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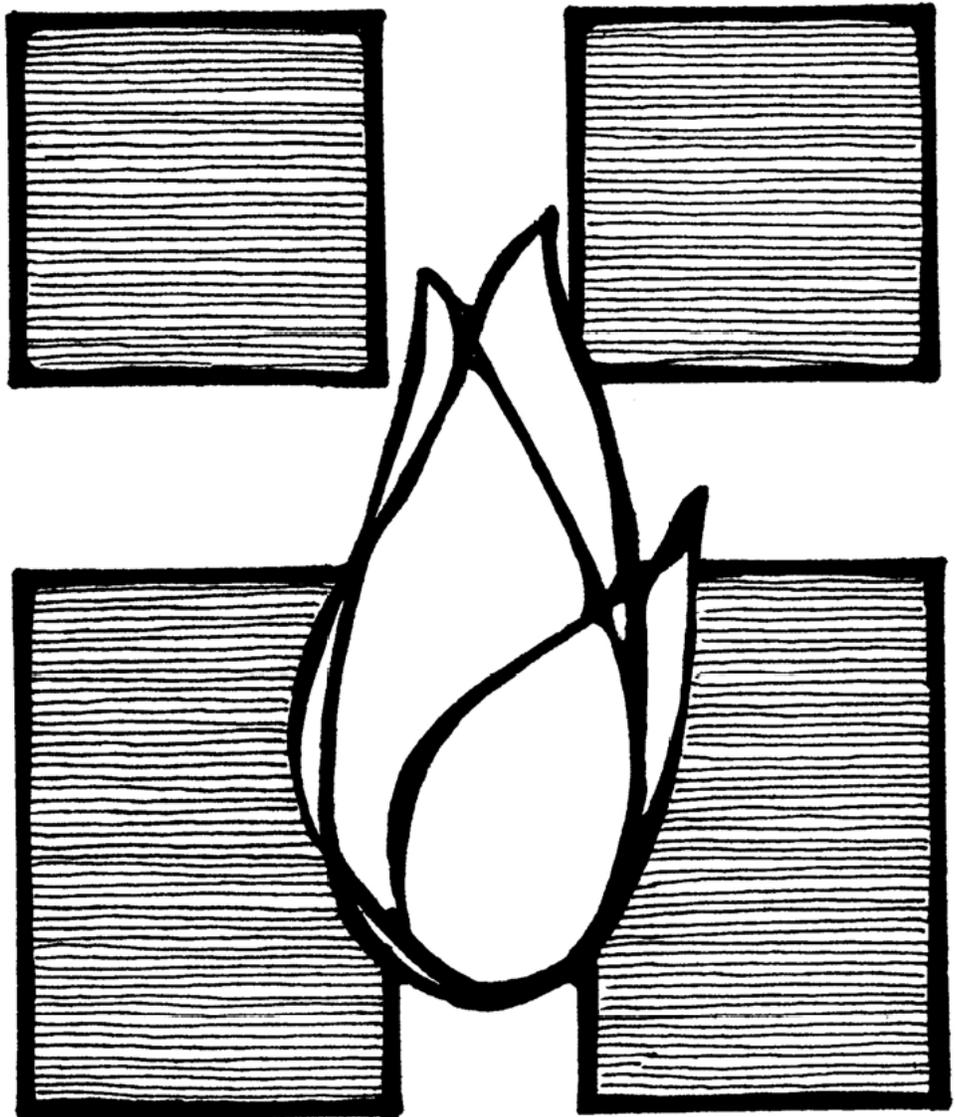
Sunday Liturgy
5 p.m. Saturday
6, 8, 10 a.m., 5 p.m. Sunday

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



*You have made us for yourself,
Lord, and our hearts are rest-
less 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 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, Aug. 21—21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Liturgical color: Green

6 a.m. Mass—R/S Rita Shimabuku

8 a.m. Mass—R/S Jerry Galang, Pua Bow; S/I Altar Rosary Society Members living and deceased

10 a.m. Mass— R/S James Schmigel; S/I Sage and the Kong Kee Family

5 p.m. Mass—S/I Viola Palepale

Monday, Aug. 22—The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Liturgical color: White

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Communion Prayer Service

5 p.m. Mass

Tuesday, Aug. 23—St. Rose of Lima

Liturgical color: Green/White

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass—R/S Richard Mau

8:30 a.m.: Finance Committee meeting

5 p.m. Mass

Wednesday, Aug. 24—St. Bartholomew

Liturgical color: Red

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass

5 p.m. Mass

Thursday, Aug. 25—St. Louis, St. Joseph Calasanz

Liturgical color: Green/White

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass—R/S Hilbert Young

5 p.m. Mass

Friday, Aug. 26

Liturgical color: Green

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass

Saturday, Aug. 27—St. Monica

Liturgical color: White

7 a.m. Mass

Church & grounds cleaning: Altar Rosary Society and Knights of Columbus

10:45 a.m. Funeral Mass

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

Breaking open the Word

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

The image of a narrow gate that is difficult to get through is a daunting one. Especially when heaven is on the other side. So what are we to make of today's Gospel message from Luke? Are only a few to be allowed to enter? How does this square with our image of an all-merciful God? What are we to make of a master who says to some who knock, "I do not know you?"

