

# St. Augustine by-the-sea



*With the servant leadership of the Congregation of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary since 1854*

**Fr. Lane K. Akiona, ss.cc.**

*Pastor*

**Fr. Lusius Nimu, ss.cc.**

*Parochial vicar*

**Deacon Andy Calunod**

**Sr. Cheryl Wint, osf**

*Pastoral associate*

## Sunday Liturgy

5 p.m. Saturday

6, 8, 10 a.m., 5 p.m. Sunday

## Daily Mass

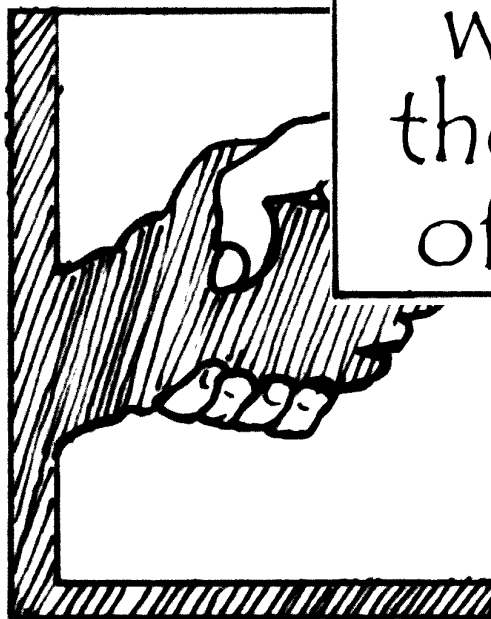
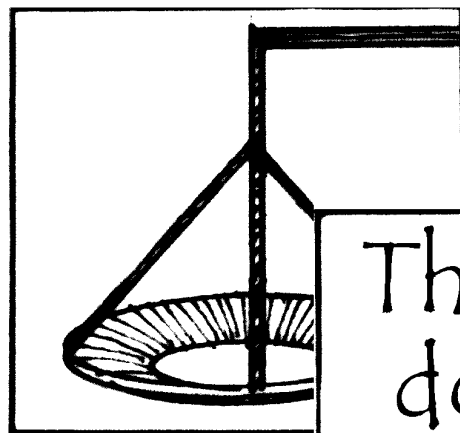
7 a.m., 5 p.m. Monday-Friday

7 a.m. Saturday

## Damien and Marianne of Moloka'i

### Heritage Center

Open daily, featuring  
displays of the work of  
St. Damien and St. Marianne



The one who  
does justice  
will live in  
the presence  
of the Lord

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*You have made us for yourself, Lord,  
and our hearts are restless until they  
rest in you*

*-- St. Augustine of Hippo*

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### **Office hours**

Monday–Thursday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.; closed noon to 1 p.m. Friday, 8 a.m. to noon. Closed Saturday, Sunday and holidays.

### **Sacraments**

Reconciliation: 6:30–6:45 a.m. and 4:30–4:45 p.m. Tuesday–Thursday; 3–4 p.m. Saturday.

Baptism: Call the parish office for information.

Marriage: Email [staugustineweddingcoordinator@gmail.com](mailto:staugustineweddingcoordinator@gmail.com) before making arrangements.

Confirmation: Call the parish office for information.

Funerals: Call the parish office when finalizing services with the mortuary.

### **Religious education**

Contact the parish office to enroll your child in religious education classes or to inquire about the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults.

### **Parish organizations**

Altar Rosary Society

Holy Name Society

Tongan Society

Knights of Columbus

Ka Huaka'i (Marriage ministry)

Please call the parish office for information about joining any of these organizations.

### **Soup kitchen**

Coordinator: Carmen Brewer

Hot meals are served between 11 a.m. and noon

Monday to Friday, except holidays

### **To register**

Call the parish office to register and to sign up for envelopes

### **Bulletin deadline**

Material to be considered in the bulletin must be submitted to the parish office by noon on the Monday before the Sunday of publication.

### **Hospitality**

Join us for doughnuts and juice after all morning masses on the first Sunday of the month.

