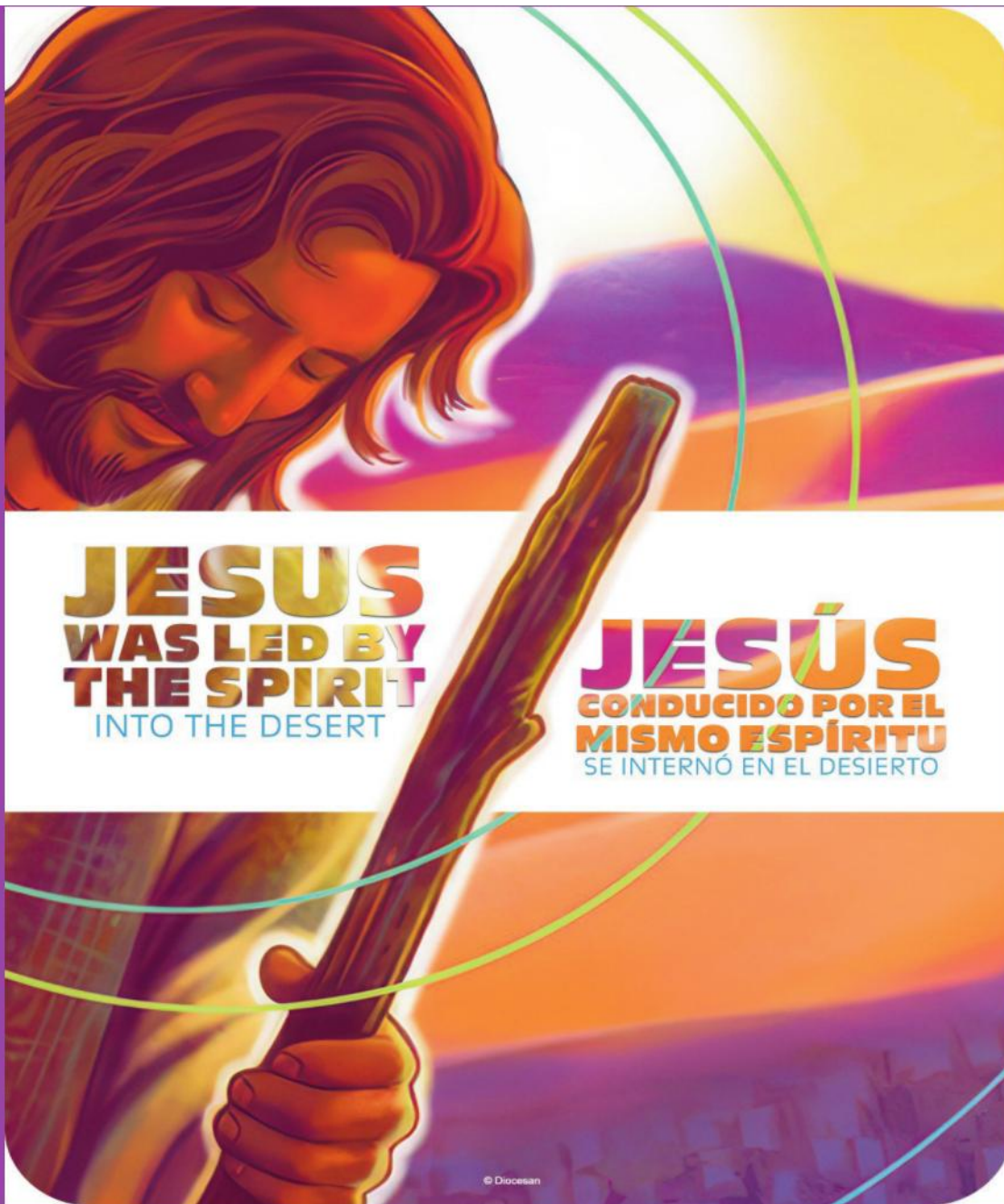




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1ST SUNDAY OF LENT
PRIMER DOMINGO DE CUARESMA
MARCH 9, 2025

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OFF THE TOP OF MY HEAD...

Last Sunday at Holy Cross School North, we held our “Know Your Rights” immigration information session, which was open to the public. There were “only” 65 in attendance, but we will do our best to share the information with others who would find it beneficial.

