

FATHER PAT'S SERMON NOTES

Second Sunday in Lent

Will you make the Climb?

Lent is a time for taking action to improve our relationship with God by listening more intently, trusting more generously, and complying more willingly. It calls for full engagement of the mind, the heart **and** the will! Fasting and abstaining notwithstanding, we must remember that God wants to transform your life not your diet! He wants to lead you in a different direction; influence the choices you make, adjust your attitude, change your perspective, and radically alter the way you think about and treat your neighbor. In other words, Lent is as practical as it is profound and leads to changes that are visible, verifiable and undeniable.

God called Abraham to climb up a mountain with his son, Isaac. God called Peter, James and John to climb another mountain with His Son, Jesus. They all made the climb and as a result their lives would never be the same because of what happened there; because of who they encountered there. This was nothing new. God once called Moses to climb Mount Sinai where he encountered the Living God in the form of the burning bush. This encounter would alter the course of his life forever. God called the prophet Elijah to the top of Mount Carmel for the dramatic showdown between the gods of Baal and the God of Israel (1 Kings 18). Today God is calling you to make the climb.

The lesson of these biblical characters and the lives of millions of men and women of faith since them is that when God calls you to step up, listen to Him, trust in Him and do exactly what he tells you. When you do, you will experience the unique privilege of being conduits of his extraordinary action in history.

Peter, James and John accepted the invitation from Jesus to face the mountain that stood before them and to begin the hard work of conquering it one step at a time. **The goal here is progress not completion.** Remember, if you always do what you always did, you'll always get what you always got! **Lent is an opportunity to do something different to get something more!** Only by making the climb do you get to see the view of the dazzling new you!

Father Patrick A Smith ©2012 [Originally titled: "Listen, Trust, Obey"]

See Fr. Pat's Sermon Notes and listen to the podcast at <http://saintaugustine-dc.org/category/sermon-notes/>



Sunday, March 1, 2015

Scripture Readings

2nd Sunday of Lent

Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13,15-18

Rom 8:31b-34

Mk9:2-10

3rd Sunday of Lent

Ex 20: 1-17 or 20: 1-3, 7-8, 12-17

1 Cor 1:22-25

Jn 2:13:16



8:15 am Daily Mass Intentions

Mon	Mar	2	Desiree Grant	-Deceased
Tues	Mar	3	Charles Gaithers	- Living
Wed	Mar	4	Cornelia Rajah	- Deceased
Thurs	Mar	5	Doris Silas	- Living
Fri	Mar	6	Gertina Simms	- Living

Attendance 618



Bible Study
Every Wednesday at 7:00pm in the
School Cafeteria.



Save the Date
Saint Augustine Lenten Mission
will be held on
March 9-11 2015 at 7pm
in the Church

*A Lenten Repast will be held in
the School Cafeteria at 6pm.*

2nd Sunday of Lent

THIS SUNDAY'S SECOND COLLECTION IS FOR OUR PARISH SCHOOL
NEXT SUNDAY'S SECOND COLLECTION IS FOR OUR RENOVATION FUND

St. Augustine School *Love to Learn; Learn to Love*

SR. GLORIA AGUMAGU, HHCJ PRINCIPAL

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Catholic Education Corner



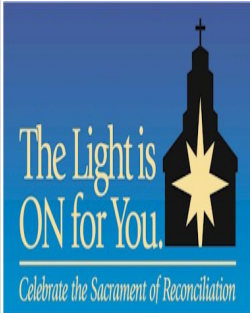
Saint Augustine School is now registering for the 2015-2016 school year for grades Pre-K3, Pre-K4 through Eighth. For an application or more information, please contact Mr. Wilkins, Direction of Admissions at 202-667-2608 or email: admissions@saintaugustine-dc.org

Please Pray for Our Sick & Homebound

John Adams, Sr.
Beatrice Alexander
Donovan Anderson
William Barksdale
Frances Brooks
Mary Burgan
Williams Burgan
Andrew Burton
Angela Callighan
Elizabeth Carter
Phillip Cephas
Vincent Clarke, Sr.
Annie Cole
Tommie Cunningham
Pauline Dines
Susan Epps
Charles Edwards
Richard B. Fowler
Barbara Ferguson
Daniel Galloway
Inez Gaskins
Charles Gathers
Thelma Givens
Charlene Gordon
Valencia Green
Robert Greenfield
Frances Gulston
Grace Hansberry
Brian Harvey

John Harris
Patricia Herndon
Emily Hill
Jeanne Hincley
Deborah Jackson
Betty Johnson
Eleanor Johnson
Paul Joy
Benjamin Kilgore
Sedonia Labee
Keats Labule
Louisa Lee
Mary Leonard
Bernadette Mahoney
Catherine Mason
Florence Matthews
Edna Mills
James McNamara
Leona Miller
Sylvia Monroe
Julius Oben
Colelle Ogbey
Theresa Purcell
George Queen
Ashley Redhead, Jr.
Royal Robinson
Fran Robertson
Lisa Rivera

Doris Silas
Gertina Simms
Kathleen Simms
George Simmons
Mary Smith
Zedekiah Smith
Donnie Stewart
Willis Thomas
Angela Tilghman
Juanita Towns
Selma Twitty
Hayden Vaughn
Lillian Vaughn
Terry Vaughn
Esperanza Walker
Shirley Ward
Betty Washington
Lillie White
Bernice Williams
Teresa Wilkinson
Lozzie York



The Light is On You!
During Lent all Catholic Churches in the Archdiocese will be open for confessions and quiet prayer every Wednesday from 6:30pm to 8:00pm in the Church.



Please Pray for Our Dead

Parish Pastoral Council



Pastoral Parish Council Meetings are held every 3rd Saturday of the month at 9:00 am in the Gingras Center. Meetings are open to all parishioners.



Stations of The Cross

Every Friday after the 12:10 pm Mass and at 7:30pm in the Church.



First Friday Devotions

March 6, 2015
Mass - 8:15am
Mass - 12:10pm
Adoration - 6-7pm
Benediction - 7pm
Mass - 7:15pm



Girl Scout Cookie Time!

The Saint Augustine Girl Scout Troop 3859 will be selling cookies after all Masses for the next five weeks. Please support our troop.



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SUNDAYS FROM 9AM-4PM
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Our Parish Bookstore and Gift Shop

Opens before and after weekend Masses. Use Visa or MasterCard (\$10 min), check (\$5min), or cash to buy: Bibles - Missals - Rosaries - Books on the Pope, Saints, Parish History, Faith, Discernment, Marriage, Children's Books, Father Pat's Homilies and more.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC, RECEIVING CONFIRMATION? SPONSORING INQUIRERS?
RCIA MEETS TUESDAYS AT 6:45 - 8:45PM IN THE GINGRAS CENTER - SABRINA WILLIAMS AT 202-294-6990.

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