



SAINT AUGUSTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Archdiocese of San Francisco

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December 14, 2025

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Cycle A

Isaiah 35: 1-6a, 10
Psalm 146: 6-10
James 5: 7-10
Matthew 11: 2-11



The third Sunday of Advent is traditionally called *Gaudete Sunday*. *Gaudete* is the Latin word meaning “rejoice.” This Sunday is so named because “Rejoice” is the first word in the entrance antiphon for today’s Mass taken from Philippians 4:4,5: “Rejoice in the Lord always; again, I say, rejoice! The Lord is near.” Some people mark this Sunday on their Advent wreath with a pink candle instead of a purple candle. This Sunday is a joyful reminder that our salvation is near.

This week’s Gospel Reading continues our Advent reflection on the person and message of John the Baptist. Last week we heard John speak about his relationship to the coming Messiah, Jesus. This week, we hear Jesus’ message to John the Baptist, now in prison, about the signs of the kingdom found in Jesus’ ministry and Jesus’ assessment of John’s role in the Kingdom of God.

The Gospel of Matthew tells the story of John’s arrest in chapter 14:3-12. In today’s Gospel, John sends word to Jesus from prison, asking if Jesus is the Messiah for whom he has been waiting. Jesus responds by pointing to the miracles that he has worked and invites John and the other hearers to make their own determination. In his next breath, however, Jesus praises John for his role in preparing the way for Jesus. Then Jesus says that all of those who work for the Kingdom of God will be as great as John and even greater.

Jesus’ message to John about the signs of the kingdom being performed recalls the salvation described by the prophet Isaiah. This passage is a reminder that the beginning of salvation is already mysteriously present to us, but also yet to be fulfilled. Salvation is already in our midst as manifest in the miraculous deeds of Jesus and in the Church. But salvation is also to be fulfilled in the coming reign of God. Even as we observe our world today, we can find glimpses of God’s work among us. Even more, we help to prepare the way for God’s kingdom by our words and our deeds. This message is indeed a cause for rejoicing.

MASS TIMES & OTHER SCHEDULES

Monday to Saturday—Livestreamed* 9:00 AM
 Weekday afternoon Mass: 5:30 pm
 Saturday Anticipated/Vigil Mass: 4:30 PM
 Sunday Masses: 7:30 am, 11:00 am
 12:30 pm, 5:30 pm
 Sunday People's Mass—Livestreamed* 9:00 AM

Tagalog Mass—Every 1st Sunday
 of the month* 5:30 PM

Livestreamed on Facebook and YouTube*HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION**

9:00 am, 12:15 pm, 5:30 pm, and 7:00 pm
 Recitation of the Rosary: 8:30 am (TBA)

HOSPITALITY SUNDAY

Every Sunday after the 9:00 AM Mass, in the Courtyard.

CONFESSION

Friday: 4:30 pm
 Saturday: 3:30pm - 4:15pm

**COMMUNAL CELEBRATION OF
THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

2nd & 4th Saturday: 12:00 Noon
 1st Sunday: 2:30 pm
 3rd Sunday (within the Mass): 12:30 pm Mass

Parents must contact the office at least one month before baptism. Parents and godparents are required to attend a pre-baptismal catechesis.

PRE-BAPTISMAL VIRTUAL CLASSES

1st Monday of the month: 7:00 pm
 3rd Monday of the month: 7:00 pm

WEDDING

1st & 3rd Saturday of the month: 12:00 Noon or 2:00 pm

Parishioners who wish to be wed in St. Augustine Catholic Church must contact the parish office at least 6 months before the desired date.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday: 9:00am-12:00pm, 1:00pm-4:00pm
 Saturday: 9:00 am- 12:00 pm, 1:00pm- 2:00 pm

PARISH STAFF

Rev. Raymund Reyes, Pastor
 Rev. Ifeanyichukwu Henry Uwabunkeonye, Parochial Vicar
 Rev. Ed Dura, In-residence
 Rev. Mr. Nestor L. Fernandez II, Permanent Deacon
 Rev. Mr. Virgil Capetti, Permanent Deacon
 Patricia Abdelalim, Operations Manager
 Amor Baldomero, Administrative Assistant
 Linda Gamboa
 Louis Consuegra
 Erlan Tapawan, Youth & Young Adult Ministry Coordinator

