

FATHER PAT'S SERMON NOTES

JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God (New Year' Day)

Every Year we begin the New Year by celebrating the Solemnity of Mary Mother of God – a title, by the way, that specifically answers the age-old question made popular by a Christmas song: “What Child is this?” - The answer? He is God!

As we continue our celebration of Christmas it is becoming increasingly clear as the story unfolds that while Jesus is the sole reason for the season he is not the sole character in the story! He had a **family**; he had Mary his mother and Joseph his foster father; **he had an uncle and aunt** Zechariah and Elizabeth and a cousin, **John** the Baptizer who would prepare a path for his arrival into our lives! **He had elders** like Simeon and Anna who met him at the Temple and testified to his being the hope of all of Israel. Even before his birth God led them to a **land owner** who provided the shelter Mary and Joseph needed to deliver the child. God then commissioned **simple Shepherds** to be the first to deliver the message of the Angels to the Holy Family – and to the world!

In the same way, God not only has a plan for your life but he also has provided an array of people to provide the support you will need to fulfill that plan! God never called you to do it all alone. We all need support, encouragement, insight, perspective, wisdom, guidance, and, yes, even correction!

God has provided a whole team of supporters to see that you have what you need to fulfill your part in his BIG plan of salvation! But we have to be wise enough to make good use of our supporting cast! Every character in the Christmas story had a vital role to play. This is also true of those God has placed in your life! Some you are already aware of and already utilize and some you are aware of and don't utilize at all! But there are also many that you are NOT yet aware.

So as we continue our Christmas celebration AND embark on a brand NEW YEAR – **let us resolve not to go it alone.** We have the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit – just like Mary did. But we also have family, parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews, friends, co-workers, pastors, mentors, siblings, and fellow parishioners on the same quest as you – trying to get closer to where God is calling them to be! So if you must make a resolution for this year, let me suggest this one: **Resolve to identify and utilize YOUR God-given Dream Team in 2017!**

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Sunday, January 1 2017

Scripture Readings

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

Nm 6:22-27

Gal 4:4-7

Lk 2:16-21

The Epiphany of The Lord

Is 60: 1-6

Eph 3:2-3a

Mt 2:1-12



8:15 am Daily Mass Intentions

Mon	Jan	1	Evelyn Norris	- Living
Tues	Jan	2	April Carter	- Deceased
Wed	Jan	3	Lozzie York	- Living
Thurs	Jan	4	Catherine Mason	- Living
Fri	Jan	5	Willis Thomas	- Living

Attendance 1757



BIBLE STUDY

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

Eucharistic



Adoration

First Friday Devotions Friday January 6, 2017

8:15am Mass
12:10pm Mass

6:00pm-7:pm Adoration
7:00pm Benediction & Mass

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Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

**This Sunday's Second Collection is for our Parish School.
Next Sunday Second Collection is for 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.org

SUPPORT

Saint Augustine School

Saint Augustine Students will be selling candy after each Mass.

The candy is \$1.00 a bar.

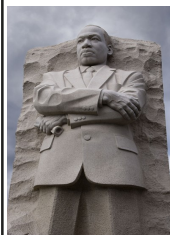


SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, January 14, 2017

**“Out of the mountain of despair,
a stone of hope.”**

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.



4:00pm — Archdiocese of Washington Mass
Gospel Choir

5:00PM — Most Reverend Mario E. Dorsonville
Auxiliary Bishop Of Washington

Saint Thomas Moore Catholic Church
4275 4th Street SE, Washington, DC 20032



STOCK DONATIONS

SAINT Augustine Catholic Church can now receive stock donations to support the parish through our newly established brokerage account. IRS regulations allow donors to deduct any depreciated stock that want to give to a non-profit. Speak with a financial advisor or contact Fr. Smith at fatherpat@saintaugustine-dc.org or 202-265-1470 for more information

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
Ernestine Coghill-Howard
Karen Dickerson
Pauline Dines
Theola Douglas
Susan Epps
Barbara Ferguson
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Toni Fisher
Richard B. Fowler
Daniel Galloway
Inez Gaskins
Charles Gathers
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
Paul Joy
Sedonia Labee
Keats Labule
Raymond Lane
Louisa Lee
Mary Leonard
Bernadette Mahoney
Lita Majors
Catherine Mason
Florence Matthews
Floyd McCory
James McNamara
Rick Middleton
Sylvia Monroe
Arnetia Montague
Alpha Nacnas
Evelyn Norris
Julius Oben
Cotele Ogbey
Eileen Ogu
Harriet Parker
Marguerite Parker
Audrey Plaskett

Theresa Pucell
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
Shirley Ward
Betty Washington
William Waters
Elliot Weaver
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**

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?
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