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ST. AUGUSTINE CEMETERY & MAUSOLEUM

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MASS & WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 5:00p.m.
Sunday: 8:00 & 10:30a.m.
9:00a.m. @ OMS Worship Site
Weekdays: 7:30a.m. (Mon.-Thursday)
Saturdays: 8:00a.m.
Holy Days: As announced.

DEVOTIONS: Eucharistic Adoration: Wednesdays beginning at 8:00a.m. until 12:00 Noon.

FAITH FORMATION: For parish children in grades K-8 attending non-catholic school. Instructions are held every Sunday at 9:00a.m.

CONFESSIONS: Each Saturday from 4:00 to 4:30p.m. Eves of Holy Days: 20 minutes before the Vigil Mass. Seasonal Penance Services and anytime by appointment.

RCIA: Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is held during the year for any adult committed to discern if God is calling him/her to the Catholic faith.

PRE-JORDAN: Expectant parents and godparents are asked to participate in a seminar on Baptism held on the 4th Monday of every other month (Sept., Nov., Jan., March, May, July) in the Ministry wing at 7:30 p.m. Please call the rectory to register for the seminar.
Godparents: Must bring a letter of eligibility from their home parish the evening of the seminar.

BAPTISMS: Celebrated on the 2nd Sunday of every month at 12 Noon. Baptisms are also celebrated during the Sunday Liturgy.

MARRIAGE: Arrangements should be made at least six months before the date of the wedding. Please contact the rectory.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK: Any parishioner who is ill, infirm or shut-in may receive Holy Communion at home. Please call the rectory for the Sacrament of the Anointing or see a priest before the Saturday morning Mass. Please inform us of anyone who is hospitalized.

NEW PARISHIONERS: All are welcome. Please register by calling the rectory. Those moving should inform the rectory office as soon as possible.

OFFICE HOURS: Mon.-Friday 9:00am – 4:30pm. The rectory office is closed on civic holidays.

PLEASE NOTE: Personal receivers are available in the Sacristy for use at Mass for the hearing impaired.

The United Way of Southeastern PA Code Number for Bridgeport CYO is: 2328 St. Augustine

A Stewardship Parish

APRIL 22, 2007 – THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

“I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me..”

COORDINATORS OF PARISH MINISTRIES & ACTIVITIES

Adult Faith Formation

Altar Servers – Leo Brady

Altar Society –

Baby Sitting (Sunday Mass) – Debby Harmon

Baptismal Prep. – Amy Czarkowski &
Beth Stalker

Building Committee – Bill Keil

Bulletin – Mary Ann Krajnik

Cantors – Helen Surman & Jan Krueger

Catholic Charities – Jim Murphy &
Dolores McDevitt

Children’s Faith Formation (CCD) – Janet Kita

Cemetery Supervisor – Jack DeStefano

Choir (Adult) – Kass Reid

Community of Disciples – Sr. Catherine &
Ed Loughlin

CYO Advisory Board – Jerry Cunnane

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion –
Kay Bolger & Jozef Bobok

Finance Council – Father Bier

Food Certificate Program – Coleen Popowicz

God’s Little Children – Ed Loughlin

“Heart” Program – Amy Czarkowski &
Beth Stalker

Hospitality Days – Karen Hinchey & Carol
Wisor

Ladies Guild – Mary Ann Krajnik

Lectors – Peter Frasier & Eleanor Grabowski

Liturgy Committee – Father Bier

Music Ministry – Kass Reid & Helen Surman
Newsletter –

Parish Secretary – Mary Ann Krajnik

Pastoral Council – Mary Eads, Ed Loughlin,
Connie Hunt

Peace & Justice Committee – Janet Kita

Pre-Cana – John & Sheila Sargent

Prime Time (Senior Outreach)

RCIA Representative –

Respect Life – Robert Bores

Sacristan – Leo Brady

Seniors – Joan Swenda & Reda Cunnion

Stewardship Committee – Connie Hunt

Ushers – Junior Evan & John Czarkowski

Vocation Coordinator – John Sargent

Website Coordinator – Jozef Bobok

Welcoming Committee –

Youth Ministry –

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

Rev. Louis C. Bier

Mary Eads (exec. Committee)

