



**Second Sunday Of Lent**  
February 25, 2018  
**Segundo Domingo de Cuaresma**  
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# St. Ambrose and St. Mary

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Dear Sisters and Brothers in the Lord:

Pope Francis has some fine insights into the teachings of Sacred Scripture, especially in regards to Our Lord. Recently he offered a reflection of the Gospel of Mark 1:21-28, where Jesus begins teaching at the Synagogue in Capernaum. He said: "At the heart of today's reading is the event of the exorcism through which Jesus is presented as a powerful prophet in word and deed. He enters the Synagogue of Capernaum on a Saturday and He begins teaching. The people are astonished by His words because they are not ordinary words. They do not sound like the ones they are accustomed to hearing. The Scribes in fact teach but without authority...Jesus instead teaches like one who has authority, thus revealing Himself as God's Emissary, and not a simple man who has to base his teaching solely on earlier traditions.

"At the same time, Jesus reveals Himself to be powerful also in deeds...The power of Jesus confirms the authority of His teaching. He does not just speak with words, but He takes action. In this way, He manifests God's plan with words and with the power of His deeds. In the Gospel in fact, we see that in His earthly mission, Jesus reveals the love of God both through preaching and through countless gestures of attention and aid to the sick, the needy, children and sinners.

"Jesus is our Teacher, powerful in word and deed. Jesus imparts to us all the light that illuminates the sometimes dark paths of our lives. He also transmits to us the necessary strength to overcome difficulties, trials and temptations...A Teacher and a Friend Who shows us the path and takes care of us especially when we are in need."

By these words the Pope invites us to turn to Christ and invite Him to come into our lives and transform us. We ought not to think that we need to approach God always in a submissive, pleading tone of voice. Sometimes I think we do well to recall that Christ cried out to the Father in a loud voice! It is especially proclaimed at the time of His crucifixion when He cries to the heavens: My God, My God, why have You abandoned Me?(Mt. 27:46)

To be assured by the Scriptures that Christ does not leave us alone; to understand that the Son of God chooses to walk with us—even when we fail to recognize Him; to entrust ourselves to the One Who created us and watches over us; is the way in which we bring to fulfillment the change of heart that is the hallmark of our Lenten Journey. May the Lord bless your effort to discover more deeply His abiding love within and around you. Peace be with you, Monsignor

## Parish Information

	<b>Monday</b> 2/26/2018	<b>Tuesday</b> 2/27/2018	<b>Wednesday</b> 2/28/2018	<b>Thursday</b> 3/1/2018	<b>Friday</b> 3/2/2018	<b>Saturday</b> 3/3/2018
<b>St. Mary</b>	8:00 AM Poor Souls	NO MASS	NO MASS	8:10 AM Dr. David Mark Stinson	NO MASS	2:30-3:30 Confessions
<b>St. Ambrose</b>	NO MASS	8:00 AM Poor Souls	<b>7:45 AM</b> Henry "Hank" Thering	8:00 AM Patricia Cox	8:10 AM Mary Ann Chezem	8:00 AM Rosemary McVey  4:00-5:00 Confessions
<b>Other Locations</b>			11:30 AM St. Vincent Hospital  Communion Service		10:30 AM Bethany Pointe  Poor Souls	

## Liturgical Ministers Schedule

<b>March 3rd &amp; 4th</b>	<b>Sat. 4:00 PM St. Mary</b>	<b>Sat. 5:30 PM St. Ambrose</b>	<b>Sun. 7:30 AM St. Mary</b>	<b>Sun. 9:30 AM St. Ambrose</b>	<b>Sun. 11:30 AM St. Mary</b>
<b>Mass Intentions</b>	George Albert Stoner	Zachary Novak	Pro Populo	St. Clair Family	Gerald Fredericks
<b>Reader</b>	Allen Raver	Mike Scheckelhoff	Marcia Murphy	Angie Pitts	Juana Sanjuan
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	C. Cukrowitz H	Abby Loose H	Betty Bush H	Michael Block H Mary Lavelle H	Mayra Sierra H
<b>Servers</b>	Jeffrey Krieg Corey Layton	Alexa Carson Nick Long	Jordan Boys Carolyn Pitts	Karina Gonzalez Mariela Gonzalez	Felipe Lopez C. Ramirez Jared Sierra

