

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God January 1, 2023

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Number 6: 22-27

The LORD said to Moses:
"Speak to Aaron and his sons and tell them:
This is how you shall bless the Israelites.
Say to them:
The LORD bless you and keep you!
The LORD let his face shine upon
you, and be gracious to you!
The LORD look upon you kindly and
give you peace!
So shall they invoke my name upon the Israelites,
and I will bless them."

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

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 67

Response: May God bless us in his mercy.

May God have pity on us and bless us; may he let
his face shine upon us. So may your way be
known upon earth; among all nations, your salva-
tion. R.

May the nations be glad and exult because you
rule the peoples in equity; the nations on the earth
you guide. R.

May the peoples praise you, O God; may all the
peoples praise you! May God bless us, and may
all the ends of the earth fear him! R.

Second Reading: Galatians 4: 4-7

Brothers and sisters:
When the fullness of time had come, God sent his
Son,
born of a woman, born under the law,
to ransom those under the law,
so that we might receive adoption as sons.
As proof that you are sons,
God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts,
crying out, "Abba, Father!"
So you are no longer a slave but a son,
and if a son then also an heir, through God.

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

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the
prophets; in these last days, he has spoken to us
through the Son.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel Luke 2: 16-21

The shepherds went in haste to Bethlehem and
found Mary and Joseph,
and the infant lying in the manger.
When they saw this,
they made known the message
that had been told them about this child.
All who heard it were amazed
by what had been told them by the shepherds.
And Mary kept all these things,
reflecting on them in her heart.
Then the shepherds returned,
glorifying and praising God
for all they had heard and seen,
just as it had been told to them.
When eight days were completed for his circumci-
sion, he was named Jesus, the name given him by
the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

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

Novena Prayer to Mary, Mother of God



Dear Lord, we thank You for
the amazing gift that You have
given us in Mary, Your Mother.
We ask You today to help us to
grow to a deeper love and de-
votion to Your Blessed Mother
in our lives.

Mary, Mother of God, you were
chosen by God from all eternity
to bear His Son. You willingly
accepted your role in God's
plan for our salvation. By be-
coming the Mother of God, you
became our Mother also.

We ask you to look on us with Motherly love and to
bring our petitions before the throne of your Son!
God intended for you to assist us all on our path to
Heaven. He is pleased when we take you,
His Mother, as our own Mother.

Pray for us, that we may grow in holy devotion to
you each day. Pray that we may never fail to turn to
you in our needs.

Please also pray for (mention your intentions here).
Mary, Mother of God, pray for us!

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of
the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Read more at: <https://www.praymorenovenas.com/>

Mass Intentions

Jan. 1st, Mrs. Mary Ashton, on the 17th anniversary of her passing at the request of her beloved daughter, Mrs. Norma Townsend.

January 8th, Mr. Timothy Reed, on his birthday in heaven, at the request of her beloved sister, Mrs. Norma Townsend.

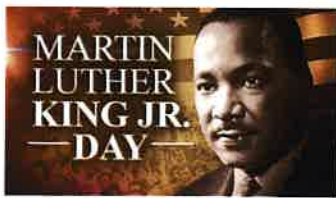
Eternal Rest grant unto them O Lord and let your perpetual light shine upon them, may their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace, Amen

Children's Liturgy Word

The celebration of the Children's Liturgy of the Word is today Sunday, Jan. 1, 2023. All children 5yrs of age and older are invited to participate.

Leadership Team Meeting

The Leadership Team will meet Sunday, January 8th, after mass in the St. Augustine room



MLK Jr. Peace Walk

St. Bernardine Parish invites you to the annual MLK Jr. Peace Service and Walk (weather permitting), Monday, January 16th, Noon. All are welcome!

Josephite Calendar available

Fr. Paul has purchased a Josephite Calendar for all the parishioners. You should find it in your bulletin, if not, please see a Minister of Hospitality.

A Note of Gratitude. . .

Dear St. Ambrose Family:

No words can express how I truly feel about my church family! It's a blessing to have the love and care at this time in my life, at the loss of my mother (Mrs. Phyllis Ford); who was my rock and my foundation! But thanks be to God, He shown me, He didn't leave me alone, when he took my mother home. So, I thank you all again, with all my heart, for being a part of God's love, and His foundation for my life. Thank you, Myra Clinton

Epiphany Sunday

Next Sunday is the Feast of the Epiphany. Our young people will help bring the gospel alive.

Christmas Raffle Winners

Seven Prizes:

1st: Afghan, Ms. Pat Nesbitt

2nd: Basket, Regina

3rd: Nativity scene, ticket number 37723 (unclaimed)

4th: TV, Ms. Antoinette W.

5th: Angel, Barbara J.

6th: Gold Nativity, Trudy G.

7th: Christmas tree, Pat Shorter

The third prize has still not been claimed, check your tickets.

Thanks to all who supported the raffle. The proceeds will assist the Oblate sisters

Annual Christmas Concert

Saturday, January 7th, 2023

4:30pm

Saint Ambrose Gospel Choir under the direction of Mr. Jay DeV Vaughn
Love offering accepted



Holy Hour for Peace

The next Holy Hour will be Sunday, January 15th, 2023 from 8:45 to 9:45am in the church.

The hour will end with Rosary at 9:30am followed by benediction.

Parish Office Schedule

The office will be closed Monday, January 2nd and will reopen Tuesday, January 2, 2023, 9:30am to 5pm

Feast of St. Blaise

In anticipation of the Feast of Blaise which is Feb. 3rd, we will offer the Blessing of Throats before and after the 10am mass on January 28th.



Candlemas Day

Feast of the Presentation

The Feast is this Thursday, Feb. 2nd, the tradition of blessing candles will happen on Sunday January 28th, after mass and candles will be available to take home.

Thank you—Special Thanks

Fr. Paul and the other friars would like to thank everyone for all the cards and gifts over this Holiday Season. God Bless you and Thank you!

FBI use of School Building

Fr. Paul has agreed to allow the school building to be used by the FBI for tactical training & procedures. These procedures will help them in future assaults on school buildings. They will begin on Tuesday, January 17th for a few months. The parish does not benefit other than making good use of the school for such training and future safety for children.



Healing Prayer: Mary Adderly, Helen Augins, Jean Bennett, Parrish Boyd, Karen Brown-Berkley, Annie Bruce, Renee Bruce, Al Butler, Anita Cole, Tonya Crowder, Eric Cullings, Dale Dyson, William Ford III, Eric Frazier, 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., and Alice Zaborowski.