

# THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY: TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY



Holy Eucharist  
Service  
Year B RCL  
FEBRUARY 11, 2018

## St. Augustine of Hippo

A Parish of the Episcopal Diocese of New York

## The St. Augustine's eCho

### ORDER OF SERVICE

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**Opening Hymn** GLORY, GLORY HALLELUJAH #130 (LEVAS)

#### THE WORD OF GOD

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*Psalm 50:1-6* BCP pg. 654  
*The Epistle* 1 Corinthians 4:3-6  
*Sequence Hymn* O WONDROUS TYPE #137(HYMNAL)  
*The Holy Gospel* Mark 9:2-9

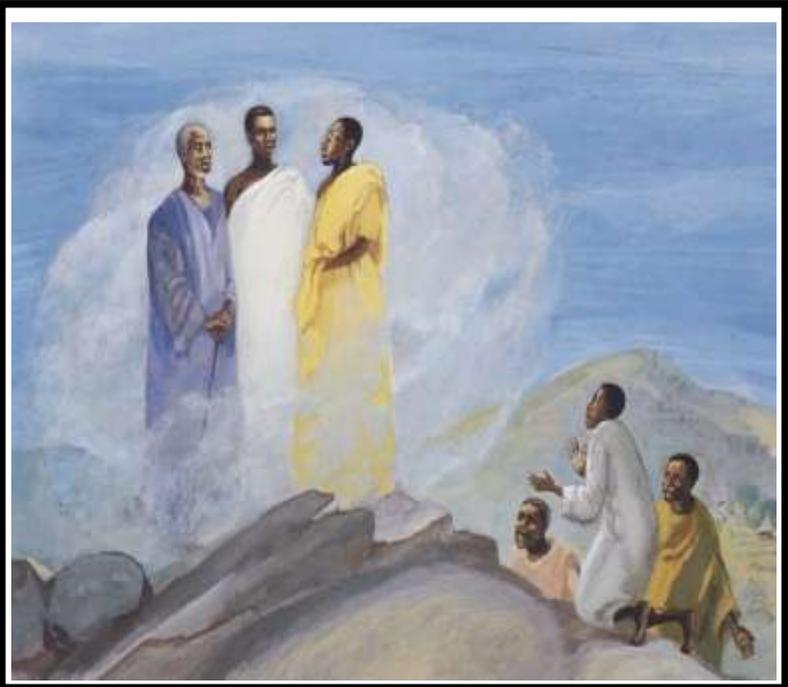
**Sermon** "TRANSFIGURATION: EMBRACING OUR MISSION TO BRING THE  
**WORLD TO JESUS"**  
 By Rev. Nathanael Saint-Pierre

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"Transfiguration: embracing our  
mission to bring the world to Jesus"

**Weekly Services and Programs**  
**Sundays**  
 8:00 AM Said Eucharist  
 10:30 AM Sung Eucharist  
 2:00 - 4:00 PM Pastoral Visitations  
**Wednesdays**  
 12 Noon Healing Service with Holy Eucharist  
 6:30 PM Christian Education Class (Seasonal)  
 9:00 PM Phone Line Prayer

**Mission Statement**

*St. Augustine's Church is a Christ-centered ministry where everyone is invited and welcome. We are a loving Christian body that seeks to enhance spirituality and community. We confirm this by developing ministries that empower the mind, body and soul. We are nurtured through service to others and one another.*

*The Clergy's  
Corner*

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## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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*The Celebrant says to the people*

God be with you.

All

And also with you.

Celebrant

Let us pray.

*The Celebrant says the Collect.*

**O God, who before the passion of your only-begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

## THE OLD TESTAMENT

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### **2 Kings 2:1-12**

*Elijah is about to depart the earth. His disciple and successor, Elisha, mournful, determined, and full of faith, follows Elijah against protests. With boldness and humility, Elisha asks for a double portion of Elijah's prophetic spirit.*

**A reading (lesson) from the Second Book of the Kings;**

When the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel.

