

Fourth Sunday of Advent The Nativity of the Lord December 21, 2008



Sunday	Dec 21	8:30 AM	Nellie Dugie	
		10:30 AM	For the Parish	
		12:30 PM	Natalie Pavlovsky	
Monday	Dec 22			
Tuesday	Dec 23	8:30 AM	Tom Davila	†
Wednesday	Dec 24	5:30 PM	(Christmas Eve— Bilingual Mass)	
		10:00 PM	(Midnight Mass—English)	
Thursday	Dec 25	9:00 AM	Nativity of the Lord	
			Christmas Mass (Bilingual)	
Friday	Dec 26	8:30 AM	NO MASS	
Saturday	Dec 27	5:30 PM	For the Parish	
Sunday	Dec. 28	8:30 AM	Jesus Avecilla	†
		10:30 AM	For the Parish	
		12:30 PM	Rosemary Pavlovsky	

PRAY FOR THE SICK ORACION PARA LOS ENFERMOS



Adame, Andrew	Garcia, Vicky & Cesa	Murria, Sonya
Arnold, Burton	Galvan, Vicky & Martin	Nava, Joaquin
Benitez, Martha	Geiger, Adriana	Nelly, Clifford
Blanco, Adrian	Gomez, Jr., Tomas	Padilla, Sara
Bretos, Lee	Gomez, Mario	Percira, Carmen & Edilio
Burda, Kay	Gonzalez, Yadira	Phillips, Ben
Cantu, Johnny	Grim, Audrey & Michael	Rena, Adele
Cardenas, Alfonso	Guerra, Benita	Reyes, Jorge
Cerda, Lily	Gutierrez, Maria	Roberts, Thelma
Coronado, Vickie	Hall, Allie	Rodriguez, Sofia
DeLaCerde, Gloria	Hand, Mary	Ruiz, Salvador
Elizondo, Carrie Ann	Hernandez, Miguel	Sanchez, Andres & Terry
Estrada, Manuelita	Herrera, Carolina	Scherer, Emma
Fairly, Jim & Jeanne	Hinson, Esther	Schumann, Mr.
Falcon, Joanna	Kasmiersky, Dorothy	Smith, Robert & Family
Fernandez, Carmelina	Lara, Dora	Stinebower, Ann
Fernandez, Jose M.	Longoria, Carlos	Tristan, Rogelio
Flores, Rodolfo	Lozano, Herminia	Villatoro, Family
Fojt, Wes	Maynard, Uta	William, Danny
Fraire, Mary	Meyer, Anne	

Please call the office with the names of those you know who need our prayers, and let us know when we can remove your/their name off the list

Last Sunday Offertory Collection.....	\$6,729.20
Families Donated	\$ 5,594.60
Loose Donations	\$ 986.20
Youth Donation	\$ 148.40
School Donation.....	\$ 243.51
2nd Collection: Retirement Religious Fund.....	\$ 1,602.97
Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe.....	\$ 478.32



MEETINGS THIS WEEK JUNTAS ESTA SEMANA

Sunday, December 21, 2008

8:00 AM	NO LFF	ROOM 205
8:30 AM	Misioneros	MONICA HALL
3:00 PM	Homebound Ministry Meeting	

Monday, December 22, 2008

7:00 PM	Youth Group	PARISH HALL
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Tuesday, December 23, 2008

6:00 PM	NO LFF	
7:00 PM	Boy Scouts	PARISH HALL

Wednesday, December 24, 2008

5:30 PM	Confessions	CHURCH
5:30 PM	NO LFF	
7:00 PM	Core Team	PARISH OFFICE

***** PARISH OFFICES CLOSED *****

Thursday, December 25, 2008



***** PARISH OFFICE CLOSED *****

Friday, December 26, 2008

***** PARISH OFFICE CLOSED *****

Saturday, December 27, 2008

9:00 AM	Confessions	CHURCH
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12 HOUR ADORATION

Adorers are needed for the 12 Hour Adoration every Wednesday. Jesus gives us 24 hours a day 168 hours a week, He is inviting us to spend one single hour with Him. One hour just for Him..... will you say "Yes" to His invitation?



