

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT – YEAR B

February 21, 2021

TODAY'S BIBLE READINGS: Genesis 9:8-15; Psalm 25:4-9; 1Peter 3:18-22; Mark 1:12-15.

Mindful of his covenant, the Lord promises never to destroy creation again by flood waters. The waters of baptism bring salvation and forgiveness through the death of Christ. After fasting forty days and being put to the test, Jesus begins his public ministry.

COMMUNITY CELEBRATION OF MASS: Per Baltimore City issued-guidelines, attendance at church services is limited to 25% of the seating capacity; we can accommodate 76 worshippers. Attendees are required to wear face masks. Seating guidelines, social distancing, interior walking routes, and guidelines for the reception of Holy Communion are to be observed. If you don't feel well, or are uncomfortable about attending Mass at this time, you have been granted a dispensation. God bless you.

MASS SCHEDULE: Saturdays - 4 p.m.; Sundays - 9:45 a.m. (Church); Tuesday - Friday - 8:30 am. (Chapel).

We urge all parishioners to return to our community masses ASAP. Come, receive the Body of Christ.

PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE FOLLOWING...

- ❖ **PLANNING TO MARRY?** Arrangements should be made per the Parish Office at least six months in advance.
- ❖ **INFANT BAPTISM:** Baptism Preparation Conferences are required of parents and god-parents. To make arrangements contact the Parish Office at 410-542-0445 or e-mail: office@naschurch.org.
- ❖ **ILL, HOME-BOUND, IN THE HOSPITAL, UNABLE TO ATTEND MASS?** Please notify the Church office so that contact can be made for visits and reception of the sacraments.
- ❖ **MEDICAL EMERGENCIES:** Entering the hospital for a medical procedure? "Anointing of the Sick" may be administered prior to medical procedures. Contact the Parish office or see clergy.

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- A recording of the **New All Saints SUNDAY LITURGY OF THE WORD** is available at: [MyParish App](#). Use the "Homilies" button.
 - Access www.archbalt.org, to view **Live Mass recorded at the Cathedral of Mary our Queen celebrated by Archbishop Lori at 11 a.m. Sundays.** Watch on Channel 11.2 TV, on Comcast Channel 208, and FIOS on Channel 460. The Masses are re-aired on **WCBM-680 AM**, at 7 p.m. every Sunday.
 - Receive **NAS WEDNESDAY REFLECTIONS ON THE SACRED WORD.** Go to: My parish App. Use the [Homilies](#) button.
 - View the **NAS Weekly Bulletin** at: MyParish App. Use the bulletin button at www.NASChurch.org

This is Annual Appeal Giving Weekend!

This past Wednesday (2/17), Lent began! All Catholics 14 and older are bound by the law of abstinence. All adults are bound by the law of fast up to their 60th year. **The current canonical discipline of penance: 1.** Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of abstinence from meat and also days of fast; that is, limited to a single full meal. **2.** The other Fridays of Lent remain days of abstinence from meat. **3.** The Fridays of the year outside of Lent remain days of penance, but each individual may substitute for the traditional abstinence from meat some other practice of voluntary self-denial or personal penance; this may be physical mortification or temperance or acts of religion, charity, or Christian witness.

Happy Anniversary, NEW ALL SAINTS! On February 26th, we are celebrating the 26th year of the merger of All Saints Parish and Our Lady of Lourdes Parish! May God the Father, with the Son, and the Holy Spirit, who has shown us such great mercy, continue to bless us with an everlasting blessing. Amen.

Planning to come to Mass? CHECK YOUR HEALTH CONDITION! *If you have a fever, or are sick, or suspect that you may have been exposed to a contagious illness, we respectfully recommend that you stay home and take care of yourself. If you are awaiting test results for COVID-19 or any contagious illness, do not come to the parish campus, whether or not you have symptoms.* Thank you.

NAS Healthcare Committee.

"SHUT-IN" PARISHIONERS: William Baker; Sandra Brice; William Garrett; Eula Gray; Susie Harding; Bernadette Leeds; Anita Parker; Maxima Shay.

PARISHIONERS IN NURSING HOMES AND HOSPITALS: Franklin Fitzgerald (*Lorien Mays Chapel*); Ivy Harris (*Brookdale Asst. Living, Pikesville*); Doris Johnson (*Future Care Cherrywood, Reisterstown*); Sr. Mary Margarita Musquera, OSP, (*St. Elizabeth Rehab*); Marian Russell, (*Springwell Senior Living*).

"AILING" PARISHIONERS: Rhaiyanna Allen; Vickie Barry; Marie Brown; Sylvia Buchanan; Madeline Campbell; Charles Coates; Christine Coates; Elvard Cooper; Belinda Cornish; Loretta Davis; Margaret Fernandez; William "Bill" Fields; Sandra Fowlks; Carolyn Gray; Charles Griffin; Eleanor Hairston; Jeanette Hall; Lora Hargrove; Shirley Hargrove; Barbara Harris; Martha Henley; Donna Hunter; Margaret Hunter; Catherine Johnson; Shirley Johnson; Toba King; Aubrey Knox; Gwendolyn Lindsay; Charlotte Malinowski; Genevieve Massey; Denise Matthews; Alvin Moore; Emily Moore; Betty Morton; Ruth Payne; Marion Russell; Loristine Sheppard; Theresa Sisco; Donald Smith; Frances Smith; Jerry Stamper; Donald H. Stokes, Sr.; Carla Thompson; Rita Turner; Margaret Wallace; Gerald White, Sr.; Gerald White, Jr.; Wanda White; Elizabeth Williams.

