

# St. Augustine

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## Sunday Liturgy

5 p.m. Saturday

6, 8, 10 a.m., 5 p.m. Sunday

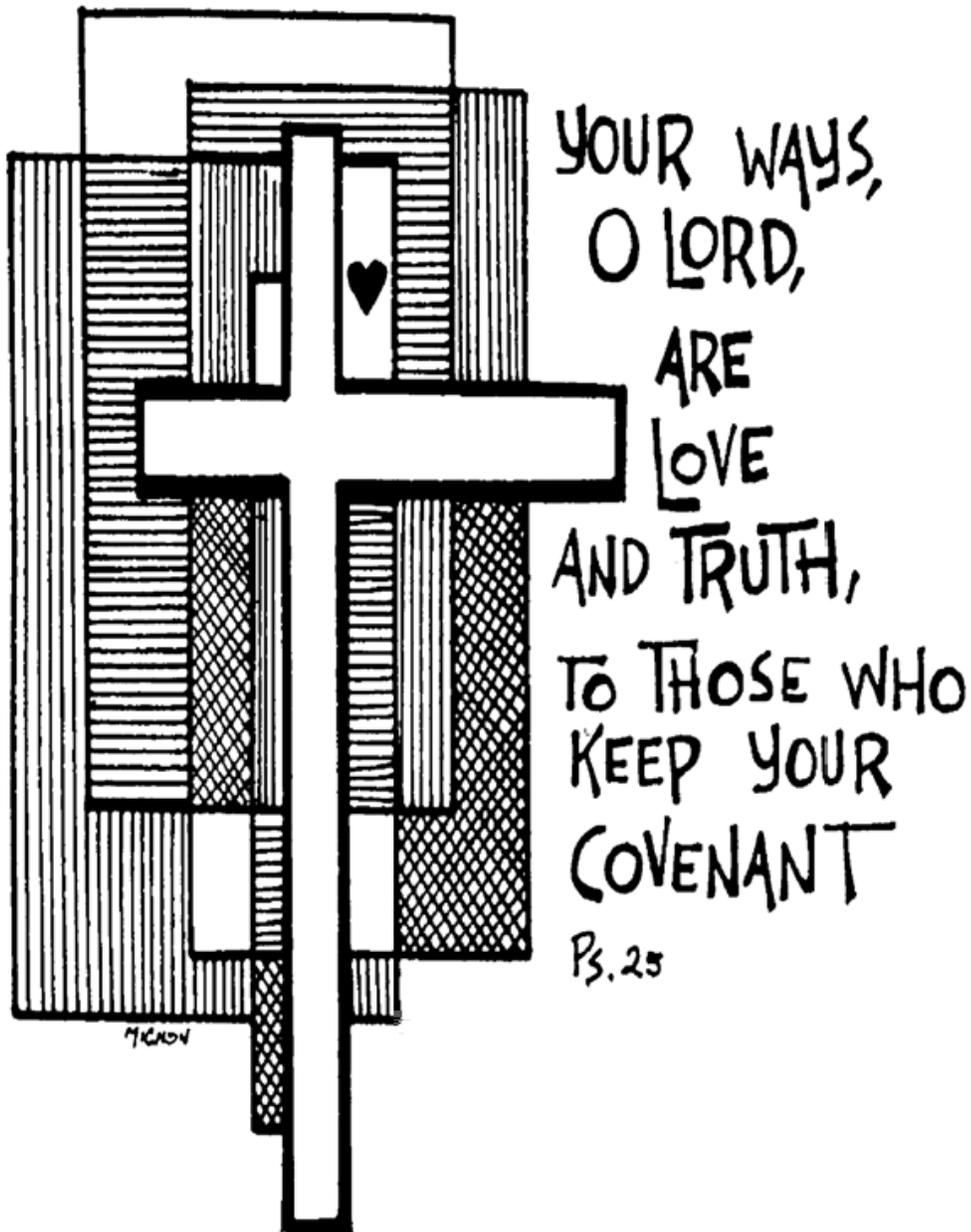
## Daily Liturgy

7 a.m. Monday-Saturday

5 p.m. Monday-Thursday



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

*-- St. Augustine of Hippo*

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of the Congregation of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus  
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Stewardship Council co-chairs: Deacon

Keith Cabiles and Margaret Stafford

### **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, March 4—Third Sunday in Lent**

Liturgical color: Violet

6 a.m. Mass—For the Intention of Blessed Mother

8 a.m. Mass—R/S Pua Bow

10 a.m. Mass—R/S Rita Shimabuku

5 p.m. Mass—S/I Purie Cortez (thanksgiving)

### **Monday, March 5**

Liturgical color: Violet

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Communion Prayer Service

5 p.m. Mass—S/I Martin Retotal (birthday)

6 p.m. Parish Reconciliation Service

### **Tuesday, March 6**

Liturgical color: Violet

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass—S/I Fr. Lusius Nimu (birthday)

