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## PARISH STAFF

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## PARISH RECTORY

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## ST. AUGUSTINE CEMETERY & MAUSOLEUM

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## MASS & WORSHIP SCHEDULE

*(All Masses celebrated at St. Augustine Church unless noted otherwise).*

Saturday Vigil: 4:00p.m.  
Sunday: 8:00 @ OMS Worship Site  
10:30a.m.  
Weekdays: 7:30a.m. (Mon.-Thursday)  
Holy Days: As announced.

**DEVOTIONS: Miraculous Medal Prayers:** Wednesdays after Mass. **Eucharistic Adoration:** Wednesdays from 8:00a.m until 12:00 Noon.

**FAITH FORMATION:** For parish children in grades K-8 attending non-catholic school. Instructions are held every Sunday at 9:00a.m.

**CONFESSIONS:** Each Saturday from 3:15 to 3:45p.m. Eves of Holy Days: 20 minutes before the Vigil Mass. Seasonal Penance Services and anytime by appointment.

The United Way of Southeastern PA Code Number for Bridgeport CYO is: 2328 St. Augustine

*We Are a Tithing Parish*

**RCIA:** Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is held during the year for any adult committed to discern if God is calling him/her to the Catholic faith.

**PRE-JORDAN:** Expectant parents and godparents are asked to participate in a seminar on Baptism held on the 4th Monday of every other month (Sept., Nov., Jan., March, May, July) in the Ministry wing at 7:00 p.m. Please call the rectory to register for the seminar.  
**Godparents:** Must bring a letter of eligibility from their home parish the evening of the seminar.

**BAPTISMS:** Celebrated the 2nd Sunday of every month after the 10:30 a.m. Mass.

**MARRIAGE:** Arrangements should be made at least six months before the date of the wedding. Please contact the rectory.

**PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK:** Any parishioner who is ill, infirm or shut-in may receive Holy Communion at home. Please call the rectory for the Sacrament of the Anointing. Please inform us of anyone who is hospitalized.

**NEW PARISHIONERS:** All are welcome. Please register by calling the rectory. Those moving should inform the rectory office as soon as possible.

**OFFICE HOURS:** Mon.-Friday 9:00am – 4:00pm. The rectory office is closed on civic holidays.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Personal receivers are available in the Sacristy for use at Mass for the hearing impaired.

*April 18<sup>th</sup> 2010, Third Sunday of Easter*

*"I will praise you Lord, for you have rescued me."*

### **Parish Mission Statement**

We, the parishioners of St. Augustine, in communion with the Holy Father and the Archbishop of Philadelphia, proclaim Jesus Christ as the Way, the Truth and the Life. We are committed to:

- Celebrate the Eucharist as a faith-filled community where all live the Good News of Jesus Christ;
- Provide spiritual growth formed by sound doctrine; and,
- Enrich the parish and greater community through the time, talent and treasure of all.

We pray to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, through the intercession of Mary and St. Augustine, that we may be faithful and generous stewards of all that has been bestowed upon us. Amen.

### **PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Rev. Charles Zlock      John Czarkowski, '10      Brenda Turner, '13  
John Bednar, '12      Karen Hinchey, '13      Janet Kita (ex-officio)      Coleen Popowicz (Finance Committee)  
Shawn Courtney, '10      Edward Kohler, '10      Leo Brady (appoint)

### **"TITHING IS GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING"**

**Sunday, April 11, 2010 - \$3,732.46**  
**Easter 2010 - \$12,195.00**

**Sunday, April 12, 2009 - \$3,396.00**  
**Easter 2009 - \$14,923.00**

After recent meetings with our Pastoral Council and Finance Committee it was agreed upon to share the financial well being of the parish with YOU, our parishioners on a quarterly basis. As good stewards, I believe it is necessary to provide responsible transparency to the benefactors of the parish and to show you how your sacrificial donations are being allocated.

As you will notice, at the close of the third quarter of our fiscal year, thankfully St. Augustine's parish has an excess operating income of \$23,558.00. This excess will help with unexpected maintenance and repairs to our many buildings.

