



May 6th, 2018
Sixth Sunday of Easter

OUR FAITH. OUR FOUNDATION.

SINCE 1911

No greater love



The first Christian community had been exclusively Jewish. Now comes a turning point – the reception of the first Gentiles. Cornelius was the first pagan to receive the grace of baptism. The reading from Acts tells of his baptism and shows that the salvation is offered to all.

In the Gospel Jesus talks about the love that binds him to the Father, and the love that should bind the disciples to him and to one another. Jesus' love is modeled on that of the Father. The disciples should model themselves on the Son: as he has observed the Father's commandments, so they should observe his. Obedience arises out of love, and obedience is love. Now he is going to give them the supreme proof of his love – giving his life for them. He has chosen them and sent them into the world to bear fruit – the fruit of love.

In the second reading John says that Christians must love one another because love comes from God. Love is of God's essence. God has shown his love for us by sending his Son into the world so that we might live through him. Loving is the only way we can really know God and share in God's life.

Pope's prayer intention for May

Evangelization: The Mission of Laity – That the lay faithful may fulfil their specific mission, by responding with creativity to the challenges that face the world today.

National Collection for the Pope's Pastoral Works

We are invited, on Sunday, May 6, to give generously for the Pope's pastoral works. With these funds, the Holy Father offers, on the behalf of all, urgently needed assistance to those stricken by natural disasters.

Canada Health Day – May 12

Canada Health Day is celebrated in health care facilities and community services across the country.

This day reminds us that health and healing are essential aspects of our baptismal vocation. We are called to take responsibility for our personal health: to prevent illness and to seek a healthy lifestyle. Good health concerns the physical, emotional, social and spiritual health of our communities, respect for God's creatures and the nurturing of the whole earth.

This Week

- Monday, May 7**
6:30pm Meeting Catholic Women's League Executive
7:00pm Mass +Hardial Kaur Sidhoo
- Tuesday, May 8**
6:00am Meeting Men's Prayer Group
10:00am Meeting Busy Hands Craft Group
8:00am Mass
7:00pm Mass
- Wednesday, May 9**
8:00am Mass
7:00pm Mass
7:30pm Meeting Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)
7:45pm Mass Taizé Prayer Service
- Thursday, May 10**
8:00am Mass
9:00am Meeting PATH-St. Patrick's High School
5:00pm Wedding
7:00pm Mass +Marciano Jimenez
- Friday, May 11**
8:00am Mass Int Joseph Boileau
10:00am Meeting Moms & Tots Group
7:00pm Mass
- Saturday, May 12**
8:00am Mass Int Aurora Santos
9:00am Event ALPHA Retreat
9:30am Meeting Legion of Mary
11:00am Wedding
5:00pm Mass Int Lulu Sanchez
- Sunday, May 13**
9:00am Mass
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11:00am Mass
5:00pm Mass +Bob Battle

OFFERTORY

We are grateful for these gifts.
 Sunday Envelopes: \$8,027.50
 Loose: \$965.30

MARRIED IN CHRIST

Tomas Clinton & Sibeal Doherty
 Keith Walkinshaw & Christine Yu
 Marben Regalado & Erin Tangco

WELCOME

Lara Maureen Smith
 Enrico Roberto Sayao Turco

Pope's Message

Our sons have been called to the order of priests. Let us consider the position to which they are to be promoted in the Church. It is true that the Lord Jesus is the High Priest of the New Testament, and God has also made his entire people a royal priesthood in Christ.

But Jesus Christ also chose some of his followers to carry out publicly in the Church a priestly ministry in his name on behalf of mankind, continuing his personal mission as teacher, priest and shepherd.

Indeed, for this reason he was sent by the Father, and he in turn sent into the world the Apostles, and then the Bishops and their successors. Priests are co-workers of the order of Bishops, to whom they are joined in the priestly office and are called to serve the People of God.

Our brothers have seriously considered this step, and are now to be ordained to priesthood in the presbyteral order. They are to serve Christ the Teacher, Priest, and Shepherd, in making the Body of Christ, which is the Church, grow into the People of God, a holy temple of the Spirit.

They are called to be molded into the likeness of Christ, the Supreme and Eternal Priest. By consecration, they will be made true priests of the New Testament, and in this role, sharing in the priesthood of their Bishop, to preach the Gospel, sustain God's people, and preside at rites of worship, above all the celebration of the Lord's sacrifice.

My beloved sons and brothers, you are now to be advanced to the order of the presbyterate. You must apply your energies to the duty of teaching in the name of Christ, the chief Teacher. Share with all mankind the Word of God you received with joy. Read and meditate on the Word of the Lord, believe what you read, teach what you believe, and put into practice what you teach.

