



Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
March 3, 2019
Octavo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario
3 marzo 2019



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Dear Sisters and Brothers in the Lord:

At both parish cites there are some changes taking place that merit comment. At long-last for Saint Mary church the “leprosy” column will soon be finished. Thanks to the fine work of Bob Post, a noted craftsman in the area, the plasterwork and repainting of the column should be accomplished by the First Sunday of Lent and the ribbed ceiling by Saint Joseph’s statue has also been repainted.

We still are facing some needed repairs of plaster over the front doorways and the walls in the foyer entrances. Hopefully that can be accomplished in the not too distant future. Mr. Post has agreed to help train craftsmen from the parish who may have an interest in learning how to restore the wooden doors of the church. He is responsible for the restoration of the doors in the past. If anyone would like to learn from him, please notify the offices at Saint Mary (644-8467).

When the present plaster work is complete, we will need to approach the bishop for approval of the Second Phase in the overall plan of restoration for the building; namely, the bell tower. There are parts of its superstructure that are greatly weakened and are in need of repair or replacement. The cost for that phase will be equal to what has been needed for the present project—nearly \$330K!

Anyone who has attended Saint Ambrose in the last two months knows that the flat roof of the church is in drastic need of repair; indeed, replacement. The obstacle course for buckets that are catching drips from the ceiling is increasing week-by-week! The process for getting bids for the roof is underway and will hopefully be able to begin as soon as regular warm weather returns. In addition, consideration is being given to replacing the three HVAC units on the church roof. Two of them are reaching the ten year of life mark and one is not even capable of heating the building due to age related breakdowns. Once that work is complete, it is hoped that the ceiling of the church can be repainted—first with a sealant and then with new paint to renew its original luster. Cost for this necessary replacement of the roof, the HVAC units and the painting should be around \$195K!

In addition to all this, we are still in need of meeting our required commitment for the new Fruitful Harvest Campaign of the diocese, which is woefully being underfunded by contributions to date. I do realize that we are all facing economic challenges, but we cannot forget that part of our commitments in life are to the Faith Community to which we belong. Without our individual help, the benefit for us all will be lacking. Please consider assisting us in as best a financial manner as you are able.

Thank you and may God bless you, Monsignor

Parish Information

	Monday 3/4/2019	Tuesday 3/5/2019	Wednesday 3/6/2019	Thursday 3/7/2019	Friday 3/8/2019	Saturday 3/9/2019
St. Mary	NO MASS	8:00 AM Clara Robinson	8:10 AM Poor Souls 6:30 PM Mary Ann Nivens Bi-lingual	8:00 AM Poor Souls	NO MASS	2:30-3:30 Confessions
St. Ambrose	NO MASS	8:00 AM Sue McCallister	8:10 AM Raymond Novak 6:30 PM Pro Populo	8:00 AM Kathleen Price	8:00 AM Poor Souls	4:00 –5:00 Confessions
Other Locations			11:30 AM St. Vincent Hospital Communion Service		10:30 AM Keystone Woods Robert Stanson	

Liturgical Ministers Schedule

March 9th & 10th	Sat. 4:00 PM St. Mary	Sat. 5:30 PM St. Ambrose	Sun. 7:30 AM St. Mary	Sun. 9:30 AM St. Ambrose	Sun. 11:30 AM St. Mary
Mass Intentions	George Albert Stoner	Martha Leaf	Gerard Lambert	Pro Populo	Issac Leecardova
Reader	Allen Raver	Carol Fite	Ron Buckner	David Biever	Yolanda St. Clair
Eucharistic Ministers	Joanna Greene Joetta Allison Pam Wickens K. Bailey-Evans Mike Scott H	Nate Bell H Regina Albrecht Marvin Coryell	M. Lambert Joe Lambert C. Cukrowicz Irv Noll Josh Noll H	Elliot Zak H Lynn Hensley H Mary Lamper Henry Lamper Angie Pitts Rick Pitts	F. Cazares Moises Cazares Juana SanJaun Mayra Sierra M. Cazares H
Servers	Katie Greene Brent Layton Cory Layton	Simon Bell Kenny Davenport	Irv Noll Carolyn Pitts	Karina Gonzalez Jonathan Gonzalez	Jonathan Limon Y. Rodriguez Roxana Sierra

PARISH COMMUNITY NEWS



<u>Stewardship</u>	
St. Ambrose	\$ 5,276
YTD	\$ 62,901
NTD	\$ 104,000
St. Mary	\$ 9,766
YTD	\$ 73,611
NTD	\$ 144,000
Renovation Fund	\$ 175 (\$158,826 of \$330 K)

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On Line Giving— visit us at the following:

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

Bulletin Advertising

We are undertaking a revision of the current bulletin ads. If you have an interest in presenting a new ad, please contact the parish office by March 15th. All submissions must be in a “doc file” for the computer. Thank you for your consideration in joining the sponsorship of the bulletin.

