

# The First Sunday after the Epiphany



Holy Eucharist  
Service  
Year C RCL  
January 13, 2019  
10:30AM

## St. Augustine of Hippo

A Parish of the Episcopal Diocese of New York

## The St. Augustine's eCho

### ORDER OF SERVICE

#### THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

Prelude **Jesu, Joy Of Man's Desiring** J.S. Bach  
Opening Hymn **Baptized In Water (3)** #121 (LEVAS)

#### THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Acclamation BCP pg. 355  
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The Collect : The First Sunday after the Epiphany BCP pg. 214  
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The Epistle Acts 8:14-17  
**Sequence Hymn On Jordon's Bank (5)** #76 (HYMNAL)  
The Holy Gospel Luke 3:15-17,21-22

**THE SERMON "Committed To Christ"**  
*The Rev. Nathanael Saint-Pierre*

The Holy Baptism BCP pg. 301  
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#### THE OFFERTORY

Offertory Music Uzee Brown, Jr.  
Lord, Build Me A Cabin In Glory Land

Offertory Hymn **Shall We Gather At The River (4)** #141 (HYMNAL)

The Doxology

#### THE HOLY COMMUNION:

The Great Thanksgiving BCP pg. 367  
Sanctus ET Benedictus S125 (HYMNAL)  
Memorial Acclamation

#### The Lord's Prayer

The Fraction Anthem  
Agnus Dei #270 (LEVAS)

#### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Administration of the Sacrament  
Communion Hymn **Jesus Loves Me (3)** #218 (LEVAS)

Homeless/Soup Kitchen Offering

Welcome & Announcements

Post Communion Prayer Onscreen

Recessional **This Little Light (3)** #221 (LEVAS)

Dismissal BCP p. 366

Postlude **Sheep May Safely Graze** J.S. Bach



## "Committed To Christ"

**Weekly Services and Programs**

**Sundays**

8:00 AM Said Eucharist  
(No Service during Summer)  
10:30 AM Sung Eucharist  
2:00 - 4:00 PM Pastoral Visitations

**Wednesdays**

12 Noon Healing Service with Holy Eucharist  
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.*

*The Clergy's  
Corner*

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*by The Rev. Nathanael Saint-Pierre*



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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 Collects.*

## **THE COLLECT**

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The First Sunday after the Epiphany: The Baptism of Our Lord pg. 214

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

## **THE FIRST READING**

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**Isaiah 43:1-7**

*There have been times of suffering in the past, and there is more trial to come, but God will never abandon his people. He will bring peace and redemption to them.*

Thus says the LORD,  
he who created you, O Jacob,  
he who formed you, O Israel:  
Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;  
I have called you by name, you are mine.  
When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;  
and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;  
when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,  
and the flame shall not consume you.  
For I am the LORD your God,  
the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.  
I give Egypt as your ransom,  
Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you.  
Because you are precious in my sight,  
and honored, and I love you,  
I give people in return for you,  
nations in exchange for your life.

Do not fear, for I am with you;  
I will bring your offspring from the east,  
and from the west I will gather you;  
I will say to the north, "Give them up,"  
and to the south, "Do not withhold;  
bring my sons from far away  
and my daughters from the end of the earth--  
everyone who is called by my name,  
whom I created for my glory,  
whom I formed and made."

*Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people*

*All Thanks be to God*

## **THE RESPONSE**

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Psalm 29

*Afferte Domino*

BCP Pg. 620

- <sup>1</sup> Ascribe to the LORD, you gods, \*  
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
- <sup>2</sup> Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his Name; \*  
worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.
- <sup>3</sup> The voice of the LORD is upon the waters;  
the God of glory thunders; \*  
the LORD is upon the mighty waters.
- <sup>4</sup> The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice; \*  
the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor.
- <sup>5</sup> The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees; \*  
the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
- <sup>6</sup> He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, \*  
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.
- <sup>7</sup> The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire;  
the voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness; \*  
the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

**8 The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe \*  
and strips the forests bare.**

**9 And in the temple of the LORD \*  
all are crying, "Glory!"**

**10 The LORD sits enthroned above the flood; \*  
the LORD sits enthroned as King for evermore.**

**11 The LORD shall give strength to his people; \*  
the LORD shall give his people the blessing of peace.**

***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.***

## **THE EPISTLE**

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### **Acts 8:14-17**

*The effects of discipleship are clearly seen: we must have teachers in the faith not only to instruct, but to pray with and for us as we seek to grow into the full stature of Christ.*

