

19th Sunday Ordinary Time

August 13, 2023

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: 1 King 19: 9-13

At the mountain of God, Horeb, Elijah came to a cave where he took shelter. Then the LORD said to him, "Go outside and stand on the mountain before the LORD; the LORD will be passing by."

A strong and heavy wind was rending the mountains and crushing rocks before the LORD—but the LORD was not in the wind. After the wind there was an earthquake—but the LORD was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake there was fire—but the LORD was not in the fire.

After the fire there was a tiny whispering sound. When he heard this, Elijah hid his face in his cloak and went and stood at the entrance of the cave. **The Word of the Lord. . . Thanks be to God!**

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 85

Response;

Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

I will hear what God proclaims; the LORD — for he proclaims peace. Near indeed is his salvation to those who fear him, glory dwelling in our land. R.

Kindness and truth shall meet; justice and peace shall kiss. Truth shall spring out of the earth, and justice shall look down from heaven. R.

The LORD himself will give his benefits; our land shall yield its increase. Justice shall walk before him, and prepare the way of his steps. R

Second Reading: Romans 9: 1-5

Brothers and sisters:

I speak the truth in Christ, I do not lie; my conscience joins with the Holy Spirit in bearing me witness that I have great sorrow and constant anguish in my heart.

For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh.

They are Israelites; theirs the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; theirs the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, is the Christ, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen. **The Word of the Lord. . .**

Thanks be to God!

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for his word.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel

Matthew 14: 22-23

After he had fed the people, Jesus made the disciples get into a boat and precede him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds.

After doing so, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray.

When it was evening he was there alone. Meanwhile the boat, already a few miles offshore, was being tossed about by the waves, for the wind was against it. During the fourth watch of the night,

he came toward them walking on the sea. When the disciples saw him walking on the sea they were terrified. "It is a ghost," they said, and they cried out in fear. At once Jesus spoke to them, "Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid." Peter said to him in reply, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus. But

when he saw how strong the wind was he became frightened; and, beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Immediately Jesus stretched out his hand and caught Peter, and said to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" After they got into the boat, the wind died down. Those who were in the boat did him homage, saying, "Truly, you are the Son of God." **The Gospel of the Lord. . . Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ!**



Building updates

The much needed renovations of the St. Augustine Room have begun. New flooring and painting are begin now. The Deacon Fulton Room, the area across the hall, currently housing the Religious Education will be renovated as well. The room divides have been removed and the floor will be refinished. This room will be used as a multipurpose room for use by the various committees in the parish. We hope in the future to make the space available for rent to groups of 50 or less.



Friary increases

Thanks be to God—the number of Capuchin Friars residing at St. Ambrose Friary is increasing. The fraternity consists of: 1. Fr. Paul our pastor 2. Fr. Patrick Monaghan will begin his third year teaching at St. Frances Academy. 3. Fr. Ignatius Okoye will continue his third year as chaplain for Johns Hopkins Hospital.



New to the house: 4. Br. Connor Bannon, who will also teach at St. Frances Academy. 5. Fr. Anthony Braetold will serve the Hispanic community here in Baltimore City.

The fraternity of five friars will pray together a few times a day, cook for each other, eat together and recreate together in the Spirit of our founder, St. Francis of Assisi. The friary will be full to capacity with one quest room. The friars pray early but evening pray and meditation begins at 5pm followed by dinner. They cannot be disturbed between 4:45-6:30pm. Also, we ask that your respect the parking needs of the friars and leave the **FIVE** spaces in the rectory parking lot open for them. What a wonderful thing for our provincial, Fr. Bob Marva to commit our friars to St. Ambrose Parish and the various needs of Baltimore City, especially St. Frances Academy. God is Good!

Capuchin Come and See Weekend

Any young man (age 18-40) interested in Capuchin life is welcome to a **Come and See Retreat**, October 13-15 at Alverno. If you are interested in our college seminary program at Borromeo in Cleveland, OH, Formation weekend is Nov. 10-12. Contact Fr. Rafa at Rafael@capuchin.com or call; 215-592-7552. We need YOU!

St. Ambrose Community Day & Mass-on-the-Grass



Saturday, August 26th,

Noon to 2pm

Free Flea MARKET & Produce Giveaway.

Youth Afternoon of Fun!

Saturday, 2-8pm: Food, games, Pony rides and movie under the tent.

Sunday, August 27th, 2023, Mass on the Grass, 10am followed by food, games, kids activities, vendors and more!

Baltimore Steel Islanders provide music, 1-3pm

We need help to set up and take down so sign up at the Sign Up Table in the back of church today!



Benson Blake will offering a Pulled Pork, beef or turkey sandwich for \$8.00. meals are: \$12.00 See Paula Cullings for tickets which must be purchased before the event.

Everyone---Bring a Friend!

Mass Intentions

Aug. 6th, Mr. Henry Zaborowski, deceased father to our Fr. Paul. On the 22nd anniversary of his passing. Also, Mrs. Barbara Geddes, requested by her son, Mr. Daren A. Smith, on the 16th anniversary of her passing

Aug. 13th, Mrs. Ella Thornton, deceased wife to Mr. Vernon Thornton and mother of Ms. April Thornton, on the 4th anniversary of her passing.

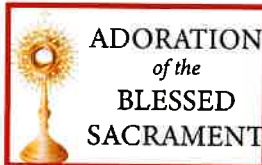
Aug. 15th, 9am mass, Mr. Eugene C. Kernan, requested by Sr. Mary Beth Buettner, SSND

Friary Chapel:

Fr. Patrick offered mass for: Denver & Ethel Johnson, at the request of Ann Johnson on 8/03/23. 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.

