



# St. Augustine Catholic Church & School

Mother Church of Black Catholics  
In the Nation's Capital  
Founded 1858



2101 15th Streets Northwest, Washington, DC

## Mission Statement

As the Mother Church of Black Catholics in the Nation's Capitol, St. Augustine Roman Catholic Church is called to witness our faith in the Living God, His Son, and the Holy Spirit while preserving our Black Catholic Heritage. We are a strong community of believers who continues in the tradition in which it was founded: to advance the education of our children; lead ALL people to a personal and life-changing encounter with Christ through the proclamation of the Gospel, celebration of the sacraments, prayer, and service; and promote the spiritual, economic, and social development of all people.

*Approved unanimously by the  
St. Augustine Parish  
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(BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS DUE BY NOON FRIDAY FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEK)

### MASSES

Sun., 8 and, 10am; 12:30pm In the church  
Mon.-Thurs, 8:15am In the chapel

(First Fridays Only) 8:15am In the church  
Fri., School Mass, 8:15 In the church  
Sat., Vigil 4:30pm In the church  
(Fulfills Sunday obligation.)

### Reconciliation

Sat., 3:30-4:15pm In church or by appointment

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Persons considering becoming Catholic, Catholics who have not received Confirmation, Catholics seeking adult catechesis, and Sunday School registrants, please contact the Parish Office (202-265-1470).

### MEMBERSHIP

Registered parishioners may receive letters to be sponsors for Baptism, Confirmation, or Matrimony. Registration forms are available at the Ushers' Table. Please register and please notify us if you leave or transfer to another parish.

### SACRAMENTAL GUIDELINES

**Infant Baptism** (on 1st Sundays). Requesting family member must be a registered parishioner 3 months, and must call 1 month, before the sacrament. **Marriage**. One of the persons must be a registered parishioner and must speak to the priest or to a deacon at least six months before the requested date.

### SCHOOL REGISTRATION

For grades Pre-K-3 through 8, please call the school (202-667-2608).

## PARISH MEETINGS:

### MONDAY:

GOSPEL CHOIR

### TUESDAY:

7:00-9:00pm CH

### WEDNESDAY:

Bible Study

7:00-8:00pm SC

DANCE MINISTRY

7:00-9:00pm CH

CHORALE

### THURSDAY:

7:00-9:00pm CH

### FRIDAY:

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS

Mass 8:15am, CH  
Exposition 6:00 - 7:00pm  
Benediction & Mass 7:15pm

PRAYER GROUP MEETING

3rd FRI 7pm

### SATURDAY:

CHILDREN'S CHOIR 1st & 2nd SAT 10:00am CH

YOUNG ADULT CHOIR 1st & 2nd SAT 11:00am CH

USHER MEETINGS 2nd SAT 10:00am GC

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL 3rd SAT 9:00am GC

SHARE DISTRIBUTION 4th SAT 10:00am SC

HEALTH/HOMEBOUND 4th SAT 11:00am GC

CH - Church

GC - Gingras Center

SC - School

LC - Lange Center

### SUNDAY:

INFANT BAPTISMS

1st Sun Mass Varies

SODALITY MEETING

1st SUN 11:30am SC

TEAM HOPE

1st SUN 2:30pm GC

TOASTMASTERS

1st & 4th SUN 2:30pm GC

HOLY NAME SOCIETY

2nd SUN 9:30am GC

YOUNG ADULT MEETING

2nd SUN 2:30pm GC

AFRICAN DIASPORA

3rd SUN 2:30pm GC

SOCIAL JUSTICE ADVOCACY

4th SUN 2:30pm GC

# FATHER PAT'S SERMON NOTES

## Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

### The Feast of the Holy Trinity

#### One Hundred and Sixty-three Years of Enduring Faith in the Triune God!

On this Feast of the Holy Trinity and the 163<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of our parish, we celebrate both our enduring faith in God and our ongoing commitment to place our lives at the service of Christ's mission.

