

FATHER PAT'S SERMON NOTES

JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY

Thirty –First Sunday in Ordinary Time

What Difference Has Christ Made in Your Life?

A few weeks ago I was invited by another Diocese to address a group of nearly two hundred priests and pastoral leaders. In my address to them I decided to ask a question: **What difference has Christ made in your life?** Many of their answers were profound and deeply moving! I imagine that Zacchaeus in today's Gospel – after meeting Jesus – would have an equally profound answer regarding the difference Jesus made in his life!

Zacchaeus, a wealthy man and Chief Tax Collector and collaborator with the Romans, had no idea when he woke up that morning that he would be giving away half his possessions to the poor and voluntarily paying back people four-times-over the amount he had defrauded them! This could never happen... until it actually did! After an unforgettable encounter he had with Jesus Christ his life would be changed forever!

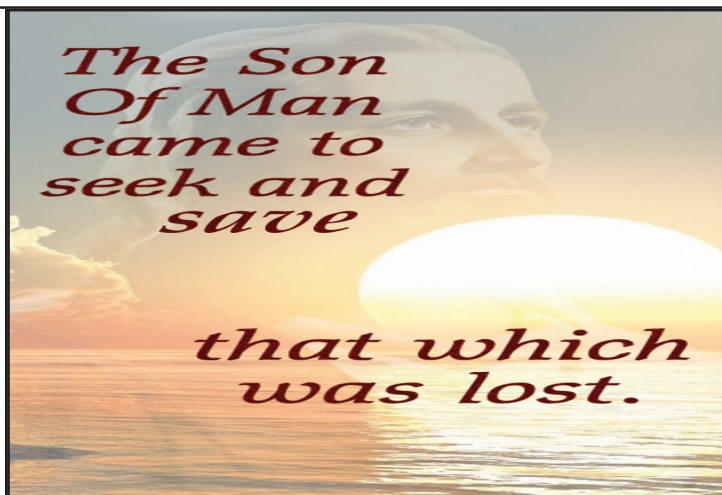
At first glance, it seems that Jesus and Zacchaeus were never supposed to meet since the scriptures say that Jesus intended to pass through the town on the way to another destination. But God had other plans. Jesus stops to engage this infamous tax collector and even insists that he stay at the wealthy man's house. This comes as a complete shock and Zacchaeus is overjoyed. You see, while Zacchaeus climbed that tree so that he could see Jesus, he never considered the possibility that Jesus would see him! But that's exactly what happened! As a man who had grown accustomed to the angry stares and despising sneers of his peers, Zacchaeus was completely overwhelmed by the acceptance he would receive from Jesus: **"Zacchaeus come down quickly, for today I must stay at your house!"**

The impact of Zacchaeus' encounter with Christ is seen not primarily by what he says but by what he does; by his extraordinary actions of repentance, reparation, and generosity! By the time Jesus announces, **"Salvation has come to this house"**, he was just stating the obvious! The difference between Zacchaeus before meeting Jesus and after meeting and welcoming him into his house and into his heart was unimaginable yet undeniable! Is this true in your life as well? What would you say if someone asked you: What difference has Jesus Christ made in your life? What differences have you allowed him to make? God doesn't need a lot of time to make a world of difference in your life. He just needs a willing heart.

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Sunday, October 30, 2016

Scripture Readings

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 11:22—12:2

2 Thes 1:11-2:2

Lk 19:1-10

32nd Sunday In Ordinary Time

2 Mc 7:1-2, 9-14

2 Thes 2:16-3:5

LK 20:27-38 or 20-27, 34-38



8:15 am Daily Mass Intentions

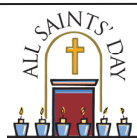
Mon	Oct	31	Michael Payne	- Deceased
Tues	Nov	1	Barbara Grant	- Deceased
Wed	Nov	2	Desiree Grant	- Deceased
Thurs	Nov	3	Mary Carter	- Deceased
Fri	Nov	4	Garfield Johnson	- Deceased

Attendance 868



BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study is held on every Wednesday at 7:00pm in the School Cafeteria.



Masses for All Saints Day: Tuesday, 11/1/16

8:15AM, 12:10PM, 7:00PM



All Souls Day

Masses for All Souls Day: Wednesday, 11/2/16

8:15am, 12:10PM, 7:00PM

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Next Sunday's Second Collection is for Our Parish School. Thank you for your continued 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 2016-2017 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.



SHARE

SHARE packages are now on sale at the Ushers' Table. See the Share Representative.



**SAVE THE DATE —
Sunday, December 4, 2016**

**Saint Augustine Gospel Choir
presents**

“A GREAT PRAISE!”

**The 39th Anniversary Celebration with
Special Guest
RICHARD SMALLWOOD**

December 4th, 2016 at 5:00pm in the Church
Tickets \$20



**FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS
Friday, November 6, 2016**

Masses

8:15am 12:10pm

Adoration 6:00pm - 7:00pm

Benediction & Mass 7:00pm

Please Pray for Our Sick & Homebound

Gwendolyn Adams
John Adams, Sr.
Beatrice Alexander
Francis Arnold
Ronald Ausbrooks
William Barksdale
Valerie Barrows
Althea Black
Frances Brooks
Shelia Brooks
Norma Brown
Mary Burgan
Williams Burgan
Andrew Burton
Angela Callighan
Elizabeth Carter
Phillip Cephas
Ollie Mae Clark
Karen Dickerson
Pauline Dines
Theola Douglas
Susan Epps
Barbara Ferguson
Toni Fisher
Richard E. Fowler
Daniel Galloway
Inez Gaskins
Charles Gathers
Phil Gibson
Rev Charles Green
Valencia Green
Robert Greenfield
Frances Gulston
Louise Harrison

Grace Hansberry
Brian Harvey
John Harris
Patricia Herndon
Emily Hill
Jeanne Hinckley
Deborah Jackson
Charles Jackson
Marlene Jackson
Malcom Jamison
Eleanor Jamison
Faye Jones
Paul Joy
Sedonia Labee
Keats Labule
Raymond Lane
Louisa Lee
Mary Leonard
Bernadette Mahoney
Lita Majors
Catherine Mason
Florence Matthews
Floyd McCory
James McNamara
Sylvia Monroe
Arnetia Montague
Alpha Nacnas
Evelyn Norris
Julius Oben
Cotele Ogbey
Eileen Ogu
Harriet Parker
Marguerite Parker
Audrey Plaskett

Theresa Purrell
George Queen
Ashley Redhead, Jr.
Royal Robinson
Lisa Rivera
Doris Silas
Gertina Simms
Alise Simmons
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
William Waters
Elliot Weaver
Lillie White
Cynthia Wilkins
Bernice Williams
Teresa Wilkinson
Lozzie York



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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SUNDAY
FROM 9am — 4pm
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