

**Our Lord Jesus Christ,
King of the Universe
November 20, 2022**

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading 2 Macabees 1-9

It happened that seven brothers with their mother were arrested and tortured with whips and scourges by the king, to force them to eat pork in violation of God's law. One of the brothers, speaking for the others, said: "What do you expect to achieve by questioning us? We are ready to die rather than transgress the laws of our ancestors."

At the point of death he said: "You accursed fiend, you are depriving us of this present life, but the King of the world will raise us up to live again forever. It is for his laws that we are dying."

After him the third suffered their cruel sport. He put out his tongue at once when told to do so, and bravely held out his hands, as he spoke these noble words: "It was from Heaven that I received these; for the sake of his laws I disdain them; from him I hope to receive them again." Even the king and his attendants marveled at the young man's courage, because he regarded his sufferings as nothing.

After he had died, they tortured and maltreated the fourth brother in the same way. When he was near death, he said, "It is my choice to die at the hands of men with the hope God gives of being raised up by him; but for you, there will be no resurrection to life."

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

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 17

Response: Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full.

Hear, O LORD, a just suit; attend to my outcry; hearken to my prayer from lips without deceit. R.

My steps have been steadfast in your paths, my feet have not faltered. I call upon you, for you will answer me, O God; incline your ear to me; hear my word. R.

Keep me as the apple of your eye, hide me in the shadow of your wings. But I in justice shall behold your face; on waking I shall be content in your presence. R.

Second Reading: 2 Thes. 2: 16-3:5

Brothers and sisters:

May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who has loved us and given us everlasting encouragement and good hope through his grace, encourage your hearts and strengthen them in every good deed and word.

Finally, brothers and sisters, pray for us, so that the word of the Lord may speed forward and be glorified, as it did among you, and that we may be delivered from perverse and wicked people, for not all have faith. But the Lord is faithful; he will strengthen you and guard you from the evil one. We are confident of you in the Lord that what we instruct you, you are doing and will continue to do. May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God and to the endurance of Christ. **The Word of the Lord. . . Thanks be to God!**

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is to come!

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Gospel: Luke 20: 1-10

The rulers sneered at Jesus and said, "He saved others, let him save himself if he is the chosen one, the Christ of God."

Even the soldiers jeered at him.

As they approached to offer him wine they called out, "If you are King of the Jews, save yourself."

Above him there was an inscription that read,

"This is the King of the Jews."

Now one of the criminals hanging there reviled Jesus, saying, "Are you not the Christ?"

Save yourself and us." The other, however, rebuking him, said



in reply, "Have you no fear of God, for you are subject to the same condemnation?"

And indeed, we have been condemned justly, for the sentence we received corresponds to our crimes, but this man has done nothing criminal."

Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom."

He replied to him, "Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

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

Seeking the City to Come

Seek the City to Come is our Archdiocese's prayerful response to the many needs of our parishes and their neighborhoods. It is a path forward that looks at what the church is currently doing and how it is living in the City of Baltimore and



some of the surrounding suburbs. The multi-year process involves extensive listening, learning and open prayerful discussions with individuals, and communities that reflect the rich diversity of the archdiocese, clergy, laity, and religious. More information will be coming soon.

Special Collection for Retired Religious

The collection to benefit retired and infirm religious is scheduled for Dec. 12th. Envelopes are in your packets. The Capuchin Franciscan Friars, Oblate Sisters of Providence and School Sisters of Notre Dame benefit greatly from this collection. So please be as generous as you always are.

In you prayers. . .

Please pray for the eternal rest of **Mrs. Kathy Burundi** and the peace and comfort for her husband Ahmad and the family. Kathy fight a good fight and now she rests in the loving arms of her savior, Jesus Christ. Amen!

Weekly Mass Intentions

Nov. 20th, Mr. Salvador Langford, birthday, requested by his loving mother, Mrs. Augustine Stith.

Nov. 24th, Thanksgiving, for all the living and deceased members of the parish.

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

Message from Fr. Paul and His Mom

Dear St. Ambrose Family:

My mom and I would like to thank you for your prayers for my mom, Mrs. Alice Zaborowski who had undergone tests to find out if the cancer had moved beyond the spot on her liver. Good News! They found no other signs of cancer and will remove the spot on her liver in a few weeks. She is at home and doing well. Thank you again, Fr. Paul



Sincere Thanks

Dear St. Ambrose Family:

On behalf of my family, I want to thank Fr. Paul and St. Ambrose Church family for your kind expression of sympathy to us on the passing of my sister, Lucille. Your beautiful cards and donations were deeply appreciated! Know that your prayers meant a lot to us. Your kindness will not be forgotten.

May God continue to bless you! Be assured of my prayers always for you and your loved ones!

Love, peace and joy!

Sr. Mary Stephen Beauford, OSP.

St. Nicholas Visits St. Ambrose

St. Nicholas will visit the parish Sunday, Dec. 4th at the 10am mass. St. Nicholas will gather the children for a special blessing. He brings a small gift for each child and in turn asks them to make a donation to the Chrysalis House for their Christmas activities.

Please invite the children of the family to attend.

Thanksgiving Day

**This Thursday, November 24th, 2022
is Thanksgiving Day**



Mass will be offered
here in church at
9:30am

Please bring a loaf of
bread and/or a bottle
of wine to be blessed
at mass for you to
take back home to
share at your table.

All monetary dona-
tions will support the

works of the St. Vincent de Paul Society

Season of Advent

Next Sunday, November 27th is the beginning of the Holy Season of Advent. The liturgy committee is working on a very reflective season focusing on our themes of: Hope, Peace, Joy & Love. Each week a guest homilist/speaker will help us focus on the theme of the day in



preparation for Christ's coming again. During the season we invited:

Sunday, Nov. 27th, Mrs. Peggy Gibson, from St. Vincent de Paul of Baltimore will speak on HOPE and the plight of the homeless here in our City.

Sunday, Dec. 4th, Ms. Adrienne Curry, Director of the Office of Black Catholic will speak on PEACE and the Racial reality in the city and nation.

Sunday, Dec. 11th, Bishop Lewandowski will be the guest and he will speak on JOY, and the reality of refugees and immigrants.

Sunday, Dec. 18th, Deacon Steve Roscher from the archdiocese of Baltimore will speak on LOVE and the reality of Domestic Violence.

Children's Liturgy Word

The next celebration of the Children's Liturgy of the Word is today Sunday, Nov. 20, 2022. All children 5yrs of age and older are invited to participate.

Our Sympathy

We express our sympathy to **Mrs. Brenda Williams** on the death of her beloved husband, **Mr. Benjamin Williams**, who was buried last week. We extend our prayers to Brenda and the family on the death of their loved one. May he rest in peace.



Immaculate Conception

Thursday, Dec. 8th is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, a day of obligation for all Catholics. Mass will be celebrated here in church at 9am.



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

JoAnn Glenn, Angela Johnson, 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., Veronica Spears, Sr. Helene Therese Stanislaus, OSP., Augustine & Archie Stith, Rosalita Stone, Gloria Tate, Ernest Thames, Jean Thomas, William Young, Sr., Alice Zaborowski and Fr. Paul Zaborowski.