

St. Augustine by-the-sea Church

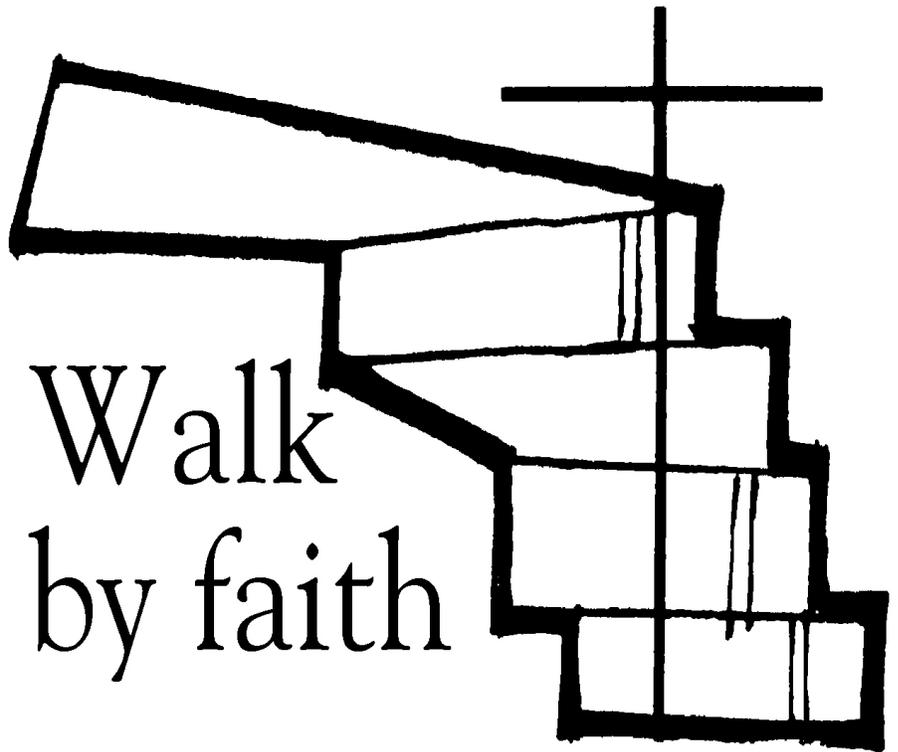
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Sunday Liturgy

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



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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 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.

This week at St. Augustine

Sunday, May 31--The Most Holy Trinity

Liturgical color: White

6 a.m. Mass

7:15 a.m. Rosary

8 a.m. Mass —R/S Jerry Galang, Virginia Franklin

10 a.m. Mass

5 p.m. Mass— R/S Irene Lee

Monday, June 1--St. Justin

Ninth week in Ordinary Time

Liturgical color: Red

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Communion Prayer Service

5 p.m. Mass

Tuesday, June 2--Sts. Marcellinus and Peter

Liturgical color: Green/Red

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass

5 p.m. Mass

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

Wednesday, June 3--St. Charles Lwanga and Companions

Liturgical color: Red

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

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

5 p.m. Mass

Thursday, June 4

Liturgical color: Green

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass

5 p.m. Mass

Friday, June 5--St. Boniface

First Friday

Liturgical color: Red

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass

Benediction and adoration

Saturday, June 6--St. Norbert, Blessed Virgin Mary

First Saturday

Liturgical color: Green/White

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass

Church cleaning: Altar Rosary Society

5 p.m. Mass

Breaking open the Word

The Most Holy Trinity

Reflection

On this feast of the Most Holy Trinity we can look to the beautiful stained glass window over the church entrance. It is the depiction of a story told about St. Augustine of Hippo one day when he was walking by the sea and contemplating the mystery of the Trinity. He came across a small boy carrying water from the sea to a small hole he had dug in the sand. The bishop asked the boy what he was doing. The boy replied that he was trying to bring the sea into the hole. The bishop gently told the boy that was not possible, the small hole could not hold all of the sea. The boy looked at the bishop and replied it was no more impossible than trying to understand the mystery of the Trinity with our puny human intelligence. The bishop contemplated the reply and when he turned back to respond, the boy had vanished.

The Trinity is, indeed, a lofty mystery that we struggle to explain. But it becomes concrete for us when our actions arise out of the great gift of divine Life that has been given to us.