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## **This week at St. Augustine**

### **Sunday, Aug. 4—Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Liturgical color: Green

6 a.m. Mass—R/S Zeb Rich

8 a.m. Mass—S/I Purie Cortez (thanksgiving)

10 a.m. Mass—S/I Sage and the Kong Kee Family; R/S Sr. Lucia Iwata

5 p.m. Mass—R/S Tangitangi Sevelo

### **Monday, Aug. 5--The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major**

Liturgical color: Green/White

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Communion Prayer Service

5 p.m. Mass

### **Tuesday, Aug. 6--The Transfiguration of the Lord**

Liturgical color: White

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass

5 p.m. Mass

5:30 p.m. Novena of Our Lady of Perpetual Help

### **Wednesday, Aug. 7--Saint Sixtus II, pope, and companions, martyrs;**

**Saint Caspian, priest**

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass

5 p.m. Mass—S/I Purie Cortez (thanksgiving), Castillo Family;

R/S Bertha Castillo

6 p.m. Choir practice, SAC

### **Thursday, Aug. 8—St. Dominic, priest**

Liturgical color: White

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Communion Prayer Service

5 p.m. Mass—S/I Angie Andrade (birthday)

6:30 p.m. Knights of Columbus, Annex Building

### **Friday, Aug. 9—St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, virgin and martyr**

Liturgical color: Green/Red

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass

5 p.m. Mass

### **Saturday, Aug. 10--St. Lawrence, deacon and martyr**

Liturgical color: Red

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass

7:30 a.m. Church cleaning, Altar Rosary Society

5 p.m. Mass—S/I Sage and the Kong Kee Family



# Breaking open the Word

## 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Reflection

Discipleship requires self-emptying. Dying to our own needs and wants and pleasures is what God wants. When we so die, we come to see things as God sees them. And when that happens, our needs and desires gradually change as our practical, everyday choices begin to square up with "what matters to God."

This is not to say that discipleship means we must give up all possessions. That is neither practical nor necessary. There is nothing wrong with possessions in themselves and there is everything wrong with destitution, no matter what its cause. All of us have a right to whatever material things we need to pursue a wholesome life. The problem arises when concern for our possessions or the drive to have more and more is our highest priority. The issue is valuing things appropriately, and then making choices so that our priorities remain clean and never compromised. Possessions must take second place to "what matters to God." Emptying ourselves of whatever stands in the way of that value is much more difficult than building bigger barns — but also more lasting. For self-emptying leads us to eternal glory with God.

*Fr. Lane K. Akiona ss.cc.*

### Readings

**First reading** — **Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23** Vanity of vanities! All things are vanity!

**Responsorial psalm** — **Psalm 90**: If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

**Second reading** — **Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11** You too will appear with Christ your life in glory.

**Gospel** — **Luke 12:13-21** For though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions.

### Weekday

**Monday:** Nm 11:4b-15; Ps 81:12-17; Mt 14:13-21

**Tuesday:** Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Lk 9:28b-36

**Wednesday:** Nm 13:1-2, 25--14:1, 26-29a, 34-35; Ps 106:6-7ab, 13-14, 21-23; Mt 15:21-28

**Thursday:** Nm 20:1-13; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Mt 16:13-23

**Friday:** Dt 4:32-40; Ps 77:12-16, 21; Mt 16:24-28

**Saturday:** 2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-9; Jn 12:24-26

### Next Sunday's readings

Wis 18:6-9; Ps 33:1, 12, 18-22; Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Lk 12:32-48



YEAR OF FAITH 2012  
2013

## Be Courageous Witnesses of the Gospel

*Excerpted from one of Pope Francis' addresses on the Year of Faith:*

In the Creed, immediately after professing our faith in the Holy Spirit, we say: "I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church". There is a profound connection between these two realities of faith: indeed it is the Holy Spirit who gives life to the Church, who guides her steps. Without the constant presence and action of the Holy Spirit the Church could not live and could not carry out the task that the Risen Jesus entrusted to her: to go and make disciples of all nations (cf. Mt 28:19).

Evangelizing is the Church's mission. It is not the mission of only a few, but it is mine, yours and our mission.

Who is the real driving force of evangelization in our life and in the Church? Paul VI wrote clearly: "it is the Holy Spirit who today, just as at the beginning of the Church, acts in every evangelizer who allows himself to be possessed and led by him. The Holy Spirit places on his lips the words which he could not find by himself, and at the same time the Holy Spirit predisposes the soul of the hearer to be open and receptive to the Good News and to the Kingdom being proclaimed. To evangelize, therefore, it is necessary to open ourselves once again to the horizon of God's Spirit, without being afraid of what he asks us or of where he leads us. Let us entrust ourselves to him! He will enable us to live out and bear witness to our faith, and will illuminate the heart of those we meet.

