

FATHER PAT'S SERMON NOTES

JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY!

Second Sunday of Lent

Standing Firm in the Lord

Life is so unpredictable. This is also true of many of the circumstances of our lives: your health, the weather, the future success of your children, the stability of your job, the results of an election, or what, in general, the future hold. We don't even know how long we have to live on this earth. I am writing this on the 22nd anniversary of my mother's death. Only sixty-eighth years did she get to walk this earth. But because she lived them well and was grounded in the faith passed onto her by her parents, 68 years was more than enough time for her to make a world of difference in many peoples' lives – especially that of her husband and eight children. My mother was a woman firmly rooted in her Catholic Faith and the joy of the Gospel! Her relationship with God was vibrant, active and alive; and so was she... and still is today from a "higher plain".

Last week on the first Sunday of Lent I encouraged you to engage in this Season of Grace in its proper context: Your relationship with God. This is what you want to build your life on in an unstable and unpredictable world. To be able to declare in the words of a popular hymn: "*On Christ the solid Rock I stand. All other ground is sinking sand!*" is to discover the secret of living a secure life and walking in his peace. The Holy Spirit that led Jesus into the desert - and in whom we were baptized – will **strengthen (or confirm)** you in your privileged identity as his son or daughter. The Spirit will truly open your eyes to "*See what love the Father has bestowed on (you) in allowing (you) to be called children of God. Yet that is what you are*" (1 John 3:1-2).

To this end, Jesus invites Peter, James and John to come up higher (literally climb a mountain) to join him in prayer. He extends the same invitation to us! Because they accepted Jesus' invitation they got to see him from a whole new vantage point; one they had never seen before. And it blew them away! You want to be "blown away" and bedazzled this Lent? Then accept Christ invitation to make the climb – even though it's not easy - into a deeper relationship with him - and prepare to be amazed by the view!

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

REMEMBER ST. AUGUSTINE PARISH IN YOUR WILL & BEQUESTS
SEE WEB PAGE FOR FATHER PAT'S SERMON NOTES AND LISTEN TO FATHER PAT'S SERMON PODCAST



Sunday, February 21, 2016

Scripture Readings

2nd Sunday of Lent

Gn 15:5-12, 17-18

Phil 3:17- 4:1 or 3:20 - 4:1

Lk 9:28b-36

3rd Sunday of Lent

Ex 3:1-8a

1 Cor 10:1-6,10-12

Lk 13:1-9



8:15 am Daily Mass Intentions

Mon	Feb	22	Ronald Ausbrooks	- Living
Tues	Feb	23	Vincent Clark, Sr.	- Living
Wed	Feb	24	Robert Greenfield	- Living
Thurs	Feb	25	Renee Branch	- Deceased
Fri	Feb	26	Keith Colona	- Deceased

Attendance 1187



BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study is every Wednesday, in the School Cafeteria from 7:00– 8:30pm. All are welcome.



THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered each Wednesday here in the Church from 6:30 – 8 p.m. This will also be the case at all Catholic Churches throughout the Archdiocese of Washington.

SAINT AUGUSTINE SCHOOL COMBINED FEDERAL CAMPAIGN # 20000 ♦
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This Sunday's Second Collection is for our Parish Poor Fund. Thank you for your continued support.
Next Sunday's Second Collection is for the Church in the Developing World.

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

Please remember to pick up your SHARE packages on Saturday, February 20, in the School Cafeteria.



Saint Augustine Sodality Annual Retreat

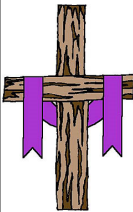
Saturday, February 27, 2016

“Divine Mercy: The Love of God Beyond What We Deserve”

9:00am—3:00pm
Nativity Catholic Church
6001 13th Street, NW
Washington, DC 20011

Cost \$15.00

Retreat Facilitator: Rev John Mudd



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Please joins us for Stations of the Cross every Friday after the 12:10pm Mass and at 7:00pm. Our special intentions on Friday, February 19, will be Homelessness.

GIRL SCOUT TROOP 3859



Girl Scout Troop 3859 will be selling cookies in the back of the Church after all Masses. Thank you for your support!

Please Pray for Our Sick & Homebound

John Adams, Sr.
Beatrice Alexander
Francis Arnold
Ronald Ausbrooks
William Barksdale
Valerie Barrows
Frances Brooks
Mary Burgan
Williams Burgan
Andrew Burton
Angela Callighan
Elizabeth Carter
Phillip Cephas
Vincent Clarke, Sr.
Annie Cole
Tommie Cunningham
Pauline Dines
Theola Douglas
Susan Epp
Richard B. Fowler
Barbara Ferguson
Daniel Galloway
Inez Gaskins
Charles Gathers
Thelma Givens
Rev Charles Green
Valencia Green
Robert Greenfield
Frances Gulston
Grace Hansberry

Brian Harvey
John Harris
Patricia Herndon
Emily Hill
Jeanne Hinckley
Deborah Jackson
Charles Jackson
Marlene Jackson
Malcom Jamison
Eleanor Johnson
Paul Joy
Sedonia Labee
Keats Labule
Raymond Lane
Louisa Lee
Mary Leonard
Bernadette Mahoney
Lita Majors
Catherine Mason
Carolyn Matthews
Florence Matthews
Floyd McCory
James McNamara
Sylvia Monroe
Alpha Nachnas
Evelyn Norris
Julius Oben
Colelle Ogbey
Eileen Ogu
Harriet Parker

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



Pray for our Dead

Dylan White Elaine Lomax
B. Allen Fortson

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
U STREET AT 14TH
STREET NW
Enter on U Street

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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