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Hosannah! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

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To The Son of David!

A Word From Our Rector

“Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!” But the other rebuked him, saying, “Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation?...but this man has done no wrong.”

Luke 23:39-41

Luke’s account of the passion features a number of people whose words don’t match their actions. If you had been with Jesus in the hours before His death, which person would you have been?

Is that you, sitting at the Passover meal with the apostles, exchanging impassioned words about who would be regarded as the greatest? Or is that you—the Simon Peter of your day to overconfident in your ability to control every circumstance, you boast of being prepared to face imprisonment and death itself? Your words come easily... and then you end up weeping bitterly when your actions don’t match those words.

Maybe you’re among the jostling crowd of chief priests, chiefs of the Temple Guard and ancients who come with Judas to arrest a person you can’t face peacefully in the daylight. You weave word upon word into an angry denunciation of someone who is a threat to you. Is that you—whose words get out of hand until you choke on the awful shout, “Crucify!”?

Maybe you’re Pontius Pilate. You have your convictions; you know what is right. But you knuckle under because of what others might think or say about you. Your words pretend that you’ve not sold out, but their shallowness can’t cover up the reality.

Of course each of us is there somewhere. Words, words, words—getting us into trouble. Words spoken hastily, boastfully, angrily—or without courage. Ironically, He who is the Word of God spoke most eloquently in this account without using words. Actions are the only language most of us can believe. Jesus is reminding us that a Christian’s actions—not words—bring God’s love to earth.

What gave Jesus His strength and conviction? Part of the answer is in Jesus’ action in the Garden of Gethsemane. It was His

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A Word From Our Rector

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custom to go to the Mount of Olives to pray. But this night Jesus is down on His knees, praying in such agony to accept God's way of doing things that our hearts go out to Him. Scripture says, "In His anguish He prayed with all the greater intensity." He was deeply committed to knowing God's will. Jesus must have known His followers would look to their memories of His actions to discover how He was so in touch with God that He could give Himself completely to God's work in the world. In prayer, Jesus came to truly know and trust God and to commit Himself ever more strongly to God's plan. St. Paul tells us, in his epistle to the Philippians, "Your attitude must be Christ's." That interior attitude leads us along God's way into the world.

In the hours before He died, Jesus showed the people around Him the need to be deeply in touch with the God within us. To the apostles

disputing about greatness, He gently explains that actions of service reflect God's way of being. To Peter He grants forgiveness. The flamboyant, boastful fisherman would remember, to his pain, that Jesus had always seen through his shallow words. Jesus had designed for him an action of leadership to bring about the kingdom in spite of his failures. "You in turn must strengthen your companions," Jesus told him. To the rabble of soldiers, elders, chief priests, scribes—and even Herod and Pilate—Jesus either says nothing or turns their own words of trickery back on them.

So Jesus takes up the cup of suffering, speaking volumes with His actions. He bloodily staggers through the jeering crowds, giving His body over to the pain of crucifixion and giving up His spirit—because it was all God's way of bringing new life to humankind. He truly trusted in God's way—God's will.

Hearing Jesus' eloquent plea through action, where are you now in the Gospel? Are you Simon the Cyrenean who says nothing but who takes up the

cross to carry it along behind Jesus? Are you in the crowd near the foot of the cross about to return to the city beating your breast, doing penance for your complicity in evil? Are you Joseph of Arimathea, who risked a great deal not to associate with the Sanhedrin's plan or their actions—and who revered Jesus even in the most hopeless of hours? Or are you among the women who went back home to prepare spices and perfumes to be at the tomb on the most significant morning of all time?

If you are any of these people, then your actions will bring forth the solemnity of this upcoming Holy Week. As we walk the way of the cross with Our Lord, let the pains and sorrow of this world, of our lives, be nailed to the tree, so that when Easter morning comes upon us, we may rise with the One who calls us to new life

M.W.G.+



Opportunities for Worship

The month of March will see us observe two major feasts days, along with our usual rota of services.

On Friday morning, March 19th, we will be celebrating the Feast of St. Joseph, the earthly father and guardian of Our Lord, with the Holy Eucharist at 10:00, in the parish church.

Thursday morning, March 25th will see us offer the Holy Eucharist, as we commemorate the Feast of the Annunciation, also at 10:00. The joint feasts of St. Joseph and the Virgin Mary's acceptance of the angel's message point us into the area wherein the divine and the human are confronted with the holy.