Ed Loughlin (exec. Committee)

Connie Hunt (exec. Committee)

Darren DeFrancesco

Eleanor Grabowski

Mary Ann Krajnik

Dolores McDevitt

Irene McNulty

Sheila Sargent

Beth Stalker

Janet Kita (ex-officio)

EUCCHARISTIC EXPOSITION

The Blessed Sacrament is exposed every
**Wednesday from 8:00AM to 12
Noon.** Please stop and spend some
time before our Eucharistic Lord.
Please remember our weekly
intentions:

1st Wednesday: Respect Life

2nd Wednesday: Priestly & Religious
Vocations

3rd Wednesday: Our Troops & World Peace

4th Wednesday: Poor & Needy

Remember the intentions of our Parish



YOUTH DANCE

All members of CYO and Youth Group,
both boys & girls grades **5
thru 8** are invited to our
Youth Dance celebrated by
the **DJ/Music Unlimited**
and refreshments.



Our Mother of Sorrows Hall

Hurst Street, Bridgeport

Friday, April 27, 7PM to 10PM

Cost - \$8.00 per person

Parent chaperons needed. Please call Kathy
DeSimone 610-279-0193.

DAY OF PRAYER

The annual day of prayer will be held at St.
Raphaela Center on **Wednesday, May 2nd**.
Please contact **Margaret Pinchock @ 610-
272-2023** for more information.



Mass Intentions

SUNDAY – April 22 – Third Sunday of Easter

8:00 AM: Mary Catherine Spitko req. by Jim & Sally Haines

9:00 AM: Margaret Bucha req. by Estright Fam.

10:30 AM: John McCarthy req. by the McCarthy Fam

MONDAY – April 23 – St. George, St. Adalbert

7:30AM: Sadie, John, Charlie Gilmartin req. by Rose Kantz

TUESDAY – April 24 – St. Fidelis

7:30AM: Mary Ann Grabowski req. by Anna Yanchocik & Son

WEDNESDAY – April 25 – St. Mark

7:30AM: Giovionnina Spanuolo req. by Anna Boccella

THURSDAY – April 26

7:30AM David Cabrey req. by Mr. & Mrs. Cabrey

NO FRIDAY MASS.

SATURDAY – April 28 – St. Peter Chanel

8:00 AM: George Kerick req. by Joanna Franzone

5:00 PM: Charles Raup req. by Marion Raup

SUNDAY – April 29 – Fourth Sunday of Easter

8:00 AM: Veronica Long req. by the Welsh Fam.

9:00 AM: Leonard DeStefano req. by The Staff of St. Augustine

10:30 AM:- Mass to St. Bridget req. by Ladies Of A.O.H.



Remember Our Sick

We will be glad to keep the name of your loved one on the list for **one month**. If you wish to

extend a request for prayers beyond this time, please contact the Rectory to let us know so we do not remove the name from the list. Please remember, only the names of the seriously ill should be placed on the sick list. Thank you.

Please remember in your prayers those who are sick:

Sarah Jane Barainyak, Mary Benkovich, Francis Bishop, James Brogan, Larry Causak, Rosalia Causak, Cynthia Collins, Kevin Courtney, Nancy Davidson, Christopher Krajnik, Cyril Krempasky, Paige Leary, Michelle Lewis, Patricia McCarthy, Maureen McCue, Robert McKernan, Mark Moffett, Eleanor Moran, Nancy Quinn, Francis Pierce, Jared Pishock, Father Salvatore Pronesti, Chris Smith, Milton Stratton, Benjamin Walsh.

