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*Pastoral associate*

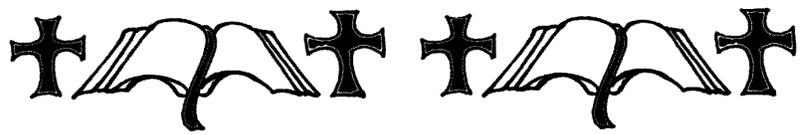
Sunday Liturgy  
5 p.m. Saturday  
6, 8, 10 a.m., 5 p.m. Sunday

Daily Liturgy  
7 a.m. Monday-Saturday  
5 p.m. Monday-Thursday

Damien and Marianne  
of Moloka'i  
Heritage Center  
Open daily, featuring displays  
of the work of St. Damien and  
St. Marianne



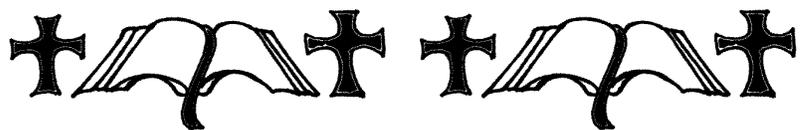
# St. Augustine by-the-sea Church



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The word  
of God  
is at work  
in you

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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*

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

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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.

### **Aunty Carmen's Kitchen**

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, Feb. 1--Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Liturgical color: Green

6 a.m. Mass

7:15 a.m. Rosary

8 a.m. Mass—S/I Purie Cortez (Thanksgiving) R/S Jerry Galang

9 a.m. Religious education, Annex Building

10 a.m. Mass—S/I Sage & Kong Kee Family

5 p.m. Mass

### **Monday, Feb. 2--The Presentation of the Lord**

Liturgical color: White

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Communion Prayer Service

5 p.m. Mass

### **Tuesday, Feb. 3--St. Blaise; St. Ansgar**

Liturgical color: Green/Red/White

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass–R/S Jose Costine & Lucilla Costine

5 p.m. Mass

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

6 p.m.—9 p.m. Marriage Preparation

### **Wednesday, Feb. 4**

Liturgical color: Green

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass—S/I Purie Cortez (Thanksgiving)

5 p.m. Mass

6:45 p.m. RCIA, Damien Meeting Room

### **Thursday, Feb. 5--St. Agatha**

Liturgical color: Red

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass

5 p.m. Mass

### **Friday, Feb. 6--St. Paul Miki and Companions**

First Friday

Liturgical color: Red

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass

Benediction and adoration

### **Saturday, Feb. 7--Blessed Virgin Mary**

First Saturday

Liturgical color: Green/White

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass

Church cleaning: Tongan Society, Choirmaster's Mystery

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



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# Breaking open the Word

## Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Reflection

Teaching is a very challenging task because we teach from borrowed authority.

Teachers use books written by someone else to support their statements and, in many instances, teach using a delegated support. In this method of learning, the student may question the truth of the teaching since it is not taught with absolute authority.

The rabbis and scribes were quick to notice that Jesus spoke with authority and supported his teaching with events that all could witness and discern on His authority. Imagine if you were there and witnessed these healings or evil spirits responding to Jesus commands. What would you believe?

Now, as it was then, believing took a lot out of a person. People had to deal with two aspects, the world of mystery and the world of reality. God's world is a mystery and even today many find it difficult to believe and be faithful. In comparison, the world is full of measurable realities, realities that we can respond to with our basic knowledge. We experience earthly joy, sadness, richness, poorness, evilness, and goodness as they occur in our lives. In most cases, we are our own witness to these events by the use of our eyes, mind, and touch. Because it is measurable, it can and does control our lives.

To believe in God, one must have faith, a gift that comes from God who loves us. But that faith must be grounded in love. Without love, that faith or belief is nothing more than an empty word. It is through love that our faith begins to grow and strengthen against all the disbeliefs or doubts.

We have a great teacher to show us how to love -- Jesus Christ, who teaches with authority. Listen and follow Him, He who loves us and has come for our salvation.

*Deacon Andy Calunod*

### Readings

**Deuteronomy 18:15-20** Moses spoke to all the people, saying: "A prophet like me will the Lord, your God, raise up for you."

