

Third Easter of Sunday at Saint Ambrose

Bishop Bruce Lewandowski, Auxiliary Bishop of Baltimore

Rev. Paul Zaborowski, OFM Cap. Pastor

Deacons Steve Rubio & Siegfried Presberry, assisting

Opening Hymn: Celebrate

Celebrate, Jesus! Celebrate! Celebrate, Jesus! Celebrate!

Celebrate, Jesus! Celebrate! Celebrate, Jesus! Celebrate!

Celebrate, Jesus! Celebrate! Celebrate, Jesus! Celebrate!

He is Risen! He is Risen! And he lives Forevermore!

He is Risen! He is Risen! Come on, and celebrate the resurrection of the Lord.

Opening Remarks and Welcome: Fr. Paul

Gloria: St. Ambrose Gospel Choir

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Opening Prayer: Bishop Lewandowski

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Acts: 2: 14,22-33

Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice, and proclaimed: "You who are Jews, indeed all of you staying in Jerusalem. Let this be known to you, and listen to my words. You who are Israelites, hear these words. Jesus the Nazarene was a man commended to you by God with mighty deeds, wonders, and signs, which God worked through him in your midst, as you yourselves know. This man, delivered up by the set plan and foreknowledge of God, you killed, using lawless men to crucify him. But God raised him up, releasing him from the throes of death, because it was impossible for him to be held by it. For David says of him: *I saw the Lord ever before me, with him at my right hand I shall not be disturbed. Therefore my heart has been glad and my tongue has exulted; my flesh, too, will dwell in hope, because you will not abandon my soul to the netherworld, nor will you suffer your holy one to see corruption. You have made known to me the paths of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence.* "My brothers, one can confidently say to you about the patriarch David that he died and was buried, and his tomb is in our midst to this day. But since he was a prophet and knew that God had sworn an oath to him that he would set one of his descendants upon his throne, he foresaw and spoke of the resurrection of the Christ, that neither was he abandoned to the netherworld nor did his flesh see corruption. God raised this Jesus; of this we are all witnesses. Exalted at the right hand of God, he received the promise of the Holy Spirit from the Father and poured him forth, as you see and hear." The Word of the Lord. . .

Response: Psalm 16

Lord, you will show us the path of life.

Second Reading: 1 Peter 1:17-41

Beloved:

If you invoke as Father him who judges impartially according to each one's works, conduct yourselves with reverence during the time of your sojourning, realizing that you were ransomed from your futile conduct, handed on by your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold but with the precious blood of Christ as of a spotless unblemished lamb. He was known before the foundation of the world but revealed in the final time for you, who through him believe in God who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

Gospel Alleluia: Sung!

John 24: 13-35

That very day, the first day of the week, two of Jesus' disciples were going to a village seven miles from Jerusalem called Emmaus, and they were conversing about all the things that had occurred. And it happened that while they were conversing and debating, Jesus himself drew near and walked with them, but their eyes were prevented from recognizing him. He asked them, "What are you discussing as you walk along?"

They stopped, looking downcast. One of them, named Cleopas, said to him in reply, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know of the things that have taken place there in these days?" And he replied to them, "What sort of things?" They said to him, "The things that happened to Jesus the Nazarene, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, how our chief priests and rulers both handed him over to a sentence of death and crucified him. But we were hoping that he would be the one to redeem Israel; and besides all this, it is now the third day since this took place.



Some women from our group, however, have astounded us: they were at the tomb early in the morning and did not find his body;

they came back and reported that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who announced that he was alive. Then some of those with us went to the tomb and found things just as the women had described, but him they did not see." And he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are! How slow of heart to believe all that the prophets spoke! Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them what referred to him in all the Scriptures. As they approached the village to which they were going, he gave the impression that he was going on farther.

