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.

**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.
Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 17, 2016

“I have made you a light to the Gentiles, that you may be an instrument of salvation to the ends of the earth.”

— Acts 13:47b

THE SHEPHERD’S FLOCK

In Christian art, the earliest depictions of Jesus Christ were not of his crucifixion or of his resurrection. The first known renderings of Jesus show him as the Good Shepherd, the image put before us in today’s readings. In the Gospel passage Jesus reveals that he is the shepherd and his followers are his “flock.”

In the first and second readings, we are told more about the flock. The passage from Acts assures us that both Jews and Gentiles are called to follow Jesus. It is faith, not birthright, that makes us part of the company of believers. In the passage from the book of Revelation we learn that the flock that follows this Lamb of God will also be washed in his blood. They will endure a time of trial before they enjoy eternal life. Be assured of the promise, we are told, but know there is a price to be paid.

TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — The Jews angrily reject Paul and Barnabas’ preaching. They then turn their energies to the Gentiles (Acts 13:14, 43-52).

Psalm — We are his people, the sheep of his flock (Psalm 100).

Second Reading — John envisions a great white-robed multitude standing before the throne and before the Lamb. (Revelation 7:9, 14b-17).

Gospel — My sheep hear my voice; they follow me. I give them eternal life (John 10:27-30).


READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4; Jn 10:11-18
Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-7; Jn 10:22-30
Wednesday: Acts 12:24 — 13:5a; Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8; Jn 12:44-50
Friday: Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-11ab; Jn 14:1-6
Saturday: Acts 13:44-52; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 14:7-14

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Just as the early church consecrated women living alone in the world, today that consecration is available to women who take solemn vows as cloistered nuns (different from religious sisters), women who follow a way of life in communities called “secular institutes,” and laywomen. Oddly, the ritual is not permitted for religious sisters. The prayers talk about the woman’s self-gift to Christ, and her self-gift to the Church. Up until recent years, this was a solemn ceremony performed only for cloistered nuns under certain circumstances. In its new form, we have a ritual that revives a very ancient and little-known way of life. Today, a woman can live independently at home, without association with any religious sisterhood or institute, yet be consecrated to holiness and service. Normally, a ring and/or a veil may be given in the liturgy of consecration. It is a rite very different from religious profession, where the sister makes promises or vows, and is rather an expression of approval and blessing for a way of life already embraced. Unlike ancient times, which valued actual virginity, the new rite may be celebrated for anyone provided there has never been a marriage and the woman has always lived a virtuous life.

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THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH
April 18 - April 24

Monday - April 18
Legion of Mary 6:30 pm Conf. A
Legion of Mary 6:30 pm Conf. B
Pre-Baptismal Class 7:00 pm Church

Tuesday - April 19
Bible Study 7:00 pm Conf. A

Wednesday - April 20
Legion of Mary 6:30 pm Conf. C
K of C Rosary 7:00 pm Chapel
2nd Yr Confirmation 7:00 pm Hall

Thursday - April 21
CCD 4:30 pm Hall
Santo Niño 6:30 pm Chapel
1st Yr Confirmation 7:00 pm Hall

Friday - April 22
Youth Choir 4:00 pm Hall
Children’s Choir 5:30 pm Hall
St. Augustine Chorale 7:00 pm Hall
St. Augustine Choir 8:15 pm Hall

Saturday - April 23
CCD 9:00 am Hall
Pastor’s Birthday 6:00 pm Hall

Sunday - April 24
Legion of Mary 9:30 am Conf. C
Jr. Legion of Mary 11:00 am Conf. A
Youth 3:30 pm YC

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK
April 18 - April 24

MON 8:40am COMMUNITY MASS
5:30pm George Galeon
TUE 8:40am Remedios Manalo
5:30pm Victoria Nuñez (Birthday)
WED 8:40am Fr. Rene Ramoso (Birthday)
5:30pm Jose Calimlim
THU 8:40am Christopher Arcilla
5:30pm Lety Palaña
FRI 8:40am Lulu Cordero
5:30pm Buena Dandan (Birthday)
SAT 8:40am Josephine Calimlim (Birthday)
4:30pm Santiago Himor
SUN 7:45am Remigio Marcelino
9:30am People of St. Augustine
11:00am Cornelio & Segundo
12:30pm Delly Lompos (Birthday)
5:30pm Fidelina Concepcion (Birthday)

OFFERINGS
Regular Sunday Offering:
April 10, 2016 $ 10,449.95
AAA $ 7,772.00
Our Lady Of Perpetual Help (Tue) $ 301.00
Sacred Heart of Jesus (Fri) $ 270.00

2016 ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL
(old name: Archbishop’s Annual Appeal)

Total Assessment $ 122,640.00
Collection to Date (Apr 10) $ 25,203.58
Balance $ 97,436.42

The Archbishop’s Annual Appeal has been re-named as Archdiocesan Annual Appeal. We have 8 months to meet our assessment for the year. Thank you for your support of the various programs of the Archdiocese of San Francisco.

This Sunday’s second collection is for our Debt Reduction Program.
Next Sunday’s second collection is for Black & Indian Mission.
PARISH SURVEY
DEVELOPING STEWARDSHIP AS A WAY OF LIFE

In the coming weeks, St. Augustine Church will conduct a parish survey. It is the hope of the parish to have a clear view of the future direction of the church and what shape it will take in the coming years.

The parish survey will be mailed to every registered household. Please take the time to read through it and respond to each question and mail it back to the church. A return envelope will be provided to you, or you may drop it in the offertory basket before May 2nd.

Our parish's first book has now been released! The book's format was inspired by the popular Chicken Soup for the Soul series. It is a compilation of 59 short stories submitted by current and former parishioners of all ages. The book is over 300 pages thick which includes contributions from Fr. Rene Ramoso, Fr. Ed Dura, Fr. Eugene Tungol, and Sr. Nona Barairo.

The book will be launching on Sunday, May 1, 2016. Proceeds will benefit the Sanctuary Renovation Project of our parish. For more information or to reserve a copy, please call the parish office at (650) 873-2282. Thank you for your support!

Spiritual Pilgrimages sponsored by St. Augustine Church

Canonization of Mother Teresa  9-Day Pilgrimage to Italy
Departure from San Francisco
Aug 28 - Sep 5, 2016  $3,199.00  Aug 30 - Sep 7, 2016  $3,199.00

To Jordan, the Holy Land & Dubai  Nov 4 to Nov 17, 2016  $3,850.00

Call Patricia @ 650-873-2282 or 650-255-9464

Proceeds will go toward the renovation of the sanctuary of St. Augustine Catholic Church.

Pray for... HEALING

Joseph Liam Anderson
Caleb Alexander Barbar
Xavia Rose Belenzo
Amerie Roe Cantero-Melero
Xyzel Reyes Ibas
Avery Parker Ramos
Kieran Hunter Sotto-Tan
Zoe Grace Tomiampos
Rafa Isabela Trinidad

Rose Badua
Reynaldo Brooks
Josie Calimlim
Jim Davis
Romeo Fernandez
Anita Mazo
Alice Mendaros
Filomena Morgia
Jun Panelo
Elette Padilla
Jason Ramoso

DWELLING PLACE
God dwells wherever we let God in.
—Ancient Jewish saying