Pictorial Directory Information

Those who had their picture taken for the new directory and did not pick your copy up at any of the Masses, can pick your copy up at either rectory between 8 AM and 4:30 PM. For those of you who did not have an opportunity to have your picture taken, you may do so next year because the publication will be renewed annually.

Choir for the Lenten Season

There will be a combined, acapella choir singing during Lent on March 17th at both the 7:30 AM Mass at St. Mary and the 9:30 AM Mass at St. Ambrose. Rehearsal is on Sunday mornings at 9:00 AM at St. Mary. For singers who can't make it on Sunday mornings, there will be practice at St. Ambrose at 9:00 AM on Saturday, March 9th. All are welcome to join us!

Mother Seton Ladies will meet for lunch at 11:30 AM on March 4th, at Perkin's.

On behalf of our entire Bollman Family, may we extend our sincere and grateful thank yous to both parishes for the generous donations to our recent fundraiser. We raised \$1163.00 which will be added to our general fund as we continue our fundraising via the Indiana C.O.P.S. sponsored “Go Fund Me Page” and our other upcoming events. We are truly blessed! (From) Ron and Nancy Bollman and our 21 other family members.

“Lord, it is good to give thanks to You.”

(Psalm 92:2)

SPIRITUAL LIFE

Eucharistic Adoration

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

Santa Maria la Adoración de Santa Maria es los jueves de 2:00 a 7:00 PM.

Forty Days-Forty Prayers

The **40 Days For Life 2019 Spring Campaign** begins **Wednesday, March 6th through April 4th**. Please pick up at the entrances of the churches **“FORTY DAYS-FORTY PRAYERS”** and join your prayers to those of other Christians who will also be participating in this campaign to save the lives of pre-born children.

Want to help end abortion? Through the peaceful prayer of over 750,000 individuals, **40 Days for Life** has experienced the following results since it began in 2007: **15,256** preborn babies have been saved **186** abortion workers have quit their jobs and **99** abortion facilities have permanently closed. Why is this happening and what can you do?

Beginning Wednesday March 6th:

Pray. “Forty Days-Forty-Prayers” sheets are available at the church entrances.

Fast. You can join other area believers in giving up some favorite item or activity, or eating just 3 small meals a day and no snacks for these 40 days.

If possible **join others in a peaceful prayer vigil** in front of Planned Parenthood, 8590 Georgetown Rd. Indianapolis. To vigil, sign up between now and April 14th at www.40daysindy.org.

Adult Confirmation Classes have begun. If you are out of high school and have not yet been confirmed but have received the sacraments of Baptism and First Communion this class may be for you. Confirmation by the Bishop will take place at St Ambrose on Wednesday, May 22, 2019. **Please call Janice at 644-8467 to register for this class!** Classes continue on the following Wednesdays, March 20, April 24, and May 15. We will meet in the rectory at St. Mary Church from 6-7:30 PM.

RCIA—Faith journeys begin at all times of the year. If you have questions about becoming Catholic, this is the place for you! Sessions meet Tuesday evenings from 6:30-8:00 in the school annex at Holy Cross North. You are welcome to learn more in a non-judgmental environment.

TMIY-This Man Is You

For more information, call Mike Evans at (765) 602-0306; or, email evansrb@comcast.net or go to TMIY.org. Give God your time to make a better YOU!

March 9 Session 21: Evolution and Faith

- Dr. Baglow is back for the Last Time
- The Church and Evolution
- Can We Believe Parts of the Evolution Theory?
- What Can't We Believe as Catholics?
- The Heresy of Evolutionism
- Avoiding Theological Assumptions
- The Providence of God
- Going Deeper than Darwin

Weekly Scriptures:

Sun. Sir 27:4-7, 1 Cor 15:54-58, Lk 6:39-45; **Mon.** Sir 17:20-24, Mk 10:17-27; **Tues.** Sir 35:1-12, Mk 10:28-31; **Wed.** JI 2:12-18, 2 Cor 5:20—6:2, Mt 6:1-6, 16-18; **Thurs.** Dt 30:15-20, Lk 9:22-25; **Fri.** Is 58:1-9a, Mt 9:14-15; **Sat.** Is 58:9b-14, Lk 5:27-32

OUTREACH

St. Augustine of Hippo once said: “To fall in love with God is the greatest romance; to seek Him the greatest adventure; to find Him, the greatest human achievement.”

