

**January 14, 2024**

**Second Sunday in  
Ordinary Time**

### *Liturgy of the Word*

#### **First Reading: 1 Samuel 3: 3-10, 19.**

Samuel was sleeping in the temple of the LORD where the ark of God was. The LORD called to Samuel, who answered, "Here I am." Samuel ran to Eli and said, "Here I am. You called me." "I did not call you," Eli said. "Go back to sleep." So he went back to sleep. Again the LORD called Samuel, who rose and went to Eli. "Here I am," he said. "You called me." But Eli answered, "I did not call you, my son. Go back to sleep."

At that time Samuel was not familiar with the LORD, because the LORD had not revealed anything to him as yet. The LORD called Samuel again, for the third time. Getting up and going to Eli, he said, "Here I am. You called me." Then Eli understood that the LORD was calling the youth. So he said to Samuel, "Go to sleep, and if you are called, reply, Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening." When Samuel went to sleep in his place, the LORD came and revealed his presence, calling out as before, "Samuel, Samuel!" Samuel answered, "Speak, for your servant is listening." Samuel grew up, and the LORD was with him, not permitting any word of his to be without effect. **The Word of the Lord. . . Thanks be to God!**

#### **Responsorial Psalm      Psalm 40**

**Response: Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.**

I have waited, waited for the LORD, and he stooped toward me and heard my cry. And he put a new song into my mouth, a hymn to our God. R.

Sacrifice or offering you wished not, but ears open to obedience you gave me. Holocausts or sin-offerings you sought not; then said I, "Behold I come." R.

"In the written scroll it is prescribed for me, to do your will, O my God, is my delight, and your law is within my heart!" R.

I announced your justice in the vast assembly; I did not restrain my lips, as you, O LORD, know. R

#### **Second Reading: 1 Corth. 6: 13-20**

Brothers and sisters:

The body is not for immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord is for the body; God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? But whoever is joined to the Lord becomes one Spirit with him. Avoid immorality. Every other sin a person commits is outside the body, but the immoral person sins against his own body. Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you have been purchased at a price. Therefore glorify God in your body. **The Word of the Lord. . . Thanks be to God!**

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

We have found the Messiah: Jesus Christ, who brings us truth and grace. R. Alleluia, alleluia.

### **Gospel**

**John 1: 35-42**

John was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he said, "Behold, the Lamb of God."

The two disciples heard what he said and followed Jesus. Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" — which translated means Teacher —, "where are you staying?"

He said to them, "Come, and you will see." So they went and saw where Jesus was staying, and they stayed with him that day.

It was about four in the afternoon. Andrew, the brother of Simon

Peter, was one of the two who heard John and followed Jesus.

He first found his own brother Simon and told him, "We have found the Messiah" — which is translated Christ. Then he brought him to Jesus.

Jesus looked at him and said, "You are Simon the son of John; you will be called Cephas" — which is translated Peter. **The**

**Gospel of the Lord. . . Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!**

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### **Martin Luther King, Jr. & Monsignor Miller Peace Walk**

Join St. Bernardine Parish  
3812 Edmonston Ave,  
Baltimore, 21228  
for the 11th Annual  
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. &  
Msgr. Edward M. Miller  
Peace Walk,



**Monday, January 15, 12:00, NOON.**

Guest Speaker will be Rev. George Hopkins, Clergy Co-Chair of BUILD.

Archbishop Lori and Bishops Denis Madden and Bruce Lewandowski will participate.

The day begins with prayer in the church, followed by a walk in the neighborhood, and concluding with lunch in Harcum Hall.

## Weekly Mass Intentions

Jan. 14th, Mrs. Josephine Forte, on the 8th anniversary of her passing at the request of her beloved daughter, Mrs. Millie Jackman.

Jan. 21st, Mrs. Vivian Dyson, on the 20th anniversary of her passing, at the request of her beloved daughters, Dale & Gale Dyson.

Jan. 28th: Mr. Stanley Clanton, deceased friend of Norma Whittington, who passed on Oct. 31st, may he rest in peace.

