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.
Whoever is in Christ is a new creation: the old things have passed away; behold, new things have come.
— 2 Corinthians 5:17

TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — The Israelites ate of the yield of the land of Canaan (Joshua 5:9a, 10-12) or 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a.
Psalm — Taste and see the goodness of the Lord (Psalm 34) or Psalm 23.
Second Reading — Whoever is in Christ is a new creation (2 Corinthians 5:17-21) or Ephesians 5:8-14.


Pastor’s Message

Blessings of the Lenten Season…

I am writing this a day after arriving from the 2019 Los Angeles Religious Education Congress held last weekend, March 22-24. I was blessed to join the company of 35 other catechists from our parish at this world’s largest gathering of those involved with Religious Education or Faith Formation Programs. There was no doubt, no matter where one was born or presently lives, what united us was our love of Jesus Christ, the celebration of special liturgies and the presentations of the world-renowned theologians and speakers on the various teachings of the Church. The theme that drew us together for the congress was “Thirsting for Justice,” a theme that was close to the advocacy and the cause for the martyrdom of the recently canonized saint, Blessed Oscar Romero of El Salvador. The images and the stories of Saint Oscar Romero were spread around the congress sites. His intercession was strongly felt when we were renewed by the call of the gospel “to bring the good news to the poor.” In Luke’s gospel, I learned that every sixth line was a call to reach out to the poor. I heard one presenter saying, “any teaching that is not good news to the poor is not good news.” As disciples and followers of Jesus Christ, the fruits of our spiritualty and prayer life must be geared towards helping the poor in our midst or the three main groups that the Old Testament constantly refers to, namely, the widows, the orphans and the strangers. Pope Benedict XVI said that the Catholic Faith is not a creed or a set of beliefs. It is primarily an encounter.

On behalf of Sister Nona, the director of our Faith Formation Program, I’d like to thank those who have contributed and helped augment the expenses of our 35 catechists to this year’s congress. Your support has helped renew their commitment to forming the faith of our children as well as extending their ministry to the poor in our midst.

Lastly, may I seek your prayers as my installation as pastor gets closer. Archbishop Cordileone will be installing me as the 6th pastor of Saint Augustine Church next Sunday, April 7th at the 12:30pm Mass. Invitations were sent to those whom I have closely worked with at my previous parish assignments as well as to my family, relatives, friends and “Kapampangan” folks living in the Bay Area. I am already grateful for the preparations that are underway through the efforts of our parish clergy, parish staff and some leaders from our various parish organizations and ministries. The installation of a pastor certainly involves not just the priest who is called to the office or position. The installation rite enables the parishioners to present before the Archbishop the very life, possessions and ministries of their parish. In turn, the Archbishop gives his permission to his appointed priest to “take possession” (i.e. canonical term for installation) of what He was presented with. Thus, the pastor intrinsically shares in his bishop’s sacred functions to teach, to sanctify and to administer or to what we know now as the ministries of formation, liturgy and service respectively. I am really looking forward to journeying with you all in living out His words through our worship and service to others, especially the poor in our midst.

Thank you all for your great witness of faith and generosity.

Father Ray

“Stewardship is the grateful response of a Christian disciple who recognizes, receives and cultivates God’s gifts and generously shares these gifts in love of God and neighbor.”
St. Vincent de Paul Society (SVdP)

“Eduardo” was referred to St. Vincent de Paul Peninsula Family Resource Center for rent assistance after an illness made it impossible for him to work.

When working as a gardener, Eduardo barely earned enough to keep up with his monthly rent. However, after he had a stroke several months ago, he was unable to work at all. He underwent an operation and suffered a second stroke after surgery. Deeply worried about his housing, Eduardo was advised by Redwood City’s Fair Oaks Community Center to contact SVdP for assistance.

Vincentian volunteers visited him in his home, bringing food, grocery store gift cards, and kind words of encouragement as he copes with his health problem. SVdP also stepped in with a check to the landlord to bring his rent out of arrears so he can remain housed during his recuperation. He was so grateful.