CHILDREN FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM OFFICE

Weekdays (except Tuesday): 10:00 am to 5:00 pm
 Closed: 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm
 Saturday: 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

CLOSED ON SUNDAY, TUESDAY AND HOLIDAYS

Sister Ruth Linaac, RVM, Director of Religious Education

Mobile: 650-797-5955

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staugustinecdre@gmail.com

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION (livestreamed)

Fridays, immediately after 9:00 am Mass
 In the chapel. Adoration ends at 5:00 pm
 Benediction on First Fridays

HOLY HOUR (K of C sponsored)

7:00 PM, every 1st Wednesday of the month

HOLY HOUR (SAYGM/YAM sponsored)

7:00 PM, every 3rd Wednesday of the month

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP NOVENA

8:30 AM, every Tuesday of the month

TIME TO UPDATE THE
St. Augustine Parish & Pictorial Directory
Stop by the Hall for your Quick Photo after the
Weekend Masses of Nov. 29/30 and Dec. 13/14
Many Faces, One Family in Christ

Pictorial Weekends: Nov 29 and Nov 28/29

Saturdays, Nov 29 Dec 13 After 4:30PM Masses	Sundays, Nov 30 & Dec 14 After 7:30AM, 9AM, 11AM, 12:30 PM, 5:30 PM Masses
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THE SOCIETY OF ST.VINCENT DE PAUL, ST.AUGUSTINE CONFERENCE CORNER

Third Sunday of Advent

In today's Gospel Jesus tells us that the good news can be seen, touched, felt, and heard through the lives of God's people. We are now charged to take up the ministry of Jesus but we cannot just ask people to take our word for it.; our actions must speak for us.

Since Christmas is a time of love and gift giving, please share in Jesus' ministry by giving a gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that those who are poor can know the good news of Jesus. Contact our conference at 650-273-7088 to let us know you want to help the poor.



HAVE EARS TO HEAR THE "CRIES OF THE POOR"

HAVE EYES TO "SEEK AND FIND THE FORGOTTEN, THE SUFFERING OR THE DEPRIVED"

HAVE HEARTS THAT "BRING GOD'S LOVE TO THE POOR" THROUGH THEIR GENEROSITY AND DONATIONS.

Would you like to help people?
 Join St. Vincent de Paul Society,
 Saint Augustine Conference.
 Contact: Jeunesse Raymundo
 jeunesse00@yahoo.com
 650-273-7088

SAINT AUGUSTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

A ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF
THE ARCHDIOCESE OF SAN FRANCISCO



Christmas 2025

Advent Communal Penance with Individual Confessions

Tuesday, December 9 at 7:00pm

Novena of Masses (Simbang Gabi)

December 15-23 at 7:00pm (Livestreamed)

December 16-24 at 6:00am

Christmas Vigil

Wednesday, December 24

4:30pm Vigil Mass | 7:30pm Children's Caroling

8:00pm Children's Mass

11:00pm Caroling | 12:00 Midnight Mass

Christmas Day

Thursday, December 25

7:30am, 9:00am, 11:00am and 12:45pm

There is NO 5:30pm Mass on Christmas Day

New Year's Eve

Wednesday, December 31 at 5:30pm

New Year's Day & Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

(A Holy Day of Obligation)

Thursday, January 1

9:00am, 12:15pm & 5:30pm

Confessions by Appointment

Please call (650) 873-2282

3700 Callan Blvd., SSF, CA 94080



Want to be a Deacon?

The Office of Formation for the Permanent Diaconate will hold informational Evenings for men considering the possibility of serving the Church as Permanent Deacons

The evening will include discussion of the ministry of the Deacon in the Church, the Formation Program and the Application Process.

Please check the FLYER below for the dates of the Informational Evenings.