Prayer—Come join our seminarian Elliot Zak as we seek the face of God and learn some basics about prayer. This is a 3-part series on Monday’s from 7PM - 8:15PM in the Old Library at Holy Cross South. Part 1 is March 11th, part 2 is March 25th, and part 3 is April 1st.

Online Lenten Bible Study—Looking for some spiritual nourishment during this upcoming Lent? Walk through Salvation History going from Genesis to Jesus in a twelve part Biblical video series starting Ash Wednesday, March 6th. It’s online so you can go at your convenience, and it’s free! Sign up today at <https://stpaulcenter.com/streaming/>. Questions? See our seminarian, Elliot Zac for more details.

St. Vincent de Paul will be at the church doors next weekend. Please remember the needy in our community.

“We Can Care” Is a Collaborative Ministry of St. Ambrose and St. Mary Churches in Anderson for St. Vincent de Paul. The boxes will be at the entrances of both churches to receive your donations. Monetary donations can be placed in the orange boxes.

The collection on March 10th & 11th will be Beef stew / Hearty soup. Your participation will be greatly appreciated by the hungry families of Madison County.

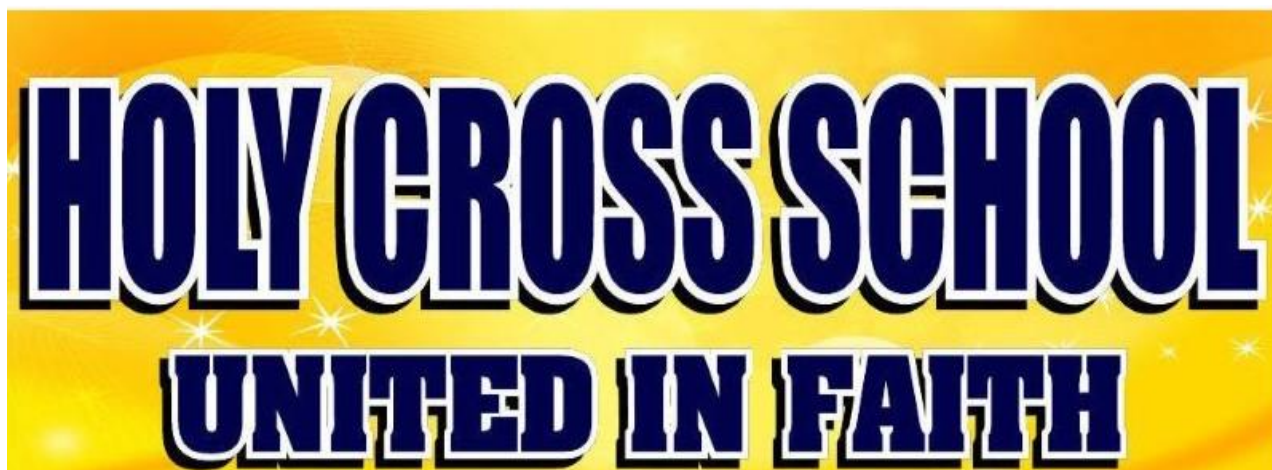
Knights of Columbus - Our Lenten fish fries will begin on Friday, March 8th from 5-7:30 PM and run throughout Lent. Hope to see you there!

Special 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. Please call Betty if you can help with the prayer line.

Reflection—All are invited to join members of St. Ambrose and St. Mary Parishes to reflect on the coming Sunday’s Mass readings each Tuesday from 9:30 to 10:30AM at Holy Cross North school annex.

What is a Small Christian Community? A Small Christian Community is a group of 8-12 adults or families who come together weekly to share their stories with one another and to reflect on the Sunday Scriptures. SCC groups are not just about meeting individual needs, they are also about building up the parish community and strengthening the life and mission of the parish. Come join us. Sign-ups are available this weekend. SCC Groups usually meet for six weeks. They will begin the week of March 3 and end the week of April 7th. Can you meet six times with your parish community and share your faith? Join us and pray: “Come, Holy Spirit!”

The “Poor and Hungry will always be among us”. The **Catholic Community of Anderson Soup Kitchen Ministry** is in need of men and women willing to serve soup, crackers, fruit, and cheese at Alternative Shelter for Women and Children and the Christian Center Shelter for Men. **Meal time at Alternatives is 11:45 AM-12:30 PM on the second and last Wednesday of each month. Meal time at the Christian Center is 4:15 -6:15 PM. Two meals are served at the Christian Center. The first is for the residents. The second is for the men, women, and children of the community of large.** If you are interested in serving the hungry, please call Ron Cole at 779-4302 for information.