I sincerely thank you for the sacrifices that you make on behalf of St. Augustine/Our Mother of Sorrows

#### **Income 7/1/2009 - 3/31/2010**

Sunday Collections	182851
Other Collections	
....Block, Christmas, Easter, Holydays	53418
Socials & Donations	24645
Interest, Dividend, Rentals	31504
Religious Ed Program	2865
Pastoral Revenue	2220
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>297503</b>

#### **Expenses 7/1/2009 - 3/31/2010**

Personnel (Religious & Lay Salaries)	98913
Operating Expense (All Buildings)	38304
Utilities (All Buildings)	31189
Pastoral Administration	27320
Property Ins/Real Estate Taxes	26697
Diocesan Assessment	27060
Religious Education	17211
Liturgical/Altar Supplies	7251
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>273945</b>

**Excess Operating Income                      23558**

## PRO-LIFE ROSARY

St. Augustine's Respect Life Committee invites your support for an end to abortion at Bryn Mawr Hospital. **Every Wednesday morning at 10AM** a small group gathers to pray the Rosary. In addition, please join us in front of the hospital on **Saturday, April 24<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM**. We also pray the Rosary for the Unborn at Sacred Heart Church in Bridgeport every **Wednesday evening at 6:00 PM**.

MDP is hosting a presentation for **Evangelization and Adult Faith Formation**, "Why Catholic? Journey Through the Catechism", Monday, April 26<sup>th</sup> beginning at 7:30PM in MDP's Parish Center. This gathering is open to all parishes in our Archdiocese that are interested in hearing about "Why Catholic?" a program that is supported by leader formation, rich resources, and ongoing pastoral support. This program offers a concrete approach to help significant numbers of our adults deepen their Catholic faith and connect its teachings to their everyday life. If you are interested in attending, please contact St. Augustine's Rectory at 610-272-4088, **by Monday April 19<sup>th</sup>** with your reservation. Thank you!

### **ATTENTION PRAYERFUL SINGLE MEN!**

If you have a heart for the poor abroad and want to bring Christ to them in a special way The Society of African Missionaries are having a **Free Live in Experience Vocations Retreat April 23-25 in Tenafly, N.J.** There is no cost. Food and room are free. If you need to take a bus or plane to Newark, N.J. they will even pick you up at no charge. Call 1-800-2221-1807.

### **ALTAR SERVERS**

**April 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>**

**4:00PM: Sarah Bretz**

**8:00AM: Christina & Jennifer Estright**

**10:30AM: Jordan Courtney – Lana Fabia**

**Practice for First Holy Communion will take place Saturday, April 24<sup>th</sup> at 9AM**

### ***FIRST HOLY COMMUNION***

***Please keep in your prayers our children who will receive Jesus for the first time on Sunday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>.***



### **Mass Intentions**

**SUNDAY – 4/18/10 – *Third Sunday of Easter***

**8:00AM: Rose & Joseph Mazei**

Requested by: The Estate

**10:30AM: Priscilla & Norman Pfizenmayer, Jr.**  
(45<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary)

Requested by: Priscilla & Norman

**MONDAY- 4/19/10 – *Easter Weekday***

**7:30AM: Tina Hammond**

Requested by– Patrick, Alice, Sarah & Patrick Murray

**TUESDAY – 4/20/10 – *Easter Weekday***

**7:30AM: Maria M. Begley**

Requested by – Carol Roberta Bolger

**WEDNESDAY- 4/21/10 – *Easter Weekday***

**7:30AM: Mrs. Sally McGann**

Requested by – George Pinchock, Sr.

**THURSDAY– 4/22/10 – *Easter Weekday***

**7:30AM: Jane Balogh**

Requested by: Children & Grand Children

**FRIDAY–4/23/10 – *Easter Weekday***

NO MORNING MASS

**SATURDAY – 4/24/10 - *Easter Weekday***

NO MORNING MASS

**4:00PM: James Palmer Sr.**

Requested by: Palmer Family

**SUNDAY – 4/25/10 – *Fourth Sunday of Easter***

**8:00AM: Rose Jackowski**

Requested by: Anne (Deweese) O'Meara Families

**10:30AM: George Kerick**

Requested by: Pat Krisch

**N.B. – Father Zlock says Mass for the people of the parish every Sunday and Holy Day of Obligation**

### **WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS**

The Annual Wedding Anniversary Masses with Cardinal Justin Rigali will be held on **Sunday, May 2, 2010** at the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter & Paul. For couples married 50 yrs or more from Montgomery & Phila. counties, Mass will be held at 11AM. For couples married 50 yrs. and more from Bucks, Chester and Delaware Counties and for couples married 25 or more yrs. from all counties, Mass will be celebrated at 2:30PM.



