HEADLINES
- Simbang Gabi Fellowship Schedule
- CCD/Confirmation Simbang Gabi Participation
- Christmas Mass Schedule

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 online at www.staugustinessf.org.

MASS SCHEDULE
- Monday-Friday: 8:40am, 5:30pm
- Saturday: 8:40am, 4:30pm
- Sunday: 7:45am, 9:30am, 11:00am, 12:30pm, 5:30pm
- Holy Day: 8:40am, 12:15pm, 5:30pm, 7:00pm

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

BAPTISM
- Saturday: 2nd & 4th at 12:00N
- 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
- Saturday: 9:00am-3:00pm
- 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
Phone: (650)873-2878

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.
EXILE

Both Isaiah and Peter had the task of comforting and encouraging their communities during times of exile. The Israelites were in geographic exile from Israel; to them this was, in effect, the same as being in exile from their God. The early Christians, following the Resurrection, expected an immediate return of Christ in glory; they, too, felt in “exile” as the delay of the Second Coming grew longer and longer. All four of scripture’s authors today—Isaiah, the psalmist, Peter, and Mark—hasten to help us see things in God’s terms, not ours. They want us to know that we can never truly be exiled from God, or from God-among-us, since we know that when the faithful are gathered, Christ has come into their midst. Instead, we are encouraged today to do what we can from our end to shorten the time of our exile: to repent of our sins, to return our lives to the Lord, to live as people who seek the coming day of the Lord, when “kindness and truth shall meet; justice and peace shall kiss” (Psalm 85:10).

TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — The rugged land shall be made a plain; the rough country, a broad valley (Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11).

Psalm — Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation (Psalm 85).

Second Reading — Conduct yourselves in holiness, hastening the coming of the day of God (2 Peter 3:8-14).

Gospel — I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit (Mark 1:8-12).


COMMUNAL Penance
(with individual confession)
Tuesday, December 9
7:00 pm in the church

PRE-BAPTISMAL CLASS ON DECEMBER 8TH WILL BE IN THE PARISH HALL AT 7:00 PM.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38
Tuesday: Is 40:1-11; Ps 96:1-3, 10ac, 11-13; Mt 18:12-14
Wednesday: Is 40:25-31; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10; Mt 11:28-30
Thursday: Is 41:13-20; Ps 145:1, 9, 10-13ab; Mt 11:15-17
Friday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Jdt 13:18b-20; 19: Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47, or any readings from the Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary, nos. 707-712
Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Ps 80:2ac, 3b, 15-16, 18-19; Mt 17:9a, 10-13
Sunday: Is 61:1-2a; 10-11; Lk 1:56-50, 53-54; 1 Thes 5:16-24; Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

POINSETTIA FOR CHRISTMAS

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

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Have you seen Antiques Roadshow on television? People bring attic treasures to experts for appraisal and possible cash. Catholic attics, or maybe Grandma’s wall, often hold a “sick call crucifix.” It is a curiously bulky crucifix hiding a sliding panel and a secret compartment. Two tiny candles, a squeeze bottle of holy water, a stringy purple mini-stole, a tube of prayers, and some cotton balls are all hidden inside. The cross folds up to form a mini-altar that can be propped up by a sick person’s bed. All that is needed is a priest with the oil of the sick and Holy Communion. Forty years ago, when these crosses enjoyed great popularity, the sacrament of the sick was often an encounter between priest and sick person alone, and often only in a last crisis of illness.

Gradually, we are reclaiming the sacrament of anointing from this minimal, hidden expression. It is celebrated more richly and more often, even in the Sunday assembly, at every stage of illness and across a wide range of human suffering. The “sick call crucifix” is not a tradition, it is a curiosity from another time, but it reminds us of true tradition: we are a people who care for our sick, who accompany them in faith, and who sustain them with an experience of Christ’s presence.