SICK FAMILY & FRIENDS: Francine Allen; Carol Boone; Carolyn Campbell; Audrey Carter; Judith Daniel; Marvin Dawkins; Fabian Desbordes; Dwight Gross; Vera & Lawrence Hall; Dennis Hamlin; Michelle Humphrey; Kaneez Fantima Isfahani; Donald Jackson; Benjamin Jones; Constantia Jones; Shelley Jones; Robin Martin; Raymond E. Matthews; Bertha White-May; Josephine McCoy; Zahara Moor; Karen Moore; Angeline Mosby; Robert Quarles; Teresita Simms; Irene Shelton; Adia Y. Stokes; Jacobi K. Stokes; Sue Tiggle; Harriet Tribble; Barbara Wade; Isabella Walker; Stephanie Walker; Jerome White

"HAPPY BIRTHDAY!"

- 02/20 Henry Price
- 02/21 Naomi Berry; Lori Branch; Feliz Kabore; Vernon Nelson; Dorothy Travers; Dana Washington; Ruth White
- 02/22 Reginald Allen; Marcia Morton; Robert Motley; Brian Salisbury; Tia Smith
- 02/23 Oarhe Iyayi
- 02/24 Claudette Evans; Martha Henley; Ryeshia Holley; Janel Robinson; Phyllis Dorsey
- 02/25 Aubrey Knox; Joshua Woods
- 02/26 Jaden Baker; Chinyere Chikeka; William Garrett; Sashcre Chreaves; Kayla Jenifer; Alendia Johnson

2021 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES are available for pick-up at the Church vestibule: **Saturdays 3 p.m. – 5 p.m., Sundays 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.** Want your envelopes mailed to you? Contact the Rectory at 410-542-0445—Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 9am-1:00 p.m. We thank you for your support and generosity.

If you have paid your offerings on-line to the Archdiocese of Baltimore, please know that **NAS** has received your offering. A list is sent to each Parish for recording your offerings from the Archdiocese. It is important that you select the correct Parish and your envelope number for correct processing.
We sincerely thank you for your continued support.

Impacted by COVID-19? Need Food Assistance? Baltimore City is delivering grocery boxes this winter in partnership with The Maryland Food Bank and Amazon. To see if you qualify: Adults 60 and older call (410) 396-2273 and Residents 59 & younger call 211.

In compliance to Government Guidelines and the Archdiocese of Baltimore church offices are not considered "essential businesses" and must be closed to the public and remain closed until this restriction is lifted by the State of Maryland. Accordingly, **NAS Church Office is closed until further notice. However, if you do need to contact the church office, please call 410-542-0445 and leave a brief message with your questions or concerns. We will get back to you as quickly as possible.** To leave a message... for Gloria Herndon, press -#136; Joyce Davis, press #117; Candyce Hill, press #116; Fr. Donald Sterling, press #133.
Response times may be a little longer than normal. Stay Safe!

UPDATE YOUR NAS CHURCH SOCIAL MEDIA CONTACT INFORMATION. Parishioners receive information via the phone, email and text from **NASNotify** the broadcast message system and Flocknote. Has your information changed? Update your communication preferences and contact information. Email: NASChurchCC@gmail.com. Include ministries that you are affiliated with. **View Weekly Church Bulletins at www.NASChurch.org or My Parish app.**

*Download the "MyParish App" from the App Store or the Google Play Store to your smart phone or tablet. Note: Email and text links are sent to **NAS** Parishioners who have provided their email address or text number. If you know of anyone who would like to receive NAS Church email updates, please ask them to send their email address to naschurchcc@gmail.com

Pope Francis' PRAYER TO MARY DURING CORONAVIRUS PANDEMNIC

O Mary, you always shine on our path as a sign of salvation and of hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm.
You, Salvation of Your people, know what we need, and we are sure you will provide so that, as in Cana of Galilee, we may return to joy and to feasting after this time of trial.
Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who has taken upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows to lead us, through the cross, to the joy of the resurrection. Amen.
Under your protection, we seek refuge, Holy Mother of God. Do not disdain the entreaties of we, who are in trial, but deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.

The 2020 Contribution Letters have been mailed as of February 17, 2021.
Thank you **NAS** for your contribution which is a tremendous Blessing! Unfortunately, your tax letters for 2020 were delayed due to various circumstances that surround the pandemic. **1. Postal Service delivery delays. 2. Limited days the Counters were able to count. 3. Limited days and hours that Essential Workers could come into the Rectory Office.**

- CHURCH OFFERINGS. We respectfully and strongly encourage parishioners to continue to support our church during this pandemic period.**
- (1) **DROP-OFF** your church offerings to the church rectory by hand (4408 Liberty Heights Ave), any day or time of the week. Drop your offering into the rectory side door mail slot. (Use the door facing the church building; look for hand rails).
 - (2) **SEND** tithes via the US Postal Service to the Church Office address listed above.
 - (3) **Make your offertory contributions ONLINE.**
 - Go to: www.archbalt.org/giving.
 - A. Go to the "GIVING TAB". Click on "Donate".
 - B. Select: "**NAS (1208)**" as the parish you want to support.
 - C. Complete the "myparish" offering information.
 - D. Please remember to include your envelope # for proper credit. You will need your bank or credit card account information.
 - E. Submit your offering.
 - F. Print a copy for your records. *Thank you.*