

**THIRD SUNDAY OF
ADVENT
DECEMBER 14, 2014**

8:00 A.M.:-Said Mass & Sermon:- The Rev. Fr. David R. Steele
Rite II BCP p.355 TheRev. Cn. Dr. H. K. Williams

9:15 A.M.:- Sunday School & Teen Forum

11:00 A.M.:- Sung Mass & Sermon :-The Rev. Cn. Dr. H. K. Williams
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Organ Prelude:

Hymns for the Processional:

8:00 a.m.:-LEV 12, Lowry

11:00 a.m.:-Hymnal 57, Helmsley

Lighting of the Advent Candle

Opening Sentence:

Celebrant: Blessed are you, holy and living One.

People: **You come to your people and set them free.**

The Collect of Purity

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Celebrant: God be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

The Collect of the Day

Stir up your power, O Lord, and with great might come among us; and, because we are sorely hindered by our sins, let your bountiful grace and mercy speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ



The Leadership Team

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Ms. Lana Reveira

* Completing an unexpired term on vestry



Text:

Topic:

Biblical Reference:

Key points:

How did this sermon affect me?

What is the sermon calling me to do/be/change/affirm



our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Silence

**The Lesson: 8:00 a.m.:- Mr. Chester Williams
11:00 a.m.:- Mr. Ormond Brathwaite**

Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11

The spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me; he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and release to the prisoners; ²to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn; ³to provide for those who mourn in Zion— to give them a garland instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit. They will be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, to display his glory.⁴They shall build up the ancient ruins, they shall raise up the former devastations; they shall repair the ruined cities, the devastations of many generations. ⁸For I the LORD love justice, I hate robbery and wrongdoing; I will faithfully give them their recompense, and I will make an everlasting covenant with them. ⁹Their descendants shall be known among the nations, and their offspring among the peoples; all who see them shall acknowledge that they are a people whom the LORD has blessed. ¹⁰I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, my whole being shall exult in my God; for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation, he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. ¹¹For as the earth brings forth its shoots, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up, so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise to spring up before all the nations. *The Word of the Lord*

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 126 In Convertendo BCP p. 782

**The Epistle: 8:00 a.m.:- Mrs. Ann Hendricks
11:00 a.m.:- Ms. Georgette Gooden**

1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

Rejoice always, ¹⁷pray without ceasing, ¹⁸give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. Do not



quench the Spirit. ²⁰Do not despise the words of prophets, ²¹but test everything; hold fast to what is good; ²²abstain from every form of evil. May the God of peace himself sanctify you entirely; and may your spirit and soul and body be kept sound and blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. ²⁴The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do this.
The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Silence

Sequence Hymn:- LEV 2, Louis

The Holy Gospel: John 1:6-8, 19-28

Please listen to the Gospel of the Lord proclaimed

Sermon Hymn: LEV 213, Swedish Folk Melody

Sermon: The Rev. Cn. Dr. H. K. Williams

Nicene Creed

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.



The Porte Cochere (new marquee)	\$40,000.00
Water-proof High Head	\$ 9,500.00
The Church's Main Door	\$12,000.00
The Electronic Sign Board	\$15,000.00
The other Doors	\$ 1,000.00 each
Double Hung windows	\$ 1,000.00 each
Trap Doors (On sidewalk)	\$ 1,500.00 each
Banner Lights	\$ 500.00 each
Lock for Main Door	\$ 500.00

Contributions can also be made towards the air-conditioning systems.

Total costs follow:

The Church	\$114,500.00
The Patterson Hall	\$ 14,500.00
Upstairs Patterson	\$ 10,500.00

We will continually provide updates.

Canon Howard K. Williams, Rector

Make checks payable to **St. Augustine's Episcopal Church** and on the memo line write "**RENOVATION**".



St. Augustine's Church Renovation Project

The wardens, vestry and I are pleased to inform you that we received a loan of \$425,000.00 from The Church Building Fund for 10 years at 6.5% interest. It is our plan to complete the renovation of the church which we started in 2001 by doing the following:

- Redo the façade of the entire property
- Replace the crumpling marquee with a glass Porte Cochere.
- Add an inviting 3' X 5' full-color electronic sign board near the entrance of the church.
- Replace an aging temperamental water cooling system in the church with a 40 Ton Air Handler Unit and two 20-Ton condensing Units. **(In Process)**
- Put a/c and heat into the Medical room and the Lay Eucharistic Ministers' room **(Done)**.
- Renovate Wellness Unit and Lay Eucharistic Ministers' Room. **(Done)**
- Replace the old and almost dysfunctional a/c heating unit in the Patterson Hall with a 5-Ton system **(Done)**.
- Install a 4-Ton ductless split system in the curate's apartment and other offices. **(Done)**
- Replace the Noel Hall roof
- Replace 4313 and 4315 roofs **(Done)**
- Replace the Noel Hall kitchen floor
- Redo the Church's Entrance - **(In Process)**
- Redo the Church's Foyer

We are therefore listing some of the items and the related costs that you may contribute. We will celebrate and immortalize these gifts in an appropriate way, in a visible place in the church.