9 a.m. Rosary making, Damien Meeting Room

5 p.m. Mass—R/S Francisco Cruz

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

6 p.m. Marriage Preparation, Church

### **Wednesday, March 7--Sts. Perpetua and Felicity**

Liturgical color: Violet

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

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

5 p.m. Mass

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

7 p.m. Tongan Choir practice, Annex Building

### **Thursday, March 8--St. John of God**

Liturgical color: Violet

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass

5 p.m. Mass

6 p.m. Scripture reflection, Annex Building

### **Friday, March 9--St. Frances of Rome**

*Day of abstinence*

Liturgical color: Violet

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass—R/S John & Kathleen Bero

5 p.m. Mass

5:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross

6 p.m. Soup supper, Damien Courtyard

7 p.m. Stations of the Cross in Tongan

### **Saturday, March 10**

Liturgical color: Violet

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

Church & grounds cleaning: Altar Rosary Society & Knights of Columbus

7 a.m. Mass

5 p.m. Mass—S/I Kong Kee Family

# Breaking open the Word

## Third Sunday in Lent

Today we hear and read God's personal communication to His chosen people and of His great love in showing us how to be in relationship with God, each other and creation — especially during extremely challenging times in our lives.

Recently I was reminded of that with statistics showing that when people are abused there is a tendency for some of the victims to become abusers later. So, if we take a loving psychological look at the Israelites during their 40 years in the desert this might have been God's loving way to lead a group that had been in slavery and suffered all kinds of austerities for generations to heal and move forward by personally revealing to them the commandments as a blueprint/prescription for living in right relationship vs. reacting as if they are still in slavery.

We also hear how jealous God is and what punishment He will inflict. While this may seem cruel, the reality that our sinful choices often have consequences for those near and dear to us is evident each day as we read and hear the news, or simply continue to live a selfish lifestyle. However, God's grace and mercy is so much greater than His punishment. Thus, if we live in right relationship with God, each other and creation we then maintain a society in which people can live in harmony.

Paul, who has had a personal encounter with Christ, makes an enigmatic edict "Christ crucified" that was and is a stumbling block to us all. The irony of this proclamation is that Jesus even called Peter a stumbling block when he tried to stop Jesus from going to Jerusalem where the Cross awaited. However, it didn't dissuade Jesus from seeing into Peter's heart and loving, which leads him into recognizing the mission of spreading the Good News.

We, too, are invited into this metaphorical statement by which we are to examine the reasons we also trip and fall and cause others to do the same. When we get caught up in confusion and hostility because we do not understand God's way as our way, it makes Moses' statement even more profound, "Is the Lord in our midst or not?" Or even Jesus' in the Gospel "take these (our misplaced ways & values) out of here, and stop making my Father's house a marketplace."

May our pondering of Jesus' words this Lent take us on a deeper and more personal journey of encounter and transformation as it did for Saints Peter & Paul.

*Sr. Cheryl Wint osf*

### Readings

#### Sunday

**First Reading** — God gives the law through Moses (Exodus 20:1-17).

**Psalm** — Lord, you have the words of everlasting life (Psalm 19).

**Second Reading** — We proclaim Christ crucified (1 Corinthians 1:22-25).

**Gospel** — Many began to believe in Jesus' name when they saw the signs he was doing (John 2:13-25).

#### Weekday

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15b; Ps 42; Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25; Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147; Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95; Lk 11:14-23

Friday: Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81; Mk 12:28-34

Saturday: Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51; Lk 18:9-14

#### Next Sunday

2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23; Ps 137; Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21

## YOUR vision for OUR parish

What do you want your parish of St. Augustine to be in your life? What is your hope for what this parish can be five years from now?



Those are the questions our parishioners — and visitors — will be asked to comment on the weekends of March 10/11 and March 17/18. The survey of our Mass-goers will be the basis for our pastoral plan for the next five years, a plan that has as a starting point the diocesan plan, Stewards of the Gospel.

The four areas of focus in the Diocesan Plan are: Faith Formation, Strengthening of Marriage and Family Life, Leadership Development and Youth & Young Adults. All are interwoven with Stewardship, Evangelization, and Social Ministry.

This survey is not just for our parishioners, but also for our visitors. You are a part of our parish life and a vital part of our ministry. We want to hear your voice as well, for we all share in the same Christian journey.

Our Pastoral Plan committee — composed of key leaders in our community — will take the survey results to compile goals and actions plans for our parish. These goals and plans will be taken to the parish for discussion before our five-year plan is completed. Then, during the weekend of June 23-24, 2018, Bishop Larry Silva will visit our parish to learn where our parish is currently and how our plan will shape our future.

In reflecting on what you want our parish to be, I ask that you remember that:

**Faith Formation** is a lifelong process. It includes the education of our youth, which begins with parents and is strengthened by the parish, and of all adults throughout their lives. It is important to remember that as Catholic Christians we are called to continue our faith and spiritual growth throughout our lives.

**Leadership development of clergy and laity** is important for current and future leaders. All of us have gifts to bring to the Church and each other. The parish is called upon to help develop and nurture those gifts.

**Strengthening marriage and family life** permeates Christian life. It includes helping married couples live out their sacrament but reaches much further in advocating for the elimination of poverty, domestic abuse, and violence. It includes building up the "domestic Church," where the forgiving and healing love of Christ is encountered in the Word of God.

