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St. Augustine by-the-sea Church

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

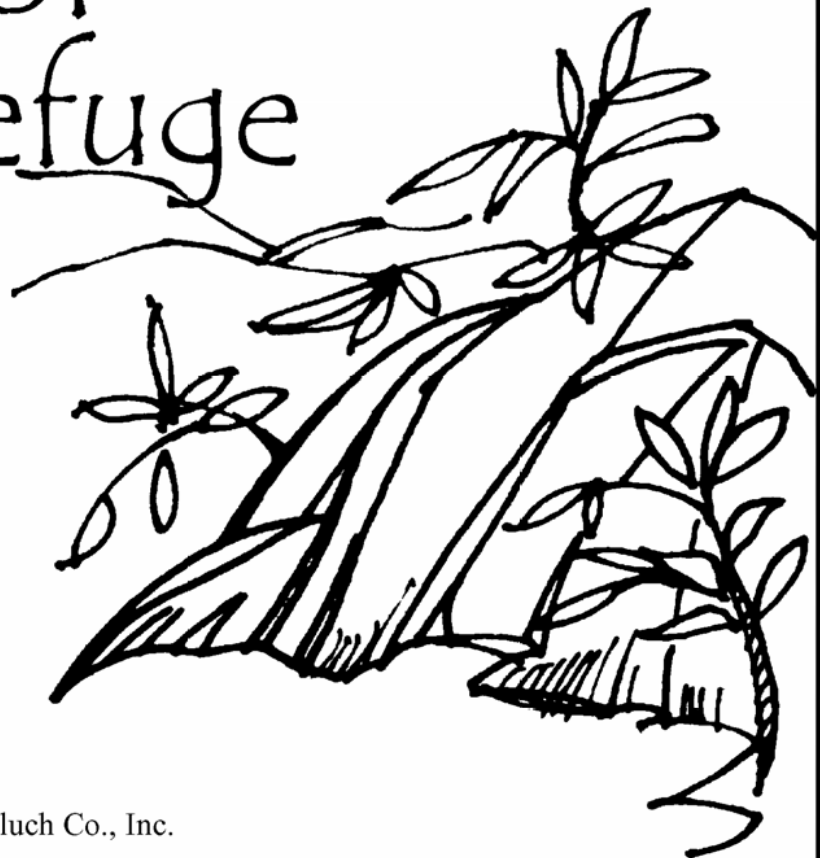
Daily Liturgy
7 a.m. Monday-Saturday
5 p.m. Monday-Thursday



*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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of
refuge



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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, Jan. 17--Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Liturgical color: Green

6 a.m. Mass—R/S Thelma Ah Choy

7:15 a.m. Rosary

8 a.m. Mass—S/I Altar Rosary Society members both living and deceased,

Alexis Reyes (birthday); R/S Jerry Galang

10 a.m. Mass—S/I Dr. Orlando Sanidad (healing); R/S Serafino Gentile,

Barbara Hillis

5 p.m. Mass

Monday, Jan. 18

Martin Luther King Day

PARISH OFFICE AND AUNTY CARMEN'S KITCHEN CLOSED

Liturgical color: Green

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass

11:30 a.m. Wedding

No 5 p.m. Mass

6 p.m. Faith sharing, Damien Meeting Room

Tuesday, Jan. 19

Liturgical color: Green

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Communion Prayer Service

9 a.m. Red Mass, Cathedral Basilica of Our Lady of Peace

5 p.m. Mass—S/I Raymond & Maria Imelda Guevara (25th anniversary)

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

Wednesday, Jan. 20--St. Fabian, St. Sebastian

Liturgical color: Green/Red

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass

5 p.m. Mass

6:30 p.m. RCIA, Damien Meeting Room

Thursday, Jan. 21--St. Agnes

Liturgical color: Red

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass

5 p.m. Mass

Friday, Jan. 22--Day of prayer for the legal protection of unborn children

Liturgical color: Green/White/Violet

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass

Saturday, Jan. 23--St. Vincent, St. Marianne Cope, Blessed Virgin Mary

Liturgical color: Green/Red/White

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass

Church cleaning: Tongan Society—Choirmaster's Mystery

5 p.m. Mass

Breaking open the Word

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Do whatever he tells you.”

We can see here the maternal power and influence of Mary over her Son. Jesus could not disobey his mother. Fundamentalist Christians and Protestants criticize Catholics for praying to Mary. Obviously, we can pray directly to Jesus but the gospel today shows clearly Mary can be a mediator or “go-between” to her Son. Hence, this practice has biblical basis.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church tells us Jesus’ presence at this marriage feast confirmed the goodness of matrimony and blessed married love. It was his first miracle. Our Lord shows God supports and blesses this sacrament.

In the second reading, St. Paul tells the Corinthians they should use the gifts the Spirit has given them to benefit the community. If they do, they will show the love that exists among them. In the same way, the Spirit acts at the center of marriage, guaranteeing with his grace the unity and love that should exist between husband and wife. Married couples are called to show the love that exists between them, sharing their joys, and possibly their sorrows, disregarding their own individual worries. They are called to do things for each other and to listen to each other, showing each other that they truly love and understand each other.