But they urged him, "Stay with us, for it is nearly evening and the day is almost over." So he went in to stay with them. And it happened that, while he was with them at table, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them. With that their eyes were opened and they recognized him, but he vanished from their sight. Then they said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he spoke to us on the way and opened the Scriptures to us?" So they set out at once and returned to Jerusalem where they found gathered together the eleven and those with them who were saying, "The Lord has truly been raised and has appeared to Simon!" Then the two recounted what had taken place on the way and how he was made known to them in the breaking of bread. **The Gospel of the Lord. . .**

Homily: Bishop Lewandowski

**Renewal of Baptismal Promises:
To each Statement of Faith respond: I DO!**



**Confirmation Rite:
Anointing and Laying on of Hands**

Cia Allen Shaniyah Burris Rhianna Blake Mariah Hardy Darius Martin

**come forward for the Sacrament of Confirmation:
The Laying on of Hands and Anointing with Chrism**

Hymn during Anointing:

Anointing fall on me, Anointing fall on me, let the power of the Holy Ghost fall on me.
Anointing fall on me!

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Hymn for the Preparation of the Gifts and Altar: "Because He Lives"

Verse 1: God sent His son. They called Him Jesus. He came to love, Heal and forgive. He bled and died to buy my pardon. An empty grave is there to prove my savior lives.

REFRAIN: Because He lives, I can face tomorrow. Because He lives, All fear is gone. Because I know He holds the future. And life is worth the living just because He lives.

Verse 2: And then one day, I'll cross the river. I'll fight life's final war with pain. And then As death gives way to victory, I'll see the lights of glory and I'll know He reigns.

Communion Hymn: "He is Lord/ Thank You Lord"

He is Lord. He is Lord. He has risen from the dead, and he is Lord.
Every knee shall bow. Every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord.

Thank you Lord. Thank you Lord. Thank you Lord. I just want to. Thank you lord.
You've been so good. You've been so good. You've been so good. I just want to Thank you Lord.
You made a Way. You made a Way. You made a way. I just want to Thank you lord.

Communion Meditation: "Here I am Lord" St. Ambrose Confirmation Candidates

Closing Prayer: Bishop Lewandowski

Recessional Hymn: "Jesus Christ is Risen Today"

Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia! Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia! Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia! Unto Christ, our heavenly king, Alleluia!
Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia! Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

But the pains which he endured, Alleluia! Our salvation have procured; Alleluia!
Now above the sky he's king, Alleluia! Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

Sing we to our God above, Alleluia! Praise eternal as his love; Alleluia!
Praise him, all you heavenly host, Alleluia! Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!



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Mass Intentions

Sunday, April 23, Mr. George Johnson & Mrs. Mildred Johnson and the anniversary of their passing. Requested by their beloved daughter, Mrs. Ann Johnson.

Friary Chapel:

Mrs. Wilhelmina Greenidge requested two masses for Joseph and Ingrid Quickshank and these were offered on April 4 & 5th by Fr. Patrick.

If you would like the friars to remember one of your intention at daily mass please use the envelopes on the info table and drop in the collection basket.

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

Mother's Day Candles and Novena

The Annual Mother's Day Novena of Candles and masses is available now. The envelopes are available on the info table. Please write the name of the person you would like to remember, living or deceased on the envelop and drop it in the collection basket. The candles will be on display on Mother's Day, May 8th. Donation: \$3.00. Envelopes on info table or call Trina at: 410-367-9918



Holy Hour for Vocations

The next Holy Hour will be Sunday, April 30th, 2023 from 8:45 to 9:45am in the church. The hour will end with Rosary at 9:30am followed by benediction.

Graduate Recognition

We will recognize all those graduating from any school or program in a special way on Sunday, June 4th at mass. If you or someone in the family is graduating please sign them and their information at the info table to be recognized in the bulletin.



Vocation Awareness Sunday

Sunday, April 30th is **Vocation Awareness Sunday**, Fr. Paul would like to highlight the need to pray for vocations by inviting some individuals or families to take a Vocation Cross the Sunday before and pray throughout the week for vocations. If you would like to take one for the week sign up at the info table.



