

St. Augustine Catholic Church & School

Celebrating 100 Years of Catholic Tradition



March 1, 2020

First Sunday of Lent



Liturgy Schedule

Sunday

Vigil 5:00PM Saturday
7:00PM Saturday (Spanish)
Sunday 6:30AM, 8:00AM,
9:30AM, 11:00AM,
1:00PM (Spanish), 5:00PM

Holy Days

Vigil 5:30PM,
7:00PM (Spanish)
6:30AM, 8:00AM, 12:10PM,
5:30PM, 7:30PM (Spanish)

Weekdays

8:00AM, 5:30PM

Saturdays

8:00AM
5:00PM (Sunday Vigil)
7:00PM (Spanish)

First Fridays

8:00AM, 5:30PM,
7:30PM (Spanish)

Our Lady of Perpetual Help (Mass)

7:30PM, First Wednesday of the month

Devotions

Holy Hours

12:00 Noon Monday through Friday
6:00PM, Thursday before 1st Friday

Our Lady of Perpetual Help (Novena)

7:30PM Wednesdays

Divine Mercy Saturdays following the 8:00AM Mass

6:00PM Fridays
Our Lady of Fatima Novena with the Marianist

Baptisms

Baptisms are scheduled once a month and incorporated within our Masses.

For information on how to register your child, contact the Parish Office at (310) 838-2477

Reconciliation

Saturdays from 3:30-4:45PM or by Appointment

Weddings

Weddings are held at 10:00AM, 12:00PM and 2:00PM on Saturdays.

A minimum 6 months advanced notice is required.

For more information, contact the Parrish Office

Wedding & Quinceañera Coordinator (310) 838-2477

Hall Coordinator (310) 838-2477

Mission Statement:

In following the teachings of Jesus Christ, St Augustine Parish lives and radiates the love of God through prayer and action. We strive to accomplish this mission by fostering our Catholic identity, joyfully celebrating the sacraments together as a diverse community, and recognizing and promoting social justice.

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FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

“TEMPTATION SUNDAY”

My friends, we have now entered into the Lenten season, and I invite each of you to make this the best Lenten journey ever. How can we do that? As with every Lenten season, we are called to pray, fast and give alms, but like the ashes that we received on Ash Wednesday, or the New Year's resolutions we may have made at the beginning of the year, our Lenten practices sometimes fade away. This does not have to be the case however, because through prayer and discipleship we can grow closer to God, live our faith and change our lives to be better versions of ourselves. There is no better way to come closer to God than through the transformation that comes with listening to God's word. Lent is the perfect time to make that commitment to immerse oneself in the wonderful Scripture passages presented both on Sundays and during the weekdays of Lent.

On this first Sunday of Lent, our readings tell us the story of Adam and Eve, and that of Jesus' temptation in the desert. Both remind us of the temptations in our daily lives and our relationship to God. In the first reading, God in his wisdom and love, offers Adam and Eve the wonderful fruit of the garden. But he warns them not to eat the fruit from the tree in the middle of the garden - the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. Like Adam and Eve, we may sometimes feel inclined to eat of the tree of independence or self-reliance, thinking we can exercise total control over our lives and decide what is right and what is wrong, forgetting our dependence on God. Satan does not need to make us do anything bad - all Satan needs to accomplish is drawing us away from God by tempting us with what we like. Thus, the experience of Adam and Eve reminds us that we are dependent upon God for all we are, and all we have, and we need to listen to every Word that comes from God.

In our Gospel reading, Jesus is led by the Spirit into the desert where he faces the devil and temptation. Remember that He has just been baptized and is about to start his ministry, but before preaching or healing the sick, he deals with the temptations of the evil one. This Gospel, like all the Gospels, is meant not to simply tell us something about Jesus' life, but to serve as a guide as we attempt to build our own relationship with God. The choices Jesus had to make in the desert are also those which we confront in our own moral and spiritual decisions. In fact, we could say that His temptations are also ours. So what did Jesus do when the devil tempted him? He stood his ground and quoted scripture because He knows that God was with him. The devil tries to tempt Jesus three times before giving up. This shows us that in the face of temptation, we need to persevere and hold on to God till the temptations are no more, till the challenges we face in life are overcome. Jesus held on until the devil departed and the angels came and ministered to him.