As a reminder, the Fridays in Lent are seeing us offer the service of "The Stations of the Cross," at 3:00 pm, also in the church. This devotional service allows the faithful to walk the way of the cross, as they stop and pray at the several marks or "stations" commemorating the final hours of Jesus' life. Mark these times of special devotion, and come join us!



“Hosannah to the Living Lord!”

Let us go together to meet Christ on the Mount of Olives. Today he returns from Bethany and proceeds of his own free will toward his holy and blessed passion to consummate the mystery of our salvation. He who came down from heaven to raise us from the depths of sin, to raise us with himself, we are told in Scripture: “above every sovereignty, authority and power, and every other name that can be named,” now comes of his own free will to make his journey to Jerusalem. He comes without pomp or ostentation. As the psalmist says: “He will not dispute or raise his voice to make it heard in the streets.” He will be meek and humble, and he will make his entry in simplicity.

Let us run to accompany him as he hastens toward his passion, and imitate those who met him then, not by covering his path with garments, olive branches, or palms, but by doing all we can to prostrate ourselves before him by being humble and by trying to live as he would wish. Then we shall be able to receive the Word at his coming, and God, whom no limits can contain, will be within us. In his humility Christ entered the dark

regions of our fallen world and he is glad that he became so humble for our sake, glad that he came and lived among us and shared in our nature in order to raise us up again to himself. And even though we are told that he has now ascended above—his love for us will never rest until he has raised our earth-bound nature from glory to glory, and made it one with his own in heaven.

So let us spread before his feet, not garments or soulless olive branches, which delight the eye for a few hours and then wither, but ourselves, clothed in his grace, or rather, clothed completely in him. We who have been baptized into Christ must ourselves be the garments that we spread before him.

Now that the crimson stains of our sins have been washed away in the saving waters of baptism and we have become white as pure wool, let us present the conqueror of death, not with mere branches of palms but with the real rewards of his victory. Let our souls take the place of the welcoming branches as we join today in the children’s holy song: “Blessed is he who comes in name of the Lord. Blessed is the king of Israel.”

*—From a Sermon by Andrew of Crete, bishop,
740 A.D.*



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		7:30 A.A. Meeting	8:00 T.O.P.S. Meeting 7:00 Recovery Group 7:00 Confirmation Class 8:00 Inquirers Class
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	Third Sunday in Lent 8:00 Holy Eucharist 9:15 Christian Forum 9:30 Church School 10:00 Nursery Care 10:00 Choral Eucharist 1:00 Golf Scramble & Dinner 5:30 Sr. Youth Group	7:30 A.A. Meeting	8:00 T.O.P.S. Meeting 7:00 Recovery Group 7:00 Confirmation Class 8:00 Inquirers Class
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	Fourth Sunday in Lent 8:00 Holy Eucharist 9:15 Christian Forum 9:30 Church School 10:00 Nursery Care 10:00 Choral Eucharist	7:00 The Vestry 7:30 A.A. Meeting	8:00 T.O.P.S. Meeting 7:00 Recovery Group 7:00 Confirmation Class 8:00 Inquirers Class
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	Fifth Sunday in Lent 8:00 Holy Eucharist 9:15 Christian Forum 9:30 Church School 10:00 Nursery Care 10:00 Choral Eucharist 11:15 D.O.K. Meeting	7:30 A.A. Meeting	8:00 T.O.P.S. Meeting 7:00 Recovery Group 7:00 Confirmation Class 8:00 Inquirers Class
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	The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday  8:00 Holy Eucharist 9:15 Christian Forum 9:30 Church School 10:00 Nursery Care 10:00 Choral Eucharist 5:30 Sr. Youth Group	7:30 Morning Prayer 10:00 Holy Eucharist 5:30 Evening Prayer 7:30 A.A. Meeting	7:30 Morning Prayer 8:00 T.O.P.S. Meeting 10:00 Holy Eucharist 5:30 Evening Prayer 7:00 Recovery Group 7:00 Confirmation Class 8:00 Inquirers Class