In his great work on The Trinity, St. Augustine, a towering doctor of the Church, summed up the mystery of the Trinity by saying: "If you see charity, you see the Trinity." As the Catechism of the Catholic Church states, God offers his divine life and love to those who believe in him.

We share in the Christ's mission, hearing in today's Gospel to make disciples of all nations. And we share in Christ's mission when we live in charity.

Anne Harpham

Readings

Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40 The Lord is God in the heavens, above and on earth below.

Psalms 33 Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

Romans 8:14-17 You received a Spirit of adoption, through whom we cry, "Abba, Father!"

Matthew 28:16-20 Baptize them in the name of the Father, the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Weekday

Monday: Tb 1:3; 2:1b-8; Ps 112; Mk 12:1-12

Tuesday: Tb 2:9-14; Ps 112; Mk 12:13-17

Wednesday: Tb 3:1-11a, 16-17a; Ps 25; Mk 12:18-27

Thursday: Tb 6:10-11; 7:1bcde, 9-17; Ps 128; Mk 12:28-34.

Friday: Tb 11:5-17; Ps 146; Mk 12:35-37

Saturday: Tb 12:1, 5-15, 20; Tb 13:2, 6efgh-8; Mk 12:38-44

Next Sunday's readings

Ex 24:3-8; Ps 116; Heb 9:11-15; Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

Daily prayer this week

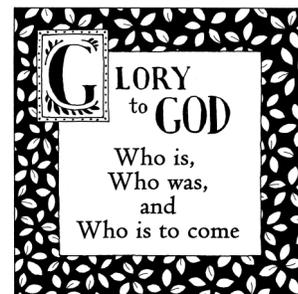
This week of prayer can be very blessed. Just as Jesus looked out on that crowd of followers and saw the spiritually poor, who were mourning and stripped of all success, looking for justice, yet themselves merciful and seeking to make peace with others, Jesus looks upon us this week. His words to us remain the same, "Rejoice and be glad." All week, we can ask for the grace to understand and embrace the blessedness of poverty, of our grief, of our seeking for justice, of how difficult it is to be merciful and be a peacemaker. We are blessed in this place, because Jesus promises we will be comforted, we will be shown mercy, we will be God's children, because the Kingdom of Heaven is ours.

So, the first movement for the week is to let Jesus change our perspective on things. We can practice all week seeing things from Jesus' point of view. When we get angry with someone, we might be tempted to scream at them or worse. Instead we can let Jesus speak to our hearts and help us with the grace to forgive that person and actually love, as Jesus loves. If our eye causes us to sin, we can hear Jesus reminding us that we'd be better without that precious gift of our sight, that suffering the deadly effects of what is happening to us, through our fantasies.

This type of daily prayer, finding intimacy with God throughout our very busy days, can only work if we keep focusing on what we are desiring each day. And that can only work if we begin each day, naming our desires. Keep the desires simple: for example, "Lord, today, please help me see the grace you are offering me in the poverty I feel in this situation." It can take only seconds to say that in the morning when I get up, or while I'm showering or getting dressed. But, by saying it out loud to ourselves, we give shape to a background place of conversation with the Lord all day. With some focused moments of prayer throughout the day, our desires will interact with everything that happens to us.

"It is here, Lord, that you are asking me to surrender my anger. Mercy is so hard, but it is the way to life you are offering me. I know you desire mercy more than sacrifice. I so much want to know the blessedness of being a loving person. I feel more peaceful just knowing you are with me as I try to respond to this person with more compassion and forgiveness." Each evening, our daily prayer comes to closure. We briefly look back through our day and remember those moments of "connection" and thank the Lord for the graces given. It takes practice, but the rewards are what we truly desire.

Creighton University Online Ministries



Faith sharing June 15

St. Augustine's Faith Formation class meets at 6 p.m. **June 15** 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. All are welcome to join us.

Faith Formation Conference

The 2015 Oahu Faith Formation Conference "We Are All Ohana" will be held **June 19-20** at St. Stephen Diocesan Center. The workshop is open to all parishioners. More information and registration is available at www.catholicahawaii.org/oahufaithconference.

There is a conference fee of \$10 per course and the registration deadline is June 10. Light meals are available for purchase Friday evening and Saturday noon. Catechists may apply all courses toward ongoing certification unless otherwise indicated in course description.

