

# FATHER PAT'S SERMON NOTES

## JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY

### Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### You Can Change the Ending

Jesus assures us that no servant can serve two masters. Today we can go further and acknowledge that most don't want to serve one! We want the driver's seat; we want the keys; we want to take the wheel! Jesus speaks about being good stewards but we want to be the proud owners (my life, my body, my money, my plans, etc.)! We don't want to follow the rules, we want to make them! We don't want to follow God's Commandments; we want to live by our own standards and preferences. This is not new. But the Gospel today reminds us that we, like generations long past, will one day have to give God an account of our stewardship: What did you do with the life and the gifts that God gave you during your time on earth...And, what did you do with the neighbors you met along the way?

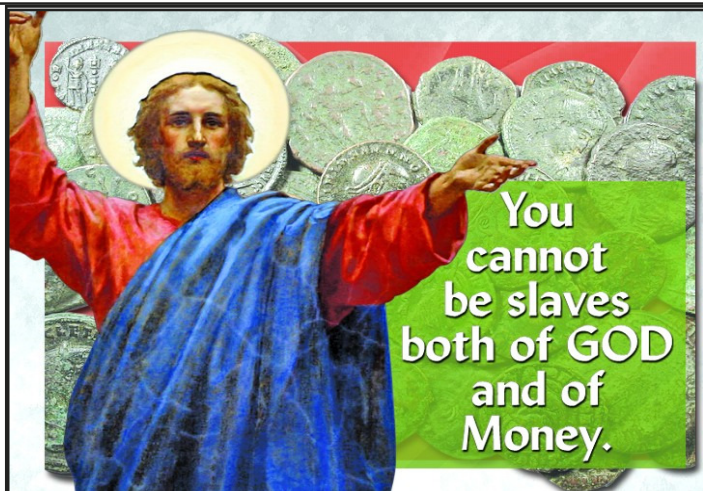
The rich man in the parable today got wind that his day of reckoning was imminent and instead of waiting around for his final disastrous interview before being let go, he took drastic measures to right what he had wronged and fix what he had broken. In other words, he changed the ending. And the master was impressed! Jesus wants you to learn from the example of the dishonest steward.

As if to embarrass us a little Jesus observes that the "children of this generation" are far more willing to make the hard choices to turn their businesses around, keep their jobs, cut a deal, maneuver into a better position, or even win a game or the person of their dreams! Then there's the "Children of the Light" or "Children of the Kingdom"... too often making excuses, rationalizing behavior, putting off the hard choices, avoiding the sacrifices and being strangely oblivious of the needs of others. The Good News is that it's not too late to let God light a fire under us! It's not too late to answer God's call, embrace Christ's mission and serve God's people. It's not too late to change the ending.

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Sunday, September 18, 2016

### Scripture Readings

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Am: 8 4-7

1 Tim 2: 1-8

Lk 16: 1-13 or 16:10-13

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Am 6: 1a, 4-7

1 Tim 6:11-16

Lk 16:19-31



### 8:15 am Daily Mass Intentions

Mon	Sep	19	Esther Garbla	- Living
Tues	Sep	20	Karen Dickerson	- Living
Wed	Sep	21	Lillian Fornaciari	- Deceased
Thurs	Sep	22	Ruth Robinson	- Living
Fri	Sep	23	Grace Hansberry	- Living

Attendance 795



### BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study will resume on Wednesday, September 14, 2016 at 7:00pm in the School Cafeteria.

### GIRL SCOUT BOOK DRIVE — September 17-18



Mark your calendars for Girl Scout Troop 3859's **Third Annual Read to Lead Book Drive**, Friday, September 16 through Sunday, September 18, 2016 at Politics and Prose Bookstore (2021 14<sup>th</sup> Street, NW) located in Busboys and Poets at the 14<sup>th</sup> and V Streets location.

SAINT AUGUSTINE SCHOOL COMBINED FEDERAL CAMPAIGN # 20000 ♦  
ST AUGUSTINE SCHOOL UNITED WAY CAMPAIGN #9670



This Sunday's Second Collection is for our Church Renovations. Thank you for your continued support. Next Sunday's Second Collection is for the Parish Poor fund.

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.



### INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC...

Registration for RCIA is being held after all Mass this weekend. If you are interested in becoming Catholic, need the Sacrament of First Communion, Confirmation or are a returning Catholic, this class is for you. For more information, please call the church office at 202-265-1470.



### SUNDAY SCHOOL/ CCD



Sunday School/CCD has begun. You can still register throughout September in the School Cafeteria. Sunday School is for all children and youth of the parish from Pre-K through 12<sup>th</sup> Grade who do **NOT** attend a Catholic School.



UNITED WAY / CFC



If you work for the federal government, please consider supporting St. Augustine Catholic School (CFC #20000) with a pledge during this open enrollment season. If you work for an organization that participates in the United Way workplace giving program, please consider supporting our parish school (United Way #9670). Thank you for your generosity. Please contact Bill Murray, the school's development officer, at 240-418-5427 or [bmurray@saintaugustine-dc.org](mailto:bmurray@saintaugustine-dc.org) with any questions or concerns.

## 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  
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  
Bernice Nolan  
Evelyn Norris  
Julius Oben  
Colelle Ogbey  
Eileen Ogu  
Harriet Parker

Marguerite Parker  
Audrey Plaskett  
Theresa Purcell  
George Queen  
Ashley Redhead, Jr.  
Royal Robinson  
Lisa Rivera  
Doris Silas  
Gertina Simms  
Aisee 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  
Lozzye York



### Pray for our Dead

Hugh Lonon  
Michael Payne  
Bernice Nolan



### 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



### 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 Choir CDs

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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