# SCHEDULE

**Sun. Apr 18 - CCD**

**Wed. Apr. 21** – Exposition – **8AM – Noon**

Pro-life Rosary – **6PM** – Sacred Heart Church

**Sat. Apr. 24** – Confessions **3:15PM**

**First Holy Communion Practice – 9AM**

**Sun. Apr. 25 - CCD**

**Please remember in your prayers those who are**

**sick:** *Marcella Baumann, Anthony Bonanno, Deanna Bovell, Brother Joseph Venonsky, George Bucha, Cynthia Collins, Christopher Ellow, Aimee Fromm, Rev. Francis H. Gallen, Lois Guldner, Megan Gunder, Antoinette Hildebrand, Mary*

*Huth, Rose Kantz, Stella Krysko, John Kuhna, Dolores Lasorsa, Paige Leary,*



*Michelle Lewis, Sr. Georgene Luther, Inez Mainieri, Patricia McCarthy, Dolores McDevitt, Joseph Mulvey, Christopher Nero, Sheila Sargent, Chris Smith, Milton Stratton, Tricia Taggart, Benjamin Walsh, Daniel Weimert, James White, Baby Brett Young..*

We are happy to keep the name of your loved one on the list for **one month**. If you wish to extend a request for prayers beyond this time, please contact the Rectory to let us know so we do not remove the name from the list. Please remember, only the names of the seriously ill should be placed on the sick list.

Thank you.

## PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Please pray for these and all our Military personnel: *BM2 Stefan Bachman, Cpt. Pascal Blanchette, Rev. Joseph L. Coffey, LCDR, CHC, USN, Cpl. James Ellis, USMC,*



*HM2 Michael Ford, Staff Sgt. Gregory Giordano (Army), L-Cpl. Robert W. Hale, PFC Devin Hunt, USMC, Gregory Kantz, Stephen Kantz, PFC Lawrence H. Palmer, Jr., PFC Jonathan Palmer, 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Joseph Saboe, Lt. J.G. Shane R. Dennis, Sgt. Matthew McNulty, 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Jeffrey A. Seamans, 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Adam Storck, Army, Father Pat Travers, Air Force Reserve Chaplain*

*“Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands.*

*Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. I ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior. Amen*

*Mother’s Day spiritual bouquet cards are now available at the exits of our Churches. Please return the envelopes to Church before May 2<sup>nd</sup>. All Masses of Mother’s Day weekend will be said for all of our mothers, living and deceased.*

**ACME Tapes...** ACME has recently contacted us regarding their Tape Redemption Program. This program is going to be eliminated effective April 30, 2010. Please submit all your ACME register tapes by April 23, 2010 for our final tape redemption. Thank you to all who participated in this program. Please Note: We are still accepting ShopRite register receipts!

## IMMACULATA UNIVERSITY HOSTS A CONFERENCE ON CATHOLIC, SCIENCE, AND CULTURE.

Immaculata University is proud to present “*Chronicle of Faith*”, a conference celebrating the legacy of the Catholic intellectual tradition. The conference begins **Friday, April 30<sup>th</sup>, at 7PM** with the keynote address by John F. Haught, Ph.D. On **Saturday, May 1<sup>st</sup>, from 9AM to 3PM** participants choose from various lecture sessions of various topics. Contact Lydia Szyjka at 610-647-4400 ext. 3143 for further info or visit the website at [www.immaculata.edu/chronicleoffaith](http://www.immaculata.edu/chronicleoffaith)

On **Saturday, April 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:30PM**, the Immaculata Symphony will perform its Spring Concert, “Romantic Quest,” in the Alumnae Hall Theater. An encore performance will be given on **Sunday, April 18<sup>th</sup>** at 3PM at West Catholic High School in Philadelphia.

## OPEN HOUSE FOR WORKING ADULTS

The College of Life Long Learning at Immaculata University will hold an open house for working adults on **Tuesday, April 20<sup>th</sup>, from 6-7:30PM** in the Great Hall on the University’s campus. For further information please call 610-647-4400 ext.3238 or email at [cill@immaculata.edu](mailto:cill@immaculata.edu).

