

# FATHER PAT'S SERMON NOTES

JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Be Blessed and Bless Others!

Ten lepers are cured, but only one seems to give Jesus the credit. Really? To whom or what else would they have attributed the fact that they were no longer plagued with this debilitating and alienating disease... luck maybe? They had to know it was Jesus who healed them because they specifically appealed to him. But the fact remains that only one of the ten came back to Jesus and expressed his gratitude and thanks. Did the other nine not know how blessed they were? Of course they knew they were blessed. They just didn't know WHY they were blessed!

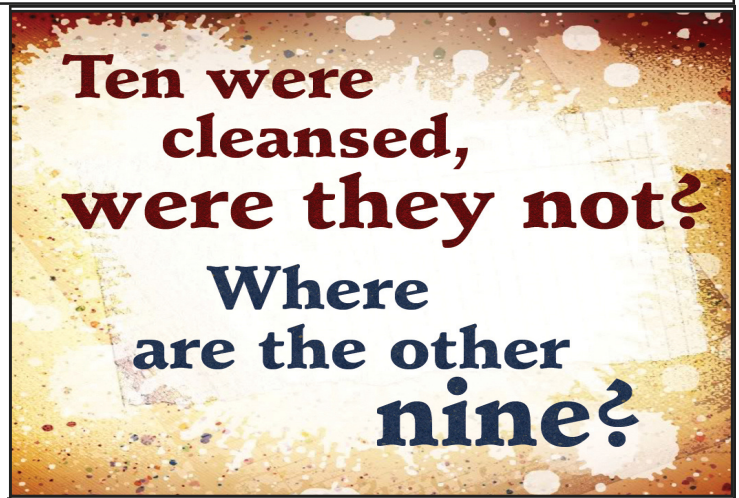
Naaman in the first reading was also a leper who was miraculously healed by God. He too knew he had experienced the most amazing blessing of his life which is why he returned to the prophet and offered an abundance of blessings of his own! To his surprise, the prophet would not accept his expression of gratitude. But Naaman insisted, even pleaded with the prophet to accept his gifts but he adamantly refused. Why? The first reason was to make it perfectly clear to Naaman that his debt of gratitude was due to God and not the prophet! But the second reason while less obvious, is most important: Once he could pay God back for all his troubles, he could declare: "Ok God, we're even!" The truth is that we will always be in God's debt and the least that we can offer him is our very lives.

So, do you consider yourself blessed? Then realize that your blessings in whatever form they take are a formal invitation from God to share in his life and mission... just as it was for the ten lepers. Nine went on with their lives telling others how blessed they were. If you tell someone that you are blessed be prepared to follow up with the words, "...and that is why I have given my life in service of his Kingdom!" Remember, ten knew they were blessed, but only one knew WHY he was so blessed: To BE a blessing to others and a life-long resource for God.

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Sunday, October 9, 2016

## Scripture Readings

28th Sunday In Ordinary Time

2 Kgs 5:14-17

2 Tm 2:8-13

Lk 17:11-19

29th Sunday In Ordinary Time

Ex 17:8-13

2 Tm 3:14-4:2

Lk 18:1-8



## 8:15 am Daily Mass Intentions

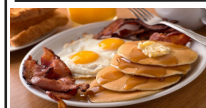
Mon	Oct	10	Eleanor Johnson	- Living
Tues	Oct	11	Elliot Weaver	- Living
Wed	Oct	12	Alex Koza	- Deceased
Thurs	Oct	13	Karen Dickerson	- Living
Fri	Oct	14	Alise Simmons	- Living

Attendance 933



## BIBLE STUDY

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



## TEAM HOPE BREAKFAST—10/19

The Fourth Annual Team Hope Breakfast of Hope will take place on Sunday, October 16<sup>th</sup>, after all three masses in the St. Augustine School Cafeteria. There will be no charge for breakfast. However, Team Hope is requesting donations of winter hats, gloves, and scarves that will be used for the Feet on the Street homeless outreach; but, as always monetary donations are cheerfully accepted. Please come have a great meal, fellowship with us and help keep our brother and sisters warm this winter. Thank You!

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This Sunday's Second Collection is for our Church Renovations. 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](mailto:admissions@saintaugustine-dc).



### SHARE

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



### Quo Vadis Come and See Retreat

High School aged young men in grades 11 & 12 who are considering options for college are invited to Saint Paul II Seminary, Friday through Sunday, November 4-6 to experience seminary life first-hand. This is an opportunity to meet and talk to our seminarians, pray with them, listen to great talks and enjoy time for sports and recreation. Please encourage high school juniors and seniors to consider attending this great weekend event. Registration is open. Visit [www.dcpriest.org](http://www.dcpriest.org) for more information and to register. Call the Office of Priest Vocations at 202-636-9020 or email [Fr. Mark Ivany at vocations@adw.org](mailto:Fr. Mark Ivany at vocations@adw.org) with any questions.



### LITURGICAL DANCE ANNIVERSARY October 23, 2016

On Sunday, October 23rd our Liturgical Dance Ministry will celebrate its 20 anniversary of ministering here in the church. This wonderful event will begin at 4:00 here in the main sanctuary. There is no admission fee, however a free will offering will be accepted. There will also be an anniversary booklet. If you are interested in placing an ad or just listing your name in the booklet please refer to one of our dance ministers.

### 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  
Norma Brown  
Mary Burgan  
Williams Burgan  
Andrew Burton  
Angela Callighan  
Elizabeth Carter  
Phillip Cephas  
Ollie Mae Clark  
Karen Dickerson  
Pauline Dines  
Theola Douglas  
Ann Lane Dressler  
Susan Epps  
Barbara Ferguson  
Toni Fisher  
Richard B. 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 Johnson  
Faye Jones  
Paul Joy  
Sedonia Labea  
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  
Colette Ogbey  
Eileen Ogu  
Harriet Parker  
Marguerite Parker  
Audrey Plaskett

Theresa Purcell  
George Queen  
Ashley Redhead, Jr.  
Royal Robinson  
Lisa Rivera  
Doris Silas  
Gertina Simms  
Aise 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  
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.



**PARK FREE SUNDAY**  
FROM 9am — 4pm  
REEVES CENTER



### Holy Name Society Day of Recollection

Holy Name of Saint Augustine Church will hold its Annual Day of Recollection on Saturday October 29, 2016 at 10:00am to 4:00pm at Archbishop Carroll High School. Father Pat will lead the day of recollection. For more information see a member of the Holy Name.

**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.**

▼ SEE GINGRAS CENTER BULLETIN BOARD FOR ANNOUNCEMENTS OF AVAILABLE EMPLOYMENT, YOUTH AND ADULT OPPORTUNITIES. ▼