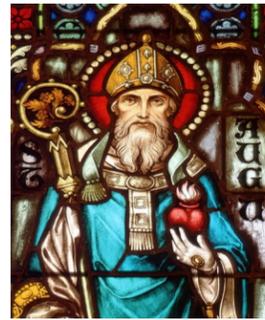


**QUOTE OF THE WEEK**

*“Patience is the companion of wisdom .”*

**ST. AUGUSTINE**



**MOMENTS IN BLACK HISTORY**



**Louis E. Lomax**’s contributions to journalism are both noteworthy and historic. Beyond introducing much of white America to the unflinching Blackness of Nation Of Islam spokesperson **Malcolm X**, Lomax was the first Black man to work as a television journalist. Born August 16, 1922 in Valdosta, Ga., Louis attended Paine College in Augusta and American University earning his master’s degree in philosophy. Lomax obtained his Ph.D in 1947 from Yale University. After a brief time teaching philosophy at Georgia State College, Lomax made his foray into journalism. The young reporter cut his teeth at Black newspapers *The Afro-American* and *Chicago Defender*, leaving print work behind in 1958 to focus on television. Working for WNTA-TV in New York as a show producer, Lomax made history during his rise. The following year, Lomax and his colleague, the late **Mike Wallace**, worked on a five-part series that examined the surging Nation Of Islam and its charismatic national spokesperson. Both **Malcolm X** and Nation of Islam leader the **Hon. Elijah Muhammad** appeared on the program with Wallace handling narration. Lomax became a freelance writer and author for a time, establishing himself with books like *The Reluctant African* and *The Negro Revolt*. Much of Lomax’s writings centered on the Civil Rights Movement, Black nationalism and other related matters. From 1964 to 1968, Lomax hosted his own talk show series on KTTV in Los Angeles. He was also an in-demand lecturer. Lomax was the recipient of a \$15,000 Esso Foundation grant and was working on a three-volume series centered on Black history when tragedy interrupted his goals. On July 30, 1970, Lomax was driving back to New York after completing a West Coast swing of lectures. Lomax lost control of his vehicle in the state of New Mexico and was declared dead at the scene. He was 47.



**St. Augustine Catholic Church**

**April 10, 2022 - Palm Sunday**



Throughout Holy Week, we will continue to reflect on the events of Jesus' passion and death. As we meditate on the cross, we ask again and anew what it means to make the statement of faith that Jesus, in his obedient suffering and dying, revealed himself to us as God's Son and brought to fulfillment the Kingdom of God.

**(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 **Fr. Francis Chiawa** at **901-482-4963** or at **901-774-2297** 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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**MASS TIMES**

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St. Augustine Catholic Parish

Prayer List

**Nursing Homes/Rehab Centers:** Harold Adams Beamon (Christian Care Center, 6500 Kirby Gate Blvd., 38119) Tina Crawford (Signature of Mphs, 1150 Dovecrest Rd., 38134) Floyd Shavers (Parkway Health & Rehab)

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May Their Souls Rest in Peace

April 10-16

April 10: Gertrude Brown

April 12: Phillip Pipion

April 13: Julia Wilks, Dedrick Brittenum, Rufus Johnson

April 15: Isaac Newton, Sr.

April 16: Jesse Clemons, Quince Donely, Maria Jeanette Lawson

**FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK**

**HOLY WEEK GREETINGS & BLESSINGS**  
Hosanna to the Son of David, blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, the King of Israel. Hosanna in the highest.” (Mt 21:9).

Dearly Beloved in Christ,  
The lines from the Preface of Palm Sunday capture the meaning of our Holy Week events: “Christ our Lord, though innocent, suffered willingly for sinners and accepted unjust condemnation to save the guilty. His Death has washed away our sins, and his Resurrection has purchased our justification.”

Palm Sunday ushers in the Holy Week. On this day, we commemorate the triumphant entry of our Lord into the city of Jerusalem to accomplish the mystery of our redemption. Beginning the holy Mass today with procession immerses us into the love that led our Lord to take up the sacrifices needed for our redemption. What can you do to remain in God’s love?