### **A reading (lesson) from the Acts of the Apostles:**

When the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

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### **SEQUENCE HYMN      ON JORDON'S BANK (5)      #76 (HYMNAL)**

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*All                      God be with you.  
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## THE HOLY GOSPEL

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### Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

*Jesus is baptized into his life of public ministry along with many who are seeking a transformation and restoration of relationship with God. God is found in their midst, standing beside them in these promises.*

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

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

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

*The Gospel of the Lord*

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

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### **RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL COVENANT**

*The Celebrant asks*

*Questions*     **Do you want to renew your Baptismal Vows?**

*All*             **We do**

*The Celebrant asks the following questions of the parents and godparents.*

*Question*     **Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?**

*Answer*        **I renounce them.**

*Question*     **Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?**

*Answer*        **I renounce them.**

*Question*     **Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?**

*Answer*        **I renounce them.**

*Question*     **Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?**

*Answer*        **I do.**

*Question*     **Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?**

*Answer*        **I do.**

*Question*      Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

*Answer*        **I do.**

*The Celebrant then says these words*

Let us join together to commit ourselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

### **THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT**

*Celebrant*      Do you believe in God the Father?

*All*              **I believe in God, the Father almighty creator of heaven and earth.**

*Celebrant*      Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

*All*              **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again.**

**He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

*Celebrant*      Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

*All*              **I believe in Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.**

*Celebrant*      Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?

*All*              **I will, with God's help.**

*Celebrant*      Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

*All*            **I will, with God's help.**

*Celebrant*    Will you proclaim by word and example the Good news of God in Christ?

*All*            **I will, with God's help.**

*Celebrant*    Will you see and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

*All*            **I will, with God's help.**

*Celebrant*    Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

*All*            **I will, with God's help.**

## **PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATES**

*The Celebrant then says to the congregation*

Let us now pray for *those who are to renew their commitment to Christ*

*A person appointed leads the following petitions*

*Leader*            Deliver *us*, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

*All*                **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader*            Open *our hearts* to your grace and truth.

*All*                **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader*            Fill *us* with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

*All*                **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader*            Keep *us* in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

*All*                **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader*            Teach *us* to love others in the power of the Spirit.

*All*                **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader*            Send *us* into the world in witness to your love.

*All*                **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader*            Bring *us* to the fullness of your peace and glory.

*All*                **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*The Priest, stands and says*

Grant, Oh Lord, that all who are baptized in to the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. *Amen*

## **THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER**

*The Celebrant blesses the water, first saying*

*Celebrant*     **God be with you.**

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

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

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

*Celebrant*

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

*At the following words, the Celebrant touches the water*

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

## **BLESSING OF THE CROSSES**

Bless + this sign of glory,

and let it remind us

that Jesus died and rose for all.

Help us to carry our cross with him every day,

and to follow him in serving others.

We ask this grace  
through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

*Before the Offertory of the Eucharist, the person comes forward at the invitation of the celebrant, and, standing before the congregation, makes the Act of Commitment.*

*After this, the Celebrant says these or similar words*

Merciful God, look with favor upon *these persons* who *have* now reaffirmed *their* commitment to follow Christ and to serve in his name. Give *them* courage, patience, and vision; and strengthen us all in our Christian vocation of witness to the world, and of service to others; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

May the Holy Spirit guide and strengthen you, that in this, and in all things, you may do God's will in the service of the kingdom of his Christ. *Amen.*

In the name of this congregation I commend you to this work, and pledge you our prayers, encouragement, and support.

*The Celebrant then says this or some other appropriate prayer*

Let us pray.

## **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**

**UZEE BROWN, JR.**

**LORD, BUILD ME A CABIN IN GLORY LAND**



**OFFERTORY HYMN** **#141 (LEVAS)**  
**SHALL WE GATHER AT THE RIVER (4)**

**THE DOXOLOGY**

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A**

*The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, 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 pg. 377**

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.