The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?" And he said, "Yes, I know; keep silent."

Elijah said to him, "Elisha, stay here; for the Lord has sent me to Jericho." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they came to Jericho. The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?" And he answered, "Yes, I know; be silent."

Then Elijah said to him, “Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan.” But he said, “As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, “Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you.” Elisha said, “Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit.” He responded, “You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not.” As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, “Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!” But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

*All*                    *Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people*  
                              *Thanks be to God.*

## THE RESPONSE

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Psalm 50:1-6    *Deus deorum*

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<sup>1</sup> The LORD, the God of gods, has spoken; \*  
    he has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

<sup>2</sup> **Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, \***  
    **God reveals himself in glory.**

<sup>3</sup> Our God will come and will not keep silence; \*  
    before him there is a consuming flame,  
    and round about him a raging storm.

**4 He calls the heavens and the earth from above \*  
to witness the judgment of his people.**

**5 "Gather before me my loyal followers, \*  
those who have made a covenant with me  
and sealed it with sacrifice."**

**6 Let the heavens declare the rightness of his cause; \*  
for God himself is judge.**

***Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia!***

## **THE EPISTLE**

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### **2 Corinthians 4:3-6**

*The apostle Paul explains to the Corinthians that God prepares the hearts of those who receive the Gospel, revealing the truth of God through the light of Jesus Christ to those who are willing to submit themselves to his lordship.*

#### **A reading from the Second Letter of Paul to the Corinthians:**

Even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake.

For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

*Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people  
All Thanks be to God.*

**SEQUENCE HYMN                      O WONDROUS TYPE (5)                      #137(HYMNAL)**

**THE GOSPEL**

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**Mark 9:2-9**

*At a turning point in Jesus's ministry, his closest disciples witness his transfiguration. Jesus is buoyed by the companionship of Elijah and Moses. The light of God is revealed.*

*Then, all standing, the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying*

**The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Mark.**

*All*                      **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!" Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

*The Gospel of the Lord*

*All*                      **Praise to you, Lord Christ**

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## **THE NICENE CREED**

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We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God, eternally begotten  
of the Father, God from God, Light from  
Light, true God from true God, begotten,  
not made, of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit  
and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake, he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day, he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven and is seated  
at the right hand of the Father. He will  
come again in glory to judge the living  
and the dead, and his kingdom will have  
no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son. who with  
the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified.  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic  
and apostolic Church. We acknowledge

one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: A LITANY FOR THE MISSION OF THE CHURCH**

*Deacon or other leader*

Father, Creator, from whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named,  
**Have mercy on us.**

O Son, Redeemer, through whom the world is reconciled to the Father,  
**Have mercy on us.**

O Holy Spirit, Sanctifier, whose glory fills the world and searches the deep  
things of God,  
**Have mercy on us.**

O Holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, one God,  
**Have mercy on us.**

From blind hearts and petty spirits, that refuse to see the need of all humankind  
for your love,  
**Good Lord, deliver us.**

From pride, self-sufficiency, and the unwillingness to admit our need of your  
compassion,  
**Good Lord, deliver us.**

From discouragement in the face of pain and disappointment, and from lack of  
persistence and thoroughness,  
**Good Lord, deliver us.**

By your incarnation and lowly birth in the stable,  
**Good Lord, be born anew in us.**

By your abundant feeding of the multitudes,  
**Good Lord, nourish us.**

By your suffering and death, which broke down the dividing walls between God and humanity and among humanity,  
**Good Lord, reconcile us.**

By your glorious resurrection and ascension,  
**Good Lord, renew us.**

By your commission to the Apostles,  
**Good Lord, send us forth.**

By the coming of the Holy Spirit, who unites all things in heaven and earth,  
**Good Lord, make us one.**

Strengthen and encourage all who do your work in lonely and dangerous places.  
**Hear us, Good Lord.**

Open the hearts and hands of many for the support of your Church in every place.  
**Hear us, Good Lord.**

Touch our ears, that we may hear from every mouth the wonderful works of God.  
**Hear us, Good Lord.**

