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Dear Sisters and Brothers in the Lord:

We may all remember how last week's Gospel from St. Luke (13:22-30) presented the question to Jesus about how many might be saved. Pope Francis offers us an interesting insight into this dialogue. He states that there are "several ways to interpret Scriptures on this issue, depending on the texts chosen. Jesus, however, reverses the question—which stresses quantity, that is 'are they few?'—and instead places the question in the context of responsibility, inviting us to make good use of the present. Indeed, He says: 'Strive to enter by the narrow door; for many I tell you, will seek to enter and will not be able.' (v. 24)

"With these words, Jesus makes it clear that it is not a matter of numbers, there is no 'limited number' in Paradise! Rather, it is a case of taking the right way from now on...This is the problem. Jesus does not want to give us false hopes...He tells us things as they truly are: the doorway is narrow in the sense that in order to save oneself, one has to love God and neighbor, and this is uncomfortable...because it is demanding. It requires commitment, indeed, 'effort' that is a determined and persevering willingness to live according to the Gospel....The Lord will recognize us only for our humble life and a good life, a life of faith that resulted in good works.

"...For us Christians, this means that we are called to establish a true communion with Jesus, praying, going to Church, staying near to the Sacraments and nourishing ourselves by His Word. This keeps us in the faith, nourishes our hope, and rekindles our charity. And thus, with God's grace, we can and must live our lives for the good of our brothers and sisters, fighting against every kind of evil and injustice.

"May the Virgin Mary help us...She went through the narrow door that is Jesus. She welcomed Him with all her heart and she followed Him every day of her life, even when she did not understand, even when a sword pierced her soul. This is why we invoke her as 'Mary, Gate of Heaven'—a gate that traces the form of Jesus precisely; the door of God's heart, a demanding heart but one that is open to us all." Pope Francis gives hope to us all that by following the example of Our Blessed Mother we will open our own hearts to make a pathway for her Son, Our Savior, to enter into communion with us and lead us along the pathway to His Kingdom. May the grace of God grant each of us the opportunity to do just that.

Peace be with you, Monsignor

DESDE EL PASTOR

Queridas hermanas y hermanos en el Señor:

Todos podemos recordar cómo el Evangelio de San Lucas de la semana pasada (13: 22-30) presentó la pregunta a Jesús sobre cuántos podrían salvarse. El Papa Francisco nos ofrece una visión interesante de este diálogo. Afirma que hay "varias formas de interpretar las Escrituras sobre este tema, dependiendo de los textos elegidos. Sin embargo, Jesús invierte la pregunta, que enfatiza la cantidad, es decir, "¿son pocos?", Y en su lugar coloca la pregunta en el contexto de responsabilidad, invitándonos a hacer un buen uso del presente. De hecho, Él dice: 'Esfuézate por entrar por la puerta angosta; para muchos, les digo, buscarán ingresar y no podrán ". (v. 24)

“¡Con estas palabras, Jesús deja en claro que no se trata de números, no hay 'número limitado' en el Paraíso! Más bien, se trata de tomar el camino correcto de ahora en adelante ... Este es el problema. Jesús no quiere darnos falsas esperanzas ... Nos dice las cosas como realmente son: la puerta es estrecha en el sentido de que para salvarse, uno tiene que amar a Dios y al prójimo, y esto es incómodo ... porque es exigente . Requiere compromiso, de hecho, 'esfuerzo' que es una voluntad decidida y perseverante de vivir de acuerdo con el Evangelio ... El Señor nos reconocerá solo por nuestra vida humilde y buena vida, una vida de fe que resultó en buenas obras.

“... Para nosotros los cristianos, esto significa que estamos llamados a establecer una verdadera comunión con Jesús, orando, yendo a la Iglesia, manteniéndonos cerca de los sacramentos y alimentándonos de Su Palabra. Esto nos mantiene en la fe, alimenta nuestra esperanza y reaviva nuestra caridad. Y así, con la gracia de Dios, podemos y debemos vivir nuestras vidas por el bien de nuestros hermanos y hermanas, luchando contra todo tipo de maldad e injusticia.

“Que la Virgen María nos ayude ... Ella entró por la puerta estrecha que es Jesús. Ella lo recibió con todo su corazón y lo siguió todos los días de su vida, incluso cuando no lo entendió, incluso cuando una espada atravesó su alma. Es por eso que la invocamos como "María, Puerta del Cielo", una puerta que traza con precisión la forma de Jesús; la puerta del corazón de Dios, un corazón exigente pero que está abierto para todos nosotros ”. El Papa Francisco nos da la esperanza de que, siguiendo el ejemplo de Nuestra Santísima Madre, abriremos nuestros propios corazones para abrir un camino para su Hijo, Nuestro Salvador, para entrar en comunión con nosotros y guiarnos por el camino hacia Su Reino. Que la gracia de Dios nos conceda a cada uno de nosotros la oportunidad de hacer precisamente eso.