*Then the Celebrant continues*

Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with choirs of Angels with prophets, apostles, and martyrs and with all the faithful of every time and place who forever sing to the glory of your Name:

**SANCTUS ET BENEDICTUS** **BCP PG. 362**

*Celebrant and People*

**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 dándote 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 dándote 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 is the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

**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**

*People and Celebrant*

**Our Father, who 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**

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.  
Therefore, let us keep the feast. 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: JESUS LOVES ME (3) #218 (LEVAS)**

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

**Let us pray.**

*Celebrant and People*

**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: THIS LITTLE LIGHT (3) #221 (LEVAS)**

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

*All*                    **Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.**  
                          **Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

**POSTLUDE                    SHEEP MAY SAFELY GRAZE                    J.S. BACH**

Musical Selection at The Offertory:

**Uzee Brown Jr.**, a resident of Atlanta Georgia, worked closely as a student and colleague with the late Dr. Wendell P. Whalum, an acclaimed educator, arranger, and lecturer on African American music. In addition to teaching at Morehouse College, Brown is a note opera singer, composer, arranger and orchestrator. He holds a doctoral degree from the University of Michigan.



*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 financial 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!*

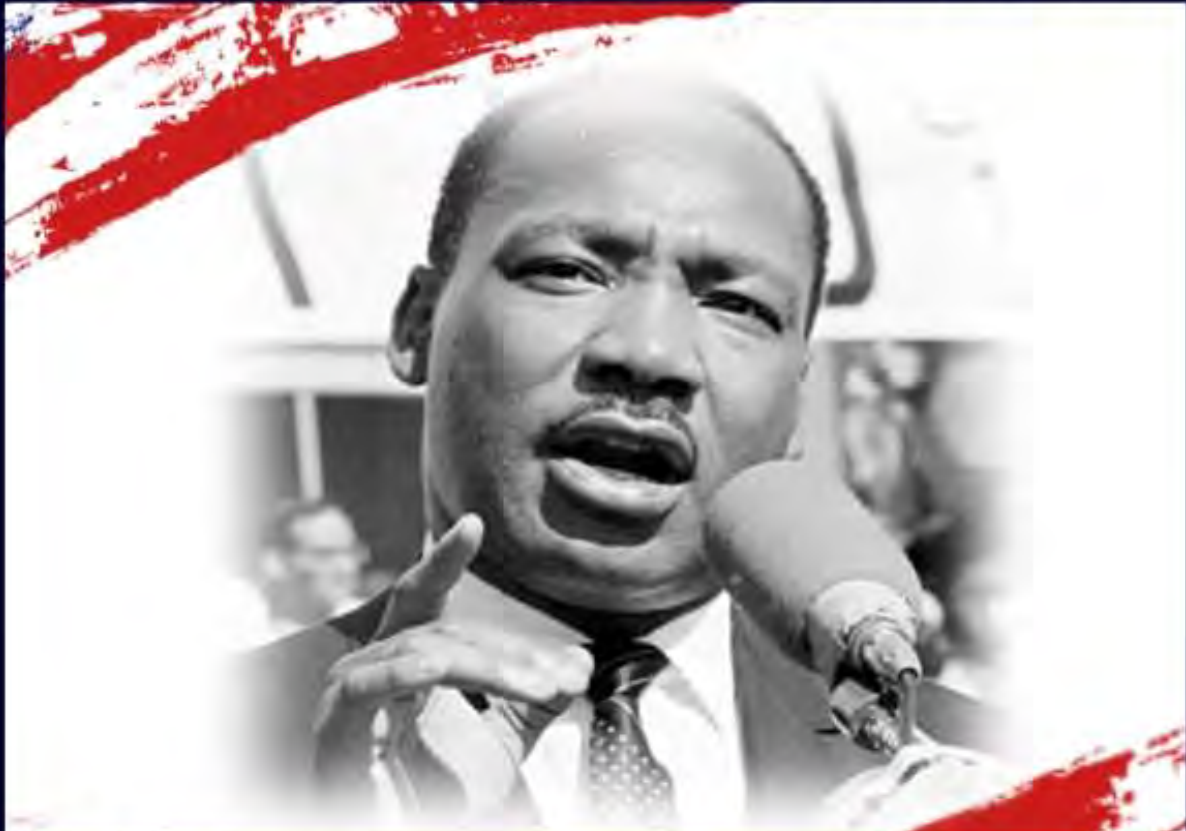


*Dear Friends & Parishioners;*

*Our dear friend Ethel Moore sends her regards from Maryland. She is doing well and missing her St. Augustine's family.*