Let the doctrine you teach be true nourishment for the People of God. Let the example of your life attract the followers of Christ so that by word and action you may build up the House of God which is the Church. In the same way you must continue the sanctifying work of Christ. The spiritual sacrifice of the faithful will be perfected through your ministry, united to Christ's sacrifice, and through your hands be offered sacramentally on the altar in celebration of the Holy Mysteries.

Know what you are doing and imitate the mystery you celebrate. In memory of the Lord's death and Resurrection, carry Christ's death within you and walk with him in the newness of life.

When you baptize you will bring new men and women into the People of God. In the Sacrament of Penance, you will forgive sins in the name of Christ and the Church. And here I would like to pause to implore you: please do not tire of being merciful. Think about your sins, about your miseries which Jesus forgives. Be merciful. With holy oil you will relieve and console the sick. You will celebrate the liturgy and offer thanks and praise to God throughout the day, praying not only for the People of God but for the whole of humanity.

Remember that you are chosen from among mankind and appointed to act in their favour by attending to the things of God. Carry out the work of Christ's ministry with genuine joy and love, seeking only to please God and not yourselves and others, nor seeking other interests. Only at the service of God, for the good of the holy faithful People of God.

Finally, conscious of sharing in the work of Christ, the Head and Shepherd of the Church, and united with the Bishop and subject to him, seek to bring the faithful together into a unified family and to lead them effectively to God the Father, through Christ and in the Holy Spirit. Always keep in mind the example of the Good Shepherd who came not to be served but to serve, and to seek out and rescue those who were lost.

Taizé Prayer Service at St. Augustine's Church

Come and experience a quiet meditative Taizé prayer service with candlelight, music, prayers, scriptures and silence.

All are welcome and we hope you can join us!

DATE: May 9, 2018
TIME: 7:45 pm - 9:00 pm
LOCATION: St. Augustine's Church

For more information contact:
 parishcouncil@staugustineschurch.ca or tao.agnes@gmail.com

WELCOME TO ST. AUGUSTINE'S PARISH

St. Augustine's Oblate Parish is a Catholic community centered in Christ and the Eucharist that has a shared mission to – welcome and invite all to participate – celebrate in Word and Sacrament – foster evangelization and spiritual formation – advocate for social justice – care for

Oblate News**WANTED - Experienced Part-Time Cooks**

for residence of retired religious men and staff. Position available on all or some days (10:30 am - 6:30 pm) weekends and/or statutory holidays.

Please send applications, including references, by **May 15th.**, to: Oblate House, 1311 The Crescent, Vancouver BC V6H 1T7. For further information contact: Mary Ann - Email: mamaloney12@gmail.com (preferred) or Phone: 604-739-8215.

Around the Parish

KAIROS Blanket Exercise



Saturday June 2, 2018

2:00pm to 4:00pm

St. Augustine's Parish is privileged to host **Deacon Rennie Nahanee** for an afternoon of learning and experiencing the historic and contemporary relationship between Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples in Canada. Bringing the past to the present through the blanket exercise and bridging our community as one through reconciliation.

Reserve your spot and invite family and friends to share in this rare experience! **Contact:** Linda Arnold (604) 736-4455 Ext. 229 or

faithformation@staugustineschurch.ca **Register online at**
<https://eventgrid.com/Events/37683/special-invitation-kairos>

CWL - Spring Fair Thank YOU!

We are so pleased to announce that \$4,043.10 was raised at last Sunday's Spring Fair! These funds will be distributed to charities including St. Augustine's refugee fund, St. Augustine's School, Oblate missions, and local charities including Sancta Maria House, Covenant House, Vancouver Food Bank, and Our Lady of Good Council Domestic Abuse Services. A HUGE thank you to everyone who donated baking, items for the sale tables, raffle items and cash. We are so grateful for your generosity!

Project Advance

starts the first week in May and finishes the fourth week in May.

Volunteers are needed to help with donation cards for the Sunday 5:00pm Mass.

If you wish to help, please contact Cliff Nipp (604) 763-1070 or email cnipp@netrover.com

Looking for volunteers

Do you have a passion to teach the faith? The Parish Religious Education Program is looking for dedicated Catechists and helpers to help for the next school year. The students are ages 6 to 12. No experience necessary and training will be provided. If you love young people and you are available on Tuesday evenings and/or Saturday afternoons, contact prep@staugustineschurch.ca

Congratulations...

to our newly elected Parish Council Members:

Shannon De Vries, Jane Gailus & Phillip Ryan

Our support and prayers are with them as journey forward on behalf of St. Augustine's Parish for the upcoming three years.