That’s one reason for today’s column. The other is to share the information with those who will not benefit from it directly because they don’t anticipate any interaction with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE). It’s just good information to share. So here we go:

- There are 6,000 ICE agents in the country, and 12,000,000 undocumented immigrants. That’s a ratio of 1:2000.
- There have been NO known visits by ICE to any school in Indiana since January 20, 2025.
- Undocumented immigrants have the right to remain silent in any encounter with an ICE agent.
- Undocumented immigrants have the right to refuse access to their home, any kind of search, and any request for legal identification, unless the ICE agent presents a judicial warrant, signed by a judge.
- Undocumented immigrants have the right to speak to an attorney. (A good IMMIGRATION attorney is recommended.)
- Undocumented immigrants are not required to sign any documents presented by an ICE agent.
- Most ICE agents do not speak Spanish; many undocumented immigrants do not speak fluent English.
- It is permissible for ICE agents to attend Mass and other public functions. However, ICE agents do not have the right to simply detain anyone present in the church without a judicial warrant, as described above.
- ICE agents have rarely, IF EVER, requested and received any information from churches or schools that would lead to any contact between ICE and any immigrant (or other) parish or school family.

Now my comments:

- It’s clear that my preferences lie with our immigrant population, which does not equate to my being against any other population.
- I am encouraging immigrants to assert their legal rights, not to do anything illegal.
- The vast majority of undocumented immigrants are not guilty of any crimes, other than the “crime” of being in the US without proper documentation. Immigrants—including undocumented immigrants—are less likely to commit crimes than citizens born in the U.S.

What does all this have to do with Lent? With the dying and rising of Christ? Everything. As do the worries, fears, hopes and joys of everyone, regardless of any status or category.

Fr. Tom Metzger

March 9, 2025



PENSAMIENTOS DEL PADRE TOM...

El domingo pasado, en la escuela Holy Cross School North, llevamos a cabo nuestra sesión de información sobre migración “Conozca sus derechos”, que estuvo abierta al público. “Solo” hubo 65 asistentes, pero haremos todo lo posible para compartir la información con otras personas a quienes les resulte útil.

Esa es una de las razones de la columna de hoy. La otra es compartir la información con aquellos que no se beneficiarán directamente de ella porque no prevén ninguna interacción con el Servicio de Inmigración y Control de Aduanas de los Estados Unidos (ICE). Es simplemente buena información para compartir. Así que aquí les va:

- Hay 6,000 agentes de ICE en el país y 12,000,000 de inmigrantes indocumentados. Esa es una proporción de 1:2000.
- No se ha conocido que ICE haya visitado ninguna escuela en Indiana desde el 20 de enero de 2025.
- Los inmigrantes indocumentados tienen derecho a permanecer en silencio en cualquier encuentro con un agente de ICE. Los inmigrantes indocumentados tienen derecho a negar el acceso a su hogar, cualquier tipo de registro y cualquier solicitud de identificación legal, a menos que el agente de ICE presente una orden judicial firmada por un juez.
- Los inmigrantes indocumentados tienen derecho a hablar con un abogado. (Se recomienda un buen abogado de INMIGRACIÓN).
- Los inmigrantes indocumentados no están obligados a firmar ningún documento presentado por un agente de ICE.
- La mayoría de los agentes de ICE no hablan español; muchos inmigrantes indocumentados no hablan inglés con fluidez.
- Se permite que los agentes de ICE asistan a misa y otras funciones públicas. Sin embargo, los agentes de ICE no tienen derecho a detener simplemente a cualquier persona presente en la iglesia sin una orden judicial, como se describió anteriormente.
- Los agentes de ICE rara vez, SI ACASO ALGUNA VEZ, han solicitado y recibido información de iglesias o escuelas que pudiera llevar a algún contacto entre ICE y cualquier familia de parroquia o escuela inmigrante (o no inmigrante).