*If anyone would like to speak with Mrs. Moore please contact the office.*

# St. Augustine's Church Presents



## **MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY CELEBRATION**

*Monday, January 21, 2019  
12:00pm*

*Guest Speaker: The Rev. Dr. Michelle White, PhD*

*290 Henry Street New York, NY 10002*

*Guided tours of St. Augustine's Historic Slave Galleries will be available after the service.  
Currently on display is "how the other 1/2 lived", a light installation by artist denzel russel.*



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Wel come**  
**Bienvenido**  
**Bienvenue**  
**Nou kontan wè w**

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 1,2,3; PM Psalm 4,7  
Isa. 40:12-23; Eph. 1:1-14; Mark 1:1-13

**Tuesday:** AM Psalm 5,6; PM Psalm 10,11;  
Isa. 40:25-31; Eph. 1:15-23; Mark 1:14-28

**Wednesday:** AM Psalm 119:1-24; PM Psalm 131,13,14; Isa 41:1-16; Eph. 2:1-10; Mark 1:29-45

**Thursday:** AM Psalm 18:1-20; PM Psalm 18:21-50; Isa. 41:17-29; Eph. 2:11-22; Mark 2:1-12

**Friday:** AM Psalm 16,17; PM Psalm 22  
Isa. 42:(1-9)10-17; Eph. 3:1-13; Mark 2:13-22.

**Saturday:** AM Psalm 20,21:1-7 (8-14); PM Psalm 110:1-5 (6-7), 116,117; Isa 43:1-13; Eph. 3:14-21; Mark 2:23-3:6



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 P.M.**

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](mailto: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	January	December
	6	31
	2019	2018
Pledges	<b>\$1,426.00</b>	<b>\$20.00</b>
Open Plate	<b>\$18.00</b>	<b>\$64.56</b>
Special Services		
Regular Support		
Special Offerings		
Men's Guild		
St. Augustine's Anniversary		
Tenants	<b>\$4,200.00</b>	
Rentals		
Episcopal Charities		
St. Augustine Youth		
Soup Kitchen	<b>\$174.75</b>	
St. Augustine's Project		
Building Fund		
ECW Donation		
Parking Lot		
Other External Sources		
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$7,268.75</b>	<b>\$84.56</b>

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Barbara King

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Sandra Walker

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Ms. Susan Brown, *Warden*

**2018**

Mr. Christopher Morris

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 Mieles.

Prayers: Lester Allen, Carline Aupont, Sandra Brown, Juan Cosme, Minnie Curry and family, Ellen Daley, Maybelle & Stanford Daly, Diane Ellis, Robert & Vernes-tine 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, Yvonne Ward, Tyrone Wong, Gladys Saint-Pierre, Noelia Gonzalez, The Rev. Rosalind Brathwaite, Laura Harvin & Family, Jayvon Cotton, Sarah Banks, Alix Cangé, Ethel Moore, Carl Johnson

Armed forces: David Mason, Jr.

**We ask God's blessings for those celebrating their birthdays in January**

especially:



1st Christian Curry, Janice Kikuchi; 2nd **Mason O'Neal**; 3rd Emmanuel Cox, Donita Ellis, Shanya Ellison; 4th Anna Archibald, James **Harvin, Evelyn Fleming, Shavon Munchez, Alia O'Neal**; 5th Robert Exum; 7th Gary Clyne; 9th Khalid Seña; 10th Christopher Martinez; 11th Christopher Morris; 12th Harry Taylor; 14th Ronise Cox-Clark; 18th Valerie Scott; 23rd Oland Saltes; 24th Alexander Archibald; 25th Evelyn Holloman, Joyce Johnson; 28th Valburg Krauser, Deborah Taylor; 30th Patricia Taylor; 31st Charlene Hallal.

*If you would like to add your name to the monthly birthday list, please email us at [info@staugnyc.org](mailto:info@staugnyc.org)*

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 Surriel, 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, Sandra Garcia-Combs**

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