

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“Complete abstinence is easier than perfect moderation.”

ST. AUGUSTINE

MOMENTS IN BLACK HISTORY



Mamie "Peanut" Johnson, the last living of the trio of women who played in the Negro Leagues, has died. The pitcher was a teammate of the pioneering **Hank Aaron** and amassed a respectable 33-8 record in her three seasons of play. Johnson was born September 27, 1935 in the small town of Ridgeway, South Carolina. As a young girl, she spent time pitching with her uncle instead of working in the crop fields. At the age of 17, the gunslinger attempted to try out for an all-white professional, all-female team but was rejected. The Negro Leagues' Indianapolis Crows gave Johnson a shot at pitcher in 1953 and it paid off handsomely for the team. Not only was she an effective pitcher, schooled by the great Satchel Paige, she also hit at .270 at the plate. She got the nickname "Peanut" from Kansas City Monarchs third baseman, Hank Bayliss, who remarked that at five-foot-three, Johnson was as small as a peanut. In the off-season, Johnson attended New York University and earned a nursing degree from North Carolina A&T University before going on to a 30-year career in nursing and raising her son, Charles. She has been honored several times, including being drafted by the Washington Nationals in 2008 in an honorific ceremony.

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St. Augustine Catholic Church

December 31, 2017 - Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph



In Jerusalem, Luke reports that Mary and Joseph encounter two devout Jews, Simeon and Anna, who recognize the infant Jesus as the fulfillment of Israel's hope for redemption. In Simeon's words we find a prediction of Mary's witnessing of Jesus' death on the cross. The Cantic of Simeon, also called by its Latin name, *Nunc Dimitis*, is prayed at night prayer, or compline, during the Liturgy of the Hours.

(Rev) Fr. Francis Chiawa, Pastor

Rev. Mr. Curtiss Talley, Deacon and Rev. Mr. Norman Alexander, Deacon

Sacrament of Reconciliation (confession) Before 4:00pm Mass on Saturday; Before 8:00am and 11:00am Mass on Sunday
Baptism, First Penance and Eucharist, Confirmation: Please contact the parish office at 774-2297.

Weddings: The parish welcomes all those who wish to be married in our Church, if at least one party of the couple is Catholic or intends to be Catholic. Contact the church office at least 6 months prior to the wedding to make arrangements.

Funerals: Contact the Church office as soon as possible after the death of a loved one or friend.

Please call the church office to give notification of hospitalization, confinement to a nursing home or facility for the aging.

Parish Mission Statement

We are predominantly African-American by birth and Catholic by choice. We are empowered to proclaim the Good News of Jesus through the Word, the Eucharist and service.

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MASS TIMES

Wednesday-12:00pm (Chapel)

Thursday-12:00pm (Chapel)

Friday-8:30am (school in session)

1st Saturday of the month-9:00am (Chapel)

Saturday-4:00pm (vigil)

Sunday-8:00am & 11:00am

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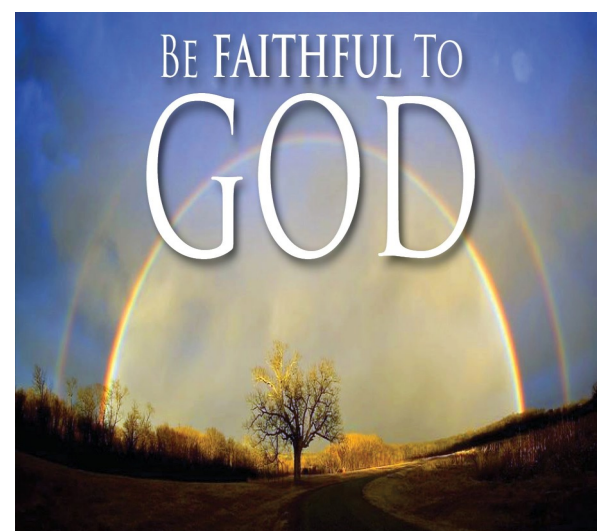
ST. AUGUSTINE NEWS

Inspirational Books and CDs: We have new books and CDs available in the Narthex for purchase. Go and check out the new inventory. They are located right outside the chapel door. There is something for everyone.

Bulletin Announcements: Submit all bulletin requests by 10:00 AM on Tuesdays.

NOTES: Please remember to raise/lower the kneelers quietly and thank you for silencing your cell phones.