Touch our lips, that we may tell in every tongue the wonderful works of God.  
**Hear us, Good Lord.**

Touch our hands, that we may do the truth which you have taught us.  
**Hear us, Good Lord.**

Touch our feet, that we may go for you into all parts of the world.  
**Hear us, Good Lord.**

We especially hold up to you our companion Diocese of Mexico and its Bishop, Sergio Carranza.  
**Hear us, Good Lord.**

We ask your blessing upon our missionaries from this Diocese and church, especially Dinah, Nat, Robin, and Susan.  
**Hear us, Good Lord**

## **Silence**

*The People may add their own petitions.*

**O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you, bring the nations into your fold, pour out your Spirit upon all flesh, and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. *Amen.***

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## **Confession and Absolution**

*The Deacon or Celebrant says*

**Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.**

*Silence may be kept.*

*Minister and People*

**God of all mercy: We confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world, you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us,**

**the evil we have done, And the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.**

*The Priest, stands and says*

**Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.**

## **THE PEACE**

**BCP p. 360**

*All stand. The Celebrant says to the people*

*Celebrant*                    **The peace of God be always with you.**

*All*                              **And also with you.**

*The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

*The Celebrant begins the Offertory with the following sentence.*

### OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

### THE OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY MUSIC            BYE AND BYE            WILLIAM FARLEY SMITH

OFFERTORY            ALLELUIA! SING TO JESUS (5)            #460(HYMNAL)

### THE DOXOLOGY

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A

*The people remain standing. The Celebrant, faces them and sings or says*

*Celebrant*            **God be with you.**

*All*                    **And also with you.**

*Celebrant*            **Lift up your hearts.**

*All*                    **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant*            **Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.**

*All*                    **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

**It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.**

*Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.*

### PROPER PREFACE

**BCP p. 378**

**Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your son**

Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**SANCTUS ET BENEDICTUS**

#S125 (1982 HYMNAL)

*All together*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of mercy and grace,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

*At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.*

[En la noche en que fue entregado al sufrimiento y a la muerte, nuestro Señor Jesucristo tomó pan; y dándole gracias, lo partió y lo dio a sus discípulos, y dijo: "Tomen y coman. Este es mi Cuerpo, entregado por TODOS. Hagan esto como memorial mío"]

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for ALL. Do this for the remembrance of me."

["Después de la cena tomó el cáliz; y dándole gracias, se lo entregó, y dijo: "Beban todos de él. Esta es mi Sangre del nuevo Pacto, sangre derramada por TODOS para el perdón de los pecados. Siempre que lo beban, háganlo como memorial mío".]

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for ALL for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*All together*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*The Celebrant continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to sing:

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*All together*

**Our Father, which art in heaven,  
Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come,  
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our debts, As we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.**

## **THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept. Then may be said*

## **FRACTION ANTHEM**

**BCP P. 364**

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.  
Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

## **AGNUS DEI**

**#270 (LEVAS)**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:**

**Have mercy on us**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:**

**Have mercy on us**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:**

**Grant us Peace**

*Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation*

**The Gifts of God for the People of God; Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.**

*The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people. The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words*

**The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [Amen.]  
The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [Amen.]**

*When necessary, the Celebrant consecrates additional bread and wine, using the form on page 408.*

*During the ministration of Communion, hymns, psalms, or anthems may be sung.*

**COMMUNION HYMN:                    JESU, JESU (5)                    #74(LEVAS)**

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

**Let us pray.**

*All together*

**God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation. You have united us with Christ and one another, and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit; that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

**RECESSIONAL HYMN:    ALLELUIA! SONG OF GLADNESS (4)  
#122(HYMNAL)**

*The Deacon, or the Celebrant, dismisses them with these words*

**Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

*All*

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

**POSTLUDE:                    FANFARE FOR 2096                    C. BENSEN**

***Wednesday, February 14, 2018***



Join us as we begin the Lenten season where we will worship together as a community, meditate through prayer and receive the imposition of the ashes.