Perhaps God does not know us because we have not responded to His invitation. There is a warning in today's Gospel that it is not enough just to show up to gain entry through that narrow gate. We must learn to be faithful disciples, willing to live and act like Jesus. Our lives, as individuals and as a community, are to be a proclamation of who we say we are as Christians. They are to be lives of truth, love, justice, compassion, support and sharing.

How can it be that Jesus will not recognize us? "... what you did not do for one of these least ones, you did not do for me." (Matthew 25:45). Who will be at the banquet in the Kingdom of God? "...people will come from the east and the west and from the north and the south and will recline at table in the kingdom of God." They will be those Jesus recognizes for he will see himself in them.

Let us make sure that he will be able to recognize each of us, too. What will you do today to make sure that Jesus knows you?

Anne Harpham

Readings

First Reading — Brothers and sisters of every race and language will be brought to Jerusalem (Isaiah 66:18-21).

Psalms — Go out to all the world and tell the Good News (Psalm 117).

Second Reading — Be strong and endure your trials as the "discipline" of a loving God, for it will result in the peaceful fruit of righteousness (Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13).

Gospel — People from east and west, north and south, recline at table in the kingdom of God (Luke 13:22-30).

Weekday

Monday: 2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12; Ps 96; Mt 23:13-22

Tuesday: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17; Ps 96; Mt 23:23-26

Wednesday: Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145; Jn 1:45-51

Thursday: 1 Cor 1:1-9; Ps 145; Mt 24:42-51

Friday: 1 Cor 1:17-25; Ps 33; Mt 25:1-13

Saturday: 1 Cor 1:26-31; Ps 33; Mt 25:14-30

Next Sunday's reading

Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29; Ps 68; Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a; Lk 14:1, 7-14

Daily Prayer

Like physical exercises that build strength and stamina, these exercises for finding intimacy with God in our everyday lives involve practice. Nobody ever got good at soccer or baseball, running or dancing without careful practice that becomes a habit, a way of life. And, no one even attempts such a regimen without great desire. The same is true with having a better relationship with our Lord. It takes great desire to sustain a routine of reflection and affective, intimate conversation. Such prayerful focus and connectedness takes discipline, but it quickly becomes natural. And, the rewards are phenomenal.

We can practice this week by asking ourselves some deep questions in the background of our life each day. Beginning each day by briefly expressing a desire to be more self-aware and transparent with our Lord, we can ask ourselves some probing questions.

In what ways am I a hypocrite? How do I use a double standard - harsher on others than I am on myself? Am I a good steward of the gifts with which God has entrusted me?

As I grow in the ability to reflect throughout the day, I might try to recognize my inner spirit, my attitudes, the ways I respond. It is a way of staying alert and places me with my Lord in conversation, in the background as I make decisions, as I experience my reactions to events and people. Sometimes, I might just be saying "Thank you, Lord," expressing gratitude for what I've been given. At other times, that will quickly turn to a reflection on how I will be a good steward of those gifts.

Preparing for celebrating God's love on Sunday, I can focus on the readings for and ask to be more humble in my life. Who is "the poor, the crippled, the lame" person who needs to be invited more deeply into my life?

Help me Lord to hear your word to me, even when it challenges me. Open my heart and guide me to use my talents to serve you. Teach me to be generous, Lord.

21st Week in Ordinary Time

For the first reading we begin with a few selections from the Second Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians and then we move to readings from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians for the next several weeks.

Matthew's Gospel this week includes stories of Jesus strongly challenging the Pharisees. He saw how they made people's lives so difficult by their insistence on the rules and appearances while neglecting mercy and good faith. He chides them for paying attention to the extraneous and not the message: "Blind guides, who strain out the gnat and swallow the camel!" His criticism grows stronger: "On the outside you appear righteous, but inside you are filled with hypocrisy and evildoing." Jesus teaches about preparation: Stay awake! For you do not know on which day your Lord will come." In the parable of the ten maidens who go out to meet the bridegroom, many of the women did not prepare for the meeting and do not have enough oil for their lamps and Jesus says again, "Stay awake." Saturday's gospel is the dramatic story of the three servants who are given resources by their master and rewarded or punished for what they did with the resources they had.

Creighton University Online Ministries

FROM THE PASTOR:



St. Augustine Church has been an important part of Waikiki since 1854 and on the feast day of St. Augustine of Hippo, we will celebrate 162 years of ministry in Waikiki. The first Catholic missionaries had first arrived in 1827 and St. Augustine Church was just the third parish church to be established in the fledgling Hawaii Catholic Church.