Please remember our beloved deceased:

Sanctuary Light Intention

*Little Heather Krueger
requested by Irene McNulty*

SUNDAY OFFERINGS

Date	1 st Collection	2 nd Collection
4/15/07	\$4,064	\$721
4/16/06	\$3,138	\$1,006
Easter, 07	\$14,257	
Easter, 06	\$13,443	

Thank You for Your Generosity

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

April 28th & 29th

5:00 PM: - Nicole Surman – Leaha Blair

8:00 AM: - Devon Diederich – Michaela Kiczula

9:00 AM: - Christina Estright – Daniel Green

10:30 AM: - Marie Kelly – Kristina O’Sullivan

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

The annual 25th & 50th Wedding Anniversary Masses will be celebrated by Cardinal Rigali on **Sunday, May 6th** at the Cathedral Basilica of Ss. Peter & Paul. Couples married **50 years** or more is at **11:00AM**; couples married **25 years** is at **3:00PM**. Information forms are on the bulletin board in Church.

DISABILITY MASS

The 14th annual Mass with persons with disabilities will be celebrated on **Sunday, April 29th at 2:00PM**. There will be a reception after Mass with light refreshments. All are welcome to attend. To RSVP, contact 215-587-3530 or via e-mail: PCPDDEAF@adphila.org

PRO-LIFE ROSARY

We invite your support for an end to abortion by joining us in praying the Rosary on **Saturday, April 28th** in front of Bryn Mawr Hospital at 10:00AM. We also pray the rosary each Wednesday at 5:20PM at Sacred Heart Church to which you are invited. Please call Linda at 610-272-0241 if you have any questions.

MOTHER’S DAY REMEMBERANCE

Mother’s Day remembrance cards are available in the exits of our Churches. Please return them by **May 10th**. All Masses will be said for all of our living & deceased mothers. Our May Processions in honor of our Blessed Mother will also take place **after** the 9AM & 10:30AM Masses. This is also a **“Hospitality Day.”** We hope you will stay and enjoy one another’s company and some light refreshments.





Dear Brothers and Sisters:

Perhaps each of us could imagine ourselves in the place of the apostles in today's Gospel reading. Like them we are toiling in the changeable sea of this world, the Church and sometimes the changeable sea of our parish. Like the apostles, we too, are called by the risen Christ from the unchanging shore of eternity.

The gift of faith in Christ can give us warmth, light and fulfillment. Like the apostles, we are warmed by Christ's presence, and called to communion with him in the Mass.

However, this call to communion with Christ, does not bypass the work we have to do in this life, or the sorrows that sometimes comes with it. But it does transform it and give it meaning which will bear fruit in heaven.

Like Peter, we are given the special task in building up the kingdom, the kingdom which is St. Augustine Parish. To help us in our work as disciples, we have the gift of the Holy Spirit to give us strength and guidance in our mission.

Just as the Risen Jesus calls us to communion with Him at Mass, Christ has called several of our 'young parishioners' to this special communion. In two weeks, **May 6th at the 10:30AM Mass**, 12 of our children will receive Jesus for the first time. What an exciting time for them, their families and for each of us. Please keep our children in your prayers as they prepare to receive Jesus in Holy Communion. On **May 13th**, we celebrate Mother's Day! On this day, let us give thanks to God for all of our Mothers (living & deceased). Let us ask our Blessed Mother to continue to watch over all of us here at St. Augustine. We will honor our Blessed Mother at this Mass with our May procession. **Spiritual bouquet cards are available at the rear of our Church.** On **May 20th** at the 10:30 AM Mass, we welcome **Msgr. Schmidt** back to our parish as he gives thanks to God for **50 years as a Priest!** We hope many of you will attend this Mass and luncheon immediately after the Mass. Let us pray that God continue to bless Monsignor Schmidt with many more years of health and happiness and let us also pray for an increase of vocations to the priesthood. God Bless!

Father Bier

2007 – CATHOLIC CHARITIES – 2007

Sunday, May 6th is *Catholic Charities Appeal Sunday*. Each household will receive a brochure, donor card, return envelope and a letter from Cardinal Rigali encouraging your participation in this most important appeal. Our Parish goal is: **\$14,000.00**. The *Catholic Charities* raises money necessary to fund many of the human service programs of the Archdiocese. *Catholic Charities* serve people of all faiths, regardless of race, sex, age, disability, national or ethnic origin. All of these services reflect a belief in the sanctity of human life, the dignity of the individual and the central role of family in life and society.

