

## St. Augustine Campaign Newsletter

June 13 & 14, 2015 Volume 8

### This Weekend Is Pledge Weekend!

Our **Reclaiming Christ's Mission Together** campaign Pledge Weekend takes place this weekend here at St. Augustine. Please consider your pledge to the campaign today. If you have not had an opportunity to make your pledge, please complete one of the pledge envelopes available in the pews and place it in today's collection.

#### Why is Pledging Vital?

- A pledge allows you to make a continuous sacrifice that adds up to a significant contribution over a period of time.
- A pledge makes payments less of a burden than a one-time gift.
- A pledge gives the Parish and Diocese an accurate estimate for future planning.

Your pledge is a statement of your intent to give to the best of your ability. Bishop Barber and Fr. Augustine know that when you make your pledge, you will do your best to fulfill it. A 10% down payment is encouraged **but not necessary**.

#### How do I make my Gift?

To assist you in making your decision, suggested gift plans are presented below. Keep in mind that while no pledge is too small or too large, it should have some relationship to how generous God has been to you and your family.

#### **SUGGESTED GIFT PLANS**

Total Pledge	10% Down	16 Quarterly Payments	48 Monthly Payments	Daily Sacrifice
\$50,000	\$5,000	\$2,813	\$938	\$30.82
\$25,000	\$2,500	\$1,406	\$469	\$15.41
\$15,000	\$1,500	\$844	\$281	\$9.25
\$10,000	\$1,000	\$563	\$188	\$6.16
\$7,500	\$750	\$422	\$141	\$4.62
\$5,000	\$500	\$281	\$94	\$3.08
\$3,000	\$300	\$169	\$56	\$1.85

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#### **Additional Reclaiming Christ's Mission Together Information**

June 13th & 14th: Commitment Weekend # 1

June 20th & 21st: Commitment Weekend #2

June 27th & 28th: Follow Up Weekend

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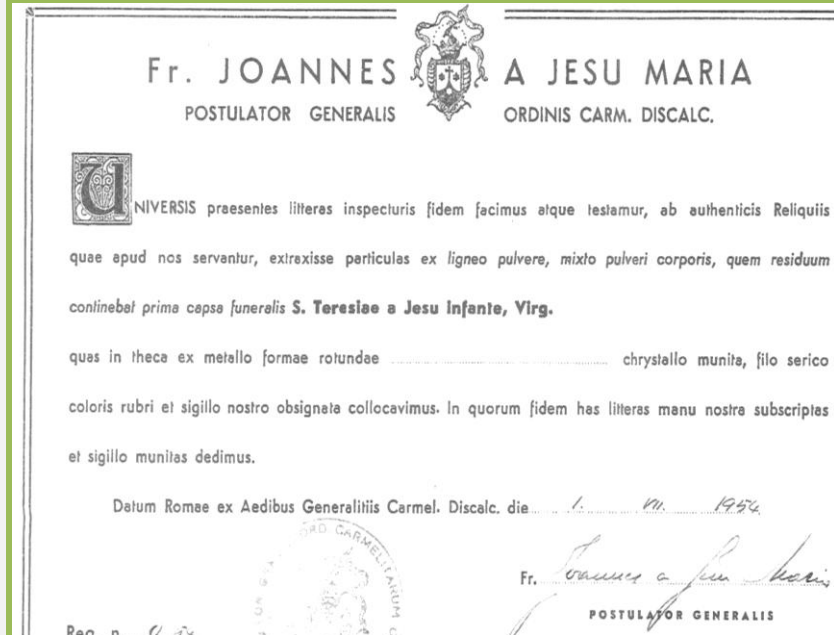
**Bishop's visit:** Bishop of our diocese, The Most Reverend Michael C. Barber SJ will be visiting our parish and celebrating Holy Mass on June 28<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 AM. All parishioners are invited to participate in this Holy Mass with our Bishop.

Father Freddie is a student attending The Jesuit School of Theology and residing at Saint Augustine. He will be away on summer vacation in June and July.

**Summer:** it is a beautiful time when people take some time off from their daily chores and find time to rest and relax. A vacation does not mean that one has to travel far or spend a lot of money. A vacation is a change of occupation or, rather, a break from our daily routine.

I spent a week in prayer during my annual retreat at San Damiano. It was a wonderful time for rest, relaxation and spiritual renewal. I pray that everyone take a vacation and get renewed in body and spirit, mind and soul.