Holy Hour for Peace

The next Hour Holy is schedule for Sunday, August 20th, at 8:45am with rosary at 9:30 followed by Benediction. Come and spend an hour in prayer.



Feast of the Assumption

Tuesday, **August 15th** is the Solemnity of the Assumption, a Day of Obligation for all Catholics. Mass will be offered here in the church at 9am. Please come out and join us. No livestream!



Peace Walk Scheduled

Bishop Lewandowski invites everyone to give a witness at our Prayer Walks scheduled on the first Tuesday of the month, 5:15pm to 7:30pm. They begin with a light meal at each site followed by the walk. Tuesday, September 5 – Sacred Heart of Jesus/St. Patrick, & Oct. 3rd, Basilica of the Assumption, 409 Cathedral Street, Baltimore, MD 21201



ATTENTION VOLUNTEERS IN MINISTRY (VIRTUS) Child protection



Please be advised the Archdiocese of Baltimore requires ALL adult volunteers (regardless of whether they have substantial contact with children or not) to be registered in VIRTUS (program formally known as STAND). Contact our parish VIRTUS coordinator, Mrs. Gloria Jiggetts for help. The process is very simple! Please help us in maintaining compliance with the Archdiocese of Baltimore. TEEN VOLUNTEERS: (age 14-17) are required to take the Worthy of the Call training before you can volunteer. If you or someone you know would like to volunteer here in the parish or need service hours, please contact Mrs. Jiggetts as well. virtus@saintambrose.com or call the rectory to contact Mrs. Jiggetts in person.

Sr. Mary Pauline's Final Vows

Sister Mary Pauline will be professing her final vows on August 14, 2023. Sister is raising funds to help her home village in Ghana, West Africa. Sister is selling \$5.00 keychains to raise funds for an elderly home in her village. If you would like to help, see Sr. Stephan for a keychain. ALL donations accepted.

Happy Wedding Anniversary

Gloria and Clinton Jiggetts will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary here at St. Ambrose on Sunday, August 13th at noon. All are welcome! Congratulations!

Also, Happy Retirement — Ms. Denise Daniel! And a Happy Big Birthday to Mrs. Gladys Johnson.



Tithe Update

7/30/23: Reg. \$4,521.00



Mary Adderly, Helen Augins, Jean Bennett, Parrish Boyd, Karen Brown-Berkley, Annie Bruce, Renee Bruce, Al Butler, Tonya Crowder, Eric Cullings, Dale Dyson, William Ford III, Earlene Forrest, Eric Frazier, Sarah Gamble, Frances Gladden, JoAnn Glenn, Angela Johnson, S. Ann Johnson, Cornell (Nelson) Johnson, Josie Johnson, Joseph Jones, Sheila Leary-Smith, Jack Livers, Charles Manns, III, Kimberly Merrill, Allan Noble, Rhonda Rumbra, Linelle Russell, Carl & Bernice Shrieves, Pat Simms, 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, Inez Yarborough, William Young, Sr. and Alice Zaborowski.

St. Ambrose Parish Community Day & Mass-on-the-Grass



Saturday Only, August 26th, 2023

Noon to 2pm

Free Produce Give Away

Free Flea Market

**(Sponsored by St. Vincent de Paul Society and
St. Anthony Closet)**

Children's Fun Day!

1-8pm (See reverse for info)

**Weekend of Activity:
Saturday & Sunday,
August 26 & 27th, 2023**

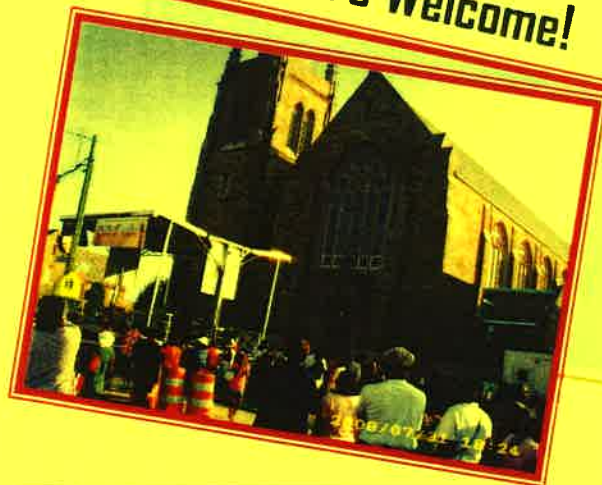
**Mass celebrated outside on the Grass,
under the tent at 10am**

Sunday, August 27th, 2023

All are Welcome!

Sunday after Mass:

- + Fellowship, Good Preaching, Good music and FUN!**
- + Baltimore Islanders Steel Band, 1-3pm**
- +Free Hot Dogs & Burgers**
- +Pulled Pork Sandwiches for sale!**
- +Free—Ice Cream/
Snowball truck 1-2pm**
- + Vendors**
- Kid's games & more.**
- And lots more.**



Saint Ambrose Catholic Church

4502 Park Heights Ave, Baltimore, MD 21215

Www.saintambrose.com or Saint Ambrose Baltimore, Facebook



SAINT AMBROSE CATHOLIC CHURCH PRESENTS:

Youth Fun Day

PARENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO JOIN THE FUN

SATURDAY AUGUST 26TH, 2023 1PM- 8PM
4502 PARK HEIGHTS AVE BALTIMORE, MD 21215

MOVIE @ 6PM

- PONY RIDES
- STORYTELLING
- GAMES
- ARTS & CRAFTS
- MOVIE & FOOD