**Psalms 95** If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

**1 Corinthians 7:32-35** Brothers and sisters: I should like you to be free of anxieties.

**Mark 1:21-18** The people were astonished at Jesus' teaching; he taught them as one having authority.

### Weekday

**Monday:** Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40

**Tuesday:** Heb 12:1-4; Ps 22; Mk 5:21-43

**Wednesday:** Heb 12:4-7; Ps 103; Mk 6:1-6

**Thursday:** Heb 12:18-19, 21-24; Ps 48; Mk 6:7-13

**Friday:** Heb 13:8; Ps 27; Mk 6:14-29

**Saturday:** Heb 13:15-17; Ps 23; Mk 6:30-34

### Next Sunday's readings

Jb 7:1-4, 6-7; Ps 147; 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23; Mk 1:29-39

## Fourth week in Ordinary Time

In **Mark's Gospel** this week, Jesus continues to heal and teach. A man in the Gerasenes is healed of unclean spirits and wants to stay with Jesus but he tells the man, "Go home to your family and announce to them all that the Lord in his pity has done for you." The young daughter of a synagogue official is sick and on the way to cure her, as Jesus stood in a crowd, he felt the power go out of him as a woman with a hemorrhage touched his cloak. "Your faith has saved you," he reassures her. To the synagogue official he says, "Do not be afraid; just have faith" and heals his daughter. He teaches in the synagogue in his hometown "and they took offense at him." He was not able to perform miracles there, because of their lack of faith. Jesus sends his apostles, in twos, to share the good news. After publicly promising a dancer anything she wants, Herod reluctantly gives the girl her wish and orders John the Baptist to be beheaded. When Jesus' disciples return from their journeys, he encourages them, "Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while." But as they tried to get away "and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things."

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### Daily prayer this week

The readings this week seem to be about healing and call. In our ongoing renewal, we can ask our Lord to be continually healed of what is getting in my way and to continually be more and more open to my call.

Even though we are trying to be people who find intimacy with God in the very midst of our everyday lives, there might be moments this week when we plug into a really great connection with our Lord. So often that happens when we find ourselves in need of healing. Perhaps after many years of one part of our life being dominated by an unclean spirit, we discover a readiness to be whole again, pure again. Maybe we encounter a sin that has become "my" sin, my obstacle to growth in my relationship with God. This may be the week to open my heart to pure grace and reconciliation.

This week, like so many, can be a time for us to be consciously aware of our being called - placed in a position of being his disciple. In that situation, whatever way the invitation comes to us, we are clearly facing an opportunity to be a source of good news, rather than bad news; to love tenderly, rather than selfishly; to be a gatherer of others, rather than a divider; and to be a source of compassion, rather than a heartless judge. And, when that happens, we can delight in spending a bit more time with Jesus, comforting us for being his disciple there. We can "come away with him" for even a brief moment and give thanks that we had that taste of his ministry, happening through us.

When we rest each night this week, expressing our thanks for this daily prayer is quite in order.

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## E komo mai Fr. Chris

We welcome our new Parochial Vicar, Fr. Chris Kaitapu, ss.cc. Fr. Chris has been a member of our USA Province since 2008. He did his formation in the Philippines and worked with Fr. Marisi Palepale, ss.cc. at Resurrection of Our Lord Parish in Bagong Silang. In 2013 he joined our new mission in the Kingdom of Tonga.

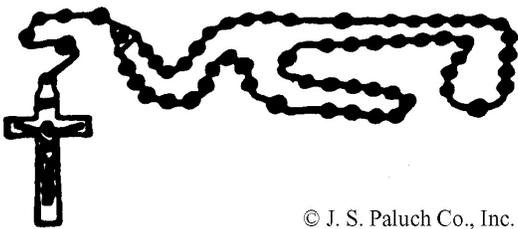
## Faith sharing Feb. 16

St. Augustine's Faith Formation class meets **at 6 p.m. Feb. 16** for prayer, reflection and faith sharing. We are using the book, "The God Who Won't Let Go," by Fr. Peter Van Breeman SJ.

Van Breeman reminds us that nothing can sever the relationship of God's love for us and each of us is invited to experience God's love and base our very life upon that foundation. Copies of the book are available at the class and in the parish office. All are welcome to join us.

## During the cold and flu season

During the cold and flu season, parishioners and visitors are reminded to use common sense. Those who are ill are not obliged to attend Mass and should stay home to recover. If you are feeling ill today, please refrain from partaking of the Blood of Christ from the communal chalice. We also ask that those who are not well refrain from offering your hand to others at the sign of peace. A smile and a heartfelt "Peace be with you" should suffice. No one who fears infection should feel obligated to share the sign of peace or receive Holy Communion from the communal chalice. We pray for the health and recovery of all who are ill and not with us today.



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## Pray the Rosary

The Volunteers of the Heritage Center, Altar Rosary Society & the Knights of Columbus would like to invite everyone on Sunday mornings at 7:15 a.m. to join them in praying the rosary. If you have any special intention requests you would like us to pray for please drop by the Center in the week and fill out an intention slip. Also, if you are interested in leading the rosary on the 1st, 2nd or 5th Sundays of any given month please contact Sister Cheryl at (808)922-3121, training will be provided.

## Congratulations Deacon Andy

On February 10th Deacon Andy Calunod celebrates his 8th anniversary to the Permanent Diaconate. We thank God for his dedicated service as a Deacon here at St. Augustine. Ad multos annos!

## Mardi Gras—February 17

The parish will celebrate Mardi Gras on Tuesday February 17 from 6 PM to 9 PM in the church parking lot. There will be entertainment by St. John's Mariachi Band. A delicious spaghetti dinner will be served for a donation of \$10 per person. Tickets are limited and will be available after the masses on Sunday and at the Parish Office until Sunday, February 15.