Donut Sunday
April 14, 2019
After the 9:30 AM Mass

All are welcome to the parish hall for coffee and donut especially if you are celebrating April birthdays or anniversaries.

St. Augustine Catholic Church

Pray for … HEALING
Johnny Aquino
Gloria Babiera
Freddie & Yamie Baldomero
Josie Calimlim
Marianne Courbis
Kathryn Gabriel
Martin Medina
Lourdes Medios
Anthony Morales
Felmo Navor
Olive Nuñez
Elette Padilla
Colette Panelo
Evelyn Pimentel
Aaron Rauls
Florence Stewart
Tony Regidor
Bob & Siegrid Topper

Deaths
Martha Murphy
Yolanda Marie Nanni
Benigno “Benjie” Mendoza

EASTER 2019

PALM SUNDAY, April 14
Blessing and Distribution of Palms

COMMUNAL PENANCE (w/ individual confession)
Monday, April 8, 7:00 PM

HOLY THURSDAY, April 18
Morning Prayer: 8:40 AM
Mass of the Last Supper: 7:30 PM
Adoration until midnight

GOOD FRIDAY, April 19
Morning Prayer: 8:40 AM
Liturgical Services: 12 Noon to 3:00 PM
Evening Service: 7:00 PM

HOLY SATURDAY, April 20
Morning Prayer: 8:40 AM
Easter Vigil Mass: 8:00 PM

EASTER SUNDAY, April 21
Masses: 5:00 AM, Salubong (Sunrise Mass)
7:45 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM, 12:30 PM

NO 5:30 PM on EASTER SUNDAY

BE A GOOD STEWARD of the EARTH

The Parish Community is back to implementing the importance of RECYCLING and COMPOSTING of organic materials. Please acquaint yourself with the ways of preserving and sustaining our Mother Earth.

For information go to: ssfscavenger.com or staugustinessf.org

LENTEN COMMUNAL PENANCE
April 8, 2019
7:00 PM
in the church

staugustine.formed.org
The Catholic “Netflix”

Saint Augustine Church has an account to FORMED.org for parishioners to avail for “free” this year. It is a resource web site of Catholic Christian materials to watch, read, and print.

Enter www.staugustine.formed.org and register. There are Lenten reflections, prayers, videos, etc. which parishioners can use during this Lenten season. You may also go to the parish web site, www.staugustinessf.org and simply click the link. Fifty-one parishioners have signed up to date.

Thanksgiving Mass
March 31, 2019  9:30 AM Mass

Celebrating Saint Augustine Church as a Stewardship Parish. Wear your red stewardship T-shirt to Mass.

Pastor’s Installation
April 7, 2019  12:30 PM Mass

Father Ray Reyes will be installed by Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone, as the sixth pastor of Saint Augustine Catholic Church on April 7, 2019 at the 12:30 PM Mass.

A reception will follow at the parish hall immediately after the mass. Please RSVP to the Parish Office at 650-873-2282.
THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH  
Stewardship of Ministry  
April 01 - April 07

MONDAY - APRIL 01
Legion of Mary  6:30 pm  Conf. A
Pre-Baptismal Class  7:00 pm  Chapel

TUESDAY - APRIL 02
Greeter Ministry  6:30 pm  Conf. C
Divine Will  6:30 pm  Hall
Bible Study  7:00 pm  Chapel

WEDNESDAY - APRIL 03
Legion of Mary  6:00 pm  Conf. A
Legion of Mary  6:00 pm  Conf. C
K of C Rosary  7:00 pm  Chapel
2nd Yr Confirmation  7:00 pm  Hall

THURSDAY - APRIL 04
CCD  4:30 pm  Hall
Legion of Mary  9:30 am  Conf. A
Santo Niño  6:30 pm  Chapel
1st Yr Confirmation  7:00 pm  Hall

