23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time September 4, 2022

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading Wisdom 9: 13-18

Who can know God's counsel, or who can conceive what the LORD intends? For the deliberations of mortals are timid, and unsure are our plans.

For the corruptible body burdens the soul and the earthen shelter weighs down the mind that has many concerns.

And scarce do we guess the things on earth, and what is within our grasp we find with difficulty; but when things are in heaven, who can search them out? Or who ever knew your counsel, except you had given wisdom and sent your holy spirit from on high? And thus were the paths of those on earth made straight.

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

Response:

Psalm 90

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In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

You turn man back to dust, saying, "Return, O children of men." For a thousand years in your sight are as yesterday, now that it is past, or as a watch of the night. R.

You make an end of them in their sleep; the next morning they are like the changing grass, Which at dawn springs up anew, but by evening wilts and fades. R.

Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain wisdom of heart. Return, O LORD! How long? Have pity on your servants! R.

Fill us at daybreak with your kindness, that we may shout for joy and gladness all our days. And may the gracious care of the LORD our God be ours; prosper the work of our hands for us! Prosper the work of our hands! R.

Second Readings: Philomen 9-10, 12-17

I, Paul, an old man, and now also a prisoner for Christ Jesus, urge you on behalf of my child Onesimus, whose father I have become in my imprisonment; I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you.

I should have liked to retain him for myself, so that he might serve me on your behalf in my imprisonment for the gospel, but I did not want to do anything without your consent, so that the good you do might not be forced but voluntary. Perhaps this is why he was away from you for a while, that you might have him back forever, no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a brother, beloved especially to me, but even more so to you, as a man and in the Lord. So if you regard me as a partner, welcome him as you would me.

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

Tithe Update 8/28/22: Tithe \$3,421.00

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Let your face shine upon your servant; and teach me your laws.

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Gospel: Luke 14: 25-33

Great crowds were traveling with Jesus, and he turned and addressed them,

"If anyone comes to me without hating his father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple.

Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple.

Which of you wishing to construct a tower does not first sit down and calculate the cost to see if there is enough for its completion?

Otherwise, after laying the foundation and finding himself unable to finish the work the onlookers should laugh at him and say, 'This one began to build but did not have the resources to finish.' Or what king marching into battle would not first sit down and decide whether with ten thousand troops he can successfully oppose another king advancing upon him with twenty thousand troops?

But if not, while he is still far away, he will send a delegation to ask for peace terms. In the same way, anyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple."

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

In your Sympathy . . .

In your prayers please remember Mrs. Pert Toins-Banks, on the death of her beloved sister, Mrs. Laura Lumpkin a few weeks past. Pert traveled to be with the family as they mourn. May she rest in peace.

Sympathy to Ms. Faye Augins on the death of her aunt, Mrs. Evelyn Cynthia Stokes may she rest in peace.

Peace Walk



After two long years, the Archdiocese is gathering us for a Peace Walk and the first one is here at St. Ambrose. We will gather here on **Tuesday**, **Sept. 27th, 2022 at 5:30pm** with a light meal then go out into the neighborhood to pause and pray were violence has touched our neighborhood. If not able to physically join us, please come and remain in the church for prayer.

Holy Hour for Peace

The next Holy Hour will be **Sunday**, **September 18th**, **2022 from 8:45 to 9:45am** in the church. The hour will end with Rosary at 9:30am followed by benediction.





Religious Education classes will begin NEXT Sunday, Sept. 11, 2022, from 8:30am to 9:45am.

Ms. Maria Lucas will direct the program and will be available after mass in the back of church to register your child. Forms on the info table.

Youth Ministry Sign up!
All middle and high school youth are encouraged to take part in our program. Please sign up at the info table.

RCIA

If you an adult 18 years and up, if you have never been baptized, made your First Holy Communion or Confirmation please stop at the info table and find a brochure explaining the program and fill it out and give to Fr. Paul or one of our deacons and we will be in touch

Senior Luncheon is Back!

The Senior Luncheon is set for next Sat. Sept. 10th at 10:30am. All those 55 & over. Lunch and then we play 15 games & of prize bingo! Sign up by using the envelopes on info table. Donation: \$6.00.



Because of precautions lunch will be prepared for everyone. Menu: sandwich, chips, cookies & drink. Last day to sign up.

Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers meeting



For those who did not attend the last meeting for ministers, Fr. Paul is asking the Eucharistic Ministers and the lectors who did not attend to another meeting scheduled for Sunday, September 25th after

10am mass here in the church. For those who do not attend this meeting, you will not be scheduled until the next gathering scheduled for the winter months. We need to have everyone aware of what is needed to fulfill their individual ministries. Thank you, Mark your calendar NOW and plan on attending, WE NEED YOU!

Adult Education Sessions with Sr. Seton

Once again we are blessed to have Sr. Seton back this year for her adult formation sessions. Monday, Sept. 19th, Noon, Nutrition Monday, October 24th: Breast Cancer Monday, Nov. 7th: Diabetes Awareness Come and join Sister for this important info.

A Special thanks



Fr. Paul would like to thank all those in our various ministries who worked so hard assuring us that the Mass on the Grass and Community Days would be a success. Well Done!

Thanks to: Baltimore Islanders Band, Pi Omega Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, (School Supplies), Party Game Truck, Benson Blake & Associates, Granny Glam Jewelry, Heads & Dreadz (Body & Hair Oils) Get da Scoop Ice Cream, Carver High School Alumni music group and all who assisted with the day. Great job everyone!

Weekly Mass Intentions

Sept. 4th: Deacon Watson Fulton and Deacon Americus Roy Sept. 11th: Mrs. Elizabeth Beuttner, requested by Sr. Mary Beth Buettner, SSND.

Sept. 18th: Delores McIntyre & April Hinton 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

Synod Summary is Complete!



Archbishop Lori shared the news this past week that our diocesan synthesis of the reports submitted to him from the many listening sessions that occurred during the Synod has been submitted to

the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops and is now posted on www.archbalt.org. He encourages you to prayerfully read the summary and very soon Fr. Paul will plan a gathering here in the parish to review and discuss the summary. The Archbishop Lori hopes for full transparency and encourages continued discussions about important issues in the life of the Church.

Special Projects

Thanks to your generosity Fr. Paul was able to have all the carpeting on the campus cleaned (church & rectory @ \$1,200.00), replace the counter and flooring in the first floor kitchen of the rectory; as well as, the flooring in the basement bathroom of the rectory. (\$1,700.00) God is good!



Healing Prayer: Mary Adderly, Helen Augins, Parrish Boyd, Karen Brown-Berkley, Annie Bruce, Renee Bruce, Kathy Burundi, Al Butler, Anita Cole, Eric Cullings, Dale Dyson, William Ford III, Eric Frazier, Phyllis Ford, Sarah Gamble, JoAnn

Glenn, Cornell (Nelson) Johnson, Josie Johnson, Joseph Jones, Sheila Leary-Smith, Charles Manns, III, Kimberly Merrill, Allan Noble, Rhonda Rumbra, Carl & Bernice Shrieves, Daniel Smith Sr., Sr. Helene Therese Stanislaus, OSP., Augustine & Archie Stith, Rosalita Stone, Gloria Tate, Ernest Thames, Jean Thomas, William young, Sr. and Alice Zaborowski.