Let us pray for all married couples that the Lord will bless and strengthen them. Let’s pray that, through the intercession of his Mother, the sacrament of matrimony will be strengthened, for it is in crisis. If we are constant in our prayers for married couples, the Lord will surely grant what we pray for, just as he did when he turned the water into wine for the couple at the wedding feast in Cana.

Fr. Chris Kaitapu ss.cc.

Readings

First Reading — As a bridegroom rejoices in his bride, so God rejoices in the chosen Zion and Jerusalem (Isaiah 62:1-5).

Psalm — Proclaim his marvelous deeds to all the nations (Psalm 96).

Second Reading — All the varied gifts and talents found in the Christian community are products of the same Spirit (1 Corinthians 12:4-11).

Gospel — At a wedding festival in Cana, Jesus changes water into wine at his mother’s request (John 2:1-11).

Weekday

Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23; Ps 50; Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13; Ps 89; Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Ps 144; Mk 3:1-6

Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Ps 56; Mk 3:7-12

Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21; Ps 57; Mk 3:13-19

Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27; Ps 80; Mk 3:20-21

Next Sunday’s reading

Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; Ps 19; 1 Cor 12:12-30; Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Daily Prayer this week

Ordinary Time is the longest season of the Church year. There are only four weeks of Ordinary Time before Lent begins February 10. Yet these weeks between the Christmas season and Lent are an important time to continue to work on our habits of focusing our desires early in the day and talking with the Lord throughout the day, in the background of our busy lives. This is how we become “contemplatives in action” and find intimacy with God without leaving the context of our real lives.

How do we do that with the hectic pace of our lives? We hear people say “I don’t have time to pray.” It isn’t about finding more time but more focus in our day with God. With this type of focusing and active consciousness, we find ourselves surprised at the time we really do have. There are dozens of times in all of our days during which our minds are occupied with something: a song, re-playing the last event, practicing a conversation with someone, having an imaginary argument with someone, thinking through the “to do” list of the day. We can learn to fill these times with whatever we choose. If we choose to let it be about our relationship with our Lord, it transforms our lives.

It all begins with our mornings. This week, when we first get up let’s tell the Lord that what we desire today is to be more conscious of how what we do this day is responding to his call to me to be his disciple. Then, during the day, in those moments while driving or shopping or walking down the hall to a meeting, we can talk about how we are living our call in this or that activity we are engaged in. That conversation may get more detailed and specific in this or that set of events. Each evening, for even a few moments, we can review our day’s momentary conversations, recognizing the moments of real connection and grace and giving thanks for them, and resolving to take even greater advantage of these opportunities the next day.

2nd week of Ordinary Time

During the week we continue with the **First Book of Samuel**. We hear God’s rejection of Saul as king. Then Samuel anoints the youngest of Jesse’s sons, the shepherd boy David, as king. David kills the Philistine, winning victory for the people, in the name of the Lord. Saul becomes jealous of David and plans to kill him but Saul’s son, Jonathan, changes his mind. David does not kill Saul when he finds him alone in a cave but lets him go. Saul is killed in a battle and David grieves.

In **Mark’s Gospel** Jesus is asked why his disciples don’t fast. He challenges the religious leaders to have a completely open mind and heart to his teaching because “new wine is poured into fresh wineskins.” Jesus is the Lord of the Sabbath, bringing a new freedom. It is only chapter three in the gospel, but because Jesus heals a withered hand on the Sabbath, the Pharisees already seek to kill him. Jesus withdraws and people from the surrounding regions come to him, and even the demons know who he is. Jesus names twelve Apostles to be with him, to preach and to drive out demons. Jesus’ relatives think he’s “out of his mind” because so many people are coming to him that he can’t even eat.

Mahalo nui loa

Many thanks to all who helped to make our Christmas festive, including those who came to help decorate and take the decorations down on Monday. We all had a good time together. Work is made light when many hands come to help. Let's get ready for Lent. Mahalo again for your stewardship to our parish community.

Aloha and Welcome



Cardinal Soane Patita Paini Mafi of Tonga is visiting our diocese at the invitation of Bishop Larry Silva. It's a weekend filled with opportunities for the Tongan Catholic communities to gather as one. Visiting with Cardinal is Fr. Seluini Akauoka, SM and Mr. Soane Vahe, Director of Catholic Education in Tonga. Even though their trip is short, we are fortunate to have Cardinal Mafi present in our diocese.

Malo aupito to all the Tongans from the neighbor islands who came for this special weekend in celebration.

New assignment

Beginning February 1, 2016, Fr. Chris Kaitapu, ss.cc. will be transferred to the Leeward side of the island. He will be living at Our Lady of Sorrows and assisting there as well as at St. Michael/Sts. Peter and Paul Mission in Waiialua/Waimea.

In his place, Fr. Benny Kosasih ss.cc. will be my new Parochial Vicar, effective February 1. Blessings to Fr. Chris and Fr. Benny on their new assignments.

