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 Ascension of the Lord
May 28, 2017
He was lifted up, and a cloud took him from their sight.
— Acts 1:9

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

Our first reading is from the Book of Acts. In fact, it is the beginning of that Book. Acts was written by St. Luke. It is a continuation of His Gospel in many ways. We do not learn that much about Luke from the New Testament. Most historians agree that he was a doctor; he was a Gentile; and he was a companion of St. Paul.

Acts is basically the continuation of Jesus’ work as described in the Gospels. In effect it describes how the Good News traveled from Jerusalem to Rome. Our readings today are filled with reminders that Jesus’ work is not completed. He commissioned His followers to continue it after His Ascension into Heaven. Among those commissioned so to speak is each of us.

The Lord’s work continues from that day to today. However, for it to continue and for the love He shared and displayed to be the factor it needs to be in our parish and in the Church and in the world it is reliant upon us.

It was St. Teresa of Avila who wrote, “Christ has no body now but yours. No hands, no feet on earth but yours. Yours are the eyes through which He looks compassion on this world. Yours are the feet with which He walks to do good. Yours are the hands through which He blesses all the world. Yours are the hands, yours are the feet, yours are the eyes, you are His Body, Christ has no body now on earth but yours.”
— Catholic Stewardship Council

TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — Jesus tells the disciples that they will be witnesses to the ends of the earth (Acts 1:1-11).
Psalm — God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord (Psalm 47).
Second Reading — May the Father of glory give you a Spirit of wisdom and revelation (Ephesians 1:17-23).
Gospel — Jesus instructs the Eleven to baptize and teach people of all nations (Matthew 28:16-20).

Do you want to love God better?
To fulfill the Our Father - your Will be done on earth as it is in heaven? Come and see!

Living in the Divine Will Recollection
Led by Retreat Director: Tony Hickey of Manchester, U.K.
Where: Mater Dolorosa Church Hall, 301 Willow Ave., SSF
Date: Thursday, June 1, 2017 - whole day 9am-5pm. Mass 8 am. Followed by light breakfast at the parish hall beside the church.
Registration: 8:30-8:55 am. Recollection starts promptly @ 9:00 am.
Lunch: 12:00-1:00 pm. Please bring your own lunch bag (water and coffee will be available).
Recollection continues from 1:00 to 5:00 pm
For more info contact Lizette Sioson (540-737-0139/ email:fiatfeliz@hotmail.com

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab; Jn 16:29-33
Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11, 20-21; Jn 17:1-11a
Wednesday: Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16; Is 12:2-3, 4b-cd-6; Lk 1:39-56
Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11; Jn 17:20-26
Friday: Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab; Jn 21:15-19
Saturday: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 11:4, 5, 7; Jn 21:20-25
Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5; Ps 104:1-2a, 24, 35c, 27-28, 29bc-30; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39
Day: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23

“Stewardship is the grateful response of a Christian disciple who recognizes and receives God gift’s and shares these gifts in love of God and neighbor.”
Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Greetings of peace to you!

I am excited to give you an update on the renovation of our church. As you may recall, this ambitious project started out over two years ago as a simple altar renovation, but, with thoughtful feedback and input from parishioners like you, we developed a plan to create a special place of worship that truly addresses the needs of our faith community now and in the future.

Our church renovation project received approval from the Archdiocese of San Francisco with a budget of $1.8 million, which covered the construction cost of the interior infrastructure of the church. Because of our excellent credit history and our ability to pay off a previous loan from the Archdiocese, St. Augustine Church was given a loan of $1.1 Million towards the construction cost – maximum amount we are allowed to borrow. However, the approved budget and loan from the Archdiocese did not address the following important items and their estimated costs in order to complete our project:

- Cost for erecting a temporary place of worship (the tent): $60,000
- Cost to refurbish the existing church pews: $100,000
- Purchase of a new altar table and sacred furnishings: $200,000
- Repair of our existing stained glass walls: $110,000
- Renovation of the entrance of the church and its hallways: $85,000
- Total: $555,000 (estimate)

Collectively our parish community began to raise funds for the amount of the renovation that is not covered by the Archdiocese. I am happy to report that we have received approximately $200,000 since our project begun last February. However, we still need to raise additional funds to cover the remaining balance so that we can complete the renovation of God's house and our place of worship.

Therefore, I am appealing to you to help us close the gap on the remaining balance so that we can complete the renovation of our place of worship. Your financial support has never been more critical, or important, than now. With your help we will build a new church that will serve parishioners for many generations – a church where you and your family will gather for Christmas, Easter, weddings, baptisms and other important celebrations for many years. A church that you will be proud to call “your special place of worship”.

If you have any question, please don’t hesitate to speak with me before or after mass, or to call me at the office during regular business hours. I welcome an opportunity to hear your thoughts and answer your questions.

Sincerely,
Father Rene Ramoso

DONATION FORM

Feel free to designate your gift to one of the following (Please check):

- Tent
- Pews Refurbishing
- Entrance, Hallway and Chapel Beautification
- Altar Furnishing
- Stained Glass Wall Refurbishing

Name: ________________________________________________________________
Home or Mobile #: ___________________________________________________
Address: ____________________________________________________________

Donation/Pledge amount: $______________________________________________ □ Check # ________ □ Cash

Please make check payable to: Saint Augustine Catholic Church Renovation
3700 Callan Blvd.
South San Francisco, CA 94080
St. Augustine Catholic Church

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

**Stewardship of Prayer**

*May 29 - June 04*

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**Stewardship of Treasure**

**Regular Sunday Offering:**

- **May 21, 2017**: $9,863.50
- **Catholic Charities**: $4,860.00
- **Our Lady of Perpetual Help**: $294.00
- **Sacred Heart of Jesus (4/9)**: $206.00

**2017 AAA Assessment**: $119,522.00
**Collected as of May, 2017**: $29,839.00

**Date** | **Weekly First Collection** | **Second Collection**
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04/02/2017 | $10,103.50 | $5,157.00
04/09/2017 | $12,682.50 | $7,090.00
04/16/2017 | $22,575.00 | $3,394.00
04/23/2017 | $9,394.00 | $2,603.00
04/30/2017 | $10,030.50 | $3,071.00

**This Sunday’s second collection is for Catholic Communications.**

**Next Sunday’s second collection is for Altar Renovation.**