Dates:

Wednesday, January 07, 2026

St. Raphael Church
1104 5th Avenue
San Rafael, CA 94901

Wednesday, January 14, 2026

Archdioceses of San Francisco
One Peter Yorke Way
San Francisco, CA 94109

Wednesday, January 21, 2026

St. Mark Catholic Church
325 Marine View Avenue
Belmont, CA 94002

Time:

7:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Diaconate Formation Informational Evenings

The Office of Formation for the Permanent Diaconate will hold Informational Evenings for men considering the possibility of serving the Church as Permanent Deacons. The evening will include discussion of the ministry of the Deacon in the Church, the Formation program and the application process. Please join us.

Deacon Fred Totah, Director of Diaconate Formation
Deacon Arthur Sanchez, Director of Permanent Diaconate

Who should attend?

Single and married men between the ages of 30 and 60 may apply for the program and are invited to the evening. However, married applicants must be married at least five years. All married applicants need the complete support of their wives in order to pursue the program; therefore, wives are encouraged to attend.

Diaconate Formation Office

Deacon Fred Totah, Director of Diaconate Formation
Phone: 415-614-5615
Email: totah.fred@sfarch.org

MASS INTENTION

December 15 to December 21

Dec 15: Liza Ignacio, Magdalen Ignacio, Rosario Manalo, Sajidiman Poespowidjojo II, Agnes Ballecer, Virginia Garganita, Alvin Cruz, Imelda & Delfin Santos, Josefina Sapinoso, Andre Belarmino, Norma Torre Franca, Erlinda Amante, Margarita & Sancho Pineda, Mauro dela Cruz, Sr., Jeffery Milcarek

Dec 16: Micaela Rodriguez, Rachelle Ignacio, Eugenio Chupo, Jr., Imelda & Delfin Santos, Lilia Valero, Pacifico Pineda, Jr., Lydia Pineda, Erlinda Amante, Jeffery Milcarek

Dec 17: Dexter Abarintos, Sunshine Emmanuelle Ortiz, Imelda & Delfin Santos, Erlinda Hare, Erlinda Amante, Jeffery Milcarek

Dec 18: Lorn Valdez, Blanca Salonga, Imelda & Delfin Santos, Erlinda Amante, Jeffery Milcarek

Dec 19: Cesar Jose, Caridad Gutierrez, Sr., Cesar Almondie, Lanie Shono, Alberto Chapman, Anna Lee, Imelda & Delfin Santos, Arturo Santos, Jr., Robert Mercader, Erlinda Amante, Antonio Bautista, Jeffery Milcarek

Dec 20: Remedios Panlilio, Enrique Balagtas, Sr., Vicky & Gene Licauco, Gemmalyn Enriquez, Imelda & Delfin Santos, Jeanette heras, Erlinda Amante, Erlinda Lapinid, Luz Vitug, Perry Rodriguez, Willie Garcia, Jose Geronimo, Olivia Nunez, Magdalena Ignacio, Jeffery Milcarek, Miles Jayden, Janessa & Mike Chin, Jesse Rozal, Emir Castillo

Dec 21: Ercarnacion Beltran, Lourdes Lacanlale-Ignacio, Leonardo Gutierrez, Sr., Jesus Bantay, Melecio & Josefina Torres, Leffler Miller, Milagros & Carlito Magno, Teddy Espejo, Juliana Tolentino, Ernesto Santos, Hideliza & Enrique Tuason, Michael Salonga, Jesus & Virginia Cruz, Salvador & Stas Buhay, Eleonor Ognos, Ysmael & Felicidad Cruz, Arturo & Austin Crisologo, Nestor Villarosa, Glenn Navor, Jeffery Milcarek, Erlinda Amante, Tomas Carpio IV, Virgie Nebalasca, Luciano Ortega, Noel Dolar, Ryan Mecano, Melecio Torres

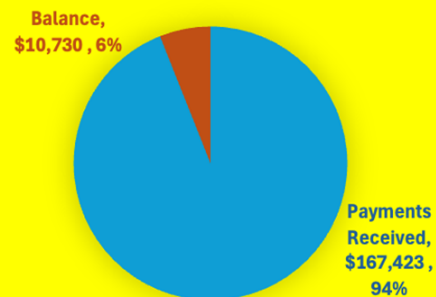
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OFFERTORY