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THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH
December 8 - December 14

Mon - December 8
Legion of Mary 6:30pm Conf. A
Legion of Mary 6:30pm Conf. B
Youth Group 6:30pm Youth Center
Pre-Baptismal Class 7:00pm Hall

Tue - December 9
Youth Choir 5:00pm Hall
ICF 6:00pm Hall
Youth Group 6:30pm Youth Center
Bible Study 7:00pm Conf. A
Communal Penance 7:00pm Church
St. Vincent de Paul 7:00pm Conf. B

Wed - December 10
Legion of Mary 6:30pm Conf. C
K of C Rosary 7:00pm Chapel

Thu - December 11
CCD 4:30pm Hall
Santo Niño 6:30pm Chapel

Fri - December 12
Children’s Choir 5:30pm Hall
St. Augustine Chorale 7:00pm Hall

Sat - December 13
CCD 9:00am Hall

Sun - December 14
Legion of Mary 9:30am Conf. C
Jr. Legion 11:00am Conf. A
RCIA 9:00am Conf. A
Fil-Am 12:30pm Conf. C
Youth Group 1:30pm Youth Center

OFFERINGS

Regular Sunday Offering:
November 30, 2014 $11,165.00
Sty. Vincent de Paul Society $3,566.00
Our Lady of Perpetual Help (Tue) $284.00
Sacred Heart Of Jesus (Fri) $201.00

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK
December 8 - December 14

MON 8:40am COMMUNITY MASS
12:15pm Jesusa Pacia †
5:30pm Nimfa & Mario Fernandez, Jr. (WA)
7:00pm Fr. Mon Mores †
TUE 8:40am Sophia R. Reyes (BD)
5:30pm Kainoa Soga (BD)
WED 8:40am Victor Frogier †
5:30pm Mel & Del Zagala (TG)
THU 8:40am Msgr. Rome Fernandez †
5:30pm Gerardo Jimenez †
FRI 8:40am Bishop Jesus Cabrera (BD)
5:30pm Sally Briones (BD)
SAT 8:40am Menaflor Mejia (BD)
4:30pm Jonathan & Percival †
SUN 7:45am Christina Payumo Apelo (BD)
9:30am People of St. Augustine
11:00am Leonora Morgia †
12:30pm De Guzman Family (TG)
5:30pm Siojo-Adorable Family (TG)

(†) Deceased  BD Birthday  (WA)Wedding Anniversary  (TG) Thanksgiving
(P) Personal Intention

OFFERINGS

Regular Sunday Offering:
November 23, 2014 $9,791.00
Debt Reduction $3,537.00
Our Lady of Perpetual Help (Tue) $345.00
Sacred Heart Of Jesus (Fri) $456.00

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Next Sunday’s second collection is for the Archbishop’s Annual Appeal.
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASS SCHEDULE

Dec 11 (Thursday) CCD Classes
Advent Preparation:
Confession for Grades 3, 4, 5, and 6

Dec 13 (Saturday) CCD Classes
Advent Preparation:
Confession for Grades 3, 4, 5, and 6

Dec 18 (Thursday) CCD Christmas Party

Dec 20 (Saturday) CCD Christmas Party

St. Nona Barairo
650-873-2878

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

Schedule for CCD & Confirmation:
ATTENDANCE IS REQUIRED OF STUDENTS, PARENTS & CATECHISTS

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 spiritually enriching novena and masses, plus, a bonus of delectable fellowship.

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

NEW YEAR’S DAY 2015
SOLEMNITY OF MARY
THE MOTHER OF GOD
A Holy Day of Obligation

Mass Schedule:
Vigil Mass on Dec. 31 at 5:30 pm
January 1, Thursday
9:30 am
11:00 am
12:30 pm

NO 5:30 pm Mass

CHRISTMAS MASS 2014
COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICE
(with individual confession)
December 9 at 7:00 pm

CHRISTMAS VIGIL
Tuesday, 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

Pray for...

HEALING

Johnny Aquino, Josie Calimlim
Symond Chang, Marian Courbis
Dr. Aurora Genuino
Renato Gonzalez, Cora Javier
Carmelo Mendoza
Rolando Noriega, Linda Pascual

Yolanda Evangelista
Domingo Tucay