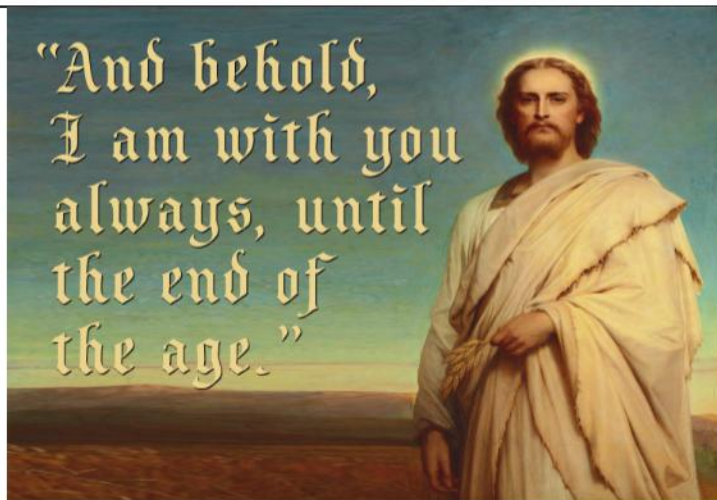
Back in 1858, the Black Catholic community in Washington that would become known as the parish of Saint Augustine worshiped in the basement of St. Matthew's Church under the patronage of Blessed Martin de Porres. Immediately this community set out to build a school to educate their children. After eighteen years and thanks to the hard work of pastor and parishioners [many committed every evening after work to lend their hands to various phases of construction], St Augustine Catholic Church was completed and dedicated on June 11, 1876 – Trinity Sunday. One Catholic newspaper described the new church as "...so grand in its conception and finish as to rank it among the finest church edifices in the country." (the Catholic Mirror). Pope Pius IX personally blessed the cornerstone before it was shipped from Italy. The interior included the handicraft of one of Italy's most gifted artisan, Lorenzo Seattagha, who emigrated from Naples, Italy to Baltimore, MD to complete the fresco work on the church. During this same period, a team of educators that visited and evaluated schools, not only in this country but in France, Ireland and Canada visited Saint Augustine School in the early 1880's and had this to say after their visit: "...We are free to confess, in all sincerity, that we have nowhere seen schools in which better discipline was maintained and more proficiency in studies exhibited than in the Catholic colored school in Washington..."

By 1946, under a cloak of secrecy and to the shock and disbelief of parishioners, the magnificent church – admittedly in need of serious repairs - would be sold and torn down. Embittered and betrayed, the community once again worshipped in a basement for the next 15 years – a space that served as the auditorium of the parish school. In 1961 it was decreed that St Augustine parish would merge with St Paul's on 15<sup>th</sup> and V streets (our current location) – unfortunately the parish was notoriously unwelcoming to Black Catholics. Twenty years later, on November 12, 1982, after a petition from the parishioners and pastor, Archbishop James Hickey decreed that "Saints Paul and Augustine Church" would "henceforth bear the title of the Parish of Saint Augustine". Today we must carry on this legacy with the same faith, courage, hope, and love that those who came before us did. Let us persevere in doing what is good, right and just today — and let us do so in the power and in the Name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

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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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SEE WEB PAGE FOR FATHER PAT'S SERMON NOTES AND LISTEN TO FATHER PAT'S SERMON PODCAST



Sunday, May 30, 2021

### Scripture Readings

Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

Dt 4:32-34, 39-40

Rom 8:14-17

Mt 28:16-20

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

EX 24:3-8

Heb 9:11-15

Mk 14:12-16, 22-26



### 8:15 am Daily Mass Intentions

Mon	May	31	Will Miller	Living
Tues	Jun	1	Evelyn Morgan	Living
Wed	Jun	2	Grace Hansberry	Living
Thurs	Jun	3	Rose Cristwell	Living
Fri	Jun	4	Grace Harley	Living

**Please remember to send your offerings to the Parish through Faith Direct, PayPal, mail or dropping it off at the Office or Rectory.**

**Thank You!**



### BIBLE STUDY

Join us on

Every Wednesday at 7pm

phone: (301) 715-8592 then enter Meeting

ID: 559 638 368; Passcode: 970339



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## Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity Sunday

**This Sunday's Second Collection is for Our Parish Poor Fund.  
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. EMMANUELLA LADIPO HHCJ PRINCIPAL**    **INFORMATION: 202-667-2608**

### Catholic Education Corner



Saint Augustine School is now registering for the 2021-2022 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](mailto:admissions@saintaugustine-dc.org).



Check out our School's video on our school landing page at [www.staug-dc.org](http://www.staug-dc.org) or by searching "St. Augustine Catholic School DC" on YouTube. Thank you.



