

# FATHER PAT'S SERMON NOTES

## Third Sunday of Lent

Some of you may be old enough to remember the Roloids commercial that cleverly asked a simple question: "How do you spell relief? R-O-L-A-I-D-S! was always the enthusiastic response. Well, acid indigestion is one thing but a thirsty SOUL is a whole different matter!

From the moment we come into this world one of the very first things that we become aware of is our thirst! Only mom, or a necessary substitute, can satisfy the newborn. Instantly the desperate crying stops as the child tastes and sees that mommy is good! When the baby has had her fill before you know it, she is sound asleep! Her thirst, quenched, her hunger satiated, her heart and mind, at peace. Ahhh! Life is good... for now! When she awakens, new thirsts will come to mind and once again a cry will be raised for relief! Can you relate? Of course, you can. You are a human being and thirsting is part of human condition. We are a race of people always on the way and not having quite arrived because heaven still awaits us.

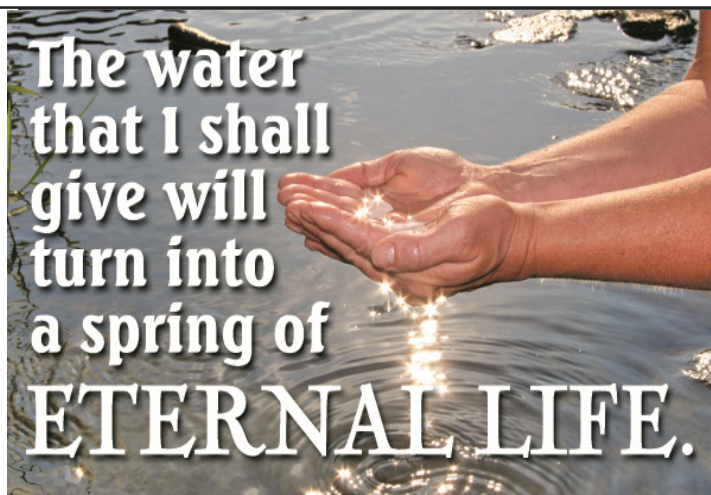
While we don't stay infants forever we do experience this cycle of dissatisfaction, then crying out (complaining), searching for a remedy to our thirst/hunger and finally relief, calm and contentment. How do you spell relief for your soul? If we are wise with the psalmist we cry "**Oh, God you are my God, for you my soul is thirsting!**" Psalm 63:1. God is the only one who can satisfy our deepest thirst. Like the Samaritan woman we must take the risk of discovering this for ourselves by willingly entering into dialogue with the King of Kings and realizing just how much he thirsts for us! Yes, the Lord thirsts for you!

Today, even before you have the opportunity to speak of your thirst for His love, His joy, His peace and His presence, He says to us: "I thirst for you. Will you give me a drink?" Will you hear his cry? Don't be surprised that if you ask Christ how he spells relief that he spells out YOUR name! For the truth is that only you can satisfy Christ's thirst you; and only He can satisfy your thirst for Him!

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Sunday, March 19, 2017

## Scripture Readings

3rd Sunday of Lent

Ex 17:3-7

Rom 5: 1-2, 5-8

Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

4th Sunday of Lent

1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a

Eph 5:8-14

Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38



## 8:15 am Daily Mass Intentions

Mon	Mar	20	Stephen L Olempesha	- Deceased
Tues	Mar	21	Jess Parsaloi Limpesha	- Deceased
Wed	Mar	22	Keats Lebule	- Living
Thurs	Mar	23	Marguerite Parker	- Living
Fri	Mar	24	Julie Fish	- Living

Attendance

839



## BIBLE STUDY

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



## THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU

"The Lord never tires of forgiving you"  
-Pope Francis

Experience the life-changing power of confession  
this Lent. Confession in the church every  
Wednesday from 6:30pm -8:00pm during Lent



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This Sunday's Second Collection is for our Poor of the Parish.  
 Next Sunday's Second Collection is for the Church in the Developing World. 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 2017-2018 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.



**SAVE THE DATE for  
 SODALITY SPRING LUNCHEON  
 Saturday, April 22, 2017**

**Celebrating 125 Years**

The Sodality of Saint Augustine will celebrate 125 years of service with a Spring Luncheon on Saturday, April 22, 2017 at the Washington Navy Yard from 12:00pm—3:00pm. The theme is "A Legacy of Faith - Living a Marian Way of Life". The guest speaker is Sister Jamie Phelps, OP, PhD. Tickets are \$50.00 per person. Please see Cynthia Morris for tickets.



**Ushers  
 Needed**

**ARE INTERESTED IN JOINING A MINISTRY?**

Are you looking for another way to serve God? Do you like helping others? Well, the Saint Augustine Ministers of Hospitality is the ministry for you. Male and female Ushers are needed in every age group: teens, young adults, adults or seniors. See **Robert Joy** or any Usher before or after Mass for more information on how you can join one of the oldest ministries in the Church.

**Please Pray for Our Sick & Homebound**

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| Gwendolyn Adams         | Louise Harrison    | Harriet Parker      |
| John Adams, Sr.         | Grace Hansberry    | Marguerite Parker   |
| Beatrice Alexander      | Brian Harvey       | Audrey Plaskett     |
| Francis Arnold          | John Harris        | Theresa Purcell     |
| Ronald Ausbrooks        | Patricia Herndon   | Samiya Rajah        |
| William Barksdale       | Emily Hill         | Ze'La Rajah         |
| Althea Black            | Jeanne Hinckley    | Ashley Redhead, Jr. |
| Frances Brooks          | Deborah Jackson    | Royal Robinson      |
| Norma Brown             | Charles Jackson    | Lisa Rivera         |
| Williams Burgan         | Marlene Jackson    | Gertina Simms       |
| Andrew Burton           | Malcom Jamison     | Alise Simmons       |
| Angela Callighan        | Eleanor Johnson    | George Simmons      |
| Elizabeth Carter        | Paul Joy           | Mary Smith          |
| Phillip Cephas          | Sedonia Labee      | Zedekiah Smith      |
| Ollie Mae Clark         | Keats Labule       | Donnie Stewart      |
| Ernestine Coghil Howard | Raymond Lane       | Don Strong          |
| Pauline Dines           | Louisa Lee         | Willis Thomas       |
| Theola Douglas          | Mary Leonard       | Juanita Towns       |
| Susan Epps              | Bernadette Mahoney | Selma Twitty        |
| Barbara Ferguson        | Lita Majors        | Hayden Vaughn       |
| Julie Fish              | Catherine Mason    | Lillian Vaughn      |
| Toni Fisher             | Florence Matthews  | Terry Vaughn        |
| Carolyn Fouch           | Floyd McCory       | Shirley Ward        |
| Richard B. Fowler       | James McNamara     | Betty Washington    |
| Daniel Galloway         | Rick Middleton     | Elliott Weaver      |
| Inez Gaskins            | Sylvia Monroe      | Cynthia Wilkins     |
| Charles Gathers         | Arnetia Montague   | Bernice Williams    |
| James Griffiths         | Alpha Nacnas       | Teresa Wilkinson    |
| Rev Charles Green       | Evelyn Norris      | Lozzie York         |
| Valencia Green          | Julius Norris      |                     |
| Robert Greenfield       | Colielle Ogbey     |                     |
| Frances Gulston         | Eileen Ogu         |                     |

**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  
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 Enter on U Street**



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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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