Dear Parishioner,

On behalf of St. Augustine's Community Life Committee, we wish to let you know of an upcoming initiative to enhance our Parish Family community. At all mass services on the weekends of May 12/13th and November 17th/18th we will be inviting parishioners to wear name tags displaying their first name only. Materials for the name tags will be provided at the entrance to church before service begins. Of course, this invitation is voluntary and there is no obligation to participate. We do encourage everyone to take part in this and other parish initiatives aimed at allowing us to all become one family in church during the celebration of mass. There will also be some refreshments after mass for us to get to know each other a little better.

- Community Life Committee

School News**Parish Education Committee (PEC) Elections**

The PEC has 2 seats coming up for election and are asking for nominations.

The elections will be held on the weekend of May 26th and 27th with voting occurring 1 hour after each mass (Saturday 5pm, Sunday 9am, 11am and 5pm).

The PEC has formed an Elections Nomination Committee consisting of the following members:

Chairman: Dan Roberts

Members: Father Andrew, Carolyn Wong Levesque and Philbert Yu.

If you or someone you know is interested in serving on the PEC please go to <https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B4i9Nxzle051a2pRZ0lwMzBVNlk/view> and read, fill out and sign all the forms then Email them to pec.elections@staugustineschool.ca

All nominations must be received by May 17th.

Note: The Voters List will be available to those wishing to see it. Please Email pec.elections@staugustineschool.ca with your request.

Around the Archdiocese**St. Anthony of Padua Church, Lower Hall
1345 West 73rd Ave., Vancouver**

Saturday, May 12, 2018, 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

We invite you to honour our Blessed Mother on the eve of Mothers Day and the 101st anniversary of Fatima by attending this special presentation by **Angie Dee, MA Theology**. Angie will unpack the complete message of Fatima and its historical connection to Communism, Islam, two World Wars, the popes of the last century and the perilous state of the world today. Her presentation includes history, catechesis, theology and pastoral advice in order to give clear direction and renewed hope through the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

Angie's long association with Fatima includes a private visit with Sr. Lucia in 1992, and she gave this presentation at a Marian Congress in Manila with over 6,000 in attendance. Don't miss this special opportunity!

Oblate Corner



IF GOD’S LOVE IS TO BE MEASURED BY OUR HEALTH, WEALTH, AND COMFORT

Posted by Frank Santucci

Writing to the community superior about the Oblate whose exaggerated preoccupation with his health had led him to lose focus, Eugene continued:

Such great precautions cannot be taken without notable loss to the interior life. At the same time there is a serious weakening of personal virtue. I do not know if he had held on to even the least vestige of religious life, at any rate he was far from understanding the value of perfection as affirmed by all who serve as models in this field. It was inevitable that his behaviour would be affected by an outlook so little in accord with the spirit of Jesus Christ ...

You know that this man has a solid foundation, but over-much esteem for learning to which perhaps he gave preference over sanctity caused a withdrawal of grace and light; then, over-much care of his health led him to neglect even things that can never be abandoned with impunity. From that results a state of imperfection from which it is vital that he emerge [if he] does not want to leave himself open to complete collapse.

Letter to Hippolyte Courtés, 7 January 1832, EO VIII n 413

Too much of a focus on learning and on personal health had led him to a loss of focus on spiritual “grace and light” – a dangerous situation for a missionary’s relationship with Jesus Christ.

I was struck by John Piper’s statement: “If God’s love for his children is to be measured by our health, wealth, and comfort in this life, God hated the apostle Paul.”

Where does God fit into my physical concerns; how does care for my body fit into my spirituality?

If you are new to our Parish Community or have an address or telephone change, please fill out the information below and submit it to the parish office or drop into the collection basket. please print in block letters.

New Parishioner Need Envelopes Information Change

First Name	First Name
Spouse First Name	Spouse Last Name
Children: Name(s) & Date of Birth	
Mailing Address	
City	Phone
Postal Code	Email
Comments	

Parish Information

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PARISH OFFICE

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Tues/Wed/Thurs 10:00am-12noon,1:00pm-5:00pm
Monday is the Priest’s day off.

Email: parish.saug@rcav.org

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FAITH AND FOUNDATION

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ST AUGUSTINE SCHOOL

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BAPTISM

604.736.4455 x 221
Preparation classes held first Thursday of the month

MARRIAGES/WEDDINGS

604.736.4455 x 221 parish.saug@rcav.org

RECONCILIATION

Weekdays 15 minutes before weekday Mass
Saturday 4:00pm—4:30pm

PARISH MINISTRIES

RCIA (RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS)

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