## PARISH COMMUNITY NEWS



<u>Stewardship</u>	
<b>St. Ambrose</b>	\$ 6,615
YTD	\$ 51,452
NTD	\$ 91,000
<b>ST. Mary</b>	\$ 8,511
YTD	\$ 66,092
NTD	\$ 126,000
Renovation Fund	\$ 1,143 (\$87,407 of \$330K)

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**On Line Giving— visit us at the following:**

St. Ambrose—[https:// www.osvonlinegiving.com/272](https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/272)

St. Mary—<https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/13>

### **Dates To Remember**

March 3rd—Men’s Lenten Breakfast 7:00 AM at St. Ambrose Ambrosian Hall (downstairs)

March 14th—Penance Services: 1:30 PM School Children and 6:30 PM Communal Penance at St. Mary

### **Grief Support Group**

Has started and meets at St. Mary Rectory from 6:30-8:00 PM on Thursdays. If you have any question please call Patricia Farran at (765) 623-4080.

### **Fruitful Harvest**

**2016-** Please continue to make your payments so we reach our goals.

**2018-** will be starting in August. This is a campaign for stewardship at the Diocesan level. Can you give your time and talent to help with this year’s campaign? Training is available in March. Please call the rectory to volunteer.

### **That Man Is You (TMIY)**

Our meetings are at the Columbian Hall on Main Street (behind the Toast). Breakfast is at 6:00 AM, presentation at 6:15: Small group discussion at 6:45. Dismissal at 7:15. You can call Mike Evans at (765) 602-0306 for more information.

Session 21– Prayer and finding joy with God

- Transformation Of God
- The Power Of God
- The Time We Give To God
- The Influence Of Parents On Child
- Giving Time To Children
- The Gift Of Self
- The Principle Of Joy

## **Fridays During Lent**

5:30 Evening Prayer at St. Mary

6:30 Stations with Communion at St. Ambrose

7:00 Stations (Spanish) at St. Mary

**All Fridays Of Lent Are Abstinence (7 yrs. and above) Good Friday is Abstinence and Fasting (Age 18-59)**

## **Lighthouse Catholic Media**

A selection of Lighthouse Catholic Media books and CD's are available at greatly reduced prices across from the handicapped restroom at St. Ambrose and in the Church annex or at the LCM display in the vestibule at St. Mary Church. Several titles are available in both English and Spanish.

## **Forty Days-Forty Prayers**

**Want to end abortion?** Through peaceful prayer **40 days for Life** has experienced blessings since it began in 2017: 14,027 confirmed lives have been saved and 94 abortion facilities have permanently closed. Why is this happening? **First, people are praying. Second, people are fasting. Third, people are keeping vigil.** To vigil, sign up between now and March 25th at [www.40daysindy.org](http://www.40daysindy.org).

## **Estimados todos:**

Les saludo con la paz de Cristo!

anexo encontraran una invitacion para un retiro en español para las parejas que se encuentran en proceso de preparacion para recibir el Sacramento del Matrimonio. Esto sera el dia sabado 7 de abril, 2018 de 8:00 AM a 7:00 PM, en la parroquia de Nuestra Señora del Monte Carmelo. Que nuestro Señor continúe guiando a nuestras familias por el camino Sacramental y les fortalezca en sus parroquias.

## **Eucharistic Adoration**

**St. Ambrose Adoration** will be Sunday, March 4th. It will begin after the 9:30 Mass and will close with the Rosary and Benediction at 4:00 PM.

**St. Mary Adoration** is on Thursdays from 2:00 PM to 7:00 PM

**Santa Maria** Adoración es el jueves de 14:00-19:00 PM

## **Need Prayer Intentions**

Parishioners of St. Ambrose and St. Mary will pray for you and your special intentions.

Call Betty Worden (642-0824). You do not have to give your name. Call Betty if you can help with the prayer line.

## **Weekly Scriptures:**

**Sun.** Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18, Rom 8:31b-34, Mk 9:2-10; **Mon.** Dn 9:4b-10, Lk 6:36-38;

**Tues.** Is 1:10, 16-20, Mt 23:1-12; **Wed.** Jer 18:18-20, Mt 20:17-28; **Thurs.** Jer 17:5-10, Lk 16:19-31;

**Fri.** Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a, Mt 21:33-43, 45-46; **Sat.** Mi 7:14-15, 18-20, Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

## **Project Rachel**

If you are suffering after abortion, you may feel very alone. You may have been denied the choice you wanted or the support you needed. Regardless of the circumstances, healing is possible. Our next retreat is scheduled for March 9th-11th. Please contact Project Rachel at 317-452-0054.

