

# St. Augustine by-the-sea Church

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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

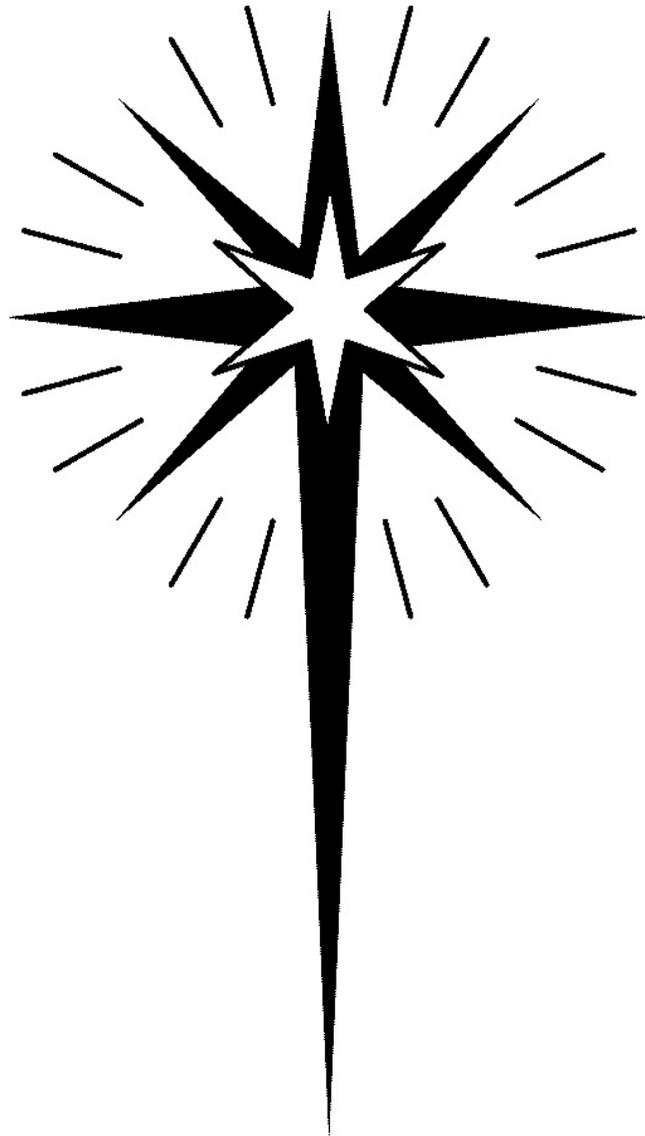


*You have made us for yourself,  
Lord, and our hearts are restless  
until they rest in you*

*-- St. Augustine of Hippo*

*With the servant leadership  
of the Congregation of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus  
and Mary since 1854*

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## **St. Augustine by-the-sea Parish**

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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](mailto: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, Jan. 3--The Epiphany of the Lord**

Liturgical color: White

6 a.m. Mass—S/I Jennifer Radan (safe travel); R/S Henry Zak

7:15 a.m. Rosary

8 a.m. Mass—S/I Purie Cortez (thanksgiving)

10 a.m. Mass

5 p.m. Mass

### **Monday, Jan. 4--St. Elizabeth Ann Seton**

Liturgical color: White

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Communion Prayer Service

5 p.m. Mass

### **Tuesday, Jan. 5--St. John Neumann**

Liturgical color: White

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass

5 p.m. Mass

5:30 p.m. Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

### **Wednesday, Jan. 6--Christmas weekday; St. Andre Besette**

Liturgical color: White

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass—S/I Purie Cortez (thanksgiving)

5 p.m. Mass—R/S John Rosecrance

6:30 p.m. RCIA, Damien Meeting Room

8 p.m. Tongan Choir, upstairs, annex building

### **Thursday, Jan. 7--Christmas weekday, St. Raymond of Penafort**

Liturgical color: White

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass

5 p.m. Mass

### **Friday, Jan. 8--Christmas weekday**

Liturgical color: White

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass

### **Saturday, Jan. 9--Christmas weekday**

Liturgical color: White

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass

Church cleaning: Tongan Society—Catechist's Mystery

11:30 a.m. Parish Christmas Party, Hale Koa Hotel

5 p.m. Mass



## Breaking open the Word

### *The Epiphany of the Lord*

Today we hear the familiar story of the three Magi who came from the East seeking to give homage to the newborn king of the Jews and of the duplicitous King Herod.

It is a story of wonder – of three Wise Men we know not from where, following a star that appeared in the sky, to a humble place of birth in a manger, and of a dream that warns the Magi not to return to Herod but rather to return another way home.

It is also a story of the wonder of God's promise made to all of us, the promise we hear in the second reading from Ephesians: "...that the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body, and copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel."

Today's feast of the Epiphany — of the showing or manifestation of Jesus to the rest of the world — reminds us that for God there are no outsiders. We are sisters and brothers in our journey of faith.