**Service Schedule:**

- ◆ **7:00 am: Ashes to Go**
- ◆ **8:00 am: Ash Wednesday Service**
- ◆ **12:00 pm: Ash Wednesday Service**
- ◆ **7:00 pm: Ash Wednesday Service**

**“In the depth of our identity, who are we in light of Jesus?”**

**Lent at St. Augustine’s**

**Sundays**

**Healing Ministry & Eucharist**

**8:00 am**

**Sung Eucharist**

**10:30 am**

**Pastoral Visitations**

**2-4 pm**

**Wednesdays**

**Healing Service**

**12 Noon**

**Stations of the Cross**

**7 pm**

**Phone Line Prayer**

**9 pm**

**Holy Week at St. Augustine’s**

**Palm Sunday-March 25th**

**10:30 am • Holy Eucharist**

**Wednesday in Holy Week-March 28th**

**Noon • Holy Eucharist & Healing**

**7:00 pm • Stations of the Cross**

**The Triduum**

**Maundy Thursday-March 29th**

**7:00 pm • Eucharist, Washing of the Feet, Stripping of Altar**

**Good Friday-March 30th**

**12 Noon • Proper Liturgy of the Day**

**Communion from Reserved Sacrament**

**Easter Sunday-April 1st**

**10:30 am • Holy Eucharist**



*Dear Parishioners,*

*When the house of God can reflect God's glory,  
what a great blessing for those who worship him!*

*Beloveds, it is an expression of our gratitude to  
offer flowers for the altar every Sunday. As we are  
coming together and can feel God's blessings  
among us, we should think of beautifying our  
worship space.*

*Donations of flowers are welcomed. Envelopes are available on the back for fi-  
nancial donations if you want to contribute. If you care to bring flowers you pick  
yourself, that's even better!*

*Let us make this space sacred and beautiful!*

## **LOWER EAST SIDE POWER PARTNERSHIP**

**General Information Meeting: Monday, February 12, 2018  
6:30pm**

### **Agenda**

**Invited Speaker**

**Topics:**

- **ACCESS A RIDE**
- **Application Process**
- **Appealing a Denial of Service**
- **Conveying a problem with Service Delivery**

**Rutgers Community Center  
200 Madison Street**

**ALL ARE WELCOMED**

*St. Augustine of Hippo  
Episcopal Church*

Celebrating **190** Years

*As A Beacon of Light, Love & Legacy  
On the Lower East Side!*



*290 Henry Street, New York, NY*

**2018**

**A Year-Long Celebration Of Monthly  
Events Highlighting Integration  
& Honoring Immigration**

*especially*

**SAVE-THE-DATE:**

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2018**

**“African American Heritage Celebration  
Sunday Service & Multi-Cultural Day!”**

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**ANNOUNCING**

# **THE BATTLE OF THE DISTRICT 1 FAMILY BANDS**

**MARCH 4TH, 2018 . 7PM - 10PM**  
**BOWERY BALLROOM . AGES 16+**

All District 1 schools are invited to put together a band for the 1st annual **Battle of the D1 Family Bands**. Groups can be as big or as small as you like, any genre and instrumentation. All bands must be made up of school parents and staff (no non-school ringers!). Roughly 20 minute sets judged by a panel of celebrity judges. There will be a team of in-house production people to help with sound and lighting. Door price: \$20, to be available at the box office and online. All funds raised will go to the District 1 Family Resource Center to promote diversity and equity in D1. Win district glory and the honor of keeping the Trophy at your school until next year!

