

## 22nd Sunday Ordinary Time September 3, 2023

### *Liturgy of the Word*

#### **First Reading: Jeremiah 20: 7-9**

You duped me, O LORD, and I let myself be duped; you were too strong for me, and you triumphed. All the day I am an object of laughter; everyone mocks me. Whenever I speak, I must cry out, violence and outrage is my message; the word of the LORD has brought me derision and reproach all the day.

I say to myself, I will not mention him, I will speak in his name no more. But then it becomes like fire burning in my heart, imprisoned in my bones; I grow weary holding it in, I cannot endure it.

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

#### **Responsorial Psalm Psalm 67**

**Response: My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.**

O God, you are my God whom I seek; for you my flesh pines and my soul thirsts like the earth, parched, lifeless and without water.

R.

Thus have I gazed toward you in the sanctuary to see your power and your glory, for your kindness is a greater good than life; my lips shall glorify you. R.

Thus will I bless you while I live; lifting up my hands, I will call upon your name. As with the riches of a banquet shall my soul be satisfied, and with exultant lips my mouth shall praise you. R.

You are my help, and in the shadow of your wings I shout for joy.

My soul clings fast to you; your right hand upholds me. R.

#### **Second Reading: Romans 12: 21-27**

I urge you, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God, your spiritual worship. Do not conform yourselves to this age but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and pleasing and perfect.

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

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our hearts, that we may know what is the hope that belongs to our call.

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

#### **Gospel**

#### **Matthew 16: 21-27**

Jesus began to show his disciples

that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer greatly from the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed and on the third day be raised. Then Peter took Jesus aside and began to rebuke him, "God forbid, Lord! No such thing shall ever happen to you." He turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle to me. You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do." Then Jesus said to his disciples, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me.



For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.

What profit would there be for one to gain the whole world and forfeit his life?

Or what can one give in exchange for his life? For the Son of Man will come with his angels in his Father's glory, and then he will repay all according to his conduct." **The Gospel of the Lord. . . Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ!**

#### **Friary increases**

Thanks be to God—the number of Capuchin Friars residing at St. Ambrose Friary is increasing. The fraternity will consist 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. 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. 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](mailto:Rafael@capuchin.com) or call; 215-592-7552. We need YOU!

#### **MINISTRY TO FAMILIES WHO HAVE MISCARRIED:**



HOLY INNOCENTS is a ministry of the Archdiocese of Baltimore, facilitated by the Offices of Cemetery Management & Life, Justice and Peace. Its primary mission is to assure every child who is miscarried (dying before birth) has a sacred place to be buried. If you or someone you know is mis-

carrying or has miscarried and needs a sacred place to bury the child, please call 410-547-3142. There is no cost to the family for this ministry. Please keep this ministry in mind, when in the future someone you know has a miscarriage and wishes to bury the child. Pastoral visitors will arrange to take custody of the child and secure the child until burial. If the child is born at a hospital, arrangements with the hospital will occur. Burials occurs twice per year at Holy Cross Catholic Cemetery in Anne Arundel County. If interested in more information, please contact the helpline 410-547-3142 or email the office at [holyinnocents@archbalt.org](mailto:holyinnocents@archbalt.org). Helpline: 410-547-3142 Email: [holyinnocents@archbalt.org](mailto:holyinnocents@archbalt.org)

#### **Hawaiian Relief Efforts**

If you would like to support the relief efforts for Hawaii, please go to: Catholic Charities Hawai'i Home - Catholic Charities Hawai'i ([catholiccharitieshawaii.org](http://catholiccharitieshawaii.org))



#### **Deacon Presberry Receives Papal Award**

Deacon Presberry invites the parish to the bestowing of this honor in the context of Solemn Morning Prayer on Saturday, September 23, 2023 at 9:30am at the Cathedral of Mary our Queen. This event is open to everyone. Congratulations Deacon Pres!

Thank you to everyone  
who made our Mass-on-  
the-Grass & Community  
Day such a complete  
success!