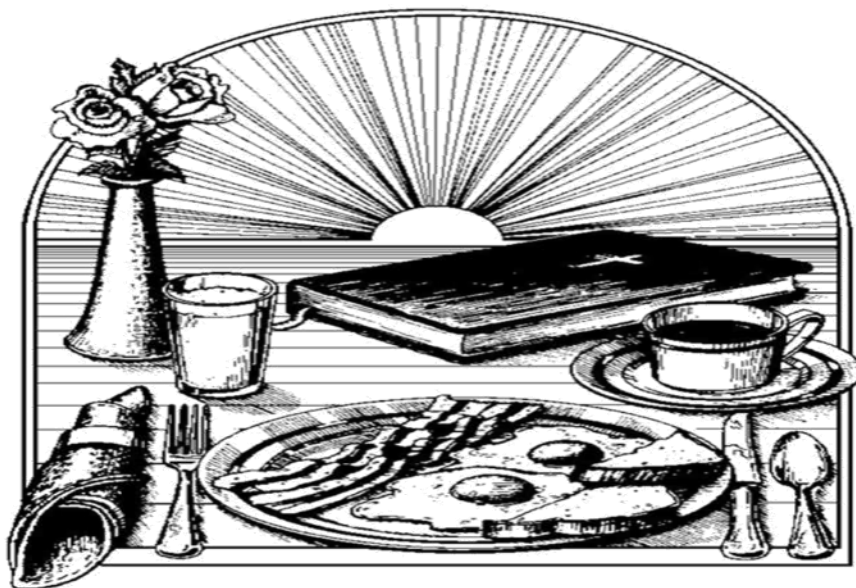
## OUTREACH

**Eucharistic Ministers** are in need for the Nursing Homes and the Homebound for both St. Ambrose and St. Mary. If you feel you are called to help with this ministry please call St. Ambrose 644-5956, St. Mary 644-8467 or Barb Kemp at 643-3977.

**Knight of Columbus** have their fish fries **every Friday during Lent**. The cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children. They are from 5-7:30 PM. Come and join us for good food and friendly company. . . . Bring Friends!

The Knights of Columbus regrets that they **will not** be holding their annual St. Patrick's Day party this year due to a variety of reasons. We are hoping to start it up again in the coming years. We hope you understand and continue to support us and our activities throughout the year. Thank you.

**Men's Lenten Breakfast** is coming to St. Ambrose this year on Saturday, March 3rd. Sign-ups will be available the weekends of Feb. 18th and 25th at both parishes for you to offer breakfast foods and help with this great event. Doors open at 7:00 AM with registration at 7:30 and breakfast at 8:00. Youth from our parishes will be there to serve. Thanks for your generosity!



## MEN'S BREAKFAST

**Please Pray For** all those who are ill or injured, especially the sick and elderly in our parishes.

**The Military in the Middle East:** Josh Fisher, son of Gary and Kathy; Pfc. Cole Gillespie Army Infantry, son of David & Samantha Gillespie; Pvt. Jalen Lewis US Army, son of Stephanie Akin; Specialist Mark Schulten, Sergeant Joseph Schulten, Matthew Schulten HM3, grandsons of Cathy Thompson; Michael Shane Carter Air Force, grandson of Marllon and Emily Carter; Pvt. Caitlyn Fernandez Duarte, granddaughter of Rhonda Cox. Lance Corporal Brock Acra stationed in Okinawa Japan US Marine Corp, son of Greg and Sonia Acra. Specialist Clayton Keogh, US Army, grandson of Tim and Maryfrances Kincaid. YN3 Tyler Brock, son of Karen (O'Connor) Brock.

If you have a family member who is in the service and called to active duty and would like to add their name to a list for special prayers, please call the rectory and give us this information. Let us pray for **PEACE World Wide**. God Bless us all!





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**Dates to remember: February 26th**—ISTEP testing begins

On Monday, February 26th, please join Holy Cross School for stations for the Cross at 9:30 AM at St. Mary Church. The next Stations of the Cross will be on Wednesday, March 7th at 12:30 PM.

The Elementary Boys' Basketball Tournament is this week. Please call the school office or visit the school's web page for times after February 26th for times. Times will be posted as soon as they are made available.

Congratulations to the Middle School Girls' and Boys' Basketball teams. Both teams had amazing seasons.

