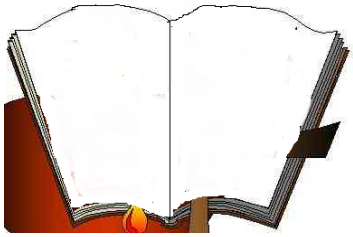
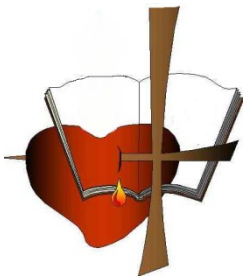
Our Congregation's emblem

This version of the internationally recognized Augustinian logo was re-designed by a Chicago graphic artist over 15 years ago.

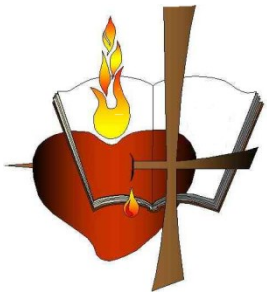


The book is open. This represents the searching for knowledge of God, a knowledge which is to be shared with others. The open book suggests that minds must be open to God and to each other in friendship.

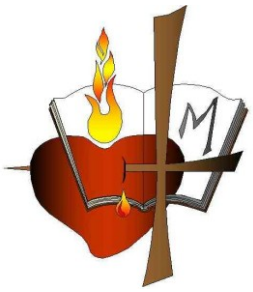
The arrow that pierces both the heart and book symbolises divine love, the source of the unity of mind and heart that Augustinians aspire to in community.



The book and heart being pierced indicate that God's Word must not only be heard externally, but received into one's innermost being.



Acceptance of that Word inflames one's heart to yearn with the restless yearning of love. The emblem of the Augustinian Order now consists of an open book and a flaming heart, each pierced by an arrow.



Our Founder – Mother Maria Teresa Spinelli, wanting to follow the Rule of St Augustine, adopted the Augustinian emblem but also wished to reflect the Marian Spirituality of complete service – FIAT. Therefore, the Congregation's logo has an *M* to reflect this addition.