### Mass Intentions

Sept. 3rd. Mr. Eugene Kirnan, on the anniversary of his passing,  
requested by Sr. Mary Beth Buettner, SSND.

Sept. 10th, Mrs. Margaret Gross, on the 13th anniversary of her  
passing requested by her daughter,  
Mrs. Patricia Shorter.

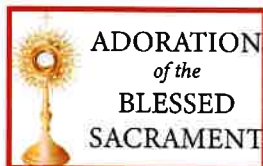
Ms. Kayla Cullings, heavenly birthday from grandma,  
Mrs. Paula Cullings.

### Friary Chapel:

Fr. Patrick offered mass for: Denver & Ethel Johnson, at the re-  
quest 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 en-  
velopes on the info table and drop in the collection basket.

### Holy Hour for Peace

The next Hour Holy is schedule for  
Sunday, September 17th, at  
8:45am with rosary at 9:30 fol-  
lowed by Benediction. Come and  
spend an hour in prayer.



### Parish Leadership Team Retreat

The parish staff and leadership team will be attending  
a daylong retreat on **Sat. Sept. 16th** at the Shrine of  
St. Anthony, Ellicott City, 9:30a to 3pm.

### Parish Leadership Team Meeting

The regular monthly will be Sunday, **Sept. 24th** after  
the mass.

### Burial of Ashes

The Archdiocese of Baltimore provides a final resting place for  
those who are cremated but not buried. Since cremation has  
become a more accepted practice, more fami-  
lies are choosing cremation though many are  
not choosing burial at the time of cremation. As  
years and decades pass, the next generation  
inherit the urns of their grandparents and great  
grandparents, increasing the incidents of the  
urns being misplaced and forgotten. The minis-  
try is also for the recently deceased. The Ministry of the 14th  
Station of the Cross buries the deceased in sacred ground allow-  
ing the deceased to rest in peace. There is a minimal fee of \$350  
for the burial. The burial occurs annually in November (Month of  
All Souls). The urns are placed in one vault and buried. This op-  
portunity also provides families peace of mind, as they now know  
where their family member is perpetually buried. The burial is at  
Holy Cross Cemetery in Anne Arundel County. Please contact  
the Office of Cemetery Management

Rev Patrick Carrion \*\* 410-547-5375 \*\* pcarrion@archbalt.org



### 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, Septem-  
ber 5 – Sacred Heart of Jesus/St. Patrick, & Oct. 3rd,  
Basilica of the Assumption, 409 Cathedral Street, Balti-  
more, MD 21201



### ATTENTION VOLUNTEERS IN MINISTRY (VIRTUS) Child protection



Please be advised the Archdiocese of Balti-  
more requires ALL adult volunteers  
(regardless of whether they have substantial  
contact with children or not) to be regis-  
tered 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 Arch-  
diocese 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. Vir-  
tus@saintambrose.com or call the rectory to contact Mrs.  
Jiggetts in person.

### Tithe Update

8/20/23: Reg. \$2,423.80

Electronic giving: \$7,114.58 Assumption: \$111.00

### Ministry Training for Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers (EM)

All Ems and Lectors are strongly encour-  
aged to attend the training sessions on Sat-  
urday, Sept. 30th: Eucharistic Ministers;  
9:30am. Lectors: 10:30am. This is for all  
present ministers and those entering the  
ministry new.

Ministry  
Training

### RCIA Begins soon!



R.C.I.A.

If you are an adult, who has never been  
baptized, received your First Holy Com-  
munion and/or Confirmation and feel God  
is calling you to take this step in your jour-  
ney. Please let Fr. Paul or one of our dea-  
cons know. Sr. Rita will begin weekly clas-  
ses after Labor Day and they continue til Easter when  
the sacraments will be celebrated.



Mary Adderly, Helen Augins, Jean Bennett,  
Parrish Boyd, Karen Brown-Berkley, Annie  
Bruce, Renee Bruce, Al Butler, Tonya Crow-  
der, 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, Corey Richardson, 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, Charles Williams,  
Inez Yarbrough, William Young, Sr. and Alice Zaborowski.