La paz sea con usted, Monseñor

Parish Information

	Monday 9/9/2019	Tuesday 9/10/2019	Wednesday 9/11/2019	Thursday 9/12/2019	Friday 9/13/2019	Saturday 9/14/2019
St. Mary	8:00 AM Intentions of Miquel Cazares	NO MASS	NO MASS	8:10 AM Marie Ainsworth	NO MASS	2:30-3:30 Confessions
St. Ambrose	NO MASS	NO MASS	NO MASS	NO MASS	8:10 AM Betty Brownfield	4:00-5:00 Confessions
Other Locations			11:30 AM St. Vincent Hospital Int. of Miquel and Dayda Cazares		10:30 AM Keystone Woods Andrew Sandala	

Liturgical Ministers Schedule

September 14th and 15th	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	Patrick Wildman	Dr. & Mrs. Charles Armington	Deceased members of the Lanane Family	Family of Tello Martinez	Pro Populo
Reader	Allen Raver	Carol Fite	Ron Buckner	Ron Bollman	Constantino Sanjuan
Eucharistic Ministers	Paul McKinney Cheryl McKinney Joyce Stoner H Joan Sauter Kim Bailey- Evans	Marvin Coryell H Cathy Thompson Volunteer	M. Lambert Carol Cukrowicz Mike Burns Linda Ratliff Joe Lambert H	Barb Pittsford H Gerald Pittsord H Rebecca Degitz Mary Lamper Henry Lamper Mary Lavelle	Marcela Ibarra M. Cazares Evelin Reyes Jose Ibarra Mayra Sierra H
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PARISH COMMUNITY NEWS



Stewardship

St. Ambrose	\$ 11,092
YTD	\$ 274,619
NTD	\$ 455,000
Roofs Matching Fund	\$ 47,044

St. Mary	\$ 10,258
YTD	\$ 326,768
NTD	\$ 630,000
Renovation Fund	\$ 1,811 (\$188,887 of \$330 K)

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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:

September 28 & 29—St. Vincent de Paul will be selling mums after all the Masses at both churches.

September 29—St. Vincent de Paul Church Concert at First United Methodist Church at 6:00 PM.

Saint Padre Pio Relics

The Diocese of Lafayette-in-Indiana and St. Patrick's Church in Kokomo will be hosting the relics of St. Padre Pio. The public veneration of the relics will take place on Monday, September 16th from 9 AM—5:30 PM Eastern Daylight Time at St. Patrick's Church in Kokomo, IN. There will be a Mass at 6 PM that evening. Other dioceses have said that they have had upwards of 10,000 people travel from surrounding states to view these relics.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

We need catechists for K--6th Grades, inclusive. Being a catechist is one of the most important and valuable tasks that God can entrust to a person for the formation of souls to learn what it means to love God and receive eternal life. Being a catechist is a privilege! You do not need to have experience, just the desire to evangelize those interested, please contact Laura Torres @ 765-644-8467 Ext: 323.

Necesitamos catequistas para los grados K - 6 Grades, inclusive. Ser catequista es una de las tareas más importantes y valiosas que Dios puede confiar a una persona para la formación de almas para aprender lo que significa amar a Dios y recibir la vida eterna. ¡Ser catequista es un privilegio! No es necesario que haya experimentado solo el deseo de evangelizar a los interesados, comuníquese con Laura al 765-644-8467 x 323.

BAPTISM PREPARATION

Pre-baptismal classes in Spanish will be held on the first Wednesday of each month. Pre-baptismal classes in English will be held on the fourth Wednesday of each month. Those interested should fill out the baptismal preparation form beforehand, which you can get from the priest in the sacristy of St. Ambrose or St. Mary.

Las clases pre-bautismales en español se van a realizar el primer miércoles de cada mes. Las clases pre-bautismales en inglés se van a realizar el cuarto miércoles de cada mes. Los interesados deben de llenar el registro para preparación bautismal con anterioridad, que puedes obtener del sacerdote en la sacristía de San Ambrosio o Santa María.

Grieving with Great HOPE-Grief Support Workshop

Grieving with Great HOPE is a five-week grief support workshop series that offers a prayerful, practical and personal approach for anyone who is mourning the loss of a loved one. If you have lost a spouse, a child (including pregnancy loss), a grandchild, a parent, another family member or a friend, you are encouraged to attend. Presenters will include Fr. Michael Suhy, Fr. John Riccardo as well as John and Sandy O'Shaughnessy from Good Mourning Ministry, Monsignor Robert Sell and a local Catholic bereavement facilitator. Contact either parish office for details and registration.

