

Commission on Education Report

June 26, 2025 Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) Meeting

Submitted by: Noel Panelo

1. Religious Education (CCD and Confirmation)

- Confirmation Rites: On April 26th, 31 young men and women received their Sacrament of Confirmation. The Most Reverend Mylo Hubert C. Vergara, Bishop of the Diocese of Pasig, Philippines was the principal celebrant. Click on the link below to view the event photos. https://tinyurl.com/4bff69hd
- First Holy Communion: Our CCD students who have completed their sacramental preparations received their First Holy Communion on May 4th. Our pastor, Fr. Ray Reyes was the presider. Click on the link below to view the event photos.

 https://tinyurl.com/2c9kwv7c
- Faith Formation Program Thanksgiving Mass: To officially mark the end of the catechetical school year 2024-2025, our Faith Formation families and volunteers celebrated a Thanksgiving Mass on May 17th.
- Catechists Year-End Gathering: To celebrate another successful year, Sister Ruth and the catechists held their annual year-end gathering on May 24th.
- Catechetical School Year 2025-2026: In person registration for the next school year is in progress.

2. Small Christian Communities (SCC)

- The various groups continue their weekly meetings using a lectionary-based program.
- 3. Pre-baptismal Catechesis: We welcomed to the Catholic faith the following:
 - April 26
 - 1. Kian Rylan Manalac Galang
 - 2. Kazuo Ignacio
 - 3. Yuna Ignacio
 - 4. Krist Ragnar Salas
 - 5. Angelo Alesso Dela Cruz
 - 6. Noelle Avery Perez
 - 7. Francesca Flordeliza
 - May 10
 - 1. Jordan Roeun
 - 2. Roselle Manalaysay

- 3. Miles Cerdan
- 4. Nico Monroe
- 5. Farrah Isom
- 6. Adrian O'Neill
- 7. Camden Kung

May 24

- 1. Elias Anthony Benzon
- 2. Amelia Louvelle Feliciano
- 3. Kehlani Sun Daniel

June 1

- 1. Julian Isaiah Landolt
- 2. Stacey Nicole Caparas
- 3. Deja Butler
- 4. Noa Adams
- 5. Elijah Astudillo
- 6. Gabrielle San Gabriel

• <u>June</u> 11

1. Anselm Theo Madamba

• June 14

- 1. Sophia Ashizawa
- 2. Jalen Ivory
- 3. Jenesis Aveina
- 4. J-Lou Aveina Jr.

4. Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) and Marriage Preparation

• Please refer to the report provided by Deacon Nestor L. Fernandez, II.

SA Parish Pastoral Council Meeting - 26 June 2025

Service Commission Report:

- July 27 Hope & Healing Workshop: Raising Mental Health Awareness and Cultivating the Healing Power of Hope. This FREE Workshop is open to the Archdiocese of San Francisco. SAC has invited speakers to present the following topics:
 - o Mental health challenges and ways for cultivating hope in daily life
 - Recognize the signs and symptoms of depression, anxiety, and dementia, its treatments and when to seek professional help
 - o Caring for loved ones with dementia and their caregivers
 - Creating a community of hope (community resources)
- SAC Fiesta Celebration planning is underway. The committee is meeting June 25 to discuss/finalized activities for a week-long celebration (Aug 23 to Aug 28). Efforts will be made to invite all neighboring parishes to come to SAC and take part in the festivities.
- Sept 27 SAC Jubilee Gala Cost of Dinner Tickets: \$150 for Adults and \$50 for Child 17 & below. Dinner tickets are being printed and will be distributed soon. Solicitation for Souvenir Program and sponsorship (priests, etc.) will be available.

MENTAL HEALTH MATTERS

Hope & Healing: Raising Mental Health Awareness and Cultivating the Healing Power of Hope

JULY 27, 2025 | 2pm to 5pm | Saint Augustine Parish Hall

According to CDC, **Mental Health is a state of well-being** that enables us to cope with the stresses of life, realize our abilities, learn well and work well, and contribute to our community. Mental health is important at every stage of life, from childhood and adolescence through adulthood and aging. **Hope and healing are essential components of recovery from mental health challenges**. Fostering hope, through supportive environments and positive self-care practices, can significantly improve mental well-being and promote healing.

As a faith community, **Saint Augustine parish** is helping raise awareness and helping change the conversation around mental health. Join us for a **FREE** workshop to learn more about:

- Mental health challenges and ways for cultivating hope in daily life
- Recognize the signs and symptoms of depression, anxiety, and dementia,
 its treatments and when to seek professional help
- Caring for loved ones with dementia and their caregivers
- Creating a community of hope (community resources)



MELANIE AKALAL, MD Psychiatrist, The Permanente Medical Group - Antioch, CA



CATHOLIC CHARITIES SAN FRANCISCO Adult Aging Programs and Memory Café



JOCELYN DE LA TORRE, RN, BSN, SN IV Residential Care Facility for the Elderly Licensee/ Administrator Hospice Care Administrator

Register by July 20 Go online using the link below: www.bit.ly/HopeandHealing

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Scan the QR Code or Call Parish office (650) 873-2282

SAYG and YA report June 2025

June

- The Service and Leadership Team (SALT) had their meetings on June 1st and June 20th from 3:30-5pm
 - Due to summer plans, we had to reschedule. The Seniors of SAYG lead the last SAYG meeting of the school year to spotlight their time in SAYG and into college/adult life.
- Youth Group Meetings after each SALT meetings in the Youth Center with the addition of planning for banquet meetings
- Monthly Youth and Young Adult Holy Hour on June 18th by Deacon Virgil Capetti
- The Annual St. Augustine Graduate Mass (June 22 @ 12:30 pm was a joyful and spirit-filled occasion, presided by Fr. Raul, with Fr. Ifeanyi concelebrating and Deacon Nestor assisting.
 - This year, roughly 30 graduates—from preschool to college—were acknowledged during the Mass. They received a special blessing from Fr. Ifeanyi and were each presented with a "Faith" pin by Fr. Raul as a token of their perseverance, accomplishments, and reminder of God's love.
 - A highlight of the Mass was a heartfelt testimony from Sean Berber, an active young adult in the parish, who shared how he leaned into his relationship with God especially during the more challenging moments in college.
 - The celebration concluded with an intimate luncheon reception for graduates and their families, generously sponsored in part by Tony Lim and Ling Nam Restaurant.
 - We extend our sincere thanks to all our ministers and volunteers who thoughtfully planned the liturgy, especially Deacon Nestor who has faithfully partnered with us year after year, and to our sponsors for their continued support in making this annual tradition such a meaningful success.
 - St. Augustine Youth Choir sang for Mass on June 22 at 5:30pm
- SAYG Banquet Awards Night on June 22nd at 7-9pm.
 - As the school year comes to a close, we would like to recognize and celebrate the incredible work our youth have accomplished. Through their planning, organization, and dedication, they have led retreats, faith sharings, fundraisers, and events that have brought their peers closer to one another and to God. Their passion and commitment have created a welcoming and faith-filled environment

for all. We awarded every youth part of the 1st year and 2nd year Confirmation Team and along with our Summer and Regular Salt Teams this year. We also had attendance of parents, alumni and chaperones that helped support behind the scenes—offering love, guidance, and encouragement—has been invaluable to the success of our youth ministry. Together, this community continues to carry on the legacy of SAYG, striving always to serve with His love.

Upcoming Events:

- Summer SALT Team with faith sharings and social events.
- Onfire NorCal Jubilee Day for Young People on September 13th 2025 at Six Flags Discovery Kingdom 9am-8pm.