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Happy St. Patrick's Day

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p style="text-align: right;">3</p> <p>10:00 Holy Eucharist / Healing</p> <p>10:45 Bible Study</p> <p>5:30 Jr. Youth Group</p> <p>6:00 Lenten Supper</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">4</p> <p>6:30 Senior Choir</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">5</p> <p>3:00 Stations of the Cross</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">6</p> <p>10:00 -1:00 Dog Wash @ Dolphin Deli - Sebastian</p> <p>5:30 Holy Eucharist</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">10</p> <p>10:00 Holy Eucharist / Healing</p> <p>10:45 Bible Study</p> <p>6:00 Lenten Supper</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">11</p> <p>6:30 Senior Choir</p> <p>6:30 Girl Scouts</p> <p>7:00 Thursday Conversations</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">12</p> <p>3:00 Stations of the Cross</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">13</p> <p>10:00 Layreaders / Chalice, Lector Meeting</p> <p>5:30 Holy Eucharist</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">17</p> <p>St. Patrick's Day</p> <p>10:00 Holy Eucharist / Healing</p> <p>10:45 Bible Study</p> <p>6:00 Lenten Supper</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">18</p> <p>6:30 Senior Choir</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">19</p> <p>10:00 Holy Eucharist St. Joseph</p> <p>3:00 Stations of the Cross</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">20</p> <p>11:30 Holy Eucharist</p> <p>12 Noon ECW Meeting</p> <p>5:30 Holy Eucharist</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">24</p> <p>10:00 Holy Eucharist / Healing</p> <p>10:45 Bible Study</p> <p>6:00 Lenten Supper</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">25</p> <p>10:00 Holy Eucharist - The Annunciation</p> <p>6:30 Senior Choir</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">26</p> <p>3:00 Stations of the Cross</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">27</p> <p>5:30 Holy Eucharist</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">31</p> <p>7:30 Morning Prayer</p> <p>10:00 Holy Eucharist / Healing</p> <p>10:45 Bible Study</p> <p>5:30 Evening Prayer</p> <p>5:30 Jr. Youth Group</p> <p>6:00 Lenten Supper</p>			

Lenten Suppers

On the Wednesday's of Lent we will be having our Lenten Covered Dish Suppers at 6:00 pm in the parish hall. If you are planning on attending, we ask that you bring a covered dish to share and join with your fellow Christians for a time of fellowship and study. Our topic this year will be six resurrection stories, as offered in the Gospels. The primary teaching of the ancient Church was and continues to be that "He is Risen!" It is hoped, through our presentations and discussions, that this will reaffirm our faith in the resurrected Lord, Jesus Christ. The Covered Dish Series is open to the whole family, as we will be having a program for our younger members of the congregation as well. We will end our evening with closing worship. So mark these dates down and come join us!.

Lenten Supper Hostesses for 2010

March 3	Church School
March 10	The Vestry
March 17	E.C.W.
March 24	Altar Guild
March 31	Youth Group



BRING THE FAMILY!

A Word From Our Counters:

Our counters are asking your help to make their job easier by not using **scotch tape or staples** on your offering envelopes and checks. It is very time consuming having to remove stapes and trying to struggle with scotch tape, so please do not use them. Your consideration is much appreciated.



ECW Corner:

On Saturday, March 20th, at 12 Noon, the Episcopal Church Women of St. Augustine church will be celebrating a belated St. Patrick's Day luncheon. All are invited to attend. The menu will be **Corn Beef Sandwiches, Salads, Dessert and Coffee/Tea** and we will be enthralled by an Irish story teller.

The charge is **\$10.00 per person** and guests are welcome. We'll be a looking for ya! So please come and share a great afternoon with us!

A Sign up sheet is located in the Narthex.

Our Lenten Journey Booklet

February 16 - April 3, 2010



Please pick up one of our Lenten Journey Program booklets. They are located in the Narthex. The booklet outlines our Lenten programs and services starting with Ash Wednesday right through Easter Sunday, noting dates and times of our Lenten Dinners, Stations of the Cross, Lenten Bible Study, Lenten Study Talks, Holy Week, Wednesdays, Holy Days, and Sunday services. Don't forget to take one home so that you don't miss out on any of the services being offered during our 40 day journey of Lent.



Holy Week this year is between two months, and so we are asking that parishioners remain aware of the many services and time changes for this most special week of the Christian Year.

We begin with the Sunday of the Passion, also known as Palm Sunday, on March 28th. The Passion Sunday liturgy begins with the reenactment of the Triumphal Entry of Jesus into Jerusalem, as we wave palms and sing, "All Glory Laud and Honor," in celebration of the King entering His capital city. The joy of the service becomes more solemn, though, as we hear and participate in the Passion Narrative according to Luke. We leave the church looking ahead to the Cross on Good Friday.