Feb. 4th: Sr. Helene Therese Stanislaus, OSP. As the request of the Oblate Sisters Of Providence.

Feb. 18th: Mr. James Dodson, beloved brother to our Mrs. Kaye Disch, who passed on Nov. 23rd. May he rest in peace.

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

## A Very Special Thank You . . . . .

Dear St. Ambrose Family:

*Thank you* ❤️ Almost daily, over the past year, with my various illness, or with my 90th birthday, I received in my mailbox a greeting and reminder of prayer of someone from St. Ambrose. What a wonderful parish! I love how you love my son, and that love is extended to me. I am grateful and I remember all of you in my daily prayers. Until we see each other!

Happy New Year, Love, Mrs. Alice Zaborowski  
(Fr. Paul's Mom.)

## Throat Blessing

In honor of the Feast of St. Blaise, on Feb. 3rd. Throats will be blessed before and after mass on Sunday, Feb. 4th.

## 2024 Bereavement Ministry Training St. Ambrose Bereavement Ministry?

Robert's House Bereavement Ministry Training offers community leaders, healthcare professionals and educators the opportunity to gain insight and information that will help strengthen their ability to assist children and families grieving the loss of a loved one.

Fr. Paul would love to have a few people trained in this ministry to create a Bereavement Ministry here at St. Ambrose. **If you are interested in the ministry and training, please contact Fr. Paul, ASAP to sign up for the training or sign up at the info table in the back of church.** The cost (\$125) will be covered by the parish if interested in creating a ministry here in the parish. Date of training is Feb. 2-3. Special discounts for 5 or more people. Contact: [info@robertashouse.org](mailto:info@robertashouse.org) or call 410-235-6633.



## Tithe Update

12/31/23: \$5,493.00 12/19/23; Electronic: \$5,690.00  
CM: \$175.00 Solemnity of Mary: \$245.00



## Missionary Discipleship Program

Once again we will be offering our Missionary Discipleship Program for those desiring to deepen their relationship with Jesus and His call for Discipleship.

The program involves:

1. Training in Evangelization Skills
2. Training in Leadership Skills.
3. 3 Adult Education sessions (Time with the Pastor or others.
4. 2 Outreach volunteer activities here in the parish: Christmas Caroling, Street evangelization, etc.
5. Parish Retreat in Lent.

If you have been working with the program in the past you have credits reserved. If not, you can begin this year and hopefully be Commissioned as a Missionary Disciple in June.

Pray over this invitation and sign up ASAP! The Lord needs us to respond to the Call and the Church needs you to Spread the Kingdom.

## CELEBRATING 800 YEARS OF THE LIVING NATIVITY IN GRECCIO

Beginning December 8th and continuing until Feb. 3rd, the Feast of the Presentation, we celebrate the 800th anniversary of St. Francis creating the Living Nativity Scene in the small Italian village of Greccio, to bring Bethlehem close to those who would never have the chance to be in the birthplace of Jesus Christ. To celebrate this great anniversary, the Capuchin Friars



of St. Ambrose Friary will host a novena until Feb. 7th, 2024. Special indulgence has been offered by Pope Francis to anyone praying the novena prayer at the Crib in any Franciscan Church throughout the World and St. Ambrose is a Franciscan Church. The Infant Jesus will be placed on the side altar for the veneration and devotion of us all, please stop and pray the prayer for yourselves and your families.



**Healing Prayer:** Mary Adderly, Helen Augins, Jean Bennett, Parrish Boyd, Karen Brown-Berkley, Annie Bruce, Renee Bruce, Al Butler, Debbie Chase, 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, Eric Manns, Kimberly Merrill, Allan Noble, Charles Richardson Williams, Corey Richardson, Rhonda Rumbra, Carl & Bernice Shrieves, Daniel Smith Sr., Veronica Spears, Augustine & Archie Stith, Rosalita Stone, Gloria Tate, Ernest Thames, Jean Thomas, Rosalie Watkins, William Young, Sr. Eugene Zaborowski and Alice Zaborowski.



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