Jesus teaches us that God remains loving, despite the fact that we might reject his love. We are always being offered the exact grace we need to live. As Paul says in today's second reading, "however bad the negative influences that have influenced us, they cannot compare with the wonderful outpouring of love and grace that comes to us from the pierced heart of Jesus". Jesus is our model. He shows us the way, which includes the doubts, the struggles, the pains of life, but through it all, we are not alone in our struggles. During this time of lent, let us be like Jesus and focus less on our physical needs and focus more on the needs of our heart and spirit. This week, I invite everyone to take a minute to pray silently about your commitment to feed your spirit on God's Word. Decide what you will do in Lent to be tuned in to God's very word and like good disciples, live the word.

Blessings for the best Lent ever,

Deacon Sonal

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Mass Intentions



**February 29
to
March 8**

Saturday, February 29

8:00AM - Joshua Baptista & Family
5:00PM - Juan Sarria† Marcelino Mejia † Jaime Miranda †
7:00PM - Margarita Cordero Castillo †

Sunday, March 1

6:30AM - Marcelina Gutierrez †
8:00AM - Joshua Baptista & Family
9:30AM - David Ruiz†
11:00AM - Joseph† & Charmaine † Seneviratne
1:00PM - Maria Montoya †
5:00PM - Cuca Rodriguez †

Monday, March 2

8:00AM - Joshua Baptista & Family
5:30PM - Maria Castañeda Medina †

Tuesday, March 3

8:00AM - Souls in Purgatory
5:30PM - Donato Jimenez †

Wednesday, March 4

8:00AM - Ronald Duvernay
5:30PM - Joshua Baptista & Family

Thursday, March 5

8:00AM - Wagui Kassabgui
5:30PM - Perla Conception †

Friday, March 6

8:00AM - Philip Fernandi † Hamada Prihadi † Jean Tjin †
5:30PM - Sandra Duckett †

Saturday, March 7

8:00AM - Josefa Latoza †
5:00PM - Victor Cruz †
7:00PM - Javier Arredondo †

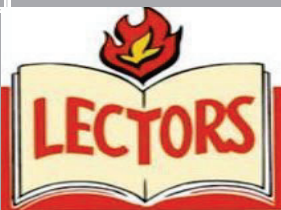
Sunday, March 8

6:30AM - †
8:00AM - Luz Enriquez Rodriguez †
9:30AM - Sara Acevez †
11:00AM - Joe Mardini † Mary Mardini † & Michael Mardini†
1:00PM - Margarita Alvarez † & Jose Ramon Perez †
5:00PM - Faithful Volunteers & Ministers of Environment

Please remember the following in your prayers:

For those who have asked for prayers, for themselves, or for others, especially: Leticia Victorin Bruce Lisa Grace, Andy and Nancy Hassay, Genny Dazzo, Mary Sanchez, Paz Galvan, Virgilio Torres, Bob Martz, Maria S. Ibarra, Martha Arboleda, Martha Lidia Asuzena

For those who have died, that God will raise them on the last day, especially: Arthur Golding, Agnes Apolonio, Douglas Nakano, Gennaro Francesco Combatti, Rosa D-alessandro De Combatti, Michelle Brug, Linda Dominick, Carlos Esquivel, Lilia Maningding, Elsa Padlon, William Loo



We know that in all things God works for good with those who love Him, those whom he has called according to His purpose. (Romans 8:28)

If you are reading this, you are being called to spread The Word of God through training to be a Lector. All you need to join training is to have done your Baptism, Holy Communion and Confirmation.

Training begins on Tuesday, March 10 @ 7pm-9pm.

If you are interested in taking your spiritual education to another level by reading on **Weekdays** and or **Weekends** please email Lerelle by **Friday March 6th** at lectorministry@staugustineadla.org

CALLING ALL L.A. MARATHONERS!

Need that extra something to get you through next Sunday's Marathon? Come have your running shoes blessed on **Saturday, March 7, at the 5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass** here at St. Augustine Parish. Get a spiritual lift for yourself and put a new spring into your step!



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The man and the woman ate the fruit of the one tree that God had told them to avoid, and their shame overtook them (Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7).

Psalms — Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned (Psalm 51).

Second Reading — Death reigned from Adam to Moses, but now grace and life abound in Christ Jesus

(Romans 5:12-19 [12, 17-19]).

Gospel — Gospel — Jesus was led into the desert by the Spirit and there he fasted for forty days and forty nights (Matthew 4:1-11).

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"Be strong, fear not! Here is your God, He comes with vindication; With divine recompense He comes to save you. "
Isaiah 35:4

Do you thirst for guidance to light your path towards your spiritual journey?

