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Carpets in the Church: We had been advised to replace the carpets in the Church last year. They are too aged and cannot any longer be stretched; they present a trip hazard to the faithful. Although it is expensive to do so (about \$14,000), we have decided to complete the work for the good of all.

I invite everyone to pray that these projects may help our community in their prayer and faith life. All are welcome to become part of these projects through your prayers and financial assistance.

Fr. Augustine

Good news!

The *St. Augustine's Bible Study Group* meets every Sunday after 10.30 am Holy Mass and is celebrating its two years of successful completion of reflection on the Word of God. In the first year of its launching (2014-15) we did an extensive study of the Introduction of the Old and New Testaments and an in-depth study on the Gospel of Mark.

In the second year (2015-16) we are studying the Gospel of John with shared reflections. To dive deeply into the rich theological significance of the Gospel of John, we are screening a movie on June 12 on the life and ministry of Christ according to the Gospel of John (chapter by chapter).

The Bible Study Group invites all of you to come and watch the movie and contribute to a deeper discussion on the Gospel of John, in a series beginning from June 12 for seven consecutive Sundays.

All are welcome!

In the Powerful Name of Jesus

*Fr. Freddie Thomas
(913) 915-9989*

Good news!!

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Laudate Si :Section 95:

The natural environment is a collective good, the patrimony of all humanity and the responsibility of everyone. If we make something our own, it is only to administer it for the good of all. If we do not, we burden our consciences with the weight of having denied the existences of others. That is why the New Zealand bishops asked what the commandment "Thou shall not kill" means when "twenty percent of the world's population consumes resources at a rate that robs the poor nations and future generations of what they need to survive."

Taize Prayer

Quiet times of centering prayer, a brief reflection, shared petitions, framed with simple music. All are welcome!" The service will begin on Thursday mornings at 7:45 a.m. and will last approximately 30 minutes. No prior experience or training is necessary in order to participate; all that is needed is a desire to meet with a small group to spend time in prayer. If you would like more information, please contact Susan Schaeffer at lilac52@gmail.com or 415-935-1729

Electronic Funds Transfer

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

Saint Augustine Catholic Church

Parish news

Votive candles: A common type of candle offering is the votive light. Such an offering is indicative of seeking some favor from the Lord or the saint before which the candle is placed. Saints are also powerful intercessors.

Our Church will have two types of votive candles – Votive candles and perpetual votive candles. Votive candles are lit for certain number of hours and they go off after that. The suggested offering for lighting a votive candle is one dollar.

Perpetual votive candles are lit for an entire year. These are great if one wants a memorial for a dear departed person or for other intentions that are dear to one's heart. There are only eight perpetual votive candles. The offering for a perpetual votive candle is \$300. To light a perpetual votive candle one has to contact the parish office.

The total cost of the candles is about \$4,300. Those who would like to donate to this project are welcome. We will acknowledge donations of \$500 or more with a plaque. If you like to donate please contact the parish office or Father Augustine.

Choir area of the Church: Since the flooring near the piano and choir has been deteriorating we have replaced it. We will be adding pews for the choir seating so that our choir members will have a comfortable place to sing.

I thank our choir members for their beautiful singing and for all the sacrifices they make to serve our parish community. May God continue to bless them and their families.

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Mission Statement

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

Please remember in your prayers those who are ill:

Maria Pestl, Virginia Nelson, Fr. Freddie's father, Thomas, Claudia Johnson, Theresa Allevato, Patty Wiesner, Baby Benjamin.

And those who have died:

Theresia Joseph, Kathleen Bell, Patricia Burkhalter

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, June 11th, 2016, 5 p.m.

Parishioners & Benefactors

Sunday, June 12th, 2016, 8 a.m.

Sunday, June 12th, 2016, 10:30 a.m.

Tony Custodio (-)

Sunday, June 12th, 2016, 6 p.m.

Tom & Bridget Hurley (-)**Stewardship – Weekly Offering**

June 5th Collection: \$3,798.00 Includes EFT
St. Vincent dePaul Stewardship: \$76.98

Question of the Week**For Adults:**

Whom does your Christian faith call you to forgive right now? How hard will this be for you?