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Holy Cross School Literacy Night with author/illustrator Dave Slonim at the North Campus Gym at 6 PM. Pizza dinner & a free autographed Dave Slonim book for students!

Congratulations to Mrs. Suzanne Bell! She won the Anderson Noon Exchange Max Beigh Excellence in Education Award. We are proud and thankful for her dedicated work at Holy Cross School.

2n Grade Wax Museum is March 15th from 1:30-2 PM. Please visit the North Campus Gym to learn about famous Americans.

Young Church

High School Youth are invited to gather in the Assembly Hall at St. Ambrose Church on Sunday, March 17th from 2-3:30 PM. Looking forward to seeing you there! Bring a friend, all are welcome!
 Test your drone flying skills!

Sunday Religious Education

SRE class on Sunday, March 10, 17 & 24 from 10:35—11:25 @ Holy Cross North
 First Communion Class Sunday March 3 from 10:35—11:25 @ Holy Cross North annex
 Confirmation Class Sunday March 3 from 2—3:30 PM in the Assembly Hall at St Ambrose Church

Clases de Catecismo Dominical

Clases de catecismo el 10, 17 y 24 de marzo 10:35—11:25 @ Holy Cross North
 Primera Communion clase el 3 de marzo - 10:35—11:25 @ Holy Cross North
 Clase de Confirmación el 3 de marzo 14:00—15:30 @ St Ambrose Assembly Hall

DESDE EL PASTOR

Queridas Hermanas y Hermanos en el Señor:

En ambas citas parroquiales hay algunos cambios que tienen lugar que merecen un comentario. Por fin, para la iglesia de Santa María, la columna de "lepra" pronto estará terminada. Gracias al excelente trabajo de Bob Post, un destacado artesano de la zona, el trabajo de escayola y repintado de la columna debe realizarse antes del Primer domingo de Cuaresma y el techo acanalado de la estatua de San José también se ha repintado.

Todavía estamos enfrentando algunas reparaciones necesarias de yeso en las puertas delanteras y las paredes en las entradas del vestíbulo. Esperemos que se pueda lograr en un futuro no muy lejano. El Sr. Post acordó ayudar a capacitar a los artesanos de la parroquia que puedan tener interés en aprender cómo restaurar las puertas de madera de la iglesia. Es el responsable de la restauración de las puertas en el pasado. Si alguien desea aprender de él, notifique a las oficinas en Saint Mary (644-8467).

Cuando se complete el trabajo de yeso actual, tendremos que acercarnos al obispo para la aprobación de la Segunda Fase en el plan general o restauración del edificio; A saber, el campanario. Hay partes de su superestructura que están muy debilitadas y que necesitan reparación o reemplazo. El costo para esa fase será igual a lo que se ha necesitado para el proyecto actual: ¡casi \$ 330K!

Cualquiera que haya asistido a San Ambrosio en los últimos dos meses sabe que el techo plano de la iglesia necesita una reparación drástica; de hecho, el reemplazo. ¡La carrera de obstáculos para los cubos que atrapan gotas del techo aumenta cada semana! El proceso para obtener las ofertas para el techo está en marcha y se espera que pueda comenzar tan pronto como regrese el clima cálido. Además, se está considerando la posibilidad de reemplazar las tres unidades de HVAC en el techo de la iglesia. Dos de ellos están llegando a los diez años de vida y uno ni siquiera es capaz de calentar el edificio debido a averías relacionadas con la edad. Una vez que se complete el trabajo, se espera que el techo de la iglesia se pueda pintar, primero con un sellador y luego con pintura nueva para renovar su brillo original. ¡El costo para este reemplazo necesario del techo, las unidades de HVAC y la pintura debe ser de alrededor de \$ 195K!

Además de todo esto, todavía necesitamos cumplir con nuestro compromiso requerido para la nueva Campaña de cosecha fructífera de la diócesis, que lamentablemente no está financiada por las contribuciones hasta la fecha. Me doy cuenta de que todos enfrentamos desafíos económicos, pero no podemos olvidar que parte de nuestros compromisos en la vida son con la Comunidad de Fe a la que pertenecemos. Sin nuestra ayuda individual, faltará el beneficio para todos nosotros. Por favor considere ayudarnos de la mejor manera financiera que pueda.

Gracias y que Dios te bendiga, Monseñor.

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