And, finally our **youth and young adults** must be supported and nurtured in the Word of God and formed in the likeness of Christ in their concern for the sick, the poor, the hungry, and for those who go astray

I pray that as a parish we always give witness to Jesus and his Word and be true Stewards of the Gospel.

Thank you for your time, your mana'o (wisdom) and your prayerful discernment.

**Fr. Lane K. Akiona ss.cc.**

**Pastor**

## Flu epidemic and our response

Because of the increase in flu cases in Hawaii, we are suspending the communal chalice at communion, hand-shaking at the Sign of Peace and have removed holy water at the entrances to the church. We are doing this for the health, safety and protection of our parishioners and visitors. At the Sign of Peace, a smile and a heartfelt "Peace be with you" should suffice.

If you are sick, we ask that you stay home. The obligation to attend Sunday Mass does not apply to those who are ill.

We pray for the health and recovery of all who are ill and not with us today. Mahalo for your understanding.

## Housekeeper needed

A parishioner with special needs requires housekeeping help for three hours once a week. For more information and if you would like to help, please call the parish office.

## Shoe drive

We are assisting St. Michael's parish in Waiialua in their drive to collect 25,000 pairs of shoes in a fundraising effort. If you want to help, donate used shoes in good condition. The shoes must be wearable (no holes or cracks) and have laces if applicable. If you have shoes to donate, please call the parish office.

## Memorial Mass for Charlotte Ornellas

There will be a Memorial Mass for longtime parishioner Charlotte Ornellas at 5 p.m. Saturday, March 3, here at St. Augustine.

## Parishioners remembered in prayer

The parishioners of St. Augustine will be remembered in the prayers and the works of the Sisters of the Sacred Hearts at Regina Pacis Convent March 11-17, 2018. If you have intentions you would like the Sisters to remember, please let the Sisters know by phone, mail or email.

Regina Pacis Community  
1120 Fifth Ave.  
Honolulu HI 96816-5828  
Tel: 737-5822  
Email: reginasscc@cs.com

## Lenten Mission at Sacred Heart/Pius X

Sacred Heart & St. Pius X parish is offering a Lenten Mission led by Fr. David Robinson SJ on "An Ignatian Journey from Mercy to Harmony (and Peace)" March 12-14. The theme for the mission process embodies Ignatian prayer practice and inner reflective discernment; the use of Ignatian imagination in spiritual life; Pope Francis' teachings on mercy and the promotion of social harmony; and living life as the Beloved of God (from the work of Henri Nouwen).  
March 12-14, 2018 (Mon-Wed.) in each Church  
Weekday Presentations at 10:00 AM  
St. Pius X Church 2821 Lowrey Avenue  
Weeknight Presentations at 7:00 PM  
Sacred Heart Church 1701 Wilder Avenue

# LENT

The readings in Lent make God's call to us clear: "Return to me with your whole heart." In Lent, the Church calls us to prayer, fasting, almsgiving and penance. Prayer deepens our relationship with God. Fasting helps us to be more aware of those in need and reminds us to be selfless. Almsgiving is a way of practicing generosity and reminds us that all that we have is a gift and is meant to be shared. Through penance and the Sacrament of Reconciliation we can change sinful patterns.



**Daily Mass:** Monday-Friday 7 a.m. & 5 p.m.; Saturday 7 a.m.

**Liturgy of the Hours:** 6:30 a.m. Monday-Saturday

**Stations of the Cross:** 5:30 p.m. Fridays, 7 p.m. in Tongan.

**Build prayer into your daily life through online resources:** Sacredspace.ie, Prayingeachday.org, ebriefary.com, apostleshipofprayer.org, lectio.americانبible.org

**Parish Reconciliation Service:** March 5, 6 p.m. in the Church

## East Honolulu Penance services

Lenten Penance services in East Honolulu parishes will be:  
St. Augustine Church.....6 p.m. March 5  
Mary, Star of the Sea.....6:15 p.m. March 13  
Sacred Heart Church.....7:30 p.m. March 14  
Holy Trinity Church.....7 p.m. March 19  
Newman Center/Holy Spirit.....7 p.m. March 19  
Sts. Peter & Paul.....6 p.m. March 21

## Lent food drive for the needy

Our Lady of Kea'au on the Waianae Coast weekly serves hundreds of hot meals to needy and homeless individuals and families. The parish of St. Augustine will be collecting nonperishable food items and toiletries for Our Lady of Kea'au through Palm Sunday.

Drop off your nonperishable, unopened food items (particularly canned meats and canned meals such as spaghetti and canned vegetables and fruit) and unopened toiletries in marked boxes in the church. Please, no toilet paper.

## Stations, soup on Fridays in Lent

The Knights of Columbus are providing a soup supper after the 5:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross. Please join us in the Damien Courtyard for food and fellowship immediately following the Stations of the Cross.

## Operation Rice Bowl

During Lent, practice almsgiving through Operation Rice Bowl and benefit those served by Catholic Relief Service throughout the world. Rice bowls will be available at the church entrances. Return the Rice Bowl with your monetary donations at Holy Thursday Mass.