The Magi responded to a sign – the star in the sky. They journeyed from afar, open to the promise of the star. God invites us, too, to bring our gifts, to share in the mission, to be open to the promise as the Magi were, and heed the message.

*Anne Harpham*

### Readings

**First Reading** — Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! The LORD shines upon you and the glory of the Lord appears over you (Isaiah 60:1-6).

**Psalms** — Lord, every nation on earth will adore you (Psalm 72).

**Second Reading** — The mystery has been made known that the Gentiles are coheirs, copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel (Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6).

**Gospel** — Magi from the east arrived, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews?" (Matthew 2:1-12).

### Weekday

Monday: 1 Jn 3:22 — 4:6; Ps 2; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10; Ps 72; Mk 6:34-44

Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18; Ps 72; Mk 6:45-52

Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19 — 5:4; Ps 7; Lk 4:14-22a

Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147; Lk 5:12-16

Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149; Jn 3:22-30

### Next Sunday's reading

Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 29 or Ps 104; Acts 10:34-38 or Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7; Lk 3:15-16, 21-22



### Daily Prayer This Week

This week is a time with two special Sundays book-ending the week. Both celebrations offer an "epiphany," an understanding and insight into the essence of who Jesus really is. When the Wise Men visit the poorest of families and find the baby Jesus, they have a clearer idea of what kind of king he will be.

At the Baptism of the Lord the following Sunday, Jesus is baptized and the skies open and the voice of God proclaims, "You are my beloved Son." More than just a prophet, this special relationship with God is made manifest in that moment.

How can we make this week a special one as the Christmas season draws to a close? The days are shorter now and this could be the week to reflect on that darkness and the light that Jesus brings into our hearts.

Each morning we can ask God to show us the light in our lives. Gratitude is a wonderful way to pray and to recognize the light we sometimes don't notice in our lives. Maybe in this final week of Christmas, we can light a candle at dinner and remember a special blessing we have been given or something we are grateful for in our lives.

*Dear Lord,*

*You came to your disciples when they felt alone on the stormy waters and comforted them with your presence. Be with me today and let my heart be touched by the love you so lavishly give to me. Let me remember to turn to you in my fears and darkness and know that you will heal me.*

### Second Week of Christmas

In the week that follows the Epiphany we continue with more of the beautiful first readings from the **First Letter of John**. He wants us to believe the message: we are from God and are loved by God and "whoever is without love does not know God, for God is love."

The **Gospels** this week are from all four gospel writers, **Matthew, Mark, Luke and John**. We read of Jesus traveling through Galilee "teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the Gospel of the Kingdom, and curing every disease and illness among the people." He feeds loaves and fishes to the hungry and exhorts his disciples, "Take courage, it is I, do not be afraid!" when they are caught in a storm at sea. When he reads from the scriptures at the synagogue, he proclaims, "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing." When a leper begs for healing, Jesus says, "I do will it. Be made clean." On Saturday, John tells his followers he is not the Christ. "He must increase; I must decrease."

*Creighton University Online Ministries*

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## St. Augustine Christmas Party on January 9

**Date:** Saturday, January 9

**Place:** Hale Koa Hotel @ the Banyan Tree Room

**Time:** 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

**Cost:** \$35.00 per person

**Aloha Attire**

**There will be entertainment**

**Tickets sold in the parish office and after Mass.**

## Sidewalk remodeling

Beginning January 2016, the City and County will continue its work of remodeling the Kalakaua Avenue sidewalk. Much of the west end of Kalakaua has been remodeled, now it's our turn. With the remodeling of the sidewalk, the driveway onto Kalakaua will no longer be used as an exit. Thus, parking will be a greater challenge when this takes place.

We are looking at other options, such as parking offsite, valet parking, etc. This will be a major detriment for attendance on weekends until the new parking structure is built. We will keep you updated as work progresses. We have requested that the section in front of the church be done at the end of the project.

Pray that we all have patience and understanding.

## Presentation on Laudato Si



Archbishop Bernardito Auza, permanent observer of the Holy See to the United Nations, will give a presentation on Laudato Si, Pope Francis' encyclical on the environment on Tuesday, Jan. 19 at 6:45 p.m. at the Clarence T.C. Ching Conference Center in Eiben Hall at Chaminade University.

Archbishop Auza has many years of experience in diplomacy for the Holy See. Born in Talibon, the Philippines, he was ordained in 1985 and entered the Holy See's diplomatic service in 1990.

The evening will begin with dinner at 6 p.m. All are welcome, but RSVPs are required. Contact Karen Harp at Karen.harp@chaminade.edu or 735-4827. **Page 4**

## 2016 envelopes available

Stewardship envelopes for those who give to St. Augustine using the weekly envelope system are available in the sacristy.

If you do not use envelopes and would like to begin, please call the parish office during office hours.