We must all ask ourselves: how do I let myself be guided by the Holy Spirit in such a way that my life and my witness of faith is both unity and communion? Do I convey the word of reconciliation and of love, which is the Gospel, to the milieu in which I live. At times it seems that we are repeating today what happened at Babel: division, the incapacity to understand one another, rivalry, envy, egoism. What do I do with my life? Do I create unity around me? Or do I cause division, by gossip, criticism or envy? What do I do? Let us think about this.

Spreading the Gospel means that we are the first to proclaim and live the reconciliation, forgiveness, peace, unity and love which the Holy Spirit gives us. Let us remember Jesus' words: "by this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another" (Jn 13: 34-35).

... a Church which evangelizes, must always start with prayer, with asking, like the Apostles in the Upper Room, for the fire of the Holy Spirit. Only a faithful and intense relationship with God makes it possible to get out of our own closedness and proclaim the Gospel with parrhesia. Without prayer our acts are empty, and our proclamation has no soul, it is not inspired by the Spirit.

## Summer pastoral experience ending

Diocesan seminarian Alfred Guerrero will be ending his pastoral experience on August 18. I know he has grown in these last couple of months and definitely enjoyed his time with us. Continue to pray for him as he returns to the seminary to continue his studies. It is my hope that next summer we will be able to have another diocesan seminarian in residence. Mahalo to all who supported Alfred during his time with us.

## Kick-off fundraiser for museum

A kick-off fundraiser is planned for **November 8** here at St. Augustine, to support the NEW Damien and Marianne of Moloka'i Museum. It will be the first of many fundraisers to support our efforts in building this new museum. Limited tickets will be on sale. More information will be forthcoming. Keep the date open, some exciting things will happen.

## Aug. 16 Movie Night at St. Augustine

Save the date! **Friday, Aug. 16**, is Movie Night at St. Augustine. Come for a good film and fellowship. Bring your own brown bag dinner. 7 p.m. in the Damien Courtyard. No fee for the movie.

## BILAC set for Sept. 26-28, 2013

Marianist BILAC (Big Island Liturgy and Arts Conference) with its roots in the Hawaiian Culture and the Catholic Marianist Tradition is an annual conference in Honolulu sponsored by the Marianist Center of Hawaii, Chaminade University and Saint Louis School and is committed to providing community-based experiences of prayer, the liturgical arts and spiritual growth. This year it is scheduled for **Sept. 26-28** at the Chaminade/Saint Louis campus. Presenters include Marty Haugen, Sr. Anne Smollin CSJ, Bishop Remi DeRoo, and Fr. Michael Joncas. More conference details are at: [www.marianisthawaii.org](http://www.marianisthawaii.org). Click on the BILAC 2013 link at the top left of the page.

## Upcoming at St. Augustine

<b>Aug. 16</b>	7 p.m. Movie Night. Brown bag Dinner
<b>Aug. 17/18</b>	2nd collection for the Catholic Herald
<b>Sept. 15</b>	Religious education begins 2013-24 year
<b>Sept. 18</b>	RCIA begins
<b>Nov. 8</b>	Museum fundraiser

## 'San Antonio, here I come!'

Fr. Johnathan Hurrell, ss.cc. our Provincial Superior, has announced that Fr. Lusius Nimu, ss.cc. has been assigned as the new Director and Formator of our student in San Antonio, TX effective this fall.

In August three young men will make their first vows as religious. One young man will accompany Fr. Lusius to Texas to begin his studies. Please keep both of them in your prayers.

Unfortunately, no one will be assigned to replace Fr. Lusius until December. Not to worry, I have a pastoral plan ready for this change to our life as a parish community. Mahalo for your understanding and especially for the great support you have offered Fr. Lusius while with us. Aloha,

## Damien statue by Maui artist

We are seeking to commission a bronze outdoor statue of St. Damien by Maui artist Gary Thomas. The statue, "Damien...Through the Spirit," is a depiction of Father Damien, who gave of himself physically and spiritually to care for those banished to Molokai because they had Hansen's Disease. In addition to the adults, he cared for the orphaned, banished and forgotten children. We are seeking donations to help us obtain the statue, which will be placed in a meditation garden. To donate or for more information please see Fr. Lane.

