

FATHER PAT'S SERMON NOTES

4th Sunday In Ordinary Times

Love is Greater Than Fury

Jesus had a tough job. For that matter, so did Jeremiah in today's first reading. Both were prophets from God. True prophets are torn between two passions: Glorifying God and defending his honor *and* loving God's people and pleading their cause. Throughout scripture the prophets rail against the people for turning their hearts away from God and disregarding his commandments, and just as intensely the same prophets cry out to God on the people's behalf begging God to relent and show mercy instead. So, while the prophet's first allegiance is unmistakably to God, the people come in as a close second as the object of his concern and compassion!

The plight and struggle of the prophet is vividly illustrated in the Gospel today when Jesus returns to his hometown and visits the local synagogue. At first all goes well and *"all spoke highly of him"* (Luke 4:21). Then they begin to question his credentials as teacher of the Law and wonder aloud about his claim to authority in light of his local upbringing. By the time he was done preaching they were calling for his head: *"The people...were all filled with fury!"* *"They rose up, drove him out of town and led him to the brow of the hill...to hurl him down headlong!"*

Wow! What happened? The truth is that Jesus' Gospel message brought comfort to the afflicted and affliction to the comfortable – all at the same time! He was a source of hope for some and enraging fury for others. Jesus is the Light, but some prefer darkness (John 3:19). Our great challenge is learning how to be faithful to our dual prophetic passion to honor God and his Word *and* to be a sincere voice of compassion for His people when they fall painfully short of God's will. The prophet never compromises God's standard, but nor does he or she cease to plead to him for mercy, healing and strength on the people's behalf.

In the end, Jesus responded to the fury, hate, and anger of the people in a way that was completely unexpected: He accepted it, embraced it and then handed it back completely transformed... into an extraordinary gift: **Forgiveness**. The Church, like love itself, must consistently meet the fury of sin with the fire of God's love. For us, hate is not an option.

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Sunday, February 3, 2019

Scripture Readings

4th Sunday In Ordinary Times

Jer 1:4-5, 17-19

1 Cor 12:31-13:13 or 13:4-13

Lk 4:21-30

5th Sunday In Ordinary Times

Is 6:1-2a, 3-8

1 Cor 15:11 or 15:3-8,11

Lk 5: 1-11



8:15 am Daily Mass Intentions

Mon	Feb	4	Keats Labule	-Living
Tues	Feb	5	Florence Matthews	-Living
Wed	Feb	6	Ruth Robinson	-Living
Thurs	Feb	7	Edith Waters	-Living
Fri	Feb	8	Harriet Parker	-Living

Attendance 911



BIBLE STUDY

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



FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTION

Friday, February 8, 2019

8:15am Mass

6:00-7:00pm Adoration

7:15pm Mass



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This Sunday's Second collection is for our Parish School. Thank You for your continued support.
NEXT Sunday's Second Collection is for Church Renovations.

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 2018-2019 school year for grades Pre-K3, Pre-K4 through Eighth. For an

application or more information, please contact Mr. Raven Wilkins, Director of Admissions at 202-667-2608 or email: admissions@saintaugustine-dc.org.



Check out our School's 2018 video on our school landing page at www.staug-dc.org or by searching "St. Augustine Catholic School DC" on YouTube. Thank you!

Save the Date

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

February 2019

The Black History Committee is planning a series of activities and events to celebrate Black History Month. Please stay tuned for information.



GET TO KNOW YOUR PPC February 2-3, 2019

The Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) invites you to a coffee fellowship. You can meet and greet the PPC members and have an opportunity to ask questions and/or make suggestions to improve your parish. We will be in the School Cafeteria after 4:30 Mass, and the Saint Augustine Room after each Mass on Sunday.



SHARE

SHARE packages for the month of February are on sale after each Mass at the Ushers' Table.



PRAYER GROUP MEETING

Friday, February 15, 2019 at 7:00pm

Do you feel God calling you to a deeper and more intimate relationship with Him? Join us every 3rd Friday from 7 to 8:30 pm in the Chapel at the Gingras Center for our prayer meeting. We get together to praise and worship God, and to pray for our personal needs and the needs of our community. You may submit your prayer intentions through our website or email them to staugustineprayer@gmail.com.

Please Pray for Our Sick & Homebound

Gwendolyn Adams
John Adams, Sr.
Beatrice Alexander
Francis Arnold
Ronald Ausbrooks
William Barksdale
Althea Black
Frances Brook
Norma Brown
Williams Burgan
Andrew Burton
Angela Callaghan
Marguerite Carroll
Phillip Cephas
Billy Chesley
Delores Chisley
Ollie Mae Clark
Vincent Michael Clarke
Ernestine Coghill Howard
Emy-Lou Daley
Pauline Dines
Theola Douglas
Susan Epps
Roberta Fancher
Barbara Ferguson
Julie Fish
Toni Fisher
Richard B. Fowler
Daniel Galloway
Cathryn Gartmann
Charles Gathers
Rev Bob Gilliam
Shirley Goodall
Irving Goodall
Butler Grant
Rev Charles Green
Terেসita Green
Robert Greenfield

Frances Gulston
Grace Hansberry
Brian Harvey
Michelle Harvey
John Harris
Patricia Herndon
Albert Hill
Emily Hill
Jeanne Hinckley
Deborah Jackson
Charles Jackson
Marlene Jackson
Malcolm Jamison
Eleanor Johnson
Paul Joy
Sandra Kimbell
Benjamin Kilgore
Keats Labule
Raymond Lane
Louisa Lee
Mary Leonard
Elnora Lindsey
Rev. Malanga
Bernadette Mahoney
Lita Majors
Florence Matthews
Floyd McCrory
James McNamara
Will Miller
Sylvia Monroe
Arnetta Montague
Renata Montague
Evelyn Morgan
Alpha Nacnas
Julius Oben
Colelle Ogbey
Eileen Ogu
Harriet Parker

Gunny David Pauley
Cecilia Penero
Audrey Plasket
Rhoda Pounds
Theresa Purcell
Gladys Quarelles
Tracey Quarelles
Ashley Redhead, Jr.
Inez Robinson
Isidro Rodriguez
Ruth Robinson
Lisa Rivera
Gertina Simms
Alise Simmons
Mary Smith
Donnie Stewart
Don Strong
Mary Helen Swann
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Lillian Vaughn
Terry Vaughn
Shirley Ward
Betty Washington
Elliot Weaver
Cynthia Wilkins
Bernice Williams
Teresa Wilkinson
Lozzie York



PRAY FOR OUR DEAD

Ella Frances Murray



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

U STREET AT 14TH ST NW

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RCIA MEETS TUESDAYS AT 6:45— 8:45 IN THE GINGRAS CENTER—SABRINA WILLIAMS AT 202-294-6990

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