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## Faith sharing meets Jan. 18

St. Augustine's faith sharing group meets **Monday, Jan. 18 at 6 p.m.** in the Damien Meeting Room. We are using Pope Francis' encyclical, Laudato Si, as the basis for our sharing. Laudato Si is Pope Francis' encyclical on the environment, "On Care for our Common Home."

In this encyclical, Pope Francis asks us to look deeply at our consumer-driven society and throw-away culture. Join your fellow parishioners in a discussion on how our faith challenges us to be stewards of our home. Download the encyclical at: <http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/encyclicals/index.html>. We will have copies available at class or you may purchase copies of the book at Pauline Book and Media Center.

## Stewardship of treasure

**Collection for Sunday, Dec. 27: \$7,900.66**

**Christmas collection: \$22,351.29**

**Christmas 2nd collection for parish outreach: \$8,490.91**

## Online giving -- easy, convenient

Did you forget your offering at home? We have a solution to fix that once and for all. Use our Online Giving program! It's quick, accurate, and done at your convenience. Go to our web site [staugustinebythesea.com](http://staugustinebythesea.com) and click on Donate. Need help? Call us at 808 923-7024.

### Deacon Ordination of Alfred Guerrero

• When:

• Fri, 27 May 2016 @ 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM HST

• Where:

Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa 712 North School Street Honolulu, HI 96813



## Pope Francis' Prayer for the Jubilee Year of Mercy

You are the visible face of the invisible Father,  
of the God who manifests his power above all by  
forgiveness and mercy:

Let the Church be your visible face in the world, its Lord  
risen and glorified.

You willed that your ministers would also be clothed in  
weakness in order that they may feel compassion for those  
in ignorance and error:

Let everyone who approaches them feel sought after, loved,  
and forgiven by God.

Send your Spirit and consecrate every one of us with its  
anointing,  
so that the Jubilee of Mercy may be a year of grace from the  
Lord,  
and your Church, with renewed enthusiasm, may bring good  
news to the poor,  
proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed,  
and restore sight to the blind.

We ask this through  
the intercession of Mary, Mother of Mercy,  
you who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit  
for ever and ever

*From Pope Francis' Prayer for the Jubilee Year of Mercy*

### *Our Liturgy*

## Ministry Is for Everyone

Baptism is the basis for it all. Baptism has incorporated us  
into the Body of Christ. It has given us rights and responsibili-  
ties as members of that Body. Part of our responsibility is to  
minister to one another. The word "ministry" can be intimidat-  
ing. It may be easier to think of it as "service to God's people."  
Everyone has gifts and talents that can be used in service. If  
liturgical ministries, even those behind-the-scenes jobs, seem  
beyond us, there are other opportunities within the parish to  
serve the other members of the Body. We can keep our eyes  
and ears open and be alert for needs that are perfect for us to  
fill.

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## Franciscan Discernment Retreat for Women

What is my next step in life?

What are God's plans for me?

We will look back over our life's journey to help us  
see the path before us.

**Where: Our Lady of Kea'au Retreat Center  
Waianae, HI**

**When: January 8 – 10, 2016**

Begins at 7:00 pm on Friday until 3:00 pm on Sun-  
day

Includes Sunday Liturgy

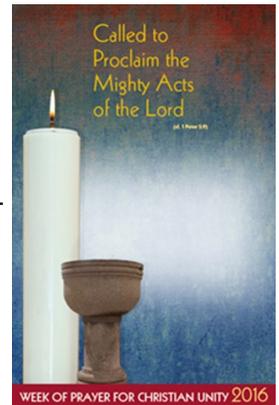
**For more information and to register for this free  
retreat please contact Sister Cheryl Wint, o.s.f.**

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### *Jan. 18-26*

## 2016 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

The 2016 theme for the Week of Prayer for Christian  
Unity is: Called to Proclaim the Mighty Acts of the  
Lord (1 Peter 2:9). The relationship between baptism  
and proclamation, and the calling shared by all the  
baptized to *proclaim the mighty acts* of the Lord was  
inspired by two verses from the First Letter of St Peter.  
St Peter tells the early Church that in their search  
for meaning prior to encounter-  
ing the Gospel they were *not a people*. But through  
hearing the call to be God's  
*chosen race* and receiving  
the power of God's salva-  
tion in Jesus Christ, they  
have become *God's people*.



Baptism opens up an exciting new journey of faith,  
uniting each new Christian with God's people through-  
out the ages. In the shared sacred texts of the Bible,  
we hear of God's saving acts in salvation history: lead-  
ing his people out of slavery in Egypt, and *the great  
mighty act* of God: the raising of Jesus from the dead,  
which opened new life to all of us. As Christians seek-  
ing the unity of the Body of Christ we are all called to  
recognize the *mighty acts* of God in our own lives and  
the life of the Church.