First Collection (December 7 , 2025)	\$ 9,604.00
Parish Hall Renovation	\$ 3,300.00
Tuesday	\$ 232.00
Friday	\$ 816.00

ONLINE GIVING - October 2025 \$21,848.00

ST. AUGUSTINE CHURCH
AAA 2025 CAMPAIGN GOAL \$178,153
AS OF NOVEMBER 25, 2025



Monsignor Romulo Vergara

Died December 10, 2025

Rest in Peace



JUBILEE 2025, MONTH OF DECEMBER

Joint Jubilee Years' message in Simbang Gabi Video, Dec. 24 Coinciding Pope's Holy Door Opening, Rite of proclamation of Joint Jubilee Year. SAC 55 & 2025 Jubilee Year of Hope. Unveiled Joint Jubilee Logo Jubilee Prayer printed.

Simbang Gabi

& Early Dawn Novena Masses

December 15-23 @ 7:00 pm (livestreamed) | December 16-24 @ 6:00 am
Reception follows after Mass

 FATHER JEROME MAGAT December 15, 7:00 pm	 FATHER MARTIN NJOALU December 16, 7:00 pm	 FATHER PAULO CALINGASAN December 17, 7:00 pm	 FATHER JAYSON MIRANDA December 18, 7:00 pm December 16, 6:00 am December 19, 6:00 am December 21, 6:00 am	 FATHER RENE RAMOSO December 19, 7:00 pm
 FATHER JERALD GERONIMO December 20, 7:00 pm	 FATHER IFEANYI UWANBUNKEONYE December 21, 7:00 pm December 23, 6:00 am	 FATHER MAURICE TOKAY December 22, 7:00 pm December 17, 6:00 am December 22, 6:00 am	 FATHER RAY REYES December 23, 7:00 pm	 FATHER ED DURA December 18, 6:00 am December 20, 6:00 am December 24, 6:00 am

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SIMBANG GABI FELLOWSHIP 2025 AFTER 7:00 PM Mass

Dec 15	Legion of Mary
Dec 16	EM/Readers
Dec 17	Altar Servers Parents & Hospitality Ministry
Dec 18	K of C/ Fil - Am
Dec 19	FFP Catechists & Parents
Dec 20	St. Mark Transport
Dec 21	Children's Choir Parents
Dec 22	SVdP/ Sto. Nino/ SCC
Dec 23	Parish Pastoral Council & Finance Council

SIMBANG GABI FELLOWSHIP 2025 AFTER 6:00 AM MASS

Dec 16	Sagalas
Dec 17	Care Team
Dec 18	Marthas
Dec 19	Claire Reinares Family
Dec 20	Valdez - dela Cruz Family
Dec 21	Alex Trinidad Family & Sunga Family
Dec 22	Cruzada Virgen delos Remedios
Dec 23	St. Joseph Ministry
Dec 24	Praise & Glorify Choir



Let's spark
some joy,
hope & love!

Holiday Charitable Gift Giving Opportunities
CHRISTMAS TREE GIFT GIVING
Donation Drive For
Catholic Charities & Gabriel Project

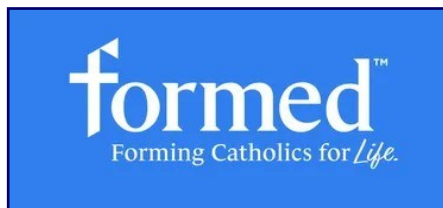
Help us support moms, babies, and seniors this holiday.
We are requesting donations of **NEW** blankets for seniors,
baby items or Gift Cards to Target, Walmart, or Safeway.

**The Knights of Columbus will be ready to receive your
unwrapped Gift donations with the Angel ornament
after Mass Services on the following weekend:**

December 13 & 14 and 20 & 21

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organization in
Saint Augustine Parish?

Call the Parish Office
650-873-2282

**Traveling
Vocation Cross**

HOMEBOUND MINISTRY

Do you have a family member or friend who is homebound and wants to receive communion? Call the Parish Office at 650-873-2282. A priest or eucharistic minister may visit them at home.

To host the
**TRAVELING
VOCATION CROSS**
please call
Elsa Rozal at
(650) 922-9618 or email her at
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