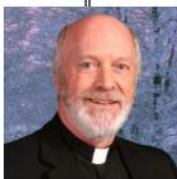
Ahora mis comentarios:

- Está claro que mis preferencias están con nuestra población inmigrante, lo que no equivale a que esté en contra de cualquier otra población.
- Estoy animando a los inmigrantes a que hagan valer sus derechos legales, no a que hagan algo ilegal.
- La gran mayoría de los inmigrantes indocumentados no son culpables de ningún delito, salvo el “delito” de estar en los EE. UU. sin la documentación adecuada. Los inmigrantes, incluidos los inmigrantes indocumentados, tienen menos probabilidades de cometer delitos que los ciudadanos nacidos en los EE. UU.

¿Qué tiene que ver todo esto con la Cuaresma? ¿Con la muerte y resurrección de Cristo? Tiene todo que ver. Al igual que las preocupaciones, los miedos, las esperanzas y las alegrías de todos, independientemente de su estatus o categoría.

Padre Tom Metzger

a 9 de marzo de 2025



ADORATION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT WILL TAKE PLACE NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 16TH, FROM 9:30AM TO 12:30PM AT ST. MARY CHURCH IN ALEXANDRIA.

*HABRÁ **ADORACIÓN AL SANTÍSIMO SACRAMENTO** EL PRÓXIMO DOMINGO 16 DE MARZO DE LAS 9:30AM HASTA LAS 12:30PM, EN LA IGLESIA DE ST. MARY EN ALEXANDRIA.*



The Masses at St. Mary Alexandria can be watched remotely. Go to the website, stambrosestmary.org, and scroll down to "Livestream."

Las misas en St. Mary Alexandria se transmiten en vivo. Visite el sitio web, stambrosestmary.org, y baje hasta donde dice "Livestream."

MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS FOR THE WEEK INTENCIONES Y LECTURAS DE LAS MISAS

MONDAY, MARCH 10 / LUNES, 10 DE MARZO

Leviticus 19:1-2, 11-18 / Matthew 25:31-46

8:00 AM St. Mary, Anderson +Mary Jane McKinley

TUESDAY, MARCH 11 / MARTES, 11 DE MARZO

Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19; Mt 6:7-15

8:00 AM St. Ambrose, Anderson Intentions of R. Kurt Buckman

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12 / MIÉRCOLES, 12 DE MARZO

Jonah 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32

8:00 AM St. Mary, Alexandria Moehlenkamp & Steven family

11:30 AM St. Vincent Hospital, Anderson +Patrick Wildman

THURSDAY, MARCH 13 / JUEVES, 13 DE MARZO

Esther C:12, 14-16, 23-25 / Matthew 7:7-12

8:15 AM St. Mary, Anderson +Rosemary Metzger

7:00 PM St. Mary, Anderson (Spanish) +Carlos Benito Ibarra

FRIDAY, MARCH 14 / VIERNES, 14 DE MARZO

Ezekiel 18:21-28 / Matthew 5:20-26

8:00 AM St. Mary, Alexandria +Rosalie Metzger

8:10 AM St. Ambrose, Anderson +Paul Backous

SATURDAY, MARCH 15 / SÁBADO, 15 DE MARZO

Deuteronomy 26:16-19 / Matthew 5:43-48

4:00 PM St. Mary, Anderson *** +Rosalie Metzger

4:30 PM St. Mary, Alexandria +Trudi Schouten

SUNDAY, MARCH 16 / DOMINGO, 16 DE FEBRERO

Second Sunday of Lent

Gen 15:5-12, 17-18 / Philippians 3:17-4:1 / Luke 9:28b-36

7:30 AM St. Mary, Anderson +Jerry Gorman

8:30 AM St. Mary, Alexandria +Ed & Helen Starkweather

9:30 AM St. Ambrose, Anderson People of the pastorate

11:30 AM St. Mary, Anderson (Spanish) +Pablo Cano Saucedo

***This is just a gentle reminder that from April through September the Saturday Mass in Anderson is held at St. Ambrose Church.

***Este es solo un recordatorio de que desde el mes de abril hasta septiembre la misa de los sábados en Anderson se celebra en la iglesia de St. Ambrose.



