

FATHER PAT'S SERMON NOTES

The 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Be Focused, Act Smartly, Get Connected!

Lent begins this week. Are you ready to make the best of it? I have three suggestions that may help motivate you as you get started.

First, GET FOCUSED. This year BEFORE you decide what you are going to give up or take on, decide where you want to END up when the journey is over! Who do you want to become, what kind of person do you want to be? If you are going to run this 40-Day Marathon we call the Lenten Season, don't wander *aim-less-ly* in the desert – decide beforehand on the outcome you want to achieve.

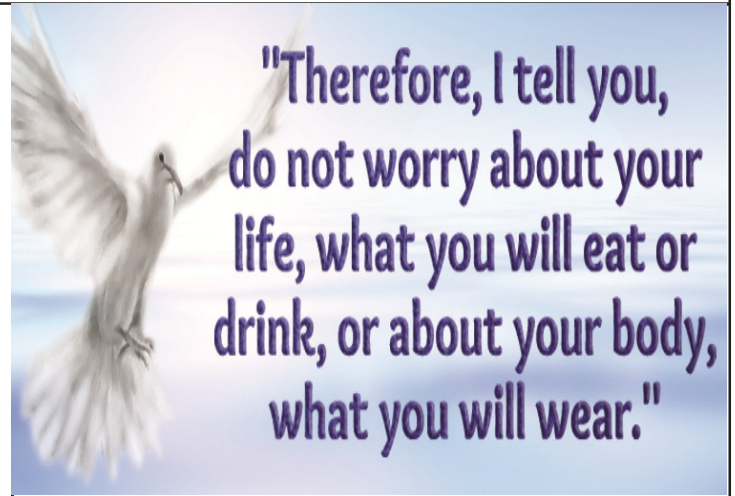
Second, GET SMART. Now knowing where you want to end up (being a more giving person, a thoughtful spouse, a worthy mentor, a better parent, a caring sibling, a more engaged parishioner, a consistently positive presence in the workplace, etc.), plan accordingly! Giving up music for Lent when music relaxes you and brings you to a peaceful place is probably not going to make you a better person! Similarly, giving up caffeine for Lent and driving your co-workers insane is counterproductive! Picking up an extra cup of coffee for someone else in the office makes a lot more sense! Remember, Lent is a time to develop NEW HABITS that once established are a part of the NEW YOU long after Lent is over.

Third, GET CONNECTED. That is, connect everything you do with real people or circumstances that affect real people. This is very important. If you are going to commit to pray more often, pray for specific intentions or people. If you are going to start or renew a commitment to reading scripture, decide before you close the bible what specific action (no matter how small or subtle like a phone call, an email, a kind word) that you will take in light of what you just read. When you fast or abstain from a meal, read an article or watch a short video on world hunger; pray for them and look up a place locally you can donate food or volunteer to feed. When you connect your Lenten disciplines to concrete opportunities to make a difference, the one who will benefit most is YOU. Mission accomplished!

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

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Sunday, February 25, 2017

Scripture Readings

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Is 49:14-15

1 Cor 4: 1-5

Mt 6:24-34

1st Sunday of Lent

Gn 2:7-9; 3: 1-7

Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12., 17-19

Mt 4: 1-11



8:15 am Daily Mass Intentions

Mon	Feb	27	Teresa Wilkinson	- Living
Tues	Feb	28	Shirley Washington	- Deceased
Wed	Mar	1	Ron Spohn	- Living
Thurs	Mar	2	Carol Huls	- Living
Fri	Mar	3	Philip Cephas	- Living

Attendance 780



BIBLE STUDY

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



FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTION

Friday, March 3, 2017

8:15AM Mass
12:10 PM Mass & Stations of The Cross
6:00PM - 7:00PM Adoration
7:00PM Benediction & Mass
7:30PM Stations of The Cross



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This Sunday's Second Collection is for the Church in the Developing World.
Next Sunday's Second Collection is for our Parish School. 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.



YOUNG ADULT RETREAT

Young Adults... **Begin Lent with a Retreat this year! On Saturday, March 11, 2017.** To get the most out of Lent this year prayerfully considering joining your fellow Young Adults on a day of prayer, fellowship, faith and insightful presentations to help you grow closer to the Lord this Lent. Bring a friend, a smile and an open heart on Saturday March 11. More information will follow about this wonderful opportunity to **grow closer to God and his will in your life!**



SHROVE TUESDAY

SHROVE TUESDAY SUPPER Tuesday, February 28, 2017

Saint Augustine School Cafeteria
5:00pm—7:00pm
Cost: \$9:00
Vespers Service at 7:00pm



MASSES FOR ASH WEDNESDAY

Mass Time for Ash Wednesday are as follows 8:15AM, 12:10PM, 7:00PM
ALL MASSES ARE IN THE CHURCH



CANTOR WORKSHOP Saturday, March 4, 2017

A cantors workshop will be held for cantors, talented solo singers and those who have a had previous music leadership experience from 12:00noon—3:00pm in the Church. The workshop will be lead by Tom Stehle, Pastoral Associate for Liturgy and Director Music Ministries, St Matthew's Cathedral.

Please Pray for Our Sick & Homebound

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

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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STREET AT 14TH ST NW
Enter on U Street

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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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