**HOPE** – Parishioners of St. Augustine can help if you need transportation to mass or to an appointment, brief respite care for the elderly or infirm, a friendly visit to the homebound, an occasional meal, or another small errand. If you need help or if you can volunteer to help, please call Carol Wisor at 610-733-7726 or 610-272-4566.

## **CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL 2010**

All parishioners should be receiving a letter and donation card from Cardinal Justin Rigali regarding the Catholic Charities Appeal 2010 - **You gave me hope.** Please take time to read the letter. The Catholic Charities Appeal plays a vital role in our community by providing funds for diverse human services sponsored by the Archdiocese in outreach to the poor and vulnerable in our society. Many agencies are helped by Catholic Social Services along with assistance is provided to the five schools of special education. Please, prayerfully consider supporting the Appeal. Even a dollar a month makes a difference to the nearly 250,000 people in our Archdiocese in need of help. **You Can Give Hope.** For questions please contact the Appeal office at 215-58703651 or visit [www.CatholicCharitiesAppeal.org](http://www.CatholicCharitiesAppeal.org).

### **St Joseph's Preparatory School**

There is still space available for 7<sup>th</sup> grade boys and girls to register for Pre 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Summer Enrichment Program! The program runs from Monday, June 28<sup>th</sup> until Wednesday, July 28. For more information, visit the website at [www.sjprep.org/pre8](http://www.sjprep.org/pre8).

This is the finest high school in the City and possibly the world. (as well as Fr. Zlock's Alma Mater.)

**St. Thomas More Alumni** will hold its 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Mass & Communion Breakfast on **Sunday, April 25<sup>th</sup>** at the Cathedral Basilica of Sts. Peter & Paul at 9:30AM. Breakfast follows immediately at the Sheraton Hotel. For tickets & Info please call Fran Donegan at 610-586-5407.

**Swedesburg Vol. Fire Co.** is presenting "Elvis - The King is back" on **Saturday, April 24, 2010.** Doors open 6PM. Buffet dinner at 6:30PM. \$30.00 per person. For tickets call Jack @ 610-277-1838 or Frankie @ 610-277-9519

**The Theatre Society of Archbishop John Carroll High School** will present its spring production of Disney's **Beauty and the Beast** on **April 23, 24, 30 and May 1 at 7PM** and a matinee performance on **Sunday April 25 at 2PM** in the school auditorium. Tickets for all evening shows are \$10.00 each; matinee tickets are \$7.00 each and are available at the door. For more information, call 610-688-7610 ext. 117

**Father Chuck's Challenge** plans to visit the mountains of Northern Nicaragua, **May 24 -28, 2010.** They will visit Fr. Pfeffer's Village and dedicate some 100 new homes in/around two of the new villages. Our village will be named "St. Augustine" in honor of our parish. Many from the parish have contributed to this program! Please join the pilgrimage-trip!!! No physical labor involved! For details please contact Msgr. Francis Schmidt at 610-676-0146 or email [fxschmidt@verizon.net](mailto:fxschmidt@verizon.net).

### ***BALTIMORE HARBOR TRIP***

The Knights of Columbus is hosting a bus trip to Baltimore on Sunday, **August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2010.** Cost: \$150 adults; \$139 - Children up to 12 yrs. Includes transportation, lunch at Toby's Dinner Theater, off-Broadway show "Nonsense," Baltimore Harbor/National Aquarium, Dolphin Show, and dinner at Cactus Willies. Send checks to Jata Ghosh, 2213 Windsor Circle, Broomall, PA 19008. For further info please call 610-353-0353.

### **VOCATIONS FOR MEN**

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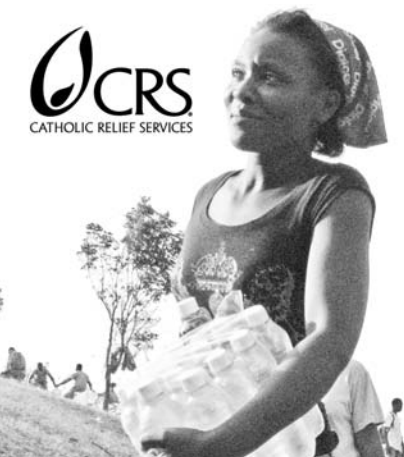
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