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In Fatima and Lourdes we celebrated Holy Mass at the Chapel of the Apparitions, took part in the processions and other devotional practices. We visited the homes of the visionaries and prayed for families, friends and members of our parishes and remembered all those who requested prayers. It need not be said that there were throngs of pilgrims milling around those two holy places!

The church of Santiago De Compostela has been for many centuries a place of pilgrimages. People from all over Europe often walked on foot the "routes of Saint James." Some of us did a few miles on foot to "walk the walk".

To be continued

Fr. Augustine

The Art and Environment Committee would like to invite all interested parishioners to help ready the church for the Advent season. We will meet on Saturday, November 28th from 10:30 a.m. to about 2 p.m. All are welcome, for any length of time that fits in your schedule. Thank you.

Blessings,
Maureen

Looking for a way to become more centered? Have a mind freer for prayer? Move from your head to your heart? Have a more balanced, flexible body?

When: November 3 - Dec. 1, 2015 7:00-8:00PM, Presented by Sister Celeste Crine

Where: St Augustine Church, Alcatraz Ave, Oakland

Please join members of the Prayer Tree to pray "Rosary for Peace" on the 1st Sundays of the month. Rosary for Peace begins at 9:15 AM, on following days in 2015: November 1, and December 6.

We are in the process of forming our Pastoral Council. If anyone feels the call to join, please contact the Parish office at (510) 653-8631. If you wish, you may also nominate someone that you feel would like to share their talents with our Parish Community.

Electronic Funds Transfer
IT MAKES EVERY SUNDAY COUNT!
Application Forms are in the back of the church

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Marian Pilgrimage

Human life is a journey, from birth to death, through 'the seven ages of [humanity]'; a journey that may be meaningless to some, one of sorrow and suffering for others, and of joy, hope and adventure yet for others.

Life of a Christian, too, is a journey. However, it could be more meaningful, focused and hopeful in spite of the sufferings, trials and tribulations that come our way, because it is a journey to Jesus Christ. The resurrection of Christ makes all the difference as it makes us partakers of the heavenly glory that awaits us at the end of our journey.

Pilgrimage is a journey, a journey of exalted purpose or moral meaning. It is a mirror image of our Christian life. Our recent Marian pilgrimage was no exception; it really helped us to experience this 'Journey of life.'

Our first stop was Lisbon, the capital of Portugal, where we briefly visited some of the historical landmarks and the tomb of Vasco de Gama, who rediscovered the sea-route to India from Europe which was lost after the Muslim conquests of the Middle East.

En route to Fatima we stopped in Santarem, the Church of the Eucharistic Miracle and celebrated Holy Mass there. The miracle occurred during the early part of 13th century; the consecrated host began to bleed in the hands of a woman who had the intention of misusing it. The miracle was brought to the attention of the church authorities. The host is enshrined in its miraculous crystal pyx in a silver monstrance and placed on display above the tabernacle of the Church.

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Mission Statement

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



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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:

Bob Shobar, Florence Ottoboni, Cynthia Mitchell, Fr. Freddie's father, Thomas, John Meadows, Harold Swamy, Matilda Maes, Claudia Johnson, Theresa Allevato.

And those who have died:

Mary Flynn, Rose Thomas, Michael McGuinness, Mary Hazen, Margaret Johnson

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, October 31st, 2015, 5:00 p.m.

Parishioners & Benefactors

Sunday, November 1st, 2015 8 a.m.

Parishioners & Benefactors

Sunday, November 1st, 2015, 10:30 a.m.

Parishioners & Benefactors

Sunday November 1st, 2015, 6 p.m.

Kathy Garlicki (-)

Stewardship – Weekly Offering

October 25th, 2015: \$3,121.00 (Includes EFT)

SVDP Stewardship: \$ 53.22

A note from St Vincent de Paul

Many thanks to all who made our "Bundle Week-end" a great success. We were able to fill the van totally full, and received the amount for our bonus. Now we are planning our holiday giving for Thanksgiving and Christmas. We will be preparing 100+ food boxes for each of these holidays. We could use your help with food donations of canned pumpkin, stuffing mix, canned milk, etc., and donations of cash to supply these and other produce items that we purchase for the holidays. Also for our regular pantry items we can always use donations of rice, beans (canned or dried), canned soup, tomatoes, fruit, tuna, and pasta. We appreciate your generosity in helping us serve the poor.

Also just to let you know, we are not able to take any donations of clothing or household goods at this time. We need all our space in the pantry for food.

Thanks

WINGS (Women in God's Spirit)

WINGS is a faith enhancement group that encourages spiritual growth through prayer, Scripture study, catechesis, life sharing and community. Meetings take place on Wednesdays from October through May in St. Theresa Event Center (4850 Clarewood Dr., Oakland), meeting room 1 at 9:15am with hospitality followed by the guest speaker and program until 11:15am. Women from local parishes and other denominations are welcome. The Fall season is devoted to catechesis, exploring and enriching knowledge of Catholic tradition, often on topics of interest requested by the women. Opening day is October 7th. Our theme for the year is All Are Welcome.

For more information, or to attend as a guest, contact Courtenay Redis at courtenaymorganredis@gmail.com

Question of the Week

For Adults:

What qualities do you see in yourself that mark you as a child of God?

For Children:

What is good about being a child of God?

Ministry Week in a Glance

Monday, Nov 2nd @ 7pm – Mass of Remembrance

Wednesday, Nov 4th @ 6pm - RCIA

Sunday, Nov 8th @ 9:15 am – Faith Formation (PreK – 4th)

Sunday, Nov 8th @ 10:30 am mass – Children's Liturgy of the Word

Sunday, Nov 8th after 10:30 am mass – Reception Lunch for Fr. Augustine Jubilee Celebration

Catholic Charities of the

East Bay wants to be of

assistance. [Oakland-RENTAL, DEPOSIT, UTILITY ASSISTANCE.](#)

If I can be of any help, please let me know.

Steve Mullin

[510 393-8640](tel:5103938640)

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.

Calling all Crafters, Bakers, and Creative Folks!

St. Augustine Church

Annual Craft Fair is Nov. 22.

Do you knit, sew, crochet, craft, do woodwork, carve, bake, paint, draw, or make the best soaps, ornaments, wreaths, candles, baked goods, gift baskets or whatnot? Do you have friends who do?

If you have homemade goods to sell, we NEED you!

Please contact Lorrie Soria

at 510-914-0847 by November 15.

Table cost is \$25 or 15% of sales –

Table costs benefit St. Augustine's

St. Vincent De Paul Food Pantry.

From the Office of the Ministry Coordinator

On Saturday, November 21st at 10 am, we will be hosting an Encounter with Jesus, sponsored by the Confraternity of Eucharistic Devotion of the Diocese of Oakland in partnership with St. Augustine Parish. In preparation of the Year of Mercy join us for a mass celebrated by Fr. Brandon Macadeag, from Holy Spirit in Fremont followed by a presentation on the devotion of Eucharistic Adoration. More information is available in the Parish bulletin. A simple soup lunch will follow in the Parish Hall.

St. Augustine Memorial Mass of Remembrance on All Souls Day, Monday, Nov 2nd at 7 pm.

This is a special celebration honoring our loved ones and all the forgotten souls who have died.

Hospitality will follow.

Please continue to pray with me that our Parish community will grow in God's love and holiness.

In Christ's love, Karen