Made possible through the support of Brown, Butz and Diedring Funeral Service & Crematory.
Sessions will be held in St. Mary School Annex 6:30-8:30 PM Tuesdays October 1,8,15,22; and 29.
Cost for the workshop is \$10 per person and includes a workbook.

Eucharistic Adoration

St. Mary 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.

MEMBERS OF ST. AMBROSE AND ST. MARY PARISHES MEET TO REFLECT ON THE COMING SUNDAY'S MASS READINGS each Tuesday from 9:30 AM until 10:30 AM at Primrose Retirement Communities, 1118 W Cross St. on the 2nd floor in the first meeting room to the left as you get off the elevator. It is handicapped accessible.

**“In every age O Lord, You have been our refuge.”
(Psalm 90:1)**

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.

St. Vincent de Paul

Friends of the Poor will be hosting a church concert on September 29th at 6:00 PM at the First United Methodist Church. Four church choirs who do ministry to the poor in the inner city of Anderson will perform. Those churches are St. Mary, First United Methodist, First Presbyterian and Central Christian. The cost will be a free will offering. Silent auction baskets will also be available for bidding.

Indiana Catholic Men's Conference 2019

Men of all ages: REGISTER NOW for the Thirteenth Annual Indiana Catholic Men's Conference, which will be held Saturday, October 5th at the Indiana Convention Center. Join men from across Indiana and nationally known Catholic speakers, Fr. Michael Lightner and Roy Schoeman, as well as one of the most popular Catholic speakers and authors in the United States, Fr. Donald Calloway. Mass will be celebrated at St. John the Evangelist by Rev. Rick Nagle and our Master of Ceremonies will be Fr. Michael Keucher. Invite you son, father, and/or a friend for the wonderful, spirit filled day. Early registration discounts, as well as Group, Student and Deacon rates available. This event satisfies the K of C "Spiritual Reflection" requirement. For more information or to register, go to www.indianacatholicmen.com.

Weekly Scriptures:

Sun. Wis 9:13-18b, Phlm 9-10, 12-17, Lk 14:25-33; **Mon.** Col 1:24-2:3, Lk 6:6-11; **Tues.** Col 2:6-15, Lk 6:12-19; **Wed.** Col 3:1-11, Lk 6:20-26; **Thurs.** Col 3:12-17, Lk 6:27-38; **Fri.** Tm 1:1-2, 12-14, Lk 6:39-42; **Sat.** Nm 21:4b-9, Phil 2:6-11, Jn 3:13-17

OUTREACH

St. Vincent de Paul

“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 September 14th & 15th will be Beef Stew / Hearty Soup. Your participation will be greatly appreciated by the hungry families of Madison County. Please remember those less fortunate than ourselves.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Saturday, September 14th, we will be serving our famous chicken dinner from 4-7 PM. Prices are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children. On Saturday, Oct. 19th, there will be a Gibault Benefit Tournament. Entry Fee is \$20.00 per team. That includes a corn hole tournament, food and refreshments will be available to purchase. A free sandwich with each entry and cash prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places. You can register using the sign up sheets located at St. Mary and St. Ambrose or email Dave Kroll at dkrollman@gmail.com. We will be having a busy October, so watch this space for more information.

SOUP KITCHEN MENU

The **Catholic Community of Anderson Soup Kitchen Ministry** is in need of men and women willing to prepare soup for the Soup Kitchen Ministry. There are several openings at this time. All supplies are furnished. You prepare the soup at home and return the soup to St. Mary's School Annex. For more information call Ron Cole at 779-4302.

St. Ambrose and St. Mary Churches

The Hispanic Ministry is calling the entire Hispanic community to be part of its formation and leadership by sharing the gifts given by the Holy Spirit with the community. If you are interested in being part of this blessed group, complete the information found on the paper at the end of the pew and place it in the collection.

El Ministerio Hispano está haciendo un llamado a toda la comunidad hispana a que sea parte de su formación y liderazgo compartiendo los dones dados por el Espíritu Santo con la comunidad. Si está interesado en ser parte de este bendecido grupo complete la información que se encuentra en el papel al final del banco y colóquela en la colección.

The Hispanic Community of Anderson is invited to an organization meeting on September 4th from 6:30 to 8:00 PM in the cafeteria of St. Mary Church. The purpose of the meeting is to help review and renew different working groups within the Hispanic Community. All are welcome to attend.

La comunidad hispana de Anderson está invitada a una reunión de la organización el 4 de septiembre de 6:30 a 8:00 PM en la cafetería de la Iglesia de St. Mary. El propósito de la reunión es ayudar a revisar y renovar diferentes grupos de trabajo dentro de la comunidad hispana. Todos son bienvenidos para asistir.