Maundy Thursday



While the liturgies of the early part of Holy Week are celebrated, we begin the Sacred Three Days, or the "Triduum," with the Choral Eucharist of Maundy Thursday, on April 1st. During the evening liturgy, the story of the Institution of the Lord's Supper is offered as we are reminded of Jesus' command to "Do this for the remembrance of me." The servanthood of Jesus and, by extension, the Church to the world, is presented, as the celebrant washes the feet of members of the parish. This sign of humility and caring is in duplication of Our Lord's servanthood, as He washed the feet of His disciples. The Eucharist ends this night, without an ending, actually, rather an encroaching darkness the church, with altar the stripped of all its vesture. The Reserved Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ is moved out of the ambry to an Altar of Repose, where parishioners may come, pray, and "watch with the Lord, one hour."

Good Friday

The most solemn day of the Church Year, Good Friday, which will be observed on April 2nd, sees the Christian community looking again to Jerusalem and to that "hill faraway."

The Daily Offices of Morning and Evening Prayer will be read, as they will have been all during Holy Week, in the parish church. However, the Centerpiece of worship this day is the Proper Liturgy of Good Friday, and its empty roughhewn wooden cross which is brought into the church, as the hymn to the Cross is sung by the congregation. The Reserved Sacrament, which had been on the Altar of Repose, is brought back to the church's altar, and the congregation is offered Communion, a continuation of the previous evening's service. The service concludes with a prayer of remembrance and grace, as the congregation leaves quietly from the church.



The final service of the day is the ancient and dignified service of the Stations of the Cross.



Easter

Holy Saturday

The morning liturgy for this day is the pro-anaphora, or Proper Liturgy of Holy Saturday, as we gather to be reminded of Jesus' Body resting in the tomb. This service will be on April 3rd, also in the parish church.

It is the Day of Preparation, and the Altar Guild, clergy, and the congregation in general make ready to celebrate the great Day of Resurrection — Easter.

The Great Vigil of Easter takes place on Holy Saturday evening, just as the sun goes down, and in the darkened church the people of God gather around the Holy Fire to celebrate the eternal Light which can never be extinguished.

The Great Vigil consists of four services in one: the Liturgy of the Light, the Service of Prophecies, the Sacrament of Holy Baptism, or if there are no baptisms, the Renewal of Baptismal Vows, and then the first Holy Eucharist of the Easter Season. As the New Fire is kindled, the Paschal Candle is lit and as the deacon leads the procession into the church, proclaiming, "The Light of Christ," we can only sing back, "Thanks be to God!" As the hand-held candles of the congregation begin to be lit, the smell of the flowers, the aroma of the incense, the sound of the chanted "Exultet" is the proclamation that Christ is Alive, let the creation sing! The tenor of the evening is one of great power and victory — power and victory of our God, who loved His Son and raised Him to new life, and so that we will be raised with Him too!

This note of power and resurrection carries over, not only into the services of Easter Day, on April 4th, but continues for the next Fifty Days as the Church celebrates with her bridegroom, Jesus the Christ of God. Mark the dates of Holy Week and come join us. Join us, as we journey into the depths and rise to the heights with our Risen Lord, Jesus Christ.



March Anniversaries

- 23 John & Marion Edridge
- 28 Gillian Ross / Joe Edwards



March Birthdays

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| 1 Mary Breglia | 19 Dorothy Mergens |
| 1 Elijah Smith | 19 Mary Millspaugh |
| 3 Dorothy Arndt | 20 Ann Burns |
| 4 Lois Jadwin | 21 Lois Gill |
| 5 Judy Rollinson | 23 Dillon Ris |
| 5 Grace Miller | 23 Arthur Nokes |
| 5 Josephine Arminio | 23 George Mack |
| 6 Scott Kelly | 25 Barbara Modlinger |
| 10 Lillian Edwards | 26 Cindy LoPresti |
| 11 Jean Reach | 30 Francis Savani |
| 12 Halsey Hunt | 31 Angelo Sanchez |
| 12 Bobby Esteves | 31 Zachary Silvia |
| 14 Scott Lurgio | |
| 17 Carol Waldner | |

The POPS Fund Outreach

Even though Christmas may seem like a long time ago, I'd like to tell you about the experience Dick and I had this past Christmas. Because we were not with our families, we were able to do something that fulfilled a long-time yearning. We helped serve dinner at Our Father's Table Soup Kitchen in Gifford.

We began by helping decorate the rooms, but John May, the director, said he would give us a "good job" because we were from St.

Augustine's! (John also made sure that we saw the commercial mixer the POPS Fund paid for last year.)