ADULT FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) will be beginning in January. If you need the sacraments of Baptism, 1st Confession, 1st Eucharist or Confirmation please contact the office to make an appointment with Rita Ann Martinez to register for the classes. We are taking registrations on Wednesdays from 9:30 – 4:30 p.m. or if you need to come at a later time please make arrangements with Ms. Martinez.

RCIA (Formacion Cristiana para adultos) Comenzara en enero. Si usted necesita los sacramentos del bautismo, penitencia, eucaristía y confirmación. Favor de llamar la oficina para citarse con Rita Ana Martínez para registrarse para las clases. Estamos tomando registros los miércoles de 9:30 – 4:30 p.m. o si usted necesita venir despues de las 4:30 favor de llamar la oficina y hablar con Ms. Martínez

Confirmation for Adults will begin in February. If you need to make the sacrament and are over the age of 18 and a graduate of high school please contact the office to make an appointment with Rita Ann Martinez to register for the classes. We are taking registrations on Wednesdays from 9:30 – 4:30 p.m. or if you need to come at a later time please make arrangements with Ms. Martinez.

Confirmacion para Adultos Comenzara en febrero. Si usted necesita hacer el sacramento y si tiene mas de 18 anos y ha graduado de escuela secundaria favor de llamar la oficina para citarse con Rita Ana Martinez para registrarse para las clases. Estamos tomando registros los miércoles de 9:30 – 4:30 p.m. o si usted necesita venir despues de las 4:30 favor de llamar la oficina y hablar con Ms. Martínez.

Adult Bible Study in English will be held on Thursday mornings here in our St. Monica Hall after the 8:30 liturgy and will end at 11 a.m.... Ms. Jackie Sanders is our adult bible study leader. Please come and join in our faith sharing. Please call our office and speak to Ms. Rita Ann Martinez for further information.

Estudio de Biblia en Español será las mañanas de domingo antes de la misa de 10:30 a.m. de la mañana. El grupo se reunió a las 8:30 de la mañana en sala 205 de la escuela. Si tiene una pregunta favor de hablar la oficina para dejar una mensaje por Diacono Benito Meza.

READINGS FOR THIS SUNDAY

First Reading 2 Samuel 7:1-5,8b-12,14a,16 (11B)
 With help from the prophet Nathan, King David decided to build a house for the Lord to dwell in. "Your house and your kingdom shall endure forever before me; your throne shall stand firm forever."

Second Reading: Romans 16:25-27
 According to Paul, the gospel reveals the mystery hidden for long ages but now, at God's command, is made manifest in Christ Jesus.

Gospel: Luke 1:26-38
 The angel addressed Mary, "Hail full of grace! The Lord is with you." When Mary said, "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord," she became a model for all.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Sm 1:24-28; Lk 1:46-56
 Tuesday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24; Lk 1:57-66
 Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Lk 1:67-79
 Thursday: **Vigil:** Is 62:1-5; Ps 89; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 [18-25]
Midnight: Is 9:1-6; Ps 96; Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14
Dawn: Is 62:11-12; Ps 97; Ti 3:4-7; Lk 2:15-20
Day: Is 52:7-10; Ps 98; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 [1-5, 9-14]
 Friday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Mt 10:17-22
 Saturday: 1 Jn 1:1-4; Jn 20:1a, 2-8
 Sunday: Sir 3:2-7, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3; Ps 128 or Ps 105; Col 3:12-21 [12-17] or Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19; Lk 2:22-40 [22, 39-40]



