

FATHER PAT'S SERMON NOTES

Fourth Sunday of Easter

A Life Worth Living...and Giving

In today's gospel Jesus identifies himself as the Good Shepherd. He distinguishes himself from the hired hand whose first concern is making a living for himself ("Gettin paid!"). The Good Shepherd's first concern is making sure that YOU have a life worth living (John 10:10)! The key to having this life is recognizing that your fulfillment and happiness will be proportionate to your willingness to make a positive difference in the lives of others!

As we continue our celebration of Easter, we also continue to examine the impact of the Risen One on the lives of those who profess to know him. In the Book of the Acts of the Apostles we see that the preaching of early church leaders was consistently accompanied by signs and wonders (Acts 2:43; 5:12). It was precisely these outward signs that added the ultimate credence to what they were preaching and gave the needed clarity that the risen Lord was working with them – directly (Mark 16:20)!

Put another way, when the Good Shepherd and good sheep work together, the result is nothing short of amazing! You get a vibrant church that bears great fruit for the Kingdom. You get a parish that is generous in sharing its gifts and resources to serve the mission. You get adults making every effort and sacrifice to pass on the faith to their children and children excited to put that faith into practice. You get a community of believers parish where young women and men pursuing the priesthood and religious life is not uncommon or unexpected and where marriage is seen not simply as a fulfillment of a dream between two people but a Sacrament and a vocation in pursuit of holiness. You get parish whose hunger for knowledge of the faith and passion for prayer is only outmatched by its hunger for justice and compassion for the poor. When faithful sheep respond in love of the Good Shepherd the signs and wonders of Christ presence persists: the sick are healed, the lost are found, the broken are made whole, sinners are forgiven, the addicted are liberated, the hungry are fed and the despairing find hope. We become a church where our claim: "Truly He has risen!" becomes plainly obvious!

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Sunday, April 25, 2015

Scripture Readings

4th Sunday of Easter

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19

1 Jn 2:1-5a

Lk 24:35-48

5th Sunday of Easter

Acts 9:26-31

1 Jn 3:18-24

Jn 15:1-8



8:15 am Daily Mass Intentions

Mon	Apr	27	Berta Rodriguez	- Deceased
Tues	Apr	28	Raul Vigaud	- Deceased
Wed	Apr	29	Ana Maria Falcon	- Deceased
Thurs	Apr	30	Teresita Vi. Rodriguez	- Living
Fri	May	1	Miriam Arean	- Living

Attendance 949



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



First Friday Devotions

Friday, May 1, 2015

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

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Next Sunday's Second Collection will be for our Parish School. Thank you for your support.

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

SR. GLORIA AGUMAGU, HHCJ PRINCIPAL

INFORMATION: 202-667-2608

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

SODALITY BAKE SALE



The Sodality will hold its Spring Bake Sale and Silent Auction on Sunday, April 26 after all Masses. The proceeds will go to the Infirmary of the Oblate Sisters of Providence and the various projects of the Sodality.



WANTED: Web Manager

The parish is seeking a web manager who will be responsible for managing and maintaining the parish website. This role requires a strong understanding of and demonstrated expertise in web content development, website usability, and some basic development and design skills. To view the responsibilities and communicate your interest, visit: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/93T6G5V>. There is a monthly stipend that will be offered for this role. For more information contact Brian Loebig at webmaster@loebigink.com.



Wedding Banns

Miss Katherine Metres of Washington, DC and Mr. Michael Akbarare are scheduled to be married this June, 2015. Please remember them in your prayers.



Holy Name Society Breakfast

The Holy Name Society will hold its Annual Breakfast honoring the Eighth Grade Graduating Class of Saint Augustine School on Sunday, May 17 at 9:30am in the Saint Augustine Room. Tickets are \$15.00. Please see a member of the Holy Name Society for tickets.

Please Pray for Our Sick & Homebound

John Adams, Sr.
Beatrice Alexander
Donovan Anderson
Ronald Ausbrooks
William Barksdale
Frances Brooks
Eunice Brown
Mary Burgan
Williams Burgan
Andrew Burton
Angela Callighan
Elizabeth Carter
Phillip Cephas
Vincent Clarke, Sr.
Annie Cole
Tommie Cunningham
Pauline Dines
Susan Epps
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 Hinckley
Deborah Jackson
Eleanor M. Johnson
Paul Joy
Benjamin Kilgore
Sedonia Labee
Keats Labule
Raymond Lane
Louisa Lee
Mary Leonard
Bernadette Mahoney
Catherine Mason
Florence Matthews
James McNamara
Leona Miller
Sylvia Monroe
Julius Oben
Colelle Ogbey
Eileen Ogu
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
Juanita Towns
Selma Twitty
Hayden Vaughn
Lillian Vaughn
Terry Vaughn
Esperanza Walker
Shirley Ward
Betty Washington
Lillie White
Bernice Williams
Teresa Wilkinson
Lozzie York



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.



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