Did you know? It's easy to read and/or listen to each day's scripture in English—and see a video with a short reflection about it—at the USCCB website: bible.usccb.org/

¿Lo sabía usted? Es fácil encontrar las lecturas diarias en español en la página web de los obispos de los Estados Unidos: bible.usccb.org/es

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St. Mary, Anderson Robin Grose
St. Mary, Alexandria Traci Gates

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CONFESSION TIMES (LENT) CONFESIONES (CUARESMA)

✠ Thursdays/Jueves 6:00-6:45pm
St. Mary, Anderson

✠ Fridays/Viernes 6:30-7:00pm
All 3 parishes / Las 3 parroquias

✠ Saturdays/Sábados 2:30-3:30pm
St. Mary, Anderson

✠ Saturdays/Sábados 3:30-4:00pm
St. Mary, Alexandria

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION / ADORACIÓN EUCHARÍSTICA

- ✠ Most Thursdays, 6:00-6:45pm— St. Mary, Anderson
- ✠ 1st Sunday of the Month, 10:30-3:00—St. Ambrose
- ✠ 3rd Sunday of the Month, 9:30-12:30—St Mary, Alex

Anderson-Alexandria Pastorate

2025

Lent

Cuaresma

Via Crucis (Stations of the Cross)

Fridays @ 7:00 pm at all three parishes
(in Spanish at St. Mary Anderson)

Confessions

Saturdays 3-4 pm at St Mary Alexandria
Saturdays 2:30-3:30 pm - St. Mary Anderson
(except Saturday, April 6, when it will
be at St. Ambrose 2:30-3:30)

Also Fridays @ 6:30 pm at all 3 parishes
(available in Spanish or English at St. Mary Anderson)

Note: Confessions will not be available on
Good Friday or Holy Saturday

Community Penance Service

Wednesday, April 2
7:00 pm at St. Mary Anderson (bilingual)

Palm Sunday - April 13

Masses: Regular Sunday schedule

Holy Thursday - April 17

Mass at 7:00 pm at all three parishes
(bilingual at St. Mary Anderson)

Good Friday - April 18

Services: 3:00 pm St. Ambrose
7:00 pm St. Mary Alexandria
7:00 pm St. Mary Anderson
(bilingual)

Holy Saturday - April 19

OCIA Rites and Blessing of Food:
9:00 am at all three parishes

Via Crucis (Estaciones de la Cruz)

Los viernes a las 7:00 pm en las tres parroquias
(en español en St. Mary Anderson)

Confesiones

Los sábados de 3 a 4 pm en St. Mary Alexandria
Los sábados de 2:30-3:30 pm en St. Mary Anderson
(menos el sábado 6 de abril, cuando se hará
en St. Ambrose de 2:30-3:30)

También los viernes a las 6:30 pm en las 3 parroquias
(disponible en español o en inglés en St. Mary Anderson)

Nótese: No habrán confesiones el
viernes santo ni el sábado santo.

Servicio Comunitario de Penitencia

Miércoles, 2 de abril
7:00 pm en St. Mary Anderson (bilingüe)

Domingo de Ramos - 13 de abril

Misas con el horario usual de los domingos

Jueves Santo - 17 de abril

Misa a las 7:00 pm en las tres parroquias
(bilingüe en St. Mary Anderson)

Viernes Santo - 18 de abril

Servicios: 3:00 pm St. Ambrose
7:00 pm St. Mary Alexandria
7:00 pm St. Mary Anderson
(bilingüe)

Sábado Santo - 19 de abril

Ritos de RICA y Bendición de alimentos:
9:00 am en las tres parroquias

Prayer, Fasting, Almsgiving

Oración, Ayuno y Caridad

Praying this Lent

Deepen your faith and encounter the peace of Christ by joining us in praying the Rosary. This is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the mysteries of Christ's life and experience the transformative power of communal prayer during this Lenten Season.

When: 9:00am March: 9,16,23,30 April: 6,13
Where: St. Ambrose Church

Whether you are new to the Rosary or have been praying it for years, All Are Welcome! Together, we can find peace, grow in virtue, and strengthen our community through this powerful devotion.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO PRAYING WITH YOU!



WHERE'S SISTER?

Sister Mary Mary Ambrose is a great lover of liturgical music. **Can you identify exactly where in the pastorate she had this picture taken?** Look for the answer here next week. (Note: This is the last photo we will have of Sister until she comes back from her Lenten retreat in April. A friend of hers will be subbing in this space in the coming weeks.)