## ARS Closet Thrift Shop

The ARS closet will be closed on February 7, but will reopen on February 14 from 9 AM to 1 PM. Please come to visit us on Valentine's Day for your special needs.

## Linfield Concert Choir performances

The Linfield Concert Choir will be performing in Hawaii next month at St. Ann in Kaneohe, the Cathedral Basilica of Our Lady of Peace and Chaminade University. The Linfield Concert Choir is the premier choral organization for all qualified singers at Linfield College. This select group of voices was the first such ensemble in the Pacific Northwest and has toured every year since its formation in 1930.

The choir will sing at:

- St. Ann, Kaneohe - Wednesday, Feb. 4, 7:30 p.m.
- Cathedral Basilica of Our Lady of Peace - Thursday, Feb. 5, 7 p.m.
- Chaminade University - Friday, Feb. 6, 7:30 p.m.

## New Pastor of St. Michael's, Waialua

Bishop Larry will install Fr. Lusius Nimu, ss.cc. as Pastor on **February 28 at 5 p.m.** at St. Michael's in Waialua. Fr. Lusius was Parochial Vicar here at St. Augustine for six years. Let us congratulate and prayer for Fr. Lusius as he begins his new role as Pastor.

## At St. Augustine

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| <b>Feb. 1</b>  | Hospitality Sunday, pastries and coffee after all morning Masses<br>2nd collection for Building and Maintenance Fund |
| <b>Feb. 8</b>  | 2nd collection for Augustine Education Fund  |
| <b>Feb. 15</b> | 2nd collection for SS.CC. Retirement Fund  |
| <b>Feb. 16</b> | Presidents Day, Parish Office and Aunty Carmen's Kitchen closed<br>Faith sharing, 6 p.m., Damien Meeting Room        |
| <b>Feb. 17</b> | Mardi Gras Celebration—Church Parking Lot  |
| <b>Feb. 18</b> | Ash Wednesday  |

## “Absolute Faith”

### Damien and Marianne of Moloka'i Heritage Center

*“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, call 922-3121**

## Damien & Marianne

### *Inspirations of love and ministry*

We are seeking to commission bronze outdoor statues of St. Damien and St. Marianne by Maui artist Gary Thomas for the meditation garden at the planned Damien and Marianne Museum. The statues can be seen here.

Fr. Damien's life has long been an inspiration to Thomas and he wanted to portray Damien as he was in life, ministering to and interacting with his people, carrying his *mana* into the world. Thomas wanted to portray him as the vibrant man he was most of his life.



For Thomas, his Damien sculpture fulfills Matthew 10:42 (“And whoever gives only a cup of cold water to one of these little ones to drink because he is a disciple—amen, I say to you, he will surely not lose his reward.”)

The sculpture of Mother Marianne depicts her maternal and tender side. She filled the void of motherhood for the orphans at Kalaupapa while instructing them in the wisdom of God's Word, said Thomas. For Thomas, St. Marianne lived the words of Luke 9:46 “Whoever welcomes a little child in my name welcomes me...”



We are seeking donations to help us obtain the statues, which will be placed in a meditation garden in the new Damien and Marianne Museum. To donate or for more information, please see Fr. Lane.

Thomas also has maquettes of both statues for sale at \$4,000 apiece. A portion of the sales price will go toward support of the statues for the meditation garden.

## ***THE STEWARDSHIP PRAYER***

My parish is composed of people like me.  
I help make it what it is.  
It will be friendly, if I am.  
It will be holy, if I am.  
Its pews will be filled, if I help fill them.  
It will do great work, if I work.  
It will be prayerful, if I pray.  
It will make generous gifts to many causes,  
if I am a generous giver.  
It will bring others into its worship,  
if I invite and bring them.  
It will be a parish of loyalty and love,  
of fearlessness and faith, of compassion, charity, and mercy,  
if I, who make it what it is, am filled with these same things.  
Therefore, with the help of God,  
I now dedicate myself to the task of being  
all the things that I want my parish to be.  
Amen

## Stewardship of treasure

**Collection for the week ended: \$10,502.31**

**Children's' Offertory: \$0.00**

### Our daily and Sunday collections

As good stewards, we are grateful to God for his many blessings. In gratitude we share with those who are in need. The collection at Sunday and daily Mass is part of our liturgy, and is a sign of our willingness to give all that we have to the Lord for the church and the poor. It is also expressive of what the Eucharist means in our relationship with others. In the early Church, everyone brought up what they had brought, eggs, produce or chickens or grain, or bread or wine. Some was used for the celebration and the rest was used for the benefit of the Church so that all were taken care of and no one was in need. Today, we share what we have with money. Our collection — daily and Sunday— gives tangible support to our faith in action and to our thankfulness to our Creator.