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
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: 8:00 a.m.: -Mrs. Annette Desir
11:00 a.m.: - Ms. Lana Reveira**

To our God, who has given us the grace to wait in graceful hope for the revelation of Christ, let us make our prayer:

Heavenly God, hear us as we pray for the unity of the Church.
May we all be one that the world may believe.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you.

That the life of Christ may be revealed in us.

For our parish, its mission, our ministries and all that we undertake.
Enable our work to restore all people to unity with God and each other in Christ.

Look with kindness on all people of this world.
Grant that Your love may grow in our hearts.

Inspire and lead those who hold authority in the nations of the world.
Guide us and all people in the way of justice and peace.

Make us alive to the needs of our community.
Help us to share one another's joys and burdens.

We remember the poor, the hungry, the unemployed, victims of racial oppression and all those in need.

May God in Christ help us to bring relief and in Your presence may they find strength.

We praise you for all your saints who have entered your eternal glory.
May we also come to share your heavenly kingdom.

And finally let us pray for our own needs and those of others.



Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence.

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.

Absolution

The Priest says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you 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.**

Peace

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

Offertory Anthem:

8:00 a.m.:- Perfect Praise, Gospel Chorus
11:00 a.m.:- Come Redeemer, Come to Us, Chancel Choir

Special Offering:

8:00 a.m.:- AAHH 404, Hold To God's Unchanging Hand, Insert
11:00a.m.:- Hymnal 574, St. Petersburg

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharist Prayer 2

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.



SCHEDULE OF SERVICES FOR CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR

Dec 24	Christmas Eve	Carol singing: 10:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist: 10:30 p.m.
Dec 25	Christmas Day	Holy Eucharist: 10:00 a.m.
Dec 28	Holy Innocents Mass	
Dec 28	Festival of Lessons and Carols	
Dec 31	New Year's Eve	Holy Eucharist: 10:30 p.m.
Jan 1	New Year's Day	No Service

For Gifts and Donation: If you want to give:

Candles	\$20.00
Jar of Oil for Candles	\$20.00
Wafers (1 jar)	\$25.00
Wine (1 bottle)	\$30.00
Floral Arrangements (1)	\$75.00
Floral Arrangements (2)	\$150.00
Prayer Books (10)	\$300.00 (\$30.00 each)
Lift Every Voice (10)	\$250.00 (\$25.00 each)
Hymnal (1982) (10)	\$300.00 (\$30.00 each)

52 Weeks Savings' Plan

We want to thank you for participating in the 52 Weeks Saving's Plan. As of today's date you should have saved \$1,326.00
Following is the schedule for the rest of the year. By December 31 you would have saved \$1,378.00, \$689.00 of which will be returned to you. Again, St. Augustine's offers sincere gratitude to you for your generosity.

DATE	WEEK NUMBER	AMOUNT	TOTAL TO DATE
December 21	51	\$51.00	\$1,326.00
December 28	52	\$52.00	\$1,378.00



PRAY FOR, VISIT OR CALL

Phyllicita Samuels , 3423 Newkirk Ave. Brooklyn, NY 11203
Qwuanda Jones - 35 Carroll St.
Alexis Volcy - Hospital For Joint Diseases in Manhattan
Ellen Bennett
Mildred Carrington-1392 Troy Avenue (718) 282-4362
Alfred Carrington- 1392 Troy Avenue (718) 282-4362
Joseph Clee - Prospect Park Care Center - 1455 Coney Island Ave
Althea Wills - 620 E. 80 St. (718) 241-0602
Louisa Todd - 1162 E. 38 St, Brooklyn NY 11210 - (718) 338-4073
Julia Edwards - 770 E. 39 St. Brooklyn, NY 11203 - (718) 859-9694
Madonna Daniel - 1646 Schenectady Avenue, (718) 338-9155
Linda Brown-Hayles - Lehigh Acres, Florida
Ivy Coleman - 236 East 49 Street - (718) 221-6804
Colin Andrews - (718) 258-2099
Carla Thomas - Kings County Hospital
Nadine MCSween - 3500 Snyder Ave. Apt 4F
Jeffrey King- 657 E 26th. Street, Apt. 1B, Bklyn, NY 11210
Beatrice King- 974 Brooklyn Avenue (718) 462-8962
Olga Plunkett- Susan Smith McKinney Rehab. Center (718) 245-7867
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Carmen Morrell
St. Clair Moore
Ms Nola Wilson
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Helen Forde- Congregational Nursing Home (bet. Bedford & Rogers Ave)
Mechis King
Phyllis Smith, 537 East 40th. Street, Bklyn, NY (718) 451-0502
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Clementine Robinson-CNR Nursing Home 520 Prospect Place, Brooklyn, NY 11238
(718) 636-1000
Cynthia Cummings, 1167 E 38th Street, Bklyn, NY (718) 377-3530
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Rm# 660, (bet. Rogers & Bedford) (718) 576-7093, Cell (917) 685-1607
Ms. Cynthia Carter-CNR Nursing Home, 520 Prospect Place , Brooklyn NY 11238,
Rm. 526 (718) 636-1000x 353.
Trevor Farrell, Pamela Farrell & Patricia Whitehead
Veda McIntosh -Four seasons Nursing Home, Rockaway Pkwy, Canarsie
Ernestine Thomas, 3114 Neptune Avenue, Brooklyn, NY, (718) 265-2274
Joyce Johnson , 9312 Avenue M, Brooklyn, NY 11236 (718) 763-0825



