

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“It was pride that changed angels into devils; it is humility that makes men as angels.”

ST. AUGUSTINE

MOMENTS IN BLACK HISTORY



The late **William “Bill” G. Mays** was a pioneering Indiana businessman who applied his resources to bring prominence to not only his holdings but other entities across the state. Among his many accomplishments, Mays was the first African-American chairman of the Greater Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce, cementing his designation as one of the state’s most successful businessmen. Mays was born December 4, 1945 in Evansville, Indiana. Graduating at the top of his class, Mays entered Indiana University and followed the footsteps of his chemical professor father en route to earning a degree in chemistry in 1970. He earned his MBA from the school in 1973. Combining his interests in science and business, Mays worked for several prominent chemical companies throughout the ’70’s while amassing leadership experience. In 1980, using a bank loan and savings, he began the Mays Chemical Company earning \$2.2 million in sales in his first year. As the company grew, May absorbed smaller chemical companies into his own brand before expanding nationally. In the ’90’s, Mays revived the state’s oldest Black newspaper, *The Indianapolis Recorder*, which is also the fourth-oldest newspaper in the nation. Mays lent his advice and mentorship to other aspiring business owners and became the first Black person elected to the Indiana Hoosier Lottery Commission. In 1996, Mays carried the Olympic Torch during its stop as part of its national tour before concluding in Los Angeles for the Summer Games. Mays died on December 4, 2014.



St. Augustine Catholic Church

August 1, 2021 - Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Jesus himself is the Bread of Life who will satisfy every hunger and thirst. This is the first of several such statements found in John’s Gospel. We understand these better when we remember that God revealed his name to the people of Israel as “I am,” as Yahweh. Jesus is now claiming this name for himself.

(Rev) Dr. Francis Chiawa, Pastor
Rev. Mr. Curtiss Talley, Deacon and Rev. Mr. Andrew Terry, 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 **Mrs. Marilyn Coleman at 901-849-2808** as soon as possible after the death of a loved one. 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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<u>STAFF</u>		<u>MASS TIMES</u>
<u>Bookkeeper</u>	<u>Facilities Director</u>	Wednesday-12:00pm (Church)
Angela Delaney	Karen Owens	Thursday-12:00pm (Church)
<u>DRE</u>	<u>Ministers of Music</u>	Friday-12:00pm (Church)
Annye Hughes	Gwen Atkins	1st Friday of the month—10:30am (Church)
<u>Health Ministry</u>	Robert Clayborne	Saturday-4:00pm (vigil)
Helen Oliver	Leo Davis, DMA	Sunday-8:00am & 11:00am
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Prayer List

Nursing Homes/Rehab Centers: Mr. Harold Adams Beamon (Christian Care Center, 6500 Kirby Gate Blvd., Memphis, TN 38119) Ms. Tina Crawford (Signature Healthcare of Memphis) Mr. Floyd Shavers (Parkway Health & Rehab)

Ill/Shut-Ins: Mrs. Gloria Alsandor, Mrs. Annie Beck, Mr. Gerald Bond, Mr. Eugene Brassell, Mrs. Patricia Cowart, Mr. Robert Crowley, Mrs. Maureen Davis, Ms. Sharl Golden, Mrs. Vivian Harris, Ms. Bernice Hayes, Mr. Darrell Hollimon, Mrs. Ernestine Hollimon, Mr. Maurice Hooker, Sr., Mr. Marvin Housley, Sr., Mrs. Mae Johnson, Mrs. Pat Lacey, Mr. Michael Lemon, Mrs. Freda Martin, Mrs. Grace Milburn, Mrs. Sandra McGhee, Mrs. Florine McMillan, Mrs. Hattie Moore, Mr. Raymond Moore, Sr., Mrs. Theresa Varnado, Mr. Ben Wells, Mr. Eric Wells, Mr. Joe L. White, Mrs. Geraldine Whitthorne, Dr. Joyce Young and Dr. Joseph Young.

May Their Souls Rest in Peace

August 1-7

August 1 Oscar Bartholomew, Sr.

August 2 Ann D. Powell, Eva Russell, Deacon Robert Atkins

August 3 Vernon Robinson

August 4 Ira W. Conley, Prince A. Wilkins, Jr.

August 5 Joseph Louis, Dorothy J. Brown, Mary Ann Coccaro

August 7 Jeanette Reynolds, Leo Hilliard, Cleo Gilliam, Devon Michael Lewis

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

THE BREAD FROM HEAVEN

This Sunday is the second of the five-Sunday's gospel readings from John Chapter six, a magnificent teaching of our Lord on the holy Eucharist, the Bread from Heaven. The heart of the message this week and weeks to come is not on the feeding of our stomach but of our soul, the deepest part of our being. Just as God gave manna to his people to sustain them on their journey to the land of Canaan, he gives us himself in the Eucharist to bring us to heaven. What can hinder you from going to Mass? Remember also that as you listen to the readings at the Mass you are drinking deep from the new Wine of the Holy Spirit and he lavishes your soul with delights more than any earthly pleasure can give. Drink deep then and be intoxicated by God who loves you by reading, listening to his Word and above all receiving him in the Eucharist. Receive the Eucharist always in a worthy manner, that is in a state of grace. A good confession helps us to enter into a state of grace and avoiding occasions of sin helps us to remain in it.