How you can contribute:

- 1- Place your contribution/pledge in the **2nd collection** on May 6th or mail your contribution directly.
- 2- **Matching Gifts:** See if your place of employment has this program. If so, **complete the form** you receive from your Human resource manager and return it with your gift.
- 3- **Internet/Online Giving:** The Catholic Charities Appeal website offers secure online giving at: www.catholiccharitiesappeal.org

In whatever way you choose to contribute, please know that you are doing the Lord's work.

BENEFIT CONCERT

The 6th annual benefit concert by Bob Siegfried will be held on **Friday, May 4th at St. Thomas of Villanova Church at 7:30PM.** All proceeds will go to St. Patrick's Patrician Society, an agency in Norristown which is the largest provider of emergency food in Montgomery County and which also conducts a summer day camp for needy children. A donation of **\$25** a ticket is recommended. To make your donation and receive your tickets, please mail your checks to: **The Patrician Society, 121 E. Chestnut Street, Norristown, PA 19401.**

For more information, call Joe Maccolini @ 610-272-6316 or e-mail: pscn@verizon.net.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

The Pancake breakfast scheduled for today at the AOH has been cancelled. It will be re-scheduled for the Autumn. The AOH is sorry for any inconvenience.

Parish Calendar of Events

- Sat. April 22** – Confessions – **4:00PM**
Tues. April 24 – Festival Meeting -**7 PM**-
 Ministry Wing.
Wed. April 25 – Exposition – **8AM – Noon**
Fri. April 27 – Youth Group Dance – **7PM**
 OMS Hall
Sat. April 28 – 1st Communion Practice –
9AM –Church
 Confessions – **4PM**
Sun. April 29 – Liturgy Meeting after
10:30 AM Mass.
Mon. April 30 – Cantor/Organist Mtg.
7PM – Choir Loft
 Pastoral Council Meeting-
7:30 PM-Ministry Wing

THANK YOU!

On behalf of our parish community, we extend a heartfelt **THANK YOU** to **Jozef Bobok** who recently power-washed the statue of Our Lord in the Garden located outside of OMS Church. The statue looks like new! Thanks so much.

KENNEDY-KENRICK NEWS

The musical “*The King & I*” will be presented on **April 27th, 28th, 29th, May 4th, May 5th**. All shows will be at 7:00PM (except April 29th – 5PM). Reserved seats: \$10; general admission: \$8. Our parishioners **Jessie Green, Corrine Schneider and Stephanie, Tony and Allison Iaccarino** will be in the production.

Mangia Madness Celebration to benefit the K-K Catholic Scholarship Fund & the Patrician Society will be held on **Friday, May 11th from 6:00PM-11PM**. Tickets: \$75 a person. Call 610-275-8862 for more information.

ATTENTION TEENS!

Camp Overbrook at St. Charles Seminary, Wynnewood, is seeking responsible, faith filled high school teens for camp counselors. As a counselor, you will strengthen your faith, develop leadership skills and have lots of fun! For information call 215-965-4635 or check our website at www.oyya.org

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Celebrates His 50th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood

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SUNDAY, MAY 20, 2007 at 10:30AM

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All are invited to this Mass of Thanksgiving and to the Luncheon, immediately following at:

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260 Mall Blvd., King of Prussia

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IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND PLEASE COMPLETE THIS FORM:

50th Anniversary Luncheon

Father Bier:

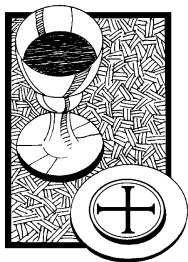
I/We will be attending the 10:30AM Mass on May 20th: # attending _____.

I/We will be attending the Luncheon: # attending _____.

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Phone #: _____

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