Sidewalk remodeling

Beginning this month, the City and County will continue its work of remodeling the Kalakaua Avenue sidewalk. Much of the ewa end of Kalakaua has been remodeled, now it's our turn. With the remodeling of the sidewalk, the driveway onto Kalakaua will no longer be used as an exit. Thus, parking will be a greater challenge when this takes place.

We are looking at other options, such as parking offsite, valet parking, etc. This will be a major detriment for attendance on weekends until the new parking structure is built. We will keep you updated as work progresses. We have requested that the section in front of the church be done at the end of the project.

Pray that we all have patience and understanding.

Notecards and rosaries

The Altar Rosary Society will sell rosaries, including local hand-made rosaries and Jerusalem rosaries, and notecards featuring St. Augustine Church after Sunday morning Masses the second and fourth Sundays of the month. These beautiful cards are a water color painting of the church by one of the Altar Society members.

Red Mass on Jan. 19

The Red Mass has been a tradition in Hawaii since 1955. Customarily celebrated each January, the month when the state Legislature opens, this public liturgy is the church's prayer to the Holy Spirit for wisdom and guidance for our islands' public servants. A 700-year-old tradition in Europe, the Red Mass was introduced in the United States early last century and has become an annual event in Washington, D.C., and other major mainland cities. The Mass is named for the color of the vestments used for a Mass of the Holy Spirit.



This year's keynote speaker is Archbishop Bernardito Auza, Permanent Observer of the Holy See to the United Nations. Auza represents Pope Francis in following the work of the United Nations and sharing with it the Catholic Church's centuries of experience in the areas of peace, justice, human dignity and humanitarian cooperation and assistance.

The Red Mass will be at **9 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 19** at the Cathedral Basilica of Our Lady of Peace downtown.

Presentation on Laudato Si

Archbishop Bernardito Auza, permanent observer of the Holy See to the United Nations, will give a presentation on Laudato Si, Pope Francis' encyclical on the environment on Tuesday, Jan. 19 at 6:45 p.m. at the Clarence T.C. Ching Conference Center in Eiben Hall at Chaminade University.

Archbishop Auza has many years of experience in diplomacy for the Holy See. Born in Talibon, the Philippines, he was ordained in 1985 and entered the Holy See's diplomatic service in 1990.

The evening will begin with dinner at 6 p.m. All are welcome, but RSVPs are required. Contact Karen Harp at Karen.harp@chaminade.edu or 735-4827.

Faith sharing meets Jan. 18

St. Augustine's faith sharing group meets **Monday, Jan. 18 at 6 p.m.** in the Damien Meeting Room. We are using Pope Francis' encyclical, Laudato Si, as the basis for our sharing. Laudato Si is Pope Francis' encyclical on the environment, "On Care for our Common Home."

In this encyclical, Pope Francis asks us to look deeply at our consumer-driven society and throw-away culture. Join your fellow parishioners in a discussion on how our faith challenges us to be stewards of our home. Download the encyclical at: <http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/encyclicals/index.html>. We will have copies available at class or you may purchase copies of the book at Pauline Book and Media Center.



ECUMENICAL TAIZÉ SERVICE
in observance of the
WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY



Thursday, January 21st, 2016
7:00 pm

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Living the Year of Mercy

The Jubilee Year of Mercy began Dec. 8, 2015. How can you practice mercy in your every day lives? One way is through living the Corporal Works of Mercy.

The Corporal Works of Mercy are found in the teachings of Jesus and give us a model for how we should treat all others, as if they were Christ in disguise.

They respond to the basic needs of humanity as we journey together through this life. One of the Corporal Works of Mercy is to visit the sick.

Those who are sick are often forgotten or avoided. In spite of their illness, these individuals still have much to offer to those who take the time to visit and comfort them.

- Give blood
- Spend time volunteering at a nursing home – Get creative and make use of your talents (e.g. sing, read, paint, call Bingo, etc.)!
- Take time on a Saturday to stop and visit with an elderly neighbor.
- Offer to assist caregivers of chronically sick family members on a one-time or periodic basis. Give caregivers time off from their caregiving responsibilities so they can rest, complete personal chores, or enjoy a relaxing break.

2nd collection this weekend for Black & Indian Mission, Latin America

The second collection this weekend is the annual Black and Indian Mission and Latin American Church appeal.

Your financial support helps the Black and Indian Mission Office raise up new generations of Native American and African American priests with tuition grants and enhance Native American and African American .

The 2016 Latin American campaign will help mission efforts in remote and struggling areas of Latin America. Through the generosity of the rest of the world, the people of Latin America feel the love and support of the universal Church thanks to this appeal.

Online giving -- easy, convenient

Did you forget your offering at home? We have a solution to fix that once and for all. Use our Online Giving program! It's quick, accurate, and done at your convenience. Go to our web site staugustinebythesea.com and click on Donate. Need help? Call us at 808 923-7024.

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OF CONFIRMATION PRIOR TO FIRST HOLY
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Indeed, all parishes within the Diocese of Honolulu are restoring the Original Order of the Sacraments of Initiation between 2018-2020.



Go to www.catholicahawaii.org to learn how the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and First Holy Communion were celebrated in the early church, how it changed over time and why we are called to restore these sacraments to their original order.