THANK YOU

Dear brothers and sisters! Thank you for the gifts of your presence, your time and treasure. You have blessed me beyond words. You even composed a song for me. The only other time it had happened was when I was ordained a priest, twenty five years ago. Thank you for making the history come full circle. I also treasure the papal blessing, chasuble and the proclamation you gratuitously gave me. May the Lord bless and reward you in a way he alone can. Thank you for being kind and hospitable to many of our guests from other parishes and from out of town. **Our Bishop is awesome!** Isn't he God's great blessing to us in Memphis? May the Lord bless him always. May we give him our wholehearted support in the work the Lord has entrusted to do for our salvation. "I give thanks to my God at every remembrance of you, praying always with joy in my every prayer for all of you, because of your partnership for the gospel from the first day until now" (Philippians 1:3-4).

FIRST FRIDAY

Please do not forget that it comes up on August 6th. It is such an anointed moment of grace, worship and blessing. Come and begin the weekend with a holy Mass and adoration of the Lord. The Mass begins at 10:30 am. The Blessed Sacrament is exposed for adoration till the hour of Mercy. You are welcome to spend as many hours or minutes as possible.

Next Sunday's Readings August 8, 2021

1 Kings 19:4-8
Ephesians 4:30—5:2
John 6:41-51

STEVE CHAMBERS' FATHER

Mr. Harry Chambers, our brother and dear father of Steve Chambers and grandfather of Zachary Chambers passed away on July 3, 2021. As you keep the bereaved in your prayers, please do not forget to lift up our deceased brother to God Almighty for mercy and redemption. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.

BIBLICAL STUDIES AT MY ALMA MATER

I am attending a conference on Biblical Studies at Franciscan University of Steubenville, OH. This conference spans from July 28 to July 30. God willing, I will be back on Friday.

CATHOLIC APPEAL

We are yet to reach the goal. We are about nine thousand dollars short. Please give it your best shot that we may reach the goal. We are St Augustine. We can do it.

LOVE OFFERING FOR OUR SISTER GLADYS YOUNG

I propose that we do a love offering to help our sister Gladys on the first Sunday in September. Considering the untold excruciating and heavy weight trial that befell her in June this year - losing her firstborn son and her home at the same time, it will be an act of love to reach out to her. St Augustine said, if you love, do what you will. I have mentioned this in the Pastoral Council. I know that some of us had already reached out to her but we also need a united effort as one family. Could we all agree to do it as St Augustine usually does? If you have any suggestions or objections let me know. Email me @ fchiawa@gmail.com or text me at 9014824963.

SIGN UP FOR THE EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS

As the climax of our Golden Jubilee celebration, we shall have a Eucharistic Congress with our incumbent Bishop, Most Rev. David P. Talley, our Bishop Emeritus Most Rev Terry J. Steib, SVD, all the clergy of Memphis and all our other brothers and sisters in Christ. It is a festival of praise, thanksgiving, and worship to the Almighty One who granted us fifty years of existence by serving as a Catholic Diocese. It is also a festival of joy, reunion and celebration of our unity as a people of God in the Memphis Diocese. Please sign up for it. Call St Augustine's office @ 9017742297 if you are not able to do it online. When is it going to happen? October 8th - 6:00p.m - 9:00 p.m & October 9th - 9 a.m - 6:00 p.m. The venue is Renaissance Center, 255 N Main St Memphis TN, 38103.

WHAT IS MORE?

Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst" (John 6:35). The bread that the Lord gives is his true flesh and blood, soul and divinity. What is the state of my soul that I may receive him worthily? How long ago have I been to confession? Am I in any relationship or attached to something that robs me from receiving my Lord and God in the Eucharist in a state of grace?

Love

Fr. Francis Chiawa

Father Francis Chiawa



Eseoghene Ayanru, Vittorio Katoo, Justin Love (8/1) Valerie Whitlow, Gladys Young (8/2) Kevin Lomax, Jr., Gwendolyn White, Charlotte Wright (8/3) Jewel Chambers, Barbara Cooper, Alexander Wharton (8/4) Londyn Edwards (8/5) Lillie Robinson, Troy Vaughan III, Evelyn Vavasseur (8/6)



Mr. & Mrs. William and Jean Massey (8/6)