The first church in Waikiki was a temporary chapel near the beach built of coconut fronds and pieces of timber that had washed ashore. That site later was exchanged for land on Ohua Avenue and by 1901 a more dignified church was built. It was blessed on Aug. 28, 1901, the feast day of St. Augustine. That church, became known far and wide for its latticework patterned after the palm fronds that had covered the previous, temporary chapel. But by the late 1950s, the church was too small for the numbers of people attending Mass and the structure was termite-ridden. So the parish constructed a larger, modern church, which was dedicated in 1962. The latticework and sides open to the breezes are gone, but our striking stained glass windows and neo-Gothic design are a familiar Waikiki landmark today.

As we mark 162 years, we are grateful for all the blessings God has bestowed on us as parish community and look forward to all that lies ahead. Our second collection this weekend will be for the Augustine Legacy of Giving, which will support the new Damien and Marianne Museum to be constructed on St. Augustine Church grounds. This museum will tell the story of Hawaii's two saints, Fr. Damien de Veuster and Mother Marianne Cope, who are known throughout the world for their ministry to leprosy patients exiled to the isolated peninsula of Kalaupapa on the Island of Moloka'i. Theirs is a story of unselfish, loving ministry to those who were outcasts. St. Damien and St. Marianne offer our world an inspiring story and provide a model as we face the needs of today's world.

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A remembrance of Hawaii

Unique crosses made of driftwood, sea glass and shells by a Hawaii artist are available here at St. Augustine after Mass or in the parish office during office hours. These crosses are one-of-a-kind creations, masterpieces of the sea and are a beautiful remembrance of Hawaii.

Come after Mass outside the church and see them for yourself. They will be available the second and fourth Sundays of each month. They are sure to be a unique remembrance of your time in Hawaii.



Notecards and rosaries

The Altar Rosary Society is selling 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.

Our support of Cathedral renovation

The Cathedral Basilica of Our Lady of Peace, the mother church of the Diocese of Honolulu, has undertaken a comprehensive Cathedral Renewal Campaign to repair, restore and renew the historic cathedral. Our Lady of Peace was constructed in the late 1830s (and completed in 1843) of coral blocks harvested from Honolulu Harbor. St. Damien was ordained a priest in the cathedral, and St. Marianne worshipped there as well. The Cathedral Renewal will address much-needed repairs and will also restore the Cathedral to evoke the nineteenth century time period when Saints Damien and Marianne were in the cathedral.

St. Augustine Church took up a second collection last weekend to help support the project, collecting \$2,500.00. The parish is matching that amount and will give a total \$5,000 to the Cathedral Basilica as our share in renovating and preserving a church that is a part of all of our history.

If you wish to learn more about the project, please go to www.cathedralofourladyofpeace.com/RenewalCampaign.html

Religious education begins Sept. 18

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 2016-17 religious education classes begin **Sunday, Sept 18**, which is Catechetical Sunday. Register your children by calling the parish office, 923-7024.

The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops has chosen the theme of "Prayer: The Faith Prayed" for Catechetical Sunday this year. Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each person plays, by virtue of Baptism, in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel. Catechetical Sunday is an opportunity for all to rededicate themselves to this mission as a community of faith.

RCIA begins Sept. 14

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) was established by the Church for individuals who wish to become Catholic.

This class, over 10 months, takes inquirers and catechumens through the tenets of our faith, Scripture and Tradition, the sacraments, liturgy, faith sharing and spiritual growth, morality and conscience and justice and peace issues.

St. Augustine's 2016-17 RCIA program begins **Wednesday, Sept. 14, at 6:30 p.m.** in the Damien Meeting Room. Please call the parish office to register in advance of the first class.

Stewardship of treasure

Collection for the week ended Aug 14: \$7,813.60

Children's collection: \$12.00

2nd collection /Cathedral Basilica project: \$2,500.00

St. Augustine Church BY-THE-SEA

2016 *No'ohali'a* GALA

(A FOND REFLECTION)

Thursday, August 25, 2016

Royal Hawaiian Hotel, Monarch Room

5:30 pm Cocktails | 6:30 pm Dinner and Program

Featuring Raiatea Helm



\$200 per person | Elegant Aloha Attire

Valet parking (\$15 + tip) or validated self-parking (\$8) at the Sheraton Waikiki parking garage. Car-pooling is encouraged - park at church and car-pool.

\$25 raffle tickets will be sold that night for a chance to win:

A trip for two to Las Vegas (air, hotel, ground transfers), a framed collage of Pope Francis' 2015 visit to the U.S. (13 x 16), a framed image of Our Lady of Guadalupe (23 x 36), two koa-framed Hawaiian quilts (25 ½ x 25 ½ and 28 x 28) and an unframed Wyland "Underwater Sea Life" (17 ½ x 28).

Questions? Please call (808) 923-7024 or email staugustinebythesea@gmail.com