People *We lift them to the Lord.*
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People *It is right to give our thanks and praise.*

The Celebrant proceeds

We give you thanks and praise, almighty God,
through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ,
our Saviour and Redeemer.
He is your living Word,
through whom you have created all things.

By the power of the Holy Spirit
he took flesh of the Virgin Mary
and shared our human nature.
He lived and died as one of us,
to reconcile us to you,
the God and Father of all.

In fulfillment of your will
he stretched out his hands in suffering,
to bring release to those who place their hope in you;
and so he won for you a holy people.

He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows,
and to give up his life on the cross,
that he might shatter the chains of evil and death,
and banish the darkness of sin and despair.
By his resurrection he brings us into the light of your presence.

Now with all creation we raise our voices
to proclaim the glory of your name

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Holy and gracious God,
accept our praise,
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ;
who on the night he was handed over
to suffering and death,
took bread and gave you thanks,
saying, "Take, and eat:



this is my body which is broken for you.”

In the same way he took the cup,
saying, “This is my blood which is shed for you.
When you do this, you do it in memory of me.”

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection,
we offer you this bread and this cup,
giving thanks that you have made us worthy
to stand in your presence and serve you.

We ask you to send your Holy Spirit
upon the offering of your holy Church.
Gather into one
all who share in these sacred mysteries,
filling them with the Holy Spirit
and confirming their faith in the truth,
that together we may praise you
and give you glory
through your Servant, Jesus Christ.

All glory and honour are yours,
Father and Son,
with the Holy Spirit
in the holy Church,
now and for ever.

People: Amen

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.



Welcome Song

We welcome, welcome, welcome everyone (twice)
We love you, love you, love you.
For all the good you do,
For we behold the living Christ in you.

Hold To God's Unchanging Hands

Time is filled with swift transition,
Naught of earth unmoved can stand,
Build your hopes on things eternal,
Hold to God's unchanging hand.

Refrain:

*Hold to His hand, God's unchanging hand,
Hold to His hand, God's unchanging hand;
Build your hopes on things eternal,
Hold to God's unchanging hand.*

Trust in Him who will not leave you,
Whatsoever years may bring,
If by earthly friends forsaken
Still more closely to Him cling. [Refrain]

Covet not this world's vain riches
That so rapidly decay,
Seek to gain the heav'nly treasures,
They will never pass away. [Refrain]

When your journey is completed,
If to God you have been true,
Fair and bright the home in glory
Your enraptured soul will view. [Refrain]



The Scholarship Committee is encouraging all interested persons to apply for scholarships supported by St. Augustine's Episcopal Church. The following scholarships available are as follows:

The Shirley Hinds General

The Milton Abbott - Principles of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew., Service, Study and Prayer.

The Lay Eucharistic Ministers –Service within the Church .

The Janine Hosien - Lawyers Contribution to Society

The Humility – Selfless Giving.

The Anonymous - Service

The Karl Family - Health

The James McFarland – Electronics & Computer Science:

The William Darnley Steele – Youth Development:

The Nathaniel Guadeloupe/Yusuf George Math & Sciences.

Other scholarships are available for Continuing Education, if you are pursuing an Associates or Bachelor's Degree. The criteria, Letters of recommendation and forms are available on the Usher's Table at the back of the church. Application deadline is Thursday, February 12, 2015 (by 4:45 p.m. no exceptions). For more information and /or questions, please contact: Ms, Madeline Forde (917) 804-5357 or madelineford@gmail.com, Dr. Evelyn Castro-D'Arceuil (646)387-0812 or evelyaalex@yahoo.com.