¿DÓNDE ANDA?

Sor Mary Mary Ambrose es muy admiradora de la música litúrgica. ¿Logra usted identificar exactamente en qué lugar del pastorado se sacó esta foto? Busque aquí la respuesta la semana que entra. (Por cierto, esta es la última foto de la madrecita que veremos hasta que regrese ella en abril de su retiro cuaresmal. Una amistad de la hermana estará cumpliendo con sus deberes aquí durante las próximas semanas.)

Lenten Second Collection, Anderson Parishes

During Lent you won't see the St. Vincent de Paul volunteers with the orange boxes or the Food Ministry people with the soup kettles. Like last year, the ushers will do a second collection each week (Anderson parishes only), and the money donated will be split between the St. Vincent de Paul Society and our Food Ministries. Thank you so much for supporting our work to help our struggling neighbors. Happy Lent and God bless us all!

Segunda Colecta de Cuaresma, Parroquias de Anderson

Durante la Cuaresma usted no verá a los voluntarios de San Vicente de Paúl con las cajas naranjas ni a la gente del Ministerio de Alimentos con las ollas. Como el año pasado, los ujieres harán una segunda colecta cada semana (solo en las parroquias de Anderson), y el dinero donado se dividirá entre la Sociedad de San Vicente de Paúl y nuestros Ministerios de Alimentos. Muchas gracias por apoyar nuestro trabajo para ayudar a nuestros vecinos en dificultades. ¡Feliz Cuaresma y que Dios nos bendiga a todos!

WHERE WAS SISTER?

Last week, Sister had her picture taken in the lift chair that goes up the stairs into St. Ambrose Church.

¿DÓNDE ANDABA?

La semana pasada la Hermana se tomó la foto en la silla elevadora en la entrada de la iglesia de St. Ambrose.



2025 Anderson Area Christian Lenten Breakfast Series

All persons, young and old, are invited to attend one or more sessions of the Lenten Breakfast Series, celebrating God's grace through fellowship, music, and inspirational Christian speakers. The sessions will be held on Saturdays from 8:00-9:30 AM. A free-will offering will be accepted to cover the cost of the meal (and, in some cases, the program).

- March 8: Cross Roads Global Methodist Church (2000 N. Scatterfield Rd., Anderson)
- March 15: Lapel Trinity United Methodist Church (217 E. 7th St., Lapel)
- March 22: United in Christ Church (538 E. 31st St., Anderson)
- **March 29: St Mary Catholic Church. Alexandria (820 West Madison St., Alexandria)**
- April 5: Pendleton First United Methodist Church (225 W. State St., Pendleton)
- April 12: Anderson First United Methodist Church (1215 Jackson St., Anderson)



**The St. Mary's Cemetery Board
is looking for volunteers
to help with this year's**

**Spring Cleanup Day,
scheduled for Saturday,
April 5th, from 9am to noon.**

**Volunteers are asked to bring
their own gloves and rakes.
Water will be provided.**

**For more information, contact
Lora or Reinhold Mueller.
(Your parish secretary can
get you connected.)**



**Join us for
Morning
Prayer
during Lent**

Prayer, fasting and almsgiving are the practices of Lent that bring us closer to the Lord. We invite you to join us at 7:30 AM at St. Mary Anderson (church annex) daily from Monday to Saturday each week for Morning Prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours. The readings are taken from the book of Christian Prayer (or online at many sources). Prayer books are available for use in the church. This liturgy lasts about 15 minutes. Come any day that fits your schedule; daily attendance is not expected. No registration is needed, and no special knowledge or experience is required. Simply come and pray with us! If you'd like to attend Mass, as well, Mass is said at St. Mary Anderson on Mondays at 8:00 am and Thursdays at 8:15 am. Mass takes place at St. Ambrose—an easy drive from St. Mary's—on Tuesdays at 8:00 am and Fridays at 8:10 am. Pray always!

