

Pentecost Sunday May 23rd, 2021

The Gloria:

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

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.

Liturgy of the Word

Reading I *Proclaimed in Ibo by Ann Azike*

Acts 2: 1-11

When the time for Pentecost was fulfilled, they were all in one place together. And suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving wind, and it filled the entire house in which they were.



Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them.

And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, as

the Spirit enabled them to proclaim.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven staying in Jerusalem. At this sound, they gathered in a large crowd, but they were confused because each one heard them speaking in his own language. They were astounded, and in amazement they asked, "Are not all these people who are speaking Galileans? Then how does each of us hear them in his native language? We are Parthians, Medes, and Elamites, inhabitants of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the districts of Libya near Cyrene, as well as travelers from Rome, both Jews and converts to Judaism, Cretans and Arabs, yet we hear them speaking in our own tongues of the mighty acts of God."

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

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 104

Response: Bless the LORD, O my soul!

O LORD, my God, you are great indeed! How manifold are your works, O LORD! the earth is full of your creatures. R.

~~May the glory of the LORD endure forever, may the LORD be glad in his works! Pleasing to him be my theme; I will be glad in the LORD.~~
R.

If you take away their breath, they perish and return to their dust. When you send forth your spirit, they are created, and you renew the face of the earth. R.

Reading II: 1 Cor 12: 7, 11-13

Proclaimed by Sarah Attenoukon in French

Brothers and sisters:

No one can say, "Jesus is Lord," except by the Holy Spirit.

There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord; there are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone. To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit.

As a body is one though it has many parts, and all the parts of the body, though many, are one body, so also Christ. For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, slaves or free persons, and we were all given to drink of one Spirit.

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

Pentecost Sequence:

Come, Holy Spirit, come! And from your celestial home Shed a ray of light divine!

Come, Father of the poor! Come, source of all our store! Come, within our bosoms shine. You, of comforters the best; You, the soul's most welcome guest; Sweet refreshment here below; In our labor, rest most sweet; Grateful coolness in the heat; Solace in the midst of woe. O most blessed Light divine, Shine within these hearts of ours, And our inmost being fill!

Where you are not, we have naught, Nothing good in deed or thought, Nothing free from taint of ill.

Heal our wounds, our strength renew; On our dryness pour your dew;

Wash the stains of guilt away; Bend the stubborn heart and will; Melt the frozen, warm the chill; Guide the steps that go astray. On the faithful, who adore And confess you, evermore In your seven-fold gift descend; Give them virtue's sure reward; Give them your salvation, Lord; Give them joys that never end. Amen.

R. Alleluia. R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel: John 20: 19-23

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you."

And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained."

The Gospel of the Lord. . . Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.



Year of the Eucharist

Archbishop Lori has designated Sunday, June 6th, 2021 until June 19th, 2022 as the **Year of the Eucharist**.

Archbishop Lori's desire is for the faithful of Baltimore to reflect on the gift



of the Eucharist in a time when many have been removed from receiving the Sacrament regularly.

To open the year of Celebration we will offer a Holy Hour for Peace, on Sunday, **June 6th, the Feast of the Body & Blood of Christ, from 8:45am to 9:45am, closing with the rosary at 9:30. After mass, weather permitting we will process with the Blessed Sacrament through the neighborhood.**

We will continue the Holy Hours throughout the year on the third Sunday of each month at the same time.

Future activities are being planned by the liturgy committee. Please check out the archdiocesan website for more info and materials:

www.archbalt.org/year-of-the-eucharist



Mary Adderly, Karen Brown-Berkley, Wanda Brewton, Renee Bruce, Kathy Burundi, Fred Buchanan, Al Butler, Anita Cole, Patricia Cullings-Dix, Dale Dyson, William Ford III, Phyllis Ford, Sarah Gamble, JoAnn Glenn, Fr. Bill Graham, OFM Cap., Cornell (Nelson) Johnson, Joseph Jones, Sheila Leary-Smith, Alice Manns, Charles Manns, III, Kimberly Merrill, Allan Noble, Deacon Seigfried Presberry, Rhonda Rumbra, Sr. John Francis Schilling, OSP, Carl & Bernice Shrieves, Daniel Smith Sr., Augustine and

Archie Stith, Rosalita Stone, Alease Stokes, Gloria Tate, Ernest Thames, Jean Thomas and Alice Zaborowski.

Faith Formation Corner

Registration for 2021/22 faith formation program has commenced. Please enroll your children for our program. Please contact Sr. Stella at rstella@saintambrose.com or call 443-934-9244. Please be reminded that our sacrament programs are two year programs. Children must be in formation for the two years prior to receiving the sacrament.

Weekly Mass Intentions

May 23rd, All the living and deceased members of St. Ambrose Parish.

May 30th, Mrs. Valerie Cole-James, on the first anniversary 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

Graduate Recognition

If you are graduating from a school, college, university or degree program please send the info to Barbara at bbrown@saintambrose.com or 410-367-9918 or write it out and drop it in collection and we will recognize you in the bulletin. All grads will be recognized with a special blessing at mass on Sunday, June 13th.

Memorial Day Holiday

Monday, May 31st is Memorial Day, the parish office will be closed. Please note the hours for the week are: Tuesday and Wednesday, 9:30a to 5pm.

Parish Covid 19 Response

COVID-19 RESPONSE Even though there are many conflicting recommendations coming forth, Fr. Paul and the parish Security/Medical Safety Team has decided to keep the current safety procedures we have now in place. One in four people in Baltimore City have been vaccinated and children still have not been started so we feel it will be best to continue what we are doing. RSVP will be required, masks and social distancing of 6ft are mandatory in the church. If you do not feel well, please remain home and call your doctor. We thank our team for the excellent job they are doing in keeping us safe. Please **GET VACCINATED!**

Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Breathe into me, Holy Spirit, that my thoughts may all be holy. Move in me, Holy Spirit, that my work, too, may be holy. Attract my heart, Holy Spirit, that I may love only what is holy. Strengthen me, Holy Spirit, that I may defend all that is holy. Protect me, Holy Spirit, that I may always be holy.

Saint Augustine