## Religious education begins Sept. 15

All children from second grade through high school who are not in Catholic school must be enrolled in a regular faith formation program. St. Augustine's 2013-14 religious education classes begin **Sunday, Sept 15**. Register your children by calling the parish office, 923-7024.

## RCIA begins Sept. 18

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) was established by the Church for individuals to wish to become Catholic. St. Augustine's next RCIA classes begin **Wednesday, Sept. 18, at 6:30 p.m.** in the Damien Meeting Room. RCIA is for any adult who has never been baptized, or who has been baptized in another Christian church who wishes to become Catholic, and any adult baptized in the Catholic Church who wishes to complete initiation (Confirmation, First Eucharist). You may call the parish office for more information, or attend the initial informational session on Sept. 18 at 6:30 p.m.

## Stewardship

**Collection, week ending July 28: \$8,771.63**

**Disbursements week ending July 28: \$17,050.41**

# Faith Formation

Prayer and gratitude:

Virtues of the Christian steward

*Making a habit of praying on a daily basis is essential to cultivating a more intimate relationship with the Lord.*

Virtues are something we possess. They form a part of who we are and grow when we develop good patterns of behavior we call habits. We are, and become, what we repeatedly do. This is especially important for those who desire to enter into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ. Making a habit of praying on a daily basis is essential to cultivating a more intimate relationship with the Lord. And the amount of time we give back to the Lord each day in prayer reveals the extent of our gratitude for God's gift of those 24 hours.

A daily habit of prayer leads us to an acute awareness of God's blessings in our lives and how we are called to use these blessings, gifts graciously bestowed upon us, in a manner that gives glory to God. There is no better way to discern how God wants us to steward our gifts than through prayer.

There is something else that happens in prayer – because we are awakened to just how generous our God is we naturally grow in the stewardship virtue of gratitude.

The better our life of prayer, the greater our sense of gratitude becomes. And as we grow in gratitude, we are motivated to spend more time in prayer, giving thanks to God. So prayer and gratitude are both equally important as stewardship virtues. In fact, St. Paul put the two together in his letter to the Philippians: "Don't worry about anything, but pray about everything, with grateful hearts offer up your prayers and requests to God" (Phil. 4:6). Gratitude leads to a greater prayer life and prayer leads to a greater attitude of gratitude.

How do you pray? When and how often do you pray? Do you pray with a grateful heart? By making a habit of cultivating our prayer life and developing a deeper sense of gratitude we will naturally grow in faith and become the best possible stewards and disciples that God wishes us to be.

*By Dan Potvin, Director of Stewardship for the Archdiocese of Winnipeg.*

## Faith Formation class

St. Augustine's Faith Formation class meets the third Monday of each month for prayer, reflection and faith sharing. We are using Henri Nouwen's book "Here and Now: Living in the Spirit." In this book of meditations Henri Nouwen tells us how God is close to us in our daily lives, much closer than we usually realize. He writes about joy in our sorrow, about friendship and family, about prayer, about forgiveness, compassion, discipleship, discipline, and conversion.

We gather for prayer, reflection and faith sharing in each class. Our next gathering will be at **7 p.m. Monday, Aug. 19** in the Damien Meeting Room. Our time together is led by Fr. Ken Templin SM. All are welcome to join us. Copies of "Here and Now" may be purchased in the parish office.

## Damien and Marianne of Moloka'i Heritage Center

*Featuring "Absolute Faith," an exhibit  
of exemplary courage and faith*



*"Absolute Faith" intertwines the stories of Father Damien, Mother Marianne and the people of Kalaupapa using historic and contemporary photographs, quotations, poetry and song. There are many never-seen-before portraits from the early 1900s that offer a rare and compelling glimpse of life in the land of exile.*

**The Heritage Center is in front of the church in the ABC Building on the second floor. It is open daily.**

**A lift is available for those with special needs. For arrangements for groups of 20 or more,**

## To learn more

The Heritage Center offers for sale several books about Sts. Damien and Marianne, including:

"Holy Man - Father Damien of Moloka'i" by Gavan Dawes

"Pilgrim & Exile - Mother Marianne of Moloka'i" by Sister Mary Laurence Hanley OSF & O.A. Bushnell

"Damien The Making of a Saint," published by Mutual Printing