Book Study on Prayer

Hosted by Fr. Christian DeCarlo

**Join us to grow in prayer and grow
closer to God in the season of Lent**



**The book is titled *Prayer*
by Bishop Robert Barron**

Location: St. Ambrose Church

**When: Wednesday Nights
6:30-7:30pm**

**March 12
March 19
March 26
April 2
April 9**

**We will have 100 books
available for pickup
on the first night**

Hosted by the Anderson and Alexandria Catholic Pastorate



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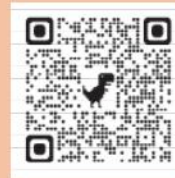
Episode 3—Fasting

Episode 4—Almsgiving



LENT: WHAT CATHOLICS BELIEVE video

watch.formed.org/videos/lent-what-catholics-believe



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¿Usted ya se apuntó en FORMED?

FORMED es el principal servicio católico de transmisión en línea (streaming). Nuestro pastorado también ofrece este servicio **GRATIS** a todas las personas y familias en las tres parroquias y ambas escuelas del pastorado. Para ver información sobre cómo acceder este excelente contenido, visite la página FORMED (en inglés) de nuestro sitio web del pastorado: stambrosestmary.org/formed



Free Lenten Calendar

Download for free your calendar of very brief 2025 Lenten reflections and suggestions (in English or Spanish) at the USCCB website:
usccb.org/resources/2025-daily-lent-calendar-english-spanish



Calendario gratuito para la Cuaresma

Baje gratis su calendario de brevísimas reflexiones y sugerencias para la Cuaresma de 2025 (en inglés o español) en el sitio web de la USCCB:
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HOLY CROSS SCHOOL (ANDERSON)



Congratulations!

These HCS 2025 graduates
have been accepted to
Guerin Catholic High School:

Lamar Graves, Veronica Miguel-Gonzalez,
Franklin Ramirez, Emmanuel Villegas,
Yoselin Xalin-Silverio

In February, Holy Cross School students and staff donated 447 rolls of toilet paper to The Christian Center.



En febrero, los alumnos y el personal de Holy Cross School donaron 447 rollos de papel higiénico a The Christian Center.

I've been wondering...

Q: I remember hearing my grandma talk about “praying the stations” during Lent, but I’ve never done that. Where did that practice come from and what actually does it involve?

A: The Stations of the Cross, also known as the Way of the Cross or Via Crucis, is a devotion that commemorates Jesus's passion and death on the cross. In its most common current form, there are fourteen stations. Each station marks a moment on Christ's journey to Calvary and consists of sacred art, prayers, and reflections. The practice began when early pious pilgrims traced Jesus's Good Friday path through Jerusalem itself. However, as the faith spread, many Christians were unable to make the trip to Jerusalem, so the current form of a symbolic path through the holy city developed; this eventually became the fourteen stations found nowadays in almost every Catholic church throughout the world.

Though it can be prayed at any time, the Fridays of Lent are the most popular occasions when the Way of the Cross devotion is carried out. The stations can be prayed in a group at church (many parishes organize community Stations at this time of year), alone in the church, or even alone or as a family at home. Most parishes have each of the stations illustrated or marked on the interior walls of the church, and a small group of people (altar servers and the like) physically walks from one station to the next, stopping to pray at each one. The faithful can walk along behind the group or pray from the pews. A few special churches and shrines feature elaborate life-sized statues depicting each one of the stations, often along an outside path or in a garden. However, though these artistic depictions of Christ's journey can make the experience of praying the stations more memorable, they are not strictly necessary.

If you are praying the Stations on your own, all you'll need is a small booklet or print-out from the internet listing each station and providing a short reflection on it. If you pray the Way of the Cross in a group at church, there will be a leader, and you'll only need to follow along. What will happen at each of the stops is that the station will be named, a short prayer will be recited, a scripture passage or brief reflection will be read, and one Our Father will be recited, followed by a Hail Mary and a Glory Be. The entire devotion (14 stations) can take approximately half an hour to complete.

Here in the Anderson-Alexandria Pastorate, the Via Crucis will be held in each one of our parishes at 7 pm on each of the Fridays in Lent (Please note that the Stations will be in Spanish at St. Mary in Anderson). Regardless of whether you're an old hand at this devotion or a complete newbie, please come join us!