Senior Citizen's Dinner

Notre Dame Prep invites all seniors to a turkey dinner with fixings and dessert on Sunday, May, 7, 2023. 1pm pick up. Dinner at 3pm. Free transport provided.

Sign up at info table. See Madeleine Charles for more info

Tithe Update

4/11/23: Regular tithe: \$7,261.00

Holy Thurs.: \$211.00 Good Friday: \$556.00

CM: \$530.00

State's Attorney Report

Archbishop Lori has provided a full and direct pastoral response to the release of the Maryland Office of Attorney General's report on clergy sexual abuse. Please visit archbalt.org to read his pastoral letter, "Apology, Healing & Action: The Church's Work to Repair Sacred Trust."

Rectory Office and Update:

Ms. Trina Rawles has begun as our parish administrator, we welcome her to the parish and her ministry here with us. With Trina's arrive Fr. Paul is making some needed updates to the rectory:



1. **Receptionist (Faye Augins)** and admin office will return to the front two offices nearest the front door. The receptionist will be in the open area to the right and Trina will have her office to the left in the former conference room, so that conference room will no longer be available, the mailboxes will now be in the copier room.
2. **When entering the rectory**, please introduce yourself to Trina and tell her your purpose for being here. This will help her get to know everyone and their ministries.
3. Try to respect the rectory. Go where you need to be and try to keep the rectory quiet and always respect Fr. Paul's office as well. He tends to have an open door policy but still needs to be respected if on the phone.
4. Remind yourselves that the office is open only on **Monday and Wednesdays: 9:30am to 5pm**. Our phone system has been updated for you to access our staff with a phone message is needed.

Sr. Seton is Back! Adult Formation Classes

Sister Seton is back with class on April 27th at noon. This month's topic: Nutrition & Allergies. Sign up now.



Bishop Lewandowski is with us today to celebrate the Sacrament of

Confirmation on:

Cia Allen

Rhianna Blake

Darius Martin

Shaniyah Burris

Mariah Hardy



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, Frances Gladden, JoAnn Glenn,

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



Seek the City launches Online and paper Surveys:

The power of listening continues through the launch of the Seek the City online and paper survey. Your voice and participation are vital! Please visit www.seekthecity.org or scan the QR code or access a paper survey available at your parish. The survey will be open throughout the month of April and offered in multiple languages (English, Spanish, French, Polish, Vietnamese, and Tagalog). Feedback from responses will be shared this summer of 2023 along with voices from the Open Prayer Discussions that were held in the Fall of last year, and from all 62 Parish Visits in the City of Baltimore. Help to Seek the City to Come!

Here are some of the comments made at our Listening Sessions on March 4th and 18th:

What type of church? Christ centered, lots of ministries, live the Mission Statement, we stay with something until we get it done. We have very dedicated pastor, deacons and staff. Lay leadership in the parish is excellent.

Another person said, Church needs to be open and willing to change, mental health issues in city, Drugs, guns. Not judging people who are different in sexual orientation.

Racial indifference and many have left the church for racial reasons as well as clergy sexual abuse.

We are committed to our Catholic Faith and Traditions but we also respect the different worship style.

We continue to support our church financially, St. Ambrose physical plan is in very good shape because of the commitment of our pastor and the generosity of the people.

What type of church do I want?

Full of life and enthusiasm
Joyful and relates to TODAY.
Service oriented. . .
Originality.

Our pastor, is a great person/leader. He brings his creativity and dedication to the proclamation of the Word and a total respect for the Eucharist. I have been to other parishes and the dedication doesn't seem to be the same.

What type of church do I need?

Hospitable
Teaching
Financially transparent
Community involvement and our Missionary Discipleship Program is flourishing.

One active and present in the community:

Ww have processions for Corpus Christi through the streets, palm Sunday.

