# St. Augustine Roman Catholic Church

#### Established 1953

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Office Hours
Monday to Wednesday: 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Weekday Liturgy Monday to Friday

May 1 – October 31: 8:30 a.m. November 1 – April 30: 9:00 a.m.

> Sunday Liturgy Saturday: 4:30 p.m. Sunday: 9:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday: 3:30 p.m. to 4:15 p.m.

Pastoral Care

To schedule a pastoral visit for parishioners who are ill, elderly, bereaved or shut-in, please call the office.

Sacrament of Baptism Ray or Brenda Gervais (613) 228-6848

Sacrament of Marriage Please call the office 9 months prior to the marriage date.

Parish Registration

A warm welcome is extended to new parishioners. Please call the parish office to register.

Regular Weekly Parish Events

Monday: 7:30 p.m. Charismatic Prayer Group (Hall)

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Tuesday: 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Practice (Church)
Wed.: 9:30 a.m. Our Lady of Guadeloupe Prayer

Hour (Church)

9:30 a.m. Divine Mercy Cenacle

(St. Mary's Room)

Mon. - Fri.: 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration (Church)

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## From the Pastor's Desk

### Sunday (Dec. 11):

### "They shall obtain joy and gladness"

Why did Jesus praise John the Baptist as the greatest person born of a woman and then in the same breath say that those who enter God's kingdom will be greater than John (Matthew 11:11)? John is the last and greatest of the prophets of the old covenant. He fulfilled the essential task of all the prophets - to be fingers pointing to Jesus Christ, God's Anointed Son and Messiah. John prepared the way for the Messiah and he pointed others to Jesus the Messiah at the River Jordan when he exclaimed, Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world (John 1:29) Like John aren't we too bringing others to Christ... prepare the way for others to experience and encounter Christ, just like me!

# Readings for Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent

5 Sunday of Adver

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Isaiah 35.1-6a, 10

God himself will come and save us.

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: James 5.7-10

Strengthen your hearts, for the coming

of the Lord is near.

Gospel: Matthew 11.2-11

Are you the one who is to come, or are

we to wait for another?

<b>SUNDAY COLLECTIONS FOR 2016</b>		
<b>Annual Budget</b>	\$203,354.00	
Date	November 27	
<b>Total Collection YTD</b>	\$162,070.45	
% Collected YTD	80%	
% Year Elapsed	92%	

# **VIGIL LIGHT INTENTION For the week of Dec. 11**<sup>th</sup>

The vigil light in front of the Blessed Sacrament is reserved for:

~ for the sick ~



## Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> to Dec. 18<sup>th</sup>

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: held at 8:00 a.m. each weekday morning before Mass. "Come let us adore Him" for the New Evangelization of the Parish, rosary at 8:35 a.m.

Finance Committee Meeting: on Thurs., Dec. 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m., in the parish boardroom.

Alpha Volunteer Session: on Thurs., Dec. 15<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., downstairs in the parish hall.

<u>Praise and Worship</u>: on Fri., Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 p.m., in the Church.

<u>Door to Door Caroling</u>: on Sun., Dec. 18<sup>th</sup>, after the 10:30 a.m. Mass.



# PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

Marcel Grandbois, Renee Grandbois, Margaret Clair, Mary McElheran, Ken Burke and Cecilia Hastings.

#### **DUC IN ALTUM**

Please include the Ottawa/Cornwall Duc In Altum young adults group in your prayers. Created by the Salesian Sisters, the program helps young adults journey deeper in their faith and in their discernment of God's will in their lives. Our parish is hosting their 2nd encounter this Sat., Dec. 10<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 p.m., in the parish hall.

ALPHA VOLUNTEERS: Do you enjoy cooking? Hosting people? Are skilled in computers or organizing people? We need your help. The Alpha team is looking for more volunteers. If you are interested in helping out, please email Joseph Murphy at joseph.murphy@cco.ca or by phone 613.297.5383. A volunteer information session will be held in the hall on Thursday Dec 15<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 p.m.