FRIDAY - APRIL 05
Youth Choir  4:00 pm  Hall
Children’s Choir  5:30 pm  Hall
St. Augustine Choir  8:30 pm  Hall

SATURDAY - APRIL 06
CCD  9:00 am  Hall
CCD  10:15 am  Conf. C

SUNDAY - APRIL 07
Youth  9:00 am  YC
Legion of Mary  9:15 am  Conf. A
RCIA  9:30 am  Conf. C
Pastor’s Installation  12:30 pm  Church

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK  
Stewardship of Prayer  
April 01 - April 07

MONDAY - APRIL 01
5:30pm  St. Augustine Choir  (BD)  Conf. A
3:00pm  St. Augustine Choir  (BD)  Conf. C

TUESDAY - APRIL 02
8:40am  Sacred Heart of Jesus  Conf. A
9:30am  Our Lady of Perpetual Help  Conf. A
11:00am  Our Lady of Perpetual Help  Conf. C
12:30pm  Sacramento Parish  Conf. A

WEDNESDAY - APRIL 03
5:30am  Our Lady of Perpetual Help  Conf. A
7:00am  St. Augustine Choir  Conf. C
9:00am  Sacred Heart of Jesus  Conf. A

THURSDAY - APRIL 04
8:00am  Our Lady of Perpetual Help  Conf. A
10:00am  Sacred Heart of Jesus  Conf. A
11:00am  Sacred Heart of Jesus  Conf. C
12:00pm  St. Augustine Choir  (BD)  Conf. A

FRIDAY - APRIL 05
8:00am  Sacred Heart of Jesus  Conf. A
9:00am  Sacred Heart of Jesus  Conf. C
10:00am  Sacred Heart of Jesus  Conf. C
11:00am  Sacred Heart of Jesus  Conf. C
12:00pm  Sacred Heart of Jesus  Conf. C

SATURDAY - APRIL 06
8:00am  Sacred Heart of Jesus  Conf. A
9:00am  Sacred Heart of Jesus  Conf. C
10:00am  Sacred Heart of Jesus  Conf. C
11:00am  Sacred Heart of Jesus  Conf. C
12:00pm  Sacred Heart of Jesus  Conf. C

SUNDAY - APRIL 07
8:00am  Sacred Heart of Jesus  Conf. A
9:00am  Sacred Heart of Jesus  Conf. C
10:00am  Sacred Heart of Jesus  Conf. C
11:00am  Sacred Heart of Jesus  Conf. C
12:00pm  Sacred Heart of Jesus  Conf. C

Stewardship of Giving

Regular Sunday Offering:
March 17, 2019  $10,163.00
CRS  $3,627.00
Our Lady of Perpetual Help  $470.00
Sacred Heart of Jesus  $331.00

Month of February, 2019

Online Giving  $7,104.00
Total Number of Online Donors - 43

2019 AAA

TOTAL ASSESSMENT  $145,939.00
Collection as of March  $19,040.00
Balance  $126,899.00

This Sunday’s second collection is for
Saint Vincent de Paul Society.

Next Sunday’s second collection is for
Debt Reduction.

SAINT AUGUSTINE CHANCEL CHOIR
SAINT AUGUSTINE CHILDREN’S CHOIR

The world’s most famous and popular language is MUSIC. The Parish of Saint Augustine loves music. The Children’s Choir and Chancel Choir are now back from their stint in Rome. Thanks to them for their sacrifices preparing for the Music Festival. Indeed, their performance was superb, if not, admired by those who witnessed their talents. The apex of their Rome experience was the Mass at Saint Peter’s Basilica where they provided the music on Sunday, March 24. People who attended were touched by their voices which lent to the solemnity of the Mass. Thanks to the parents, to the families and friends and the parishioners of Saint Augustine for their support. It was in our own book, a once in a lifetime achievement. Grazie di cuore!  Sr. Nona & Fr. Ed