Women's Faith Sharing Group

How do women seek contentment in a world that demands so much from them? Juggling the demands of their careers, family life, and other responsibilities can be daunting. But in seeking God first, true contentment and peaceful acceptance can be attained. Come seek God's Word for you at a free Women's Faith Sharing Group on June 5 from 6 to 9 p.m. at St. Damien House at the Saint Anthony Retreat Center. Bring your Bible and a notebook. The event is sponsored by Saint Anthony Retreat Center, 3351 Kalihi St., Honolulu, HI 96819. Call to register: 845-0065.

St. Augustine School reunion

A St. Augustine School "All Classes" Reunion for all alumni is planned for Sunday, August 16, at 6 p.m. at the Queen Kapiolani Hotel in the Kulana Terrace. The cost is \$48 per person. You can pay by check or by Paypal. Checks should be made out to "Agent Rose Travel" c/o Kathy Santiago (Capellas), 94-1461 Waipio Uka St., P204 Waipahu, Hawai'i 96797

Paypal payments can be sent to Kathy at klmcs22@yahoo.com

For more information, contact:

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Rose O'Connor at agentrose.travel@mail.com

Christiane Coty at christianecoty@icloud.com

Collection for Aunty Carmen's Kitchen

The second collection this weekend will benefit Aunty Carmen's Kitchen, St. Augustine's ministry to those in our midst who are hungry. The kitchen offers a free hot meal from 11 a.m. to noon every weekday. Your generosity helps fulfill our mission to feed our sisters and brothers in need.

Legacy Campaign to benefit new museum

Dear parishioners and friends of St. Augustine,
As we move forward in continuing the legacy of our two Hawaii saints --Sts. Damien and Marianne -- we are preparing to begin our Legacy Campaign to support the building of a new museum adjacent to the church.

The Legacy Campaign will take work, effort and dedication to be successful and I appreciate the commitment of our many supporters. The Legacy Campaign will be undertaken in two phases. The first phase will allow us to realize our dream for a new Damien and Marianne Museum and the second phase will enable the construction of a much-needed parish multi-purpose building and parking structure. This will complete our Parish Master plan, which began with the renovation of the church.

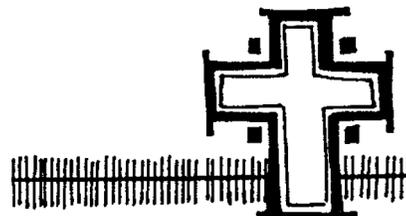
It is my hope that this Legacy Campaign will be creative and innovative in its format, not like a traditional campaign that relies solely on its parishioner base. We will also be seeking support from the broader community as well as internationally. The lives of Fr. Damien and Mother Marianne have inspired people from around the world and we believe many will want to help in our project.

The museum will house artifacts of Fr. Damien and Mother Marianne and will feature interactive exhibits and a meditation garden. I invite all of you to be a part of this very special and important undertaking. Sts. Damien and Marianne continue to be models of selfless love and service and we are blessed in being able to share their story with so many.

At the same time, we are embarking on a Stewardship Program, enabling our parishioners to discern how to best share their time, talent and treasure for the good of the community. We will be sharing more details as this program unfolds.

Pray through our saints, Augustine, Damien and Marianne that they will intercede on our behalf so that we can be successful in all that we do.

Fr. Lane K. Akiona ss.cc.



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 for 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

Online Giving Program

Online Giving is now available for you to use to make gifts or donations to the Church.

What is Online Giving? It is an electronic method of processing your donation from the privacy of your home and at the time you decide to do it.

Is it safe? Yes. Security measures are taken to ensure your transaction is safe, protected, and private.

You are in charge! Online giving allows you to make regular or one-time donation, designate the fund, amount to donate, and when to make the donation. And it keeps an ongoing record of your transactions.

What you need to do to use Online Giving. You must have a credit card or a checking/savings account. Donations made by you will be transferred from the account you specify. You must have a computer or mobile device. You will need to "enroll" into the program by going to our website (www.staugustinebythesea.com) and "click" on the **Donate** tab on the top right hand side of the home page. Follow the instructions to complete your enrollment.

You can also click on the QR symbol on the bottom with your smart phone.



Need help? Call *Online Giving Hotline* 808 923-7024, Mon-Fri, during business hours.

Stewardship of treasure

Collection for the week ended May 24, 2015 : \$10,476.62

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.