You can also pray along with the Way of the Cross on FORMED: <https://watch.formed.org/videos/way-of-the-cross>



Me he preguntado...

P: Recuerdo haber escuchado a mi abuelita hablar sobre “rezar el via crucis” durante la Cuaresma, pero yo nunca nunca lo he hecho ¿De dónde surgió y exactamente de qué se trata?

R: El Vía Crucis, también conocido como las Estaciones de la Cruz, es una devoción que conmemora la pasión y muerte de Jesús en la cruz. En su forma actual más común, hay catorce estaciones. Cada estación marca un momento en el viaje de Cristo al Calvario y consta de arte sacro, oraciones y reflexiones. La práctica comenzó cuando los primeros peregrinos piadosos siguieron el camino de Jesús el Viernes Santo en la misma Jerusalén. Sin embargo, a medida que la fe se extendió, muchos cristianos no pudieron hacer el viaje a Jerusalén, por lo que se desarrolló la forma actual de un camino simbólico a través de la ciudad santa—lo cual finalmente se convirtió en las catorce estaciones que se encuentran hoy en día en casi todas las iglesias católicas del mundo.

Aunque se puede rezar en cualquier momento, los viernes de Cuaresma son las ocasiones más frecuentes en las que se realiza la devoción del Vía Crucis. Las estaciones se pueden rezar en grupo en la iglesia (muchas parroquias organizan estaciones comunitarias en esta época del año), solos en la iglesia, o incluso solos o en familia en casa. La mayoría de las parroquias tienen cada una de las estaciones ilustradas o marcadas en las paredes interiores de la iglesia, y un pequeño grupo de personas (monaguillos y similares) camina físicamente de una estación a la siguiente, deteniéndose para orar en cada una. Los fieles pueden caminar detrás del grupo o rezar desde los bancos. Algunas iglesias y santuarios especiales cuentan con elaboradas estatuas de tamaño natural que representan cada una de las estaciones, a menudo a lo largo de un camino al aire libre o en un jardín. Sin embargo, aunque estas representaciones artísticas del viaje de Cristo pueden hacer que la experiencia de rezar las estaciones sea más memorable, no son estrictamente necesarias.

Si está usted rezando el Vía Crucis por su cuenta, todo lo que necesitará será un pequeño folleto o una copia impresa de Internet que enumere cada estación y proporcione una breve reflexión sobre ella. Si reza el Vía Crucis en un grupo en la iglesia, habrá un líder y solo tendrá que seguirlo. Lo que sucederá en cada una de las paradas es que se nombrará la estación, se recitará una breve oración, se leerá un pasaje de las Escrituras o una breve reflexión y se recitará un Padre Nuestro, seguido de un Ave María y un Gloria. La devoción entera (14 estaciones) puede tardar aproximadamente media hora en completarse.

Aquí en el Pastorado Anderson-Alexandria, el Vía Crucis se llevará a cabo en cada una de nuestras parroquias a las 7 pm cada uno de los viernes de Cuaresma (se rezará en español en St. Mary en Anderson). Sea usted experto o novato en esta devoción, ¡acompañenos!

Vea el videoreporte en español sobre la Semana Santa en Roma que incluye el via crucis con el Papa: <https://watch.formed.org/videos/semana-santa-en-roma-en-camino-con-el-papa>



As promised, the new dates!

Warm, delicious, and
for a great cause...



Calientitos, deliciosos y
por una gran causa...

Pancake breakfasts!

March 16 at St. Ambrose
basement, 10:30-12:30

March 30 at St. Mary Anderson
basement, 8:30-10:30

April 6 at St. Mary Alexandria
Zimmer Hall, 9:30-11:30
(in conjunction with St. Joseph's Helpers)