**PRAISE & WORSHIP**: Join us **Fri., Dec.16**<sup>th</sup>, **at 7:00 p.m.**, for an evening of **REFUGE**. The evening program includes Eucharistic Adoration, praise and worship music, words of reflection and time for silent prayer. These will be held on the 3rd Friday of each month for the New Evangelization in our parish, community and city.

#### ST. AUGUSTINE



Join us on Sun., Dec.18<sup>th</sup>, following the 10:30 a.m. Mass and Tues., Dec. 20<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 p.m. for caroling door-to-door in the neighbourhood around the church. Meet at the Baseline entrance to the church. Dress warmly. All are welcome; song sheets will be provided. A wonderful way to spread Christmas joy to our neighbours!

#### **CHRISTMAS HAMPERS**

The Social Action Committee needs volunteers to help deliver Christmas hampers to the needy of the area, on **Thurs., Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup>**, at 10:00 a.m. If you are able to help out with this worthy cause, please call: Inez Gignac (613-526-0172).

### **COFFEE SUNDAY**

There will be <u>no Coffee Sunday on the last Sunday in</u> **December (Dec., 25**<sup>th</sup>). Our next Coffee Sunday will be Jan., 29, 2017.

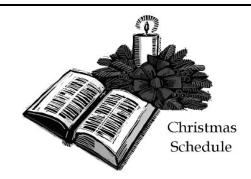
The Pope extends special Year of Mercy provisions on confession. The Catholic Church's focus on God's mercy must continue with individual acts of kindness, assistance to the poor and, particularly, with encouraging Catholics to participate in the sacrament of reconciliation and making it easier for them to do so, the pope wrote; in his pastoral letter "Misericordia et Misera," ("Mercy and Misery"), which he signed Nov. 20 at the end of the Year of Mercy.

**2017 Sunday offering envelope packages** are available for pick-up at the Baseline entrance of the Church.

**2017 parish calendars** are available at all entrances of the Church. Donations are appreciated.

### PARISH OFFICE HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

<u>PLEASE NOTE</u>: the parish secretary will be on vacation from Mon., Dec. 19<sup>th</sup> to Mon. Jan. 2<sup>nd</sup>. The parish office will be closed during this time. Regular office hours will resume on Tues., Jan. 3<sup>rd</sup>.



CHRISTMAS EVE: (Sat., Dec. 24<sup>th</sup>) 4:30 p.m. & 9:00 p.m.

\*Christmas Carols at 8:30 p.m.

<u>CHRISTMAS DAY</u>: (Sun., Dec. 25<sup>th</sup>) 9:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

<u>NEW YEAR'S EVE</u>: (Sat., Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>) 4:30 p.m.

**SOLEMNITY OF MARY**: (Sun., Jan. 1<sup>st</sup>) 9:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.



DEC. 12 <sup>TH</sup> TO DEC. 18 <sup>TH</sup>			
Mon.	9:00 A.M.	For the repose of the soul of	
Dec. 12		Frank Delaney by a	
		parishioner.	
Tues.	9:00 A.M.	For the repose of the soul of	
Dec. 13		<b>Denis Doucette</b> by his	
200120		friends.	
Wed.	9:00 A.M.	For the intentions of Simone	
Dec. 14		<i>Choy</i> by the Choy family.	
Thurs.	9:00 A.M.	For the repose of the soul of	
Dec. 15		Mary Ann Summers by	
		Kenny Summers & family.	
Fri.	9:00 A.M.	For the repose of the soul of	
Dec. 16		Herbert McQuaid by Paul &	
		Helen Finn.	
Sat.	4:30 P.M.	For the special intentions of	
Dec. 17		Sheila Kelly by Sheila Kelly.	
		For the repose of the soul of	
		Ortensia Zanetti by her	
		husband.	
Sun.	9:00 A.M.	For the intentions of Hannah	
Dec. 18		<i>Koh</i> by her mom.	
Sun.	10:30 A.M.	Missa Pro Populo	
Dec. 18			



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