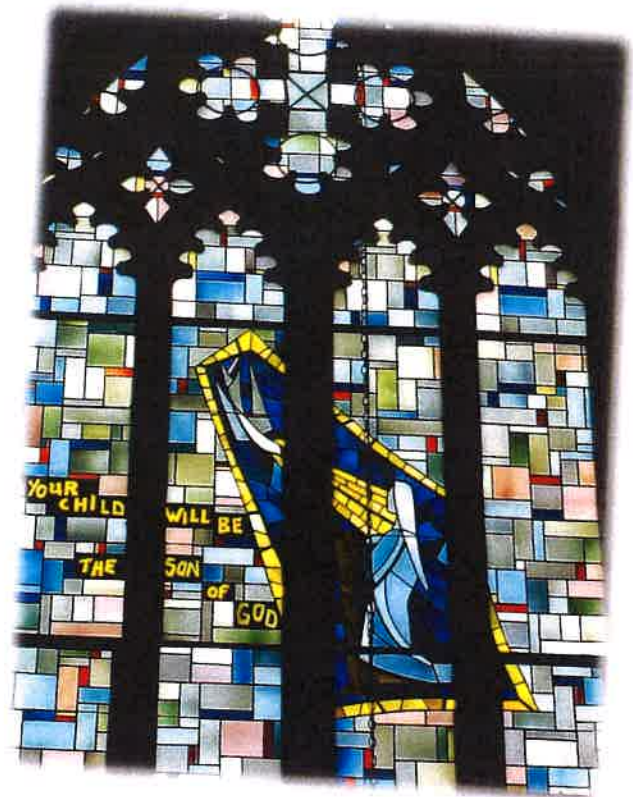
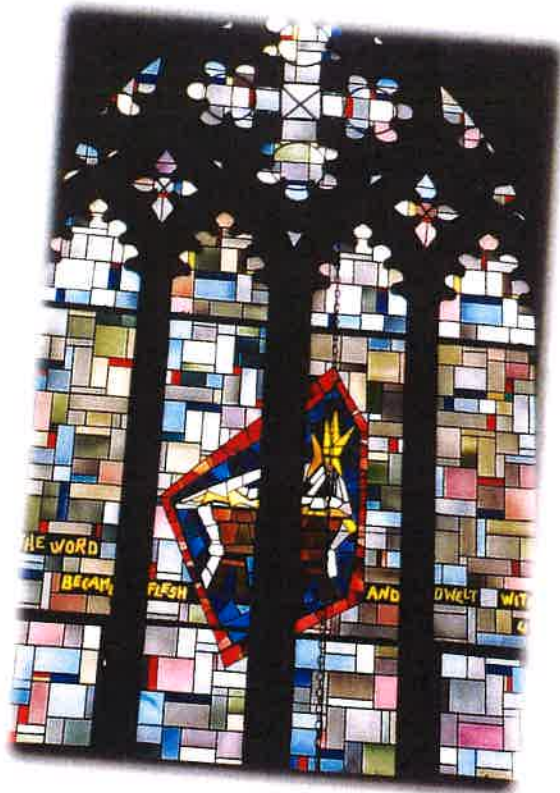
Street evangelization for Christmas, Operation Faithlift, community day and mass on the grass, Free Flea Markets and giveaways, and more. We need to be in the community.

I hope this is helpful?

All in all, the meetings went very well. They were well received and the people openly shared. I was blessed with Deacon Rubio who was very familiar with group processing and listening skills.

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Windows of Faith



Saturday, April 22, 2023

The upper stained-glass windows of Saint Ambrose Church tell a story---they tell the story of our faith---they tell Salvations' Story. Our Pastor, Father Paul Zaborowski, OFM Cap. Invites you to walk this Story once again. All are welcome! Missionary Disciple credits available.

10am in St. Ambrose Church

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Sign Up NOW!