For Children:

When is it hard for you to forgive someone who has hurt you? What can help you forgive?

Rosary Repairs

Is your rosary sitting in a drawer, broken and need of repair? Contact Suzy Arnhart before or after the 10:30 am Mass, and she will gladly repair it free of charge.

SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR VOLUNTEER DINNER!

Calling all Ministry Volunteers—Eucharistic Ministers, Acolytes, Sacristans, Lectors, Choir Members, Altar Care Servers, Collection Counters, RCIA Team, Faith Formation Catechists, CLW volunteers, St. Vincent dePaul team, Rosary team, Prayer Tree members, Welcoming team, Church Environment team, Ushers, Greeters, and Hospitality team, to make sure to mark your calendars for August 4th. At 5 p.m., we will begin the evening in the church with a prayer service and then meet up in the cafeteria for a very special Volunteer Appreciation Dinner.

Prayer Tree

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 2016: June 5th, July 3rd, August 7th, September 4th, October 2nd, November 6th, December 4th.

The School of Applied Theology's "Summer Spirituality Series" is taking place this June and significant scholarship assistance of 40% off tuition is being offered. Each week, distinguished presenters focus on different aspects of spirituality. Sessions are held over the course of three days with ample time for contemplation, reflection, faith sharing, and discussion. Presentations begin at 10:00am and at 3:30 pm. This is a wonderful opportunity to take time for spiritual development and renewal. SAT is located at St. Albert's Priory 5890 Birch Ct. Oakland

Presentations: Khaleghl Quinn, Ph.D. with Mary Busby: Sacred Nourishment (June 13-15); Msg. Ray East: Singing a New Church into Being: New Ecclesiologies for a New Evangelization (June 20-22). For more information please contact the SAT website satgtu.org. Please don't miss out on this incredible experience.

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

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.

From the Office of the Ministry Coordinator

St. Augustine Parish Pilgrimage - We extend a great big thank you to all who joined us in the pilgrimage to the Cathedral of Christ the Light. It was a wonderful experience in living our faith and participating in the invitation of Pope Francis to join him in the celebration of the Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy.

As we wind up the school year and look forward to our summer get aways, I would like to remind you of the things ahead.

Day of Mercy ~ The Year of Mercy is just about half over. The opportunity for prayer is still available on the First Tuesday @ 7 pm of every month, thru November. I encourage you to set aside time to participate in an evening of prayer with fellow parishioners.

Faith Formation is now on summer break. Classes will resume on September 18th.

Children's Liturgy of the Word will continue through the summer (exceptions: Father's day, 4th of July weekend, July 31st, August 28th ~St. Augustine Feast Day).

Family Night ~ Movie, Game and Family Dinner night is being planned for July 20th and August 10th. For more details or an ability to participate in the planning, please contact Karen.

RCIA Inquiry will begin with an Ice Cream Social on Wednesday, July 27th at 6:30 pm. Please mark your calendars for this event. All are welcome!!!

Small Faith Groups this fall will gather to read and share discussion on the new exhortation of Pope Francis, “Joy of Love”. A leader group is forming now. Please talk to Karen to get more information.

Ministry Month over the last eight weeks several parishioners have shared their thoughts and benefits of being involved in ministry here at St. Augustine. If there is a ministry you would like more information on or are interested in joining please call the parish office.

St. Augustine Feast Day Celebration will be Sunday, August 28th @ 10:30 am mass. Emeritus Bishop John Cummins will be the celebrant for this Holy Mass. A luncheon celebration and concert will highlight this special day, following the Holy Mass. Anyone interested in serving on the setup/cleanup, food committee please contact Karen.

Visit the Diocese Jubilee of Mercy website @ <http://www.jubileeofmercy-eb.org>

Visit our new Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/St-Augustine-Catholic-Church-113260159035124/>

Jesus, meek and humble of heart, make our hearts like yours. In Christ's love, Karen