FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT (Year A) March 22, 2020

Today's Bible Readings: 1Samuel 16:1, 6-7, 10-13; Psalm 23:1-6; Ephesians 5:8-14; John 9:1-41.

Theme of the Readings: Samuel does not see as God sees in the choice of David, who is anointed with oil. As Jesus cures the blind man, so too are we brought from darkness into light through the grace of baptism.

THIS WEEK'S LITURGY AND MINISTRIES SCHEDULE

Sunday:	Mass Cancelled	9:45 A.M. (Church)
Tuesday:	Mass Cancelled	8:30 A.M. (Chapel)
Wednesday:	Mass Cancelled	12:00 P.M. (Chapel)
Thursday:	Mass Cancelled	8:30 A.M. (Chapel)
Friday:	Mass Cancelled	8:30 A.M. (Chapel)
,	Stations of the Cross - Cancelled	6:30 P.M. (Church)
Saturday:	Mass Cancelled	4:00 P.M. (Church)

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

PLANNING TO GET MARRIED? Arrangements should be made per the Parish Office at least six months in advance.

- NFANT 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 AND HOME-BOUND: Is a fellow parishioner in the hospital or 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 when at church.

MASSES CANCELLED IN ARCHDIOCESE OF BALTIMORE! After receiving an update from State officials on the current impact of the COVID-19 virus and acting on the advice of medical professionals, Archbishop William E. Lori has determined that to safeguard the well-being of the faithful of the Archdiocese of Baltimore and to prevent further community spread of the virus, all public Masses are canceled until further notice.

Archbishop Lori will celebrate a private Mass at the Cathedral of Mary Our Queen at 11 a.m. Sunday. A livestream of the Mass, along with other spiritual resources, will be available through www.archbalt.org.

The faithful are encouraged to remain connected to their parishes and invited to participate in the Mass via broadcast and livestream.

"My highest priority is the safety and welfare of the people of God of this Archdiocese," Archbishop Lori said. "I take this step with great sadness, but also with wholehearted determination that we continue to provide for the spiritual well-being of the faithful at a time when their faith is most needed."

Archbishop Lori asked churches to remain open for private prayer, including Eucharistic adoration, with the required social distancing.

NAS tithes can be mailed to NAS Church, 4408 Liberty Heights Ave., Baltimore, MD 21207 or delivered to the Church Rectory at the same address, Monday – Friday 9 a.m. - 8 p.m. or Saturday 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

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Second Collection: CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES (including Latin America). Your generosity makes it possible for our brothers and sisters in Latin America and the Caribbean to share in the life of Church and grow closer to Christ.

PARISHIONERS IN NURSING HOMES AND HOSPITALS:

Barbara Bess (Paradise Assisted Living); George Brown (Woodholme Garden); 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 (St. Agnes).

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

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

Wallace; Gerald White, Sr.; Gerald White, Jr.; Wanda White; Betty Williams.

SICK FAMILY & FRIENDS: Francine Allen; Carolyn Campbell; Audrey Carter; Judith Daniel; Marvin Dawkins; Fabian Desbordes; 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; John Simms; Teresita Simms; Irene Shelton; Adia Y. Stokes; Jacobi K. Stokes; Sue Tiggle; Harriet Tribble; Barbara Wade; Isabella Walker; Stephanie Walker; Betty Whidby; Jerome White

"HAPPY BIRTHDAY!"

- 3/21 Ebere Efeyini; Jordan Gibbs; Nicole Lowe; Darius Vaughan
- 3/22 Fern Hawkins-Johnson; Bettye Pettiford; Maxwell Pierre-Philippe
- 3/23 Damon Downs; Brittnie Gaskins; Cache Melvin; Nicholas Pierre-Philippe; Rita Taylor; Constance Vass
- 3/25 Tina Hall; Lauren Webb; Jeffrey Wyatt
- 3/26 Keya Morgan; Mary Rowbottom; Anthony Tyree
- 3/27 Marie Brown; Fr. Donald Sterling; Logan Williams

NAS Lenten Revival: "GOD IS TRYING TO TELL YOU SOMETHING!"

Revivalist, Brother/Henry Fulmer, OFM (scheduled 3/28 – 3/31, 2020)

POSTPONED DUE TO VIRUS CONCERNS!

New date to be announced.

Rum and pound cakes are on sale for Easter! To order a cake, please <u>call by April 5th (410-292-1257)</u> to place your order. All cakes are \$20. Proceeds will be donated to New All Saints Church for current projects.

NAS Travel Club: Trip to Harrington Casino (Harrington, DE.) on Friday, April 24th. The bus will leave the upper parking lot at 9 a.m.; return at 6 p.m. Cost: \$35, due no later than April 12th. You will receive \$15 in free play and \$7 towards the \$13.95 dining at the Casino Buffet. For more information please contact Gloria Herndon (410-542-0445 or 410-597-8443). A flyer and registration form are in the bulletin.

From the "Women of NAS Ministry": (1) The 21st Annual Bull & Oyster Roast Fund Raiser, Sunday April 26, 2020 at the Forum has been <u>cancelled</u> until further notice. A <u>new date</u> will be forthcoming as soon as that information becomes available.

(2) "Women of <u>NAS</u>" Ministry is offering scholarships to high school seniors who will be

attending a College or University, Technical Institute or Military Academy in September 2020 and who are members of <u>NAS</u> Church. <u>Criteria:</u> (1) Acceptance Letter from the College or University, Technical Institute or Military Academy the student plans to attend; (2) Official High School Transcript; (3) "SAT" or "ACT" Scores; (4) provide a 500-word essay—typed. Please contact the following person(s) for a scholarship application: Mary Collins 410-922-6008 or Marlene Downs 410-489-5947.

NAS "Seniors on the Move" trip to Tropicana Hotel/Casino, Atlantic City, NJ, May 18 thru May 21st, 2020 is cancelled due to virus restrictions. For information contact Ruth Jones at 410-922-2133 or Gladys Rice at 410-265-5709.

UPDATE YOUR NAS CHURCH SOCIAL MEDIA CONTACT INFORMATION.

Parishioners receive information via the phone, email and text from <u>NASNotify</u> 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.

Roberta's House 2020 Annual Fund Drive -"Healing Hearts & Minds in Baltimore" scheduled
on Friday, March 27th is cancelled. The Radiothon
Kick-Off on WOLB, 1010 AM (6 a.m. – 10 a.m.), and
on Praise 106.1 FM (8 a.m. –6 p.m.) will be
rescheduled. This purpose of this Fund Drive is to help
restore hope in the Baltimore Communities, keep grief
support service & programs "free"; heal grieving
children, families & adults, provide onsite support in
school systems, and send a child to grief camp. The
radio broadcast event is cancelled. You can still
pledge online or call the Radiothon at 410-8890001 to pledge and to find the various ways to
donate.

Census 2020 is very important. Everyone must be counted, including children. It is confidential and safe. The data determines resources that are vital to the livelihoods of our families, communities, and each of us. In mid-March a postcard will be mailed to households. April 1st is "Census Day". Reminder cards will be mailed in mid-April. In May census workers will follow up in person. It is easy. You may complete the form online, by phone, by mail or with a census taker. Let us be sure everyone is counted. Voting is our duty! Early Voting begins April 16th and ends April 23rd. Election Day is April 28th. All who are 18 yrs. of age should be registered and all should EXERCISE THE RIGHT TO VOTE!