**CELEBRITY JUDGES!**

**To Benefit D1 Family Resource Center**

**District One Glory & Trophy on the Line**

**\$20 Door**

For more information & to register a band: [district1botb@gmail.com](mailto:district1botb@gmail.com)



**St Augustine's Church**  
**286-292 Henry St.**  
**New York, NY 10002**  
**(212) 673-5300**



## **AFRICAN DRUM YOUTH CLASS**

- African drumming, singing and dance class
- Every Tuesday from 4PM—6PM for Youth of 7 years old and up
- Session starts October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2017 and ends June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018
- Donation of \$10 per month  
Scholarship available
- Registration anytime

**TEACHER: AMOS KWAKU GABIA**



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wel come  
 Bienvenido  
 Bienvenue  
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We are happy that you have come to worship with us. If you have no church home, we invite you to unite with us. Please complete one of the Parish Census Forms, located on the table in the back of the church. You may give it to an usher and we will be in touch with you very soon. However, if you are just passing through, we are honored by your presence, and we wish you Godspeed as you complete your journey.

Daily Lectionary Readings

**Monday:** AM Psalm 25; PM Psalm 9, 15  
 PROV. 27:1-6, 10-12:Phil. 2:1-13; John 18:15-18, 25-27

**Tuesday:** AM Psalm 26,28; PM Psalm 36,39  
 Prov. 30:1-4, 24-33; Phil. 3:1-11; John 18:28-38

**Ash Wednesday:** AM Psalm 95 & 32, 143; PM Psalm 102, 130 Amos 5:6-15; Heb. 12:1-14; Luke 18:9-14

**Thursday:** AM Psalm 37:1-18; PM Psalm 37:19-42 hab. 3:1-10 (11-15) 16-18; Phil. 3:12-21; John 17:1-8

**Friday:** AM Psalm 95 & 31; PM Psalm 35, Ezek. 18-4,25-35; Phil. 4:1-9; John 17:1-19

**Saturday:** AM Psalm 30,32; PM Psalm 42, 43  
 Ezek. 39:21-29; Phil. 4:10-20; John 17:20-26



Please Join Us for **The Healing Service** every **Wednesday** at **12:00 noon**, in the church.

**PHONE LINE PRAYER**

We invite you to join **St. A's Prayer Line** on **Wednesdays** at **9:00 PM**. Dial **(212) 673-5300** between 8:45–10:00 PM.

**SCOPE- "Senior Citizen (Church) Outreach Program and Eldership" is seeking volunteers.** It would be great to have some help to develop a ministry for the Seniors

to include health care/advice and other activities.

Please contact Mrs. Irene Alladice or Fr. Nat if you wish to respond to this call.

Coming Up Next

Need Prayer?

Call the church office and request that your name be added to our prayer list. Let us know when you are available so we may visit you or pray with you over the phone.

**If you are celebrating** a special occasion; birthday, anniversary, etc. please let us know so we may offer congratulations to you.

**We are accepting Articles and Advertisements** to publish in the St Augustine's eCho.

During our worship, please remember to **put your phone on vibrate or silent.** But we invite you to use them if you want to record the entire (or part of) the service, take pictures, post video on Facebook, Instagram, Pinterest or Twitter. **Let your friends know you are at St Augustine's.** We are a Techno-Friendly Church.

**Free Caregiver support services Care NYC provides free:** Respite Services (in-home or adult care); Long-term care planning; Assistance applying for Medicaid and other benefits; Counseling with understanding professionals; Peer support groups wellness activities, education and caregiver skills; Cultural trips to take with your loved one and MORE!  
 Call:718-906-0669 212. 349.2770x215 or email: carenyc@scsny.org  
 Services available in English and Spanish

**Pastoral Visitations:** Please express your desire to receive a visit or communion if you cannot make it to church. We will do our best to come visit you between 2-4 PM on Sundays.

**Moving Forward:** My hope and prayer is that we can get together as one community to be God's people and presence on the LES. I am asking for your prayers in this important new chapter of our lives,

I want you to know that every day I also pray for you all. Together in Christ

Father Nat.

