

# 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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ST AUGUSTINE SCHOOL UNITED WAY CAMPAIGN #9670



**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](mailto: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.

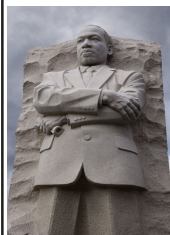


### **SAVE THE DATE**

**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](mailto: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  
Julie Fish  
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?  
RCIA MEETS TUESDAYS AT 6:45 – 8:45PM IN THE GINGRAS CENTER - SABRINA WILLIAMS AT 202-294-6990.**

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