### SHARE

SHARE Packages are now on sale for June.  
Call Lester Smith at 202-955-9649 to order

### DAILY MASS



A recording of daily Mass celebrated by Father Pat is available via the link on the Saint Augustine website at 12 noon. Daily Mass is open and in person. Space is very limited. Only ten (10) people are allowed in the Chapel.



**Saint Augustine School  
Graduation and Baccalaureate Mass**

**Sunday, June 6, 2021  
10:00am Mass**

### Please Pray for Our Sick & Homebound

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| John Adams, Sr.<br>Angelina Arnold<br>Eugene Bowman<br>Williams Burgan<br>Merita Buck<br>Andrew Burton<br>Angela Callighan<br>Marguerite Carroll<br>Phillip Cephas<br>Billy Chesley<br>Ingrid Parks Clarke<br>Ernestine Coghill Howard<br>Rose Cristwell<br>William Clayton<br>Emy-Lou Daley<br>Gloria Davis<br>Ellis Timothy Davis, Sr.<br>Pauline Dines<br>Brian Dorsey<br>Theola Douglas<br>Susan Epps<br>Roberta Fancher<br>Barbara Ferguson<br>Julie Fish<br>Toni Fisher<br>Richard B. Fowler<br>Gregory Ferguson<br>Daniel Galloway<br>Charles Gathers<br>Rev Bob Gilliam<br>Shirley Goodall<br>Irving Goodall<br>Butler Grant<br>Teresita Green<br>Delores Greene | Robert Greenfield<br>Thompkins Hallman<br>Grace Hansberry<br>Eric Harmon<br>Grace Harley<br>Brian Harvey<br>Michelle Harvey<br>John Harris<br>Patricia Herndon<br>Emily Hill<br>Jeanne Hinckley<br>Eden Ingram<br>Deborah Jackson<br>Henry Jackson<br>Marlene Jackson<br>Malcolm Jamison<br>Priscilla Jamison<br>Kenya Jenkins<br>Barbara Johnson<br>Eleanor Johnson<br>Paul Joy<br>Robert Judon<br>Sandra Kimbell<br>Raymond Lane<br>Louisa Lee<br>Mary Leonard<br>Elnora Lindsey<br>Rev, Malanga<br>Bernadette Mahoney<br>Lita Majors<br>Rick Martin<br>Carolyn Matthews<br>Floyd McCroly<br>James McNamara<br>Leona Miller | Will Miller<br>Renata Montague<br>Evelyn Morgan<br>Alpha Nacnas<br>Ann Nash<br>Julius Oben<br>Colelle Ogbey<br>Eileen Ogu<br>Gunny David Pauley<br>Cecilia Pendero<br>Audrey Plaskett<br>Rhoda Pounds<br>Theresa Purcell<br>Gladys Quarelles<br>Tracey Quarelles<br>Charles Queen<br>Karen Rhodes<br>Isidro Rodriguez<br>Ruth Robinson<br>Lisa Rivera<br>Gertina Simms<br>Lester Smith<br>Mary Smith<br>Donnie Stewart<br>Don Strong<br>Mary Helen Swann<br>Helen Thompson<br>Juanita Towns<br>Hayden Vaughn<br>Lillian Vaughn<br>Terry Vaughn<br>Gloria M. Villacis<br>Shirley Ward<br>Barbara Walker<br>Elliot Weaver |
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### PRAY FOR OUR DEAD



### PASTORAL PARISH COUNCIL



*Pastoral Parish Council Meetings are held every 3rd Saturday of the month at 9:00am in the Gingras Center. Meetings are open to all parishioners.*



**PARK FREE SUNDAY  
FROM 9AM - 4PM  
REEVES CENTER  
U STREET AT 14TH ST NW  
Enter on U Street.**

#### COVID-19 Funeral Assistance

Under the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021 and the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) will provide financial assistance for COVID-19-related funeral expenses incurred after January 20, 2020. Additional guidance is being finalized and will be released to potential applicants as soon as possible. In the meantime, people who have COVID-19 funeral expenses are encouraged to keep and gather documentation. For details, visit <https://www.fema.gov/disasters/coronavirus/economic/funeral-assistance>.

**INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC, RECEIVING CONFIRMATION? SPONSORING INQUIRERS?  
RCIA MEETS TUESDAYS AT 6:45— 8:45 IN THE GINGRAS CENTER—SABRINA WILLIAMS AT 202-294-6990**

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