Quench your thirst. Start your 2020 spring weekend at our Bible study group to be enlightened.

Dates: March 21, April 4, May 9, 23; June 6, 13

Time : 09:15 a.m. - 12:00 Noon

Place: St. Augustine Parish Center,
St Ambrose Room

3832 Jasmine Ave., Culver City, Ca
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Tel # (310) 838 2477

Facilitators: Pina and Marcus, CBI grads 2014

For any inquiry/ sign up pls contact

(310) 838 1805 or (310) 745 0332

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



S.A.V.E.S. calling all persons to volunteer daily in the morning choose a day. To help unload delivery of food and other misc. items. The boxes weigh about five to ten pounds. Please call the office at 310-838-2702.

KIDS' EASTER CHOIR

We are going to start our Easter Kids Choir Rehearsals shortly. The first day will be Sunday, March 11, 2020. We will meet in Room 103 of the Parish School at 12/30 p.m.

We are going to be preparing for singing at the 9:00 a.m. Mass on Easter DAY: I'm excited! I look forward to seeing all the faces that I've missed since Christmas. I am also happy to meet all the new faces! See you then!

Cheers,

Maestro Jason

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PRIMER DOMINGO DE CUARESMA**"DOMINGO DE LA TENTACIÓN"**

Mis amigos, ahora hemos entrado en la temporada de Cuaresma, y los invito a hacer de éste el mejor viaje de Cuaresma. ¿Cómo podemos hacer eso? Al igual que con cada temporada de Cuaresma, estamos llamados a orar, ayunar y dar limosnas, pero al igual que las cenizas que recibimos el Miércoles de Ceniza o las resoluciones de Año Nuevo que pudimos haber hecho a principios de año, nuestras prácticas de Cuaresma a veces se desvanecen. Sin embargo, este no tiene que ser el caso, porque a través de la oración y el discipulado podemos acercarnos a Dios, vivir nuestra fe y cambiar nuestras vidas para ser mejores versiones de nosotros mismos. No hay mejor manera de acercarse a Dios que a través de la transformación que viene al escuchar la palabra de Dios. La Cuaresma es el momento perfecto para comprometerse a sumergirse en los maravillosos pasajes de las Escrituras presentados tanto los Domingos como durante los días laborables de la Cuaresma.

En este primer Domingo de Cuaresma, nuestras lecturas nos cuentan la historia de Adán y Eva, y la tentación de Jesús en el desierto. Ambos nos recuerdan las tentaciones en nuestra vida diaria y nuestra relación con Dios. En la primera lectura, Dios en su sabiduría y amor, ofrece a Adán y Eva el maravilloso fruto del jardín. Pero les advierte que no coman la fruta del árbol en medio del jardín, el árbol del conocimiento del bien y del mal. Al igual que Adán y Eva, a veces podemos sentirnos inclinados a comer del árbol de la independencia o la autosuficiencia, pensando que podemos ejercer un control total sobre nuestras vidas y decidir qué está bien y qué está mal, olvidando nuestra dependencia de Dios. Satanás no necesita obligarnos a hacer nada malo; todo lo que Satanás debe lograr es alejarnos de Dios al tentarnos con lo que nos gusta. Por lo tanto, la experiencia de Adán y Eva nos recuerda que dependemos de Dios para todo lo que somos y todo lo que tenemos, y debemos escuchar cada Palabra que proviene de Dios.

En nuestra lectura del Evangelio, Jesús es guiado por el Espíritu al desierto donde enfrenta al diablo y la tentación. Recuerda que acaba de ser bautizado y está a punto de comenzar su ministerio, pero antes de predicar o sanar a los enfermos, lidia con las tentaciones del maligno. Este Evangelio, como todos los Evangelios, no pretende simplemente decirnos algo sobre la vida de Jesús, sino servir de guía a medida que intentamos construir nuestra propia relación con Dios. Las elecciones que Jesús tuvo que hacer en el postre también son las que enfrentamos en nuestras propias decisiones morales y espirituales. De hecho, podríamos decir que sus tentaciones también son nuestras. Entonces, ¿qué hizo Jesús cuando el diablo lo tentó? Se mantuvo firme y citó las Escrituras porque sabe que Dios estaba con él. El diablo trata de tentar a Jesús tres veces antes de darse por vencido. Esto nos muestra que ante la tentación, debemos perseverar y aferrarnos a Dios hasta que las tentaciones ya no existan, hasta que se superen los desafíos que enfrentamos en la vida. Jesús aguantó hasta que el diablo se fue y los ángeles vinieron y le guiaron