ST. AUGUSTINE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

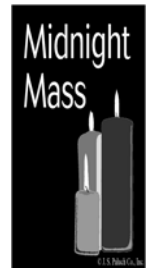


- Thank you to everyone who came to the Christmas program. It was an evening filled with many Christmas songs old and new. The students did a magnificent job filling the room with Christmas cheer. A very special thank you to Ms. Wood and Ms. Menchaca for all their hard work in preparing for this event.
- Kindergarten through 3rd grade students enjoyed a visit from the Zoo-mobile this week. Thank you to Ms. Mann for organizing this special in-school field trip.
- Attention! Attention! We are currently looking for **ALL** St. Augustine Alumni let us know where you are and what you've been up to! Please contact the school office at 713-946-9050.
- St. Augustine Catholic School students and faculty will be participating in the 4th Annual Steps for Students 5K Run/Walk on Saturday, Feb.21, 2009. You can donate to our school @ www.firstgiving.com/stepsforstudents if you wish to join us in this walk/run you may register at the above website as well. Last year our school walked away with 2nd place in pledges and participation out of 45 participating schools. This year St. Augustine Catholic School's plans to be the #1 school. Please help us achieve our goal!

St. Augustine Catholic School faculty/staff wish you and yours a very blessed Christmas and a peaceful and prosperous New Year! We appreciate your support and all that you do for the school throughout the year. School will resume on Monday, January 5, 2009.

MASS SCHEDULE FOR CHRISTMAS EVE AND CHRISTMAS DAY

Christmas Eve: Wednesday, December 24, 2008
 5:30 p.m. Bilingual Mass
 10:00 p.m. Mass in English
 Christmas Day: Thursday, December 25, 2008
 9:00 a.m. Bilingual Mass



STEWARDSHIP: A WAY OF LIFE

In the first reading, God promises King David that his house and his kingdom will endure forever. It is through Mary's "Yes" - "I am the handmaid of the Lord. Let it be done to me as you say." - that the promise finds fulfillment.



ADMINISTRACION CRISTIAN: MANERA DE VIVIR:

En la primera lectura, Dios promete al Rey David que su hogar y su reino duraran para siempre. Es a través del "Si" de María— "Yo soy la servidora del Señor, hágase en mí tal como has dicho" - que la promesa se cumple.



ST VINCENT DEPAUL PANTRY

There will be a Society of St. Vincent DePaul meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, January 5, 2009 in Monica Hall. All members are urged to attend and new members are encouraged to attend. Please mark your calendar!

St. Augustine Parish Staff wish you and your family a Blessed & Joyous Christmas.

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El personal de la Oficina de la Parroquia de San Agustín les desea a usted y su familia una Navidad llena de bendiciones y alegría.



ATTENTION ALL MINISTRIES

MINISTERS TO THE HOMEBOUND

We are very much in need of ministers who are willing to take Holy Communion to homebound parishioners. Fr. Wencil will meet with all our current Ministers to the Homebound and with any person wishing to serve in this capacity at 3:00 p.m. Sunday, 21st of December in Monica Hall.

MINISTROS A LOS ENFERMOS RECLUSOS

Tenemos grande necesidad de ministros quines pueden llevar la Santa Comunión a los enfermos que no pueden salir de sus casas. El Padre Wencil se reunirá con todos nuestros Ministros presentes a los Reclusos y con aquellas personas quines quieren servir en esta capacidad a las 3 de la tarde, el domingo, 21 de diciembre en el Salón Mónica.

WORD OF LIFE

At Christmas we contemplate God made man, divine glory hidden beneath the poverty of a Child wrapped in swaddling clothes and laid in a manger; the Creator of the Universe reduced to the helplessness of an infant. Once we accept this paradox, we discover the Truth that sets us free and the Love that transforms our lives. On Bethlehem Night, the Redeemer becomes one of us, our companion along the precarious paths of history. Let us take the hand which he stretches out to us: it is a hand which seeks to take nothing from us, but only to give.

PALABRA DE VIDA

En Navidad nuestro espíritu se abre a la esperanza contemplando la Gloria divina oculta en la pobreza de un Niño envuelto en panales y acostado en un pesebre: es el Creador del universo reducido a la impotencia de un recién nacido. Aceptar esta paradoja, la paradoja de la Navidad, es descubrir la Verdad que nos hace libres y el Amor que transforma la existencia. En la noche de Belén, el Redentor se hace uno de nosotros, para ser compañero nuestro en los caminos insidiosos de la historia. Tomemos la mano que el nos tiende: es una mano que no nos quiere quitar nada, sino sólo dar.