**Blessing of the Daily Mass chapel:** Our daily Mass Chapel is being made ready for the Bishop's visit. We will be blessing it after the 10:30 AM Holy Mass. The altar in the chapel contains the relic of Saint Theresa of Child Jesus (Thérèse of Lisieux). Please find the Certificate of Authentication in Latin and free English translation of the same below it.



A free English translation from  
Father Joannes A Jesu Maria, Postulator General of the Order of Carmelites Discalced.

To whom it may concern: We declare and testify that particles of bone and body dust from the remains of St. Therese of the Child Jesus, which are in our custody, have been removed from her casket and placed in a round metal reliquary and officially sealed. We declare this to be true by signing and sealing this document. Given at the Generalate of the Carmelites in Rome.

Father Augustine

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#### **Mission Statement**

We are called by Christ to love Him, to follow Him and to bring Him to the world.



Deacon Sean is slated to graduate from the Jesuit School of Theology on May 23, and be ordained a priest in New York on June 13. By early July I, he will be working at a Jesuit parish in New York.

He will celebrate his first Mass here at Saint Augustine on June 21, 6:00 PM, to thank all the members of the Parish.

Kindly keep the following parishioner in your prayers as she has been placed in **Hospice care**: Marilyn La Placa.

**Please remember in your prayers those who are ill:**

Jasmine Harris, Frances Delegeane, Evelyn Tude, Mary Hazen, Harold Swamy, Matilda Maes, Claudia Johnson., Patty Wiesner.

**And those who have died:**

*Rose Domaguing, Mary Pavao, Sunny Gustafson, Joan Morris, Hortense Atkins, Evelyn Vega.*

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

Saturday, June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015, 5:00 p.m.

**Parishioners and Benefactors**

Sunday, June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2015 8 a.m.

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Sunday, June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2015, 10:30 a.m.

**Irene Jacobson (-)**

Sunday, June 14<sup>th</sup> 2015, 6 p.m.

**Parishioners and Benefactors**

**Stewardship – Weekly Offering**

June 7th, 2015: \$4,386.00 (Includes EFT)

St. Vincent de Paul Stewardship \$82.38

In addition to our SVDP stewardship contributions, in the past few months we have also contributed to the following charities: Elizabeth House (\$100), St. Luke Institute (\$100), Vision of Hope (\$200), Adopt-a-Priest (\$100), and SPRED (\$200)

**Dates to Remember**

June 21st: Fr. Sean Toole will preside at the 6 PM Mass

June 28th: Bishop Michael Barber, SJ will preside at the 10:30 am Mass

July 25th and 26th: Baptism Weekend

**Question of the Week**

**For Adults:**

What is the "good soil" that has allowed your faith to grow like the mustard seed and provide shelter for others?

**For Children:**

How do you help your faith grow like the mustard seed?

Fr. Freddie's bible study will resume in the church cafeteria on Sunday, August 2nd after the 10:30 am Mass. This session will be on the Gospel of John.

**Please join members of the Prayer Tree** to pray "Rosary for Peace" on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sundays of the month. Rosary for Peace begins at 9:15 AM, on following days in 2015: July 5, August 2, September 6, October 4, November 1, and December 6.

**Welcome Bishop Michael Barber, SJ**

Please join our Community as we welcome Bishop Michael Barber, SJ, who will be presiding at our 10:30 am Mass on Sunday, June 28.



**Weekly Worship Schedule**

**Saturday Vigil**

**5:00 p.m.**

**Sunday Eucharist**

**8:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m.**

**Weekday Eucharist**

**Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday**

**8:30 a.m.**

**Communion Service**

**Wednesday 8:30 a.m.**

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

**Saturday 4 p.m.**

Dear Brothers and Sisters - I wanted to inform you that our school tenant, EBI (Escuela Bilingue Internacional) will be doing many improvements to the interior and exterior of the school building this summer. EBI has been a wonderful tenant and partner for almost 10 years. We are lucky to have such a good steward with whom to share our St. Augustine campus.

I wanted to make you aware of some of these changes, so we all understand why additional activity and extra equipment may be on site for several months this summer. Specifically EBI will do repairs and upgrades to the windows, which will directly improve the look of the school. They will paint some of the exterior as well, and possibly rearranging some of their outdoor features.

Inside, EBI plans to upgrade bathrooms and classrooms and homogenize decades of paint colors. With an old building, one can expect lead. EBI has informed me that they will be working with certified contractors and following all federal guidelines when in contact with any lead paint. They are taking this particular aspect of the renovations very seriously, and I trust they will be in compliance.

We look forward to the new improvements,

-Father Augustine