



February 9, 2020

5th Sunday of Ordinary Time

"Happy are the poor in spirit"

MAKING MISSIONARY DISCIPLES

African Saints

**Dr. Camille Brown,
Today, February 9, 2020**

"Passover: A Christian Perspective"

**Deacon & Michelle Rubio,
Sunday, March 1, 2020**

Leadership Training

**(required) with Paul Cullings,
March 15, 2020**

Parish Lenten Retreat Day

Theme: Insight—Hindsight—Foresight!

**We encourage all our members to enter into
Lent well prepared. Sign up Now!**



Mark your calendar for a prayerful and challenging day. Saturday, March 7th, 2020 from 9:30am to 3pm at the Mission Helpers Center, Joppa Road, Townson, MD. The speaker for the day will be **Deacon Bobby White**, from Washington, DC. Sign up at the info table. Donation: \$10.00 for the day including a delicious chicken dinner.

Operation Faith-Lift

Saturday, April 4th, 11am
Evangelization in the neighborhood.
St. Anthony's Closet Opened as well.

Mass Intention

Today the mass is offered for our parishioners, living and deceased and next Sunday is offered for **Mrs. Joyce Ann Roberts**, deceased sister to **Ms. Myra Clinton**, on the 8th anniversary of her passing. May they rest in peace!



Black History Month & the Sister Mary Loretto Service Award



Fr. Paul and the Parish Leadership Team have decided to celebrate Black History Month in a new and exciting way. It was decided to create our own celebration here in the parish recognizing people who have served our community faithfully. Sister Loretto worked tirelessly for the children of the parish and directed our religious education program for 5 faithful years until health required her retirement. Because of her tireless effort to the parish, the Team decided to dedicate the award in her honor—The Sister Mary Loretto Service Award. The first two nominees for the 2020 year are:

Ms. Wanda Brewton

Mrs. Jacqueline Wouldridge-Diggs

Both of these nominees have given of themselves in the various ministries of the parish, especially to the poor and to our youth. During the month of February we will display their photos and congratulate them especially on Sunday, Feb. 23rd. We are honored to have Jacquie and Wanda celebrated in the parish and we give honor to Sr. Mary Loretto as well. Each year we will raise up individuals who exemplify the example that Sister Mary Loretto gave in the spirit of Mother Mary Lange.



Also, during Black History Month the church will be decorated with prominent African Americans.

Mardi Gras & Valentine's Day Party

**Saturday, Feb. 15th,
2020, 7--11pm**

Held at the Delta Center
2501 Springhill Ave., Baltimore, MD 21215

Ticket price: \$25.00

Bring your own food & beverage. We provide: DJ, paper products, chips, water, ice, coffee, tea, snacks, beads & masks, 50/50, door prizes, King & Queen & pull offs Tickets on sale NOW!
Call Bencine @ 410-615-4810



Annual Appeal for Catholic Ministries



Bishop's Annual Appeal
FOR CATHOLIC MINISTRIES

It is once again that time of year that we are asked to put our support with all the other parishes in the archdiocese to express our love and concern for the poor and needy in our city. By now, all registered members should have received the mailing for the Appeal.

Fr. Paul asks that each and everyone of us read the info carefully and prayerfully decide what you can do to help continue the charitable work accomplished by the Church our city.

Fr. Paul is quite aware of the fact that we are begin stretched with tithing, Embracing the Mission Campaign and now the Annual Appeal. When we look at the city and all of its need, we also recognize that we need to do something and make the sacrifice to help in whatever way possible.

The Annual Appeal helps to support all the works of Catholic Charities, St. Vincent de Paul Society, provides assistance to parents with children in Catholic Schools and funds chaplains in our hospitals and prisons.

Our parish rep for the Appeal is Mr. Carlton Gordon. He will be explaining and walking us through the process over the next few weeks. Be as generous as you always are! Thank you!

Peace Walk with Bishop Madden

Bishop Madden's next Prayer Walk is scheduled here at St. Ambrose on, **Wednesday, Feb. 19th at 5:30pm.** There will be a lite meal and fellowship followed by the walk through our neighborhood. Unfortunately we will not have to walk far. **Parking:** school yard will be open for your convenience. Please sign up if planning on attending. All are welcome!



Lent beginning

Ash Wednesday,

February 26th.

Ashes distributed at both serves:

Mass at 11am

Prayer Service with Ashes:

6:30pm



Stations of the Cross

Fridays beginning March 28th at NOON.

Parish Lenten Theme:

Looking at Ourselves in this Sacred Season

Fr. Paul and the Liturgy Committee invite us to take this time of prayer, penance, fasting and almsgiving to look inside ourselves and renew ourselves from within for the coming of Easter.



MOTHER LANGE CORNER

Good News



The Oblate Sisters of Providence announced this week that the "Positio" the document of the summary of Mother Lange's Life and Call to Holiness has been complete and in the hands of the Sacred Congregation for Saints in Rome.

If this document is accepted, and we pray it will, the announcement to declare Mother Lange **VENERABLE** should come soon and very soon!

With Gratitude. . . .

Dear Fr. Paul, St. Ambrose Parishioners and the St. Vincent de Paul Society:

Please forgive the delay in thanking you for your kind remembrance of us at Christmas. Your thoughtfulness added to the joy of our day. We are forever grateful and sincerely appreciate all that you do and have done for us. May God bless and reward you abundantly for your constant generosity to us!

Remembering you always in our daily prayers.

Love, Peace and Joy!

St. Mary Stephen and the Oblate Sisters of Providence.

Oblate Sisters of Providence Annual Chicken Dinner & Bazaar

The Oblates Sisters Annual Chicken Dinner will be held on Saturday, Feb. 29th, 11am—3pm. \$10 Donation. New Items at Sale Prices. All proceeds benefit the Oblate Sisters of Providence. Held at St. Frances Academy, 501 E. Chase Street, B, MD 21202 For info call: 410-536-5687. See Sr. Stephen for Tickets.



All Veterans and their Spouses.

Next Sunday, Feb. 16th, Mrs. Augustine Stithe would like to meet with all veterans and their spouses for an information brief meeting in the church following mass.



In Need of Healing Prayer

Derek Bakon, Karen Brown-Berkley, Phyllis Butler, Kathy Burundi, Fred Buchanan, Al Butler, Anita Cole, Patricia Cullings-Dix, Kai Thomas Dorsey, Krystal Dorsey, William Ford III, Earlene Forrest, Sarah Gamble, Sr. Reginald Gerdes, OSP, Fr. Bill Graham, OFM Cap., Bertha Hawkins, Joseph Jones, Alice Manns, Kimberly Merrill, Laura Preston, Rhonda Rumbra, Carl & Bernice Shrieves, Daniel Smith Sr., Augustine and Archie Stith, Rosalita Stone, Alease Stokes, Gloria Tate, Jean Thomas, Arthur Swint, Stephen Swint, Brenda Williams and Rachel Williams.

Last week's Offering: \$5,887.00

Embracing Our Future Campaign Update:

Goal: \$310,000.00 Pledged: \$474,369.00

Total Amount of Gifts Received: \$249,375.21

Current Balance: \$72,283.23