

**Fourth Sunday of Easter**  
**May 8, 2022**

***Liturgy of the Word***

**First Reading     Acts 13: 14-52**

Paul and Barnabas continued on from Perga and reached Antioch in Pisidia. On the sabbath they entered the synagogue and took their seats. Many Jews and worshipers who were converts to Judaism followed Paul and Barnabas, who spoke to them and urged them to remain faithful to the grace of God.

On the following sabbath almost the whole city gathered to hear the word of the Lord.

When the Jews saw the crowds, they were filled with jealousy and with violent abuse contradicted what Paul said. Both Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly and said, "It was necessary that the word of God be spoken to you first, but since you reject it and condemn yourselves as unworthy of eternal life, we now turn to the Gentiles. For so the Lord has commanded us,

***I have made you a light to the Gentiles, that you may be an instrument of salvation to the ends of the earth."***

The Gentiles were delighted when they heard this and glorified the word of the Lord.

All who were destined for eternal life came to believe, and the word of the Lord continued to spread through the whole region.

The Jews, however, incited the women of prominence who were worshipers and the leading men of the city, stirred up a persecution against Paul and Barnabas, and expelled them from their territory. So they shook the dust from their feet in protest against them, and went to Iconium. The disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit.

**The Word of the Lord. . . Thanks be to God!**

**Responsorial Psalm     Psalm 100**

**Response: We are his people, the sheep of his flock.**

Sing joyfully to the LORD, all you lands; serve the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful song. R

Know that the LORD is God; he made us, his we are; his people, the flock he tends. R

The LORD is good: his kindness endures forever, and his faithfulness, to all generations. R

**Second Reading:     Revelations 7:9-14**

John, had a vision of a great multitude, which no one could count, from every nation, race, people, and tongue. They stood before the throne and before the Lamb, wearing white robes and holding palm branches in their



hands. Then one of the elders said to me, "These are the ones who have survived the time of great distress; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

For this reason they stand before God's throne and worship him day and night in his temple.

The one who sits on the throne will shelter them. They will not hunger or thirst anymore, nor will the sun or any heat strike them. For the Lamb who is in the center of the throne will shepherd them and lead them to springs of life-giving water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes." **The Word of the Lord. . Thanks be to God!**

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me. **R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

**Gospel:     John 10:27-30**

Jesus said:

"My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish.

No one can take them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one

can take them out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

**The Gospel of the Lord. . . .Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ!**



**Prayer to Follow Jesus, the Good Shepherd**

Gentle Jesus, compassionate and caring Good Shepherd, help me to follow You faithfully.

Strengthen me daily with Your love, and guide me along life's paths.

Keep me free from every evil, protect me from sickness and danger, and lead me to serve You with all my mind and heart and soul.

Hear my needs and grant my petitions, especially these intentions important to me at this time:

**{Mention your petitions here}**

Bless me each day with peace of mind and heart. May I experience Your saving power in my daily life, as I await the fullness of life and joy with You forever. Amen.

**The Glory:**

Glory to God in the highest. And on earth peace to men of good will.

We praise You. We bless You. We adore you. We glorify You. We

give You thanks for Your great glory. O Lord God, heavenly King,

God the Father almighty. O Lord Jesus Christ, the Only-begotten Son.

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father: you Who take away the

sins of the world, have mercy on us. You Who take away the sins of

the world, receive our prayer. You Who sit at the right hand of the

Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are holy. You alone are the

Lord. You alone, O Jesus Christ, are most high. Together with the

Holy Spirit in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

### Weekly Mass Intentions

May 8th, Mr. Richard Spears, on the 34th anniversary of his passing, requested by his beloved mother, Mrs. Veronica Spears.  
May 15th, Mrs. Ruth Smith, deceased wife to our Mr. Daniel Smith and mother to our Mr. Bryan Smith.  
Eternal Rest grant unto them O Lord and let your perpetual light shine upon them, may their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace, Amen

### Youth Ministry "Welcome Home"

**On Sunday, May 15** "Welcome Home" The youth AND their parents/guardians are invited to learn about YM and meet the team. They will be fed lunch and participate in a service project together. We also talked about encouraging the youth to invite friends. Every teen who brings a guest to a meeting is entered into a raffle. The raffle will be drawn at our last meeting on June 19. Winner receives a gift card to Dunkin. We also talked about having the youth speak during Mass about what they are doing in Youth Group.

### Graduate Recognition

If you are graduating from a school, college, university or degree program please send the info to Barbara at [bbrown@saintambrose.com](mailto:bbrown@saintambrose.com) or 410-367-9918 or write it out and drop it in collection and we will recognize you in the bulletin. All grads will be recognized with a special blessing at mass on Sunday, June 13th.

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### Relics of St. Bernadette

The Cathedral of Mary our Queen is bringing the Lourdes Pilgrimage to us. Everyone is invited to participate in venerating the Relics, participating in the masses, confessions, procession and Anointing of the Sick. Please stop by the info table for the flyer listing all the activities.



**Last Week's Tithe: \$4,425.00**  
**Continuing the Mission: \$650.00**



Mary Adderly, Helen Augins, Karen Brown-Berkley, Wanda Brewton, Renee Bruce, Kathy Burundi, Al Butler, Anita Cole, Patricia Cullings-Dix, Linda Davis, Dale Dyson, William Ford III, Phyllis Ford, Sarah Gamble, JoAnn Glenn, Cornell (Nelson) Johnson, Joseph Jones, Sheila Leary-Smith, Charles Manns, III, Kimberly Merrill, Allan Noble, Deacon Seigfried Presberry, Melissa Ringgold-Benson, Rhonda Rumbra, Carl & Bernice Shrieves, Daniel Smith Sr., Sr. Helene Therese Stanislaus, OSP., Dorothy Spriggs, Augustine & Archie Stith, Rosalita Stone, Gloria Tate, Ernest Thames, Jean Thomas, Sherria Waters, William young, Sr. and Alice Zaborowski.

### First Holy Communion

Next Sunday, May 15th at the 10am mass

**T.J. Hardy &  
Joanna Herrera**

Will receive the Lord for the First Time in Holy Communion. May God Bless them!



### *Pentecost Weekend Homecoming June 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022*

### St. Ambrose Music Ministry Pentecost Concert

Please join us for our Pentecost Concert, with song and instrument. Mr. Jay DeVaughn leading our choir, plus the Voices of Choir Psi Phi on **Saturday, June 4 at 6:30pm**. Mark your calendars and join in the praise! Happy Easter!

### Festive Pentecost Mass & Day of Activities:

**Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 10am**  
**Each One—Bring One!**

**+ Ministry Fair to sign up for service.**  
**+ Youth Ministry & Religious Education (Sunday School) registration as well.**  
**+Weather permitting—refreshments on the lawn!**

### Commissioning of our New Missionary Disciples:

<b>Myra Clinton</b>	<b>Michelle Rubio</b>
<b>Duane Swift</b>	<b>Tina Swift</b>
<b>Arnetta Warfield</b>	<b>Antoinette Williams</b>
<b>Todd Bates</b>	

### Congratulations Father Paul

Tuesday, June 7th, 2022, will be the 25th anniversary of Father Paul's Ordination to the Priesthood.

We will celebrate the weekend of July 2nd and 3rd with a lunch and a festive mass so please mark your calendars.

So much to be thankful for!