The South Campus will be visited by Ivy Tech dental students to discuss and explore dental hygiene on Thursday, March 1st. Ivy Tech students and professors always tell us how much they love visiting our school and how wonderful the students are.

If you are interested in being a Substitute Teacher please call Holy Cross School South campus at 642-8428 or North campus at 642-1848.

### **Sunday Religious Education** **Clases de catesismo dominical**

**Parent meeting in the cafeteria on March 4th – 10:40 – 11:20 AM**  
**Reunión de padres en la cafetería el 4 de marzo – 10:40 – 11:20 AM**

**SRE is March 4th, 11th and 18th- 10:35 – 11:25 AM for Kind – 12 grade children**  
**La Clase de SRE es el domingo, 4, 11 y 18 de marzo - 10:35-11:25 AM estudiantes**

**First Communion Class is March 25th – 10:35 – 11:25 AM**

**La Clase de Primera Communi3n es el domingo 25 de marzo – 10:35-11:25**

### **Young Church**

Youth Group meets on Sunday, March 4th at 6PM at St Mary, Holy Cross North school. Come for a meal, games and small group discussion in the school gym.

**All high school youth are invited.** Our meeting will end at 8:00PM

High School **SERVICE** Opportunities

Saturday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> is the Men's Lenten Prayer Breakfast at St Ambrose Cafeteria.

All high school youth are needed to serve. Please email Janice to let her know you will be there.  
[janicestorey9@gmail.com](mailto:janicestorey9@gmail.com) or text to 317-989-5941

## DESDE EL PASTOR

Queridas Hermanas y Hermanos en el Señor:

El Papa Francisco tiene algunas buenas ideas sobre las enseñanzas de la Sagrada Escritura, especialmente en lo que respecta a Nuestro Señor. Recientemente ofreció un reflejo del Evangelio de Marcos 1: 21-28, donde Jesús comienza a enseñar en la sinagoga de Capernaúm. Él dijo: "En el corazón de la lectura de hoy está el evento del exorcismo a través del cual Jesús se presenta como un poderoso profeta en palabra y obra. Entra a la sinagoga de Capernaum un sábado y comienza a enseñar. La gente está asombrada con Sus palabras porque no son palabras comunes. No suenan como los que están acostumbrados a escuchar. De hecho, los escribas enseñan pero no tienen autoridad ... En cambio, Jesús enseña como alguien que tiene autoridad, revelándose a sí mismo como el emisario de Dios, y no un hombre simple que tiene que basar su enseñanza únicamente en tradiciones anteriores.

"Al mismo tiempo, Jesús se revela a sí mismo como poderoso también en hechos .... El poder de Jesús confirma la autoridad de Sus enseñanzas. Él no solo habla con palabras, sino que actúa. De esta manera, Él manifiesta el plan de Dios con palabras y con el poder de sus obras. En el Evangelio, de hecho, vemos que en su misión terrenal, Jesús revela el amor de Dios a través de la predicación y mediante innumerables gestos de atención y ayuda a los enfermos, los necesitados, los niños y los pecadores.

"Jesús es nuestro Instructor, poderoso en palabra y obra. Jesús nos imparte toda la luz que ilumina los caminos a veces oscuros de nuestras vidas. También nos transmite la fuerza necesaria para vencer las dificultades, las pruebas y las tentaciones ... Un maestro y un amigo que nos muestra el camino y nos cuida especialmente cuando lo necesitamos".

Con estas palabras, el Papa nos invita a volvernos a Cristo y lo invitamos a venir a nuestras vidas y transformarnos. No debemos pensar que tenemos que acercarnos a Dios siempre con un tono de voz sumiso y suplicante. ¡A veces pienso que hacemos bien en recordar que Cristo clamó al Padre en voz alta! Se proclama especialmente en el momento de Su crucifixión cuando clama a los cielos: Dios Mío, Dios Mío, ¿por qué Me has abandonado? (Mt 27:46)

Que las Escrituras aseguren que Cristo no nos deja solos; comprender que el Hijo de Dios elige caminar con nosotros, incluso cuando no lo reconocemos; confiarnos a Aquel que nos creó y nos cuida; es la forma en que llevamos a cabo el cambio de corazón que es el sello distintivo de nuestro Viaje Cuaresmal. Que el Señor bendiga tu esfuerzo por descubrir más profundamente su amor permanente dentro y alrededor de ti.

La paz sea contigo, Monseñor

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