Jesús nos enseña que Dios sigue amando, a pesar del hecho de que podríamos rechazar su amor. Siempre se nos ofrece la gracia exacta que necesitamos para vivir. Como dice Pablo en la segunda lectura de hoy, "por más malas que sean las influencias negativas que nos han influenciado, no pueden compararse con la maravillosa efusión de amor y gracia que nos llega del corazón traspasado de Jesús". Jesús es nuestro modelo. Nos muestra el camino, que incluye las dudas, las luchas, los dolores de la vida, pero a pesar de todo, no estamos solos en nuestras luchas. Durante este tiempo de cuaresma, seamos como Jesús y centrémonos menos en nuestras necesidades físicas y enfóquese más en las necesidades de nuestro corazón y espíritu. Esta semana, invito a todos a tomarse un minuto para orar en silencio sobre su compromiso de alimentar su espíritu con la Palabra de Dios. Decide qué harás en la Cuaresma para estar en sintonía con la palabra de Dios y, como buenos discípulos, vivir la palabra.

Bendiciones para la mejor Cuaresma,

Díacono Sonal



¡LLAMANDO A TODOS LOS MARATONISTAS DE L.A.!

¿Necesita algo extra para pasar el maratón del próximo domingo?

Venga a bendecir sus zapatos para correr el sábado 7 de marzo en la misa de vigilia de las 5:00 PM aquí en la Parroquia de San Agustín. ¡Obtén una elevación espiritual por sí mismo y pon un nuevo resorte en su paso!

CORO DE NIÑOS DE PASCUA

Los ensayos del coro de niños de Pascua van a comenzar en breve. El primer día será el domingo 11 de marzo de 2020. Nos reuniremos en el salón 103 de la escuela parroquial a las 12:30 PM.

Nos vamos a preparar para cantar en la misa de las 9:00 AM del día de Pascua: ¡Estoy emocionado!

Espero ver todas las caras que he extrañado desde Navidad. ¡También estoy feliz de conocer todas las caras nuevas! ¡Hasta entonces!

Saludos,
Maestro Jason
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Become a registered Parishioner

Please do not take for granted that you are registered with our Parish just because you attend Mass and give donation. **Are you on our mailing list? Do you receive envelopes?**

There are benefits to being a registered parishioner: priority for ceremony dates (weddings, funerals, quinceaneras, etc), letters of referral for ceremonies at other parishes, records of any contributions for tax information that can be furnished upon request. If you wish to register, or would just like to check your registered information, please stop by our Parish office, or register online at www.st-augustine-church.org

Si usted no está seguro si está registrado,

por favor pase por la Oficina Parroquial para confirmar o registrar. Asistir a Misa regularmente, donar o ser bautizado aquí no necesariamente significa que esta registrado. ¿Está en nuestra lista de correo? ¿Recibe sobres? Hay ventajas de ser un feligrés registrado: prioridad para las fechas de ceremonia (bodas, funerales, quinceañeras, etc.), cartas de referencia para las ceremonias en otras parroquias, y los registros de todas las contribuciones en materia de información tributaria que puede ser proporcionado a pedido. Si desea registrarse, o quisiera verificar la información registrada, por favor pase por nuestra oficina de la parroquia o regístrese en línea en https://www.st-augustine-church.org/_modules/form.php?id=31

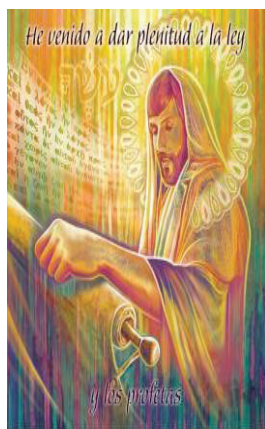
LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Entonces se les abrieron los ojos y ambos se dieron cuenta de que estaban desnudos. (Génesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7).

Salmo — Ten piedad, Señor, porque somos pecadores (Salmo 51 [50]).

Segunda lectura — Una sola trasgresión acarree sentencia de muerte para todos, pero la rehabilitación merecida por uno solo, obtuvo perdón y vida para todos (Romanos 5:12-19 [12, 17-19]).

Evangelio — Adorarás al Señor, tu Dios, y a él solo servirás (Mateo 4:1-11).



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