvonne Quitoriano (WA)
	5:30pm De Guzman Family (TG)
THURSDAY	8:40am Bert Nocum, Jr. (BD)
	5:30pm Restituto David †
FRIDAY	8:40am Patrick Rubio (BD)
	5:30pm Fernando Morgia †
SATURDAY	8:40am Rolando Hernandez †
	4:30pm Juanito Valdez †
SUNDAY	7:45am leoncia Atangan (BD)
	9:30am People of St. Augustine
	11:00am Omar & Albert Alarcon †
	12:30pm Marvin Valencia (TG)
	5:30pm Amelia & Norbie Banez, Jr. †
(†) Deceased	(BD) Birthday (WA)Wedding Anniversary (TG) Thanksgiving



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Raffle tickets for the Santacruzan may be turned in at the Parish Office. Drawing will take place on May 31, 2014. Need not be present to win.

# STEWARDSHIP

(PI) Personal Intention

#### Regular Sunday Collection:

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May 18, 2014	\$ 11,268.01
Catholic Charities	\$ 3,251.00
Our Lady of Perpetual Help (Tue)	\$ 301.00
Sacred Heart of Jesus (Fri)	\$ 226.00

Date	Weekly 1st Collection	2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection
04/06/14	\$10,778.25	\$4,815.00
04/13/14	\$13,054.81	\$9155.00
04/20/14	\$ 30,232.59 Easter	\$3,623.00
04/27/14	\$10,964.25	\$2,347.00

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