**WHY DID HE COME ON A DONKEY AND NOT IN A LIMOUSINE?**

He is fulfilling the word of God spoken about the King Messiah who is coming to save us. “Say to daughter Zion, Behold, your king comes to you, meek and riding on an ass, and on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.” (Isaiah 62:11, Zechariah 9:9). Riding a donkey on which no one had yet sat is a pointer that he is the king. What type of king? “He is a king who destroys the weapons of war, a king of peace and a king of simplicity, a king of the poor. He reigns over a kingdom that stretches from sea to sea, embracing the whole world” (Benedict XVI, *Jesus of Nazareth, Part Two, p.4*). *The donkey on which our Lord rode is equivalent to Cadillac One, First Car, code named Stagecoach, the official state car of the president of the United States.*

By taking the path he did in obedience to the Father, our Lord brought salvation and peace. “Through his obedience, he calls into this peace and plants it in us (Pope Benedict XVI, *Jesus of Nazareth From the Baptism in the Jordan to the Transfiguration, p.81*).

**Next Sunday's Readings April 17, 2022**

Acts of the Apostles 10:34a,37-43  
Colossians 3:1-4  
John 20:1-9

**OUR BELOVED SHEPHERD, BISHOP TALLEY IS VISITING ST AUGUSTINE ON EASTER MORNING.**

On Easter Day at 11:00 am, our Bishop will be celebrating Mass for us. Please come to welcome him and join in the worship of the risen Lord.

**DIVINE MERCY NOVENA**

In preparation for the Divine Mercy Sunday, please begin the novena on Good Friday to complete it on Divine Mercy Sunday. To receive the extraordinary grace of the Divine Mercy Sunday, listen to what our Lord says to St Faustina, “**My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy (699). I want to grant a complete pardon to the souls that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion on the Feast of My mercy (1109)**”

**COMMUNITY CANVASSING**

We all know how important it is to be a friend and bring a friend to Christ. Our neighborhood is beckoning us to come over and help them. I reached out to the Evangelization Committee and they graciously accepted to lead all who are willing to undertake door to door evangelization of our neighbors. The date for this move agreed by acclamation of the members of Evangelization is April 24, 2022 after 11:00 a.m Mass. We shall have “door knockers” that can be left on doors of homes where no one answers. A handy script and fliers prepared for this are available.

**THANK YOU FATHER ‘G’**

For leading in the retreat, “Touching the Face of God.” The ball is now in our court. What a moving moment of reconciliation this period is even without saying any word. The Lord has done this. Let resentments, rancor, vengeance and hurt and hatred vanish forever. May love, admiration, forgiveness, respect and friendship flourish and banish the negativities.

**THANK YOU ST AUGUSTINE**

My basket of gratitude to you all for welcoming Father G. Thank you Mrs. Annye Hughes, for initiating the retreat and choosing our dear Father G out of the options I proposed. God worked through you. Thank you Mrs. Morris, Mrs. Owens and Mrs. Makarsky, our office staff for giving your support to this initiative and working diligently to bring it to fruition. Thank you beloved Voices of St Augustine, you made our prayers of double-worth through the heart-stirring songs you rendered. All glory and honor be to our God forever and ever.

**WHAT IS MORE?**

Sacrifice and offerings you did not desire, but you prepared a body for me. Burnt offerings for sin could not please you. So I said: Here I am, Lord God, I come to do your will. The blood of bulls and goats could never take away sins. When Christ came into the world he said: Here I am, Lord God, I come to do your will. “(Hebrew 10:5,6,7,4 of Psalm 40:7-8). His sacrifice took away the sins of the world.

**QUIZ FOR YOU**

What is our raison d’etre as the Body of Christ? What is our Mission? What did cost God to save us?  
What time is the Chrism Mass on 12th April? Ans: 7:00 p.m at the Cathedral.  
What time is the Holy Thursday Mass? Ans: 7:00 p.m.  
What time is the Good Friday stations of the Cross and Passion of the Lord? Ans: 1:00 p.m and 3:00 p.m.  
What time is the Easter Vigil? Ans: 8:00 p.m.  
What times are the Masses on Easter Morning? Ans: 8:00 am and 11:00 a.m.

What meaning does Palm Sunday have for you?

Love,

*Fr. Francis Chiawa*  
Father Francis Chiawa



Debbie Ayers, Magnolia Butler (4/10) DeAndrea Taylor (4/11) Anne Gibson (4/14) Beverly Bond, Dorothy Exum (4/16)



Dr. & Mrs. Roderick and Sheila Branch (4/16)