

FATHER PAT'S SERMON NOTES

Divine Mercy Sunday

The Mass is a Launching Pad to the World!

No less than three times in the Gospel Jesus says to the astonished disciples: "**Peace be with you!**" He wanted them to know this peace; a peace that comes from knowing that you have been forgiven! For this reason, the first Sunday after Easter is also called "Divine Mercy Sunday"! Nothing like forgiveness offers us a new lease on life; deliverance from a disappointing past and hope for a bright future; a future we may have given up on a long time ago!

So, where do we go to find this mercy and peace? The apostles found it in their encounter with the risen Christ and they encountered the risen Christ in the community gathered together on the first day of the week! Christians began celebrating the Sabbath on Sunday because it was the day that Jesus rose from the dead. And what did this gathering look like and what did they do? The first reading tells us in surprising detail: Believers "**devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles, the communal life, the breaking of the Bread and to prayers**". If you read through this list again you may notice that it is essentially an outline of the Mass! When we gather together on Sunday for Mass we do so not only to worship God but to **encounter** him in a powerful, real and tangible way; a way no less real than Thomas did when he placed his finger in Christ's wounded hands and his hand into his side! Thomas's big (but understandable) mistake was walking away from the believing community; a community where Jesus promised he would always be found ("**Where two or three are gathered in my name, I will be in the midst of them**" Matthew 18:20). Why, because the Church is the Body of Christ; alive and breathing in the world today! We must be witnesses of this!

How? Going out beyond the four walls of the church to the least, the lost and the last huddled behind the locked doors of their fears, guilt, shame, addictions, oppression, violence, abuse, brokenness, hopelessness, sin and despair. We must courageously love our neighbors, stand up for the powerless, pray for those who reject us, and forgive others the way we want to be forgiven by Christ. In short, we must see our worship here in the Mass as a launching pad into the mission of transformation of our world!

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Peace
Be With You

Sunday, April 28, 2019

Scripture Readings

Divine Mercy Sunday

Acts 5:12-16

Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19

Jn 20:19-31

3rd Sunday of Easter

Acts 5:27-32, 40-41b

Rv 5:11-14

Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14



8:15 am Daily Mass Intentions

Mon	Apr	29	Derrick Buck	-Living
Tues	Apr	30	Gloria Davis	-Living
Wed	May	1	Pauline Dines	-Living
Thurs	May	2	Rev. Bob Gillian	-Living
Fri	May	3	Alise Simmons	-Living

Attendance



BIBLE STUDY

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



FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS

Friday, May 3, 2019

Mass 8:15am

Adoration 6 pm –7pm

Benediction & Mass 7pm



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Divine Mercy Sunday

Next Sunday Second Collection is for our Church Renovation Fund. Thank you for your continued

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SR. GLORIA AGUMAGU, HHCJ PRINCIPAL

INFORMATION: 202-667-2608

Catholic Education Corner



Saint Augustine School is now registering for the 2019-2020 school year for grades Pre-K3, Pre-K4 through Eighth. For an application or more information, please contact the school office for Admissions at 202-667-2608 or email: admissions@saintaugustine-dc.org.

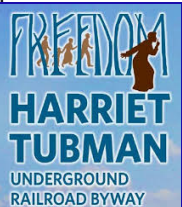


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WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

Adan Bacerra	Jessica Greeves
Bradley Behin	Susannah Luthi
Brendon Behin	Lawrence Marshall III
Brett Behin	John Phillips III
Kimberly Bugg	Glen Yonkers
Chanda DeLong	



**HARRIET TUBMAN
UNDERGROUND RAILROAD
STATE PARK
Saturday, May 18, 2019**

Trip to Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad State Park Center and the Harriet Tubman Organization, Inc. Cost: \$50:00 Depart from the Carter Barron Amphitheater parking site at 8:00am See flyer in your bulletin for full details.



SHARE Packages
SHARE packages for the month of May can be purchased at the Ushers' Table. See the representative.

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 Derrick Buck Andrew Burton Angela Callighan Marguerite Carroll Phillip Cephas Billy Chesley Delores Chisley Ollie Mae Clark Ernestine Coghill Howard Emy-Lou Daley Gloria Davis 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 Teresita 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 Barbara Johnson 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 Leona Miller Will Miller Sylvia Monroe Armetta Montague Renata Montague Evelyn Morgan Alpha Nacnas Julius Oben	Colelle Ogbe Eileen Ogu Harriet Parker Gunny David Pauley Cecilia Penero Audrey Plaskett Rhoda Pounds Theresa Purell Gladys Quarells Tracey Quarells Ashley Redhead, Jr. Inez Robinson Isidro Rodriguez Ruth Robinson Lisa Rivera Gertina Simms Alise Simmons Mary Smith Donnie Stewart Don Strong Mary Helen Swann Juanita Towns Hayden Vaughn Lillian Vaughn Terry Vaughn Gloria M. Villacis Shirley Ward Barbara Wakjler Betty Washington Elliot Weaver Cynthia Wilkins Bernice Williams Teresa Wilkinson Lozkie York
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PRAY FOR OUR DEAD



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