Weekly Collections	FEBRUARY	JANUARY
	4	28
	2018	2018
Pledges	\$1934.00	\$2183.00
Open Plate	\$12.00	\$16.00
Special Services		
Regular Support	\$111.00	\$10.00
Special Offerings	\$60.00	\$10.00
Men's Guild		
St. Augustine's Project	\$10.00	
Tenants	\$970.21	
Rentals	\$1500.00	
Holy Land Trip	\$5996.00	
St. Augustine Youth		
Soup Kitchen	\$30.25	\$27.00
SCOPE/Bingo		
Building Fund		
ECW Donation		
Parking Lot		
Other External Sources		
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,623.46</b>	<b>2,246.00</b>

**Office Hours**

9:00-12:00/1:00-4:00  
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**The St. Augustine's Project**

[www.staugproject.org](http://www.staugproject.org)

*Barbara King*

*Minnie Curry*

*Sandra Walker*

**The Vestry**

Ms. Irene Alladice, Warden

Ms. Susan Brown, Warden

**2018**

Mr. William (Kim) Curry

Ms. Annette Dudley

Ms. Barbara H. King, *Clerk*

Mr. Oland Saltes

**2019**

Ms. Valerie Scott

Ms. Dinah Williams

Ms. Bobby Wright

Shut-Ins/Homebound: Velda Alleyne, Ellen Bradley, Annie Garcia, Norberta Mieleles.

Prayers: Lester Allen, Carline Aupont, Sandra Brown, Juan Cosme, Minnie Curry and family, Ellen Daley, Maybelle & Stanford Daly, Diane Ellis, Robert & Vernestine Exum, Sanford Exum and Family, Iris Faulkner, Evelyn Fleming, Faith and Grace Garfield, Mildred Hancock, Bernice Henry, Rev. Deacon Edgar Hopper, Joyce Johnson, Kenny Johnson, LaVerne Johnson, The Krauser Family, James Leung, Hattie Mitchell and Family, Daryl Moore, Lula Moore, Marissa Nicolo, James Rainge, Lawrence Rainge, James Robinson-Parran, Beverly Rosario, Oland Saltes, Sandra Slater, Sylvan Stoner, Rodger Taylor, Edward Tyler, Yvonne Ward, Tyrone Wong, Gladys Saint-Pierre, Noelia Gonzalez, The Rev. Rosalind Brathwaite

Armed forces: David Mason, Jr.

**We ask God's blessings for those celebrating their birthdays in** February, especially: 1st Laura Harvin, Diane Newlin; 2nd Vernestine Exum; 7th Dawn Munchez; 12th Mary Teresa Rodgers; 14th Oriol Olivera; 17th Belinda Brown, Josai Pereira; 18th Toussaint Sena; 19th Wanda Johnson; 22nd Tiffany Peña.

We pray for those who have died: Doadie Brown, Ronald Brown, Isa Coker, Robert and Mittie Frances Combs, Percy Daglow Sr., Wanda Daley, Frances Diaz, Harry & Dorothy Fiyalko, Luis Garcia, Etta Green, Dorothy Henderson, Inez Kikuchi, Cheryl Krauser, Vernell Langley, Diane McDowell, Geraldine Newkirk, Evelyn Newlin, Jacynth Orridge, Hector Peña, Alice Saltes Richards, Dorothy Rodriguez, Nancy Scott, Alma Suarez, Eleanor Suriel, Sylvia Fergusson-Sylvah and Romulus Sylvah, Harriett Marshall-Taylor, Isaac & Gwendolyn Pinder-Taylor, Donald Williams, Esther Juanita Dawson, Lucille Williams, Minnie Williams, Rev. Deacon Nydia Flores, Florence Taylor, John Joseph, Marlene Ward-Torain, Edward Phillips (Father Tally), Edward "Tyler" Tyler

We pray for Justice and Peace in all lands: Especially: Afghanistan, Africa, The Caribbean, China, Darfur, France, Haiti, the Holy Land, India, Iraq, Japan, Kenya, Lebanon, Niger, Sierra Leone, The Sudan, This Nation and the United Nations.

***The St. Augustine's eCho*** is a newsletter to keep our members and the larger community informed about what is happening at St Augustine's and beyond. We welcome story contributors to submit articles, poetry, advertising, and any information one may want to share. Please submit your contribution by e-mail to [info@staugnyc.org](mailto:info@staugnyc.org) no later than on Wednesdays for the Sunday edition.