Dick and I were stationed at the steam table. Dick placed ham and turkey in a partitioned foam box and passed it to the next woman down the line. I poured gravy on the meat, mashed potatoes and stuffing. We made up 57 Christmas dinners that would be taken to the elderly and shut-ins in the neighborhood. After that, the doors were opened to folks who had been waiting outside. We all held hands, and sang "Amazing Grace" and the meals were served by volunteers.

Normally, Our Father's Table serves 80 meals Monday through Friday, so they were used to serving large groups. The guests were grateful for the hot meal, the fellowship and the bags of free food from several drawings. It was a wonderful, fulfilling, Christ centered experience and I'm grateful for the POPS Fund and the opportunity to experience a small part of it's outreach.

Carol Davis



Two of the young ladies from our Girl Scout Troop #451, Rachel Cinalli and Jordan Neely, are working on their Gold Award for the Girl Scouts.

The Gold Award is the highest award in Girl Scouts, and these two young women are striving to not only win their award, but to provide a service for their community as well. Rachel Cinalli is working on her project entitled, "Happy Birthday to You," which consists of the providing of a monthly birthday party for the children who are living at the Homeless Family Center here in Vero Beach. To assist Rachel in her work, we are being asked to drop off unwrapped toys for young

people in the "toy box" in the narthex of the church. Jordan Neely has a two-part project, as she is collecting dry dog and cat food to donate to the Humane Society of Vero Beach and Indian River County. A "pet food box" is in the parish hall for those who may wish to donate for this worthwhile effort. Jordan will also be holding a dog wash on March 6th, from 10:00 am until 1:00 pm at the Dolphin Deli, US I, Sebastian.. The second part of her award project will be selling reusable grocery type bags in two sizes for \$5 each. The money will be used to purchase toys for the animals in the shelter.

We applaud these young ladies for their caring efforts on behalf of our community, and hope that you will be able to help them along as they pursue their Gold Award.



Lay Readers and Lectors Meeting

On the morning of March 13, 2010, at 10:00 am, we will be having a meeting of all those who are lay readers, lectors, and Eucharistic ministers.

The purpose of the meeting will be to discuss and set in motion the schedule for the services of Holy Week and Easter. Our day will begin with Morning Prayer in the parish church, followed by our meeting in the library. All lay readers and others who serve at the altar are urged to attend. We also invite those who are interested in this ministry to join us.



Saint Augustine Open Golf Tournament

The annual Saint Augustine Nation Golf Scramble and Dinner is set for Sunday afternoon, March 7, 2010, beginning at 1:00, at The Meadowood Golf Club (formerly Panther Woods), in Fort Pierce. The cost for the day will be: for golf and dinner, \$75.00 per person; for golf only, \$45.00; for dinner only, \$30.00, per person.

Sign-up lists are in the narthex of the church, and you are asked to make your checks payable to St. Augustine's Church. For a day of fun and fellowship, why not plan to join us on March 7th?

Deadline to register is March 2nd.

El Hogar

The Home of Love and Hope,
Tegucigalpa, Honduras



St. Augustine of Canterbury

El Hogar

Work Team 2010

Our team will be going to El Hogar, the "Home of Love and Hope," sponsored by the Episcopal Church in Tegucigalpa, Honduras from June 19-26, 2010. Here's how you can help!

CHOCOLATE EASTER EGGS YUM! YUM!

Congratulations! Here is your opportunity to purchase a delicious treat for a loved one AND make a donation to the St. Augustine's El Hogar Mission trip all in one! This fund-raising opportunity is made possible to us through the generosity of Val and Doug Anderson, parishioners of St. Augustine and owners of the specialty shop, Brunos Chocolate Creations, located at 2650 N. US 1, Fort Pierce.

In our continued effort to raise the \$2,000 needed to fund our work project at El Hogar Home and School, the work team going to Honduras this June is selling delicious, decorated ¼ lb. chocolate Easter eggs. These scrumptious milk or dark chocolate eggs are handmade with all natural ingredients. The available fillings are butter cream, coconut, peanut butter and pecan turtle, and each egg comes in a decorative Easter box. Wow! The cost of these delicacies will be \$10.00 each.

We will be taking orders for these treats after church on March 7th, 14th and 21st. The eggs will be available to be picked up at the church after the Sunday services on Palm Sunday.

Here's hoping you will be saying Happy Easter or "Felices Pascuas" this year with a chocolate egg!!

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St. Patrick's Day

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Schedule of Masses

Wed	Healing Service	10:00 AM
Sat	Holy Eucharist	5:30 PM
Sun	Holy Eucharist	8:00 AM
Sun	Choral Eucharist	10:00 AM

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