St. Augustine's Family Service 29 May 2005

St PETER'S STORY

We welcome you here in the name of Jesus. May God's Holy Spirit surround and fill us with His peace, His joy and His love.

"the Holy Spirit comes upon you, you will be filled with power."

- Acts 1.8

Please stand for the hymn

All over the world the Spirit is moving

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Please sit.

- AND NOW, BY THE WONDERS OF OVERIMAGINATION, WE BRING YOU THE REAL STORY, DIRECT FROM FIRST-CENTURY JERUSALEM. OUR INTREPID REPORTER, CURIUS NOSIPARKA, INTERVIEWS ST PETER HIMSELF.

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PETER'S STORY - the betrayal

We interrupt our programme for a reflection break. Consider : if you were in Peter's place, would you have done any better ?

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Please stand for the hymn

 Forsaken once, and thrice denied,
 The risen Lord gave pardon free,
 Stood once again at Peter's side,
 And asked, "Do you love Me?"

2. How many times with faithless word
Have we denied His holy name, How oft forsaken our dear Lord, And shrunk when trial came!

3. Saint Peter, when the cock crew clear,
Went out, and wept his broken faith:
Strong as a rock through strife and fear,
He served His Lord till death.

Forsaken once, and thrice denied.

- 4. How oft his cowardice of heart We have, without his love sincere, The sin without the sorrow's smart,
 The shame without the tear!
- 5. O oft forsaken, oft denied,
- Forgive our shame, wash out our sin; Look on us from Your Father's

side And let that sweet look win.

6. Hear when we call You from the deep,
Still walk beside us on the shore,
Give hands to work, and eyes to weep,
And hearts to love You more.

Now over to Curius Nosiparka again for the next report from St Peter.

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PETER'S STORY - forgiveness

Please stand for the song

I will make you fishers of men

I will make you fishers of men, Fishers of men, fishers of men, I will make you fishers of men, If you follow Me. If you follow Me, If you follow Me, I will make you fishers of men. If you follow Me.

Please sit

Amazing ! Truly amazing ! Peter deserts his post, but not only is he forgiven - he's given a new responsible job.

That isn't how we usually expect failed workers to be treated - but

AND THERE'S MORE - BACK TO CURIUS AGAIN.

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PETER'S STORY - anointing

Reading :

Acts, Chapter 2 verses 1-21 (Page 1205 of the Church Bibles)

after the reading :

Peter: This is the Word of the Lord

All : Thanks be to God

Please remain seated as Tex sings the hymn "Lord of all power, I give you my will"

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Please sit for the Message.

After the message :

We invite you now to bring up the hearts that were handed out at the beginning of the service and place them on this board as a symbol of your personal love for Jesus.

In these baskets there are some flame-shaped 'lapel' badges to symbolise the coming of the Holy Spirit. Once you have placed your "heart" on the board do help yourself to a badge.

Please stand for the hymn

"Spirit of the living God"

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Please sit or kneel for the prayers.

Together we sing The Lord's Prayer :

Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be Your name, Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the Kingdom, the power and the glory are Yours now and for ever. Amen.

Please stand for the hymn

"Shine, Jesus, shine"

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Please remain standing for the Blessing

What a story ! What a story ! Not what you'd call a scoop, maybe, and nearly 2000 years old, but still Good News.

AND THAT'S NOT EXCLUSIVE TO THE ST AUGUSTINE'S FAMILY Services, but from the whole Christian church.

- AND FROM GOD HIMSELF.

EVERYONE is invited for tea and refreshments after the service (in the hall, behind the church)

CONTRIBUTORS

Names omitted

Dates for this year

Family services :July 31st, September 18th, October 30th. at 10am.Carol Service and BBQ :5pm, December 11thChristingle Service :7pm, December 24th

Kids' club continues to meet on Tuesdays from 3:15 - 4:15pm in the Church Hall during term time (March – November). All primary school children are welcome.