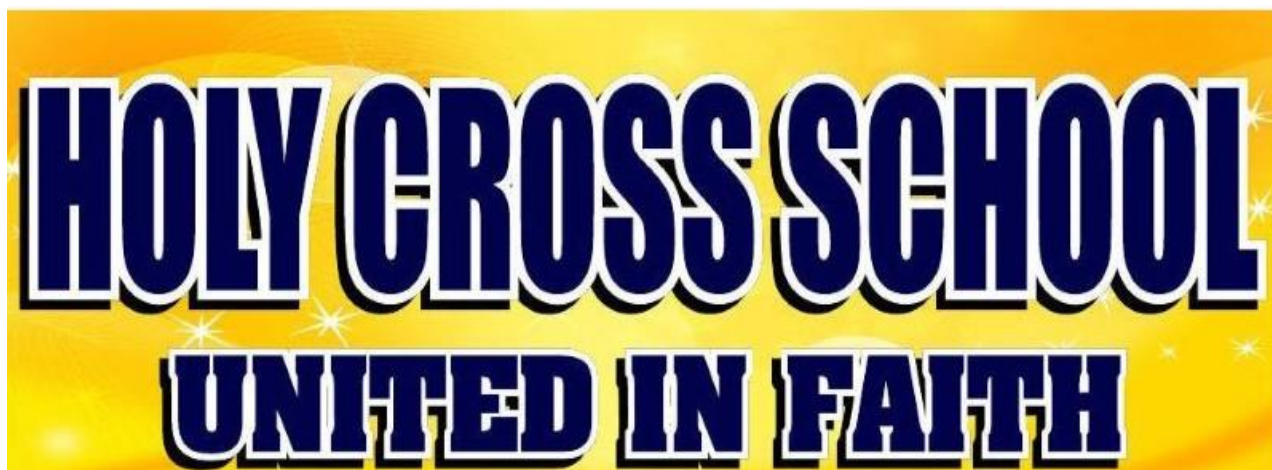
HOLY LAND ARTIFACTS

The Alfred Salsa family from Michigan will be at both parishes the weekend of September 14 and 15 to offer wood carvings from the Holy Land for sale after all the Masses **BUT NOT AFTER THE 11:30 ON SUNDAY**.

Please plan for your Christmas purchases early and help support the Christian families in the Holy Land.

La familia Alfred Salsa de Michigan estará en ambas parroquias el fin de semana del 14 y 15 de septiembre para ofrecer tallados en madera de Tierra Santa a la venta después de todas las misas, **PERO NO DESPUÉS DE LAS 11:30 DEL DOMINGO**. Planifique sus compras navideñas temprano y ayude a apoyar a las familias cristianas en Tierra Santa.

Legion of Mary is about bringing the heart of Mary (“to Jesus through Mary”) to our homebound & ill parishioners through prayer and SPIRITUAL *Works of Mercy. (SVDP society members focus on the CORPORAL works of mercy). If you are interested in this please call Alan Raver (765) 615-1939, Ruth Strittmatter (765) 642-6944, Jeanné Papai (541) 908-1032 or Pat McGee (765) 602-3087.



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The school is in need of substitute teachers. Please contact the school for an application.

Would you like to volunteer at school? Put together a special event for students & families? Listen to students read? Make copies for teachers? If you are able to do any of these opportunities, please contact the school office at 765-642-8428.

September 18th is an E-Learning Day. All teachers will be traveling to Lafayette to participate in the Diocese of Lafayette Teacher Day.

Holy Cross School will NOT be collecting plastic lids, but will be collecting Coke Rewards (caps, 12 & 24 pack coupon codes inside the boxes), empty ink cartridges, pop tabs (please send in about 100 at a time, you do not need to count), used postage stamps, and Box Tops for Education. We still recycle newspaper, magazines, and junk mail. We earned almost \$600 from Coke Rewards just last year! Coke Rewards money went towards are bus fee, pizza lunch and bowling on Field Day last year.

Young Church

Prime Rib Dinner—Save the date for a scrumptious Prime Rib Dinner on November 9th. Our high school youth who are attending the National Catholic Youth Conference will be holding a Prime Rib Dinner Fund-raiser after the 4 PM Mass in the St. Mary Cafeteria. You don't want to miss this fabulous meal cooked by our own Paul McKinney and served by the youth. Tickets will be sold after Masses in the upcoming weeks.

2019 National Catholic Youth Conference registrations available now!!

It will be November 21-23 in Indianapolis, Indiana

Call or Email now if you are interested!

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