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

Dec 21. **Festival Choir Christmas Concert** at 4:00 p.m. Admission is Free. Lunch will be served at a cost of \$ 10.00. Please come out and support the Music Ministry.

2015

May22 **Cotillion 2015. Astoria World Manor**, Queens, NY.
Cost: Adults-\$130.00, Children : \$80.00.



Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

People: ***We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.***

Agnus Dei “Lamb of God”

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion Hymns: Hymnal 56, Veni, Veni Emmanuel :

Hymnal 304, Land of Rest: **Hymnal 332,** St. Flavian:

Post Communion Prayer

Let us pray.

All

Loving God,

we give you thanks

for restoring us in your image

And nourishing us with spiritual food

in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.

Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;

that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen

Blessing

The Wisdom of God, the Love of God, and the Grace of God, strengthen you to be Christ's hands and heart in this world, in the name of the Holy Trinity. **Amen**

Notices

The Commissioning of Our Lay Eucharistic Visitor

Celebrant: [Name], we send you out to share Communion this Week.

People: ***May you carry the prayers of all of us as you take This sacrament of Christ's presence.***

Celebrant: May those who receive it from you be strengthened and encouraged in that community we have together in our Lord Jesus Christ.

All: ***Amen.***



Recessional Hymn:

8:00 a.m.: -LEV 20, Wilson

11:00 a.m.: -Hymnal 76, Winchester New

Postlude:

Key:-

LEV- Lift Every voice and sing Hymnal

Hymnal- 1982 Hymnal

AAHH- African American Heritage Hymnal

CPWI Hymnal - Church of the Province of the West Indies Hymnal

WELCOME TO ALL
VISITORS & MEMBERS

GIFTS & THANK YOU S

Marcia Francis & Family would like to express sincere thanks to the entire St. Augustine's Church family for your support as we mourn the loss of our dear loved ones: Father: George Mc Donald Griffith, Brother-in-law; Alwyn Tull and Niece-in-law: Antoinita Priddee-Greenidge. All were laid to rest in Barbados during the week of December 1- December 5, 2014. Your prayers, calls, cards and acts of kindness were a tremendous upliftment to us. Please continue to keep us in your prayers.

Ms. Millicent Stewart would like to express sincere thanks and appreciation to the Clergy and St. Augustine's Church family for all their prayers during her recent surgery. Special thanks also to the Mother's Union and the 56 club Ministry for their prayer cards.

Candles are given in loving memory of **Norma Holder**, who departed this life on December 14, 1998. Forever in our hearts and prayers. From her niece Judith George & family. (Florida)

Candles & Wafers are given by **Rosa I. Rodell** in thanksgiving and appreciation to God for His continued blessings on the occasion of another birthday, which will be celebrated on December 17.

Candles are given by **Debra Ambrose** in thanksgiving and appreciation to God for His continue blessings , guidance and protection of her life.



THIS WEEK AT ST. AUGUSTINE

Today:

Corporate Communion

Board of Ushers, Special Projects Group,
Mothers' Union, Giving Hearts Ministry,
Lay Eucharistic Ministers, Cultural Heritage Ministry

Wed. 10:00 a.m.

Holy Eucharist

11:00 a.m.

Senior Program

7:00 p.m.

Charismatic Prayer Service

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Brotherhood of St. Andrew Annual Christmas Toy Drive

which started on **November 19**, will continue until **December 20**. Please drop off unwrapped toys in the box in the **Noel Hall**. Cash donations will also be accepted. For more information, contact any Member of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew . Thanks for your generosity.

HSBC is looking to hire a **Branch Relationship Banker** for their branch at 4201 Ave. D in Brooklyn, NY. This role requires a Series 6, 63, Life and Health licenses along with a minimum of three years with proven and progressive branch sales experience and the ability to close a sale. You will be pro-actively selling to current and potential customers, while developing and expanding personal and business customer relationships. This may include a portfolio that comprises small or less complex customer relationships at service levels that will exceed customer expectations. You must be a motivated and enthusiastic part of the team working closely with the Financial Advisors, Insurance Sales Officer and Mortgage partners in order to fully develop each client relationship. Please email your resume and contact information to: Jordanna.A.Kasander@us.hsbc.com for more information. Good luck!

EP Home Care LLC, located at 4317 Avenue D, Brooklyn, NY 11203 is now hiring; **Certified Home Health Aides** . Must have a valid HHA Certificate, must be a US Resident or Citizen or must be authorized to work in the US. For further information, call (718) 629-2112. You can also pick up a flyer at the Usher's table.

All **Members of the Jamaica Group** are asked to meet under their flag between the 8:00 am. & 11:00 am services today.