21st Century Fund: Additional 21st Century envelopes are now located in the pews and in the rear of the church for your convenience. This campaign will be an ongoing initiative, so we are asking that you prayerfully consider contributing.



Prayer List

VA Hospital

Eugene Brassel RM - MICU230

Nursing Homes/Rehab Centers: Mrs. Mae Perrie, Mrs. Geraldine Strickland (Memphis Jewish Home and Rehab) Mr. Floyd Shavers (Parkway Health & Rehab)

Ill at Home: Mrs. Audrey Allen, Mrs. Gloria Al-sandor, Mr. Vandy Banes, Mrs. Annie Beck, Mr. Gerald Bond, Mr. Rodney Brooks, Mrs. Yvonne Lomax Bradford, Mrs. Gladys Broadnax, Mr. Robert Crowley, Mrs. Laverne Fisher, Ms. Bernice Hayes, Mr. Darrell Hollimon, Mrs. Martha Horne, Mrs. Joyce Hutch, Mrs. Daisy London, Mrs. Jenny Marshall, Mrs. Freda Martin, Mrs. Grace Milburn, Mrs. Maurice McDonald, Mrs. Sandra McGhee, Mrs. Florine McMillan, Mrs. Jacqueline Mitchell, Mr. Raymond Moore, Sr., Mrs. Lillie Robinson, Mrs. Theresa Varnado, Mr. Ben Wells, Mr. Eric Wells, Mr. Joe L. White, Mrs. Geraldine Whitthorne, Mrs. Phyllis Witherspoon, Dr. Joyce Young, Dr. Joseph Young and Mr. Sullivan Young

May Their Souls Rest in Peace

December 31-January 6

Charles Baker 1954; Norma Williams 1978; Stanley Bryant 1979; Sallie Gill 1982; James Hemingway 1989; Florence Bolden 1991; Evelyn McAnulty 1995; Juanita Peyton 1997; Roxie Lewis 1998; Etta Ruth Clark 2000; Fannie Clark 2004; Ellen Louise Dunford Stiles 2009; Herbert Clifton Tate, Sr. 2012; Blanche Crawford, Joseph Wallace Alsandor 2013; Cynthia Allen-Whitfield, Cologene White 2016; Adolph Butler 2017

Sunday Readings December 31, 2017

Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14
Colossians 3:12-21 or 3:12-17
Luke 2:22-40 or 2:22, 39-40

Sunday Readings January 7, 2018

Isaiah 60:1-6
Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6
Matthew 2:1-12

NEWS YOU CAN USE

Pilgrimage to The Holy Land Fr. Francis Chiawa is hosting a pilgrimage to The Holy Land for July 29 through August 7, 2018. We will be traveling to Tel Aviv, Tiberias: Sea of Galilee, Jordan River - Mt. Tabor-Jericho, Bethlehem and to the Pool of Bethesda, where Jesus healed the crippled man. Mass will be daily including spiritual activities. Breakfast, lunch and dinner as well as roundtrip airfare from Memphis, air conditioned motorcoaches with free Wi-Fi, 1st class hotels, guided sight-seeing, entrance fees, hotel gratuities and taxes are all included in one price of \$4,394, per person, double occupancy. To book or for more information, send email to Jen@206tours.com or Karen.owens@staugustine.cdom.org. This is a trip you definitely do not want to miss.

Watch special EWTN Advent and Christmas programming. EWTN is proud to bring you LIVE Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Masses from Rome and the Basilica of the National Shrine in Washington, D.C. Also, we will be airing inspiring musical performances, specials for children and teens, and new holiday presentations that the whole family will enjoy. Watch or listen to EWTN TV & EWTN Radio on your local channel, online, or even on your smartphone using our free EWTN App! For more information, go to ewtn.com.

Happy Birthday

Carlene O'Neal (12/31) Saadia Daoud, Mattie Little, Patrick Neal, Betty Todd (1/1) Lisa Ellis, Georgia Garmon, Valerie Nering (1/3) Altonette Robinson (1/4) Marie McKee (1/5) Edyce Lawrence, Nicholas Nabors, Margen Wilson (1/6)

Happy Anniversary

Mr. & Mrs. Maurice and Theresa Varnado, Sr
Mr. & Mrs. Travis and Lisa Cleaves
(12/31)

Mr. & Mrs. Carl and Lilly Ray
Mr. & Mrs. James and Barbara Wilhite
(1/1)

Mr. & Mrs. Billy and Jennie Hughey
(1/3)