pancakes, eggs, sausage
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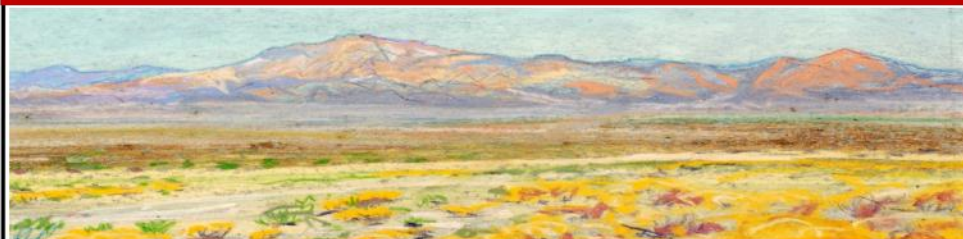
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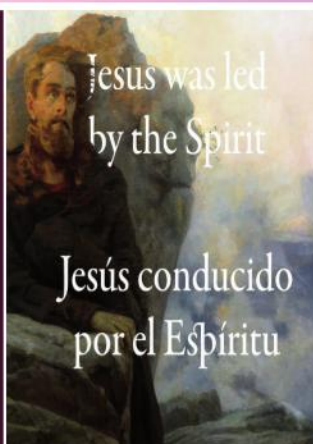
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- Para que aparezca en el boletín del 23 de marzo, envíelo antes del 13 de marzo.



From our pastorate
Liturgy Coordinator,
Kimberly Lyle-Ippolito

Music During Lent

The season of Lent is austere, and instrumental music is used only to support the people's singing. That is why there are no preludes or postludes in the Mass during Lent. For this season, we change to using the Chant Mass (the one in the hymnals) for the Ordinary parts of the Mass (the Holy, Holy, Memorial Acclamation, Amen, and Lamb of God). The Chant Mass is a Gregorian Chant, an ancient form of chant that consists only of a melody line. This prepares us for the joy of the Easter season when we switch to the Mass of Wisdom, a very exuberant Mass setting with intricate harmonies, and we bring back the Gloria and the Alleluia!



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Lo necesitamos a usted! ¡No sea aún quién sea usted, pero quizás usted lo sepa! Necesitamos algunas parejas o amigos voluntarios que vayan a Panera Bread en Scatterfield una vez al mes para recoger los productos horneados donados; sería un viernes por la noche alrededor de las 9:00 pm. Subiría usted los contenedores en su auto y los llevaría a la despensa de alimentos de St. Mary Anderson. Es una misión muy literal de salir y traernos pan, sólo que en un horario inconveniente. ¿Es este un sacrificio que podría usted hacer? Si desea saber más, contacte a Lawson (Coordinador de Ministerios de Alimentación) al 765-644-8467. ¡El pan nunca se desperdicia y le damos gracias a Dios por ello y por USTED!



WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP REPORT

(Fiscal Year July 1 – June 30)

		FEB. 23, 2025	YEAR-TO-DATE / EL AÑO HASTA LA FECHA
St. Mary, Alexandria	BUDGETED / PRESUPUESTADO	\$4,808	\$163,472
	RECEIVED / RECIBIDO	\$4,655	\$161,278
	OVER/(SHORT) SOBRE/ (CORTO)	\$153	\$2,194
St. Mary, Anderson	BUDGETED / PRESUPUESTADO	\$11,110	\$377,740
	RECEIVED / RECIBIDO	\$7,704	\$297,791
	OVER/(SHORT) SOBRE/ (CORTO)	(\$3,406)	(\$79,949)
St. Ambrose	BUDGETED / PRESUPUESTADO	\$8,805	\$2298,843
	RECEIVED / RECIBIDO	\$6,303	\$299,370
	OVER/(SHORT) SOBRE/ (CORTO)	\$2,502	\$527

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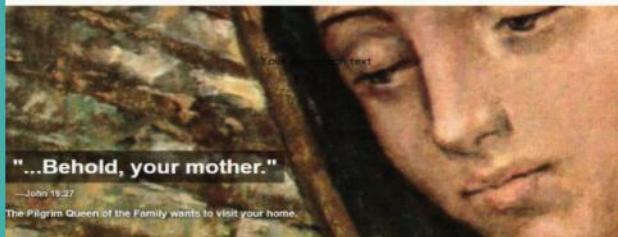
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Each family or person receives the rosary shrine for three days each month. They then take the shrine to the next Guardian on the list. We need more prayer Guardians to fill several vacancies. See information in the narthex of St. Mary, Alexandria for more details.

New Policy at Holy Cross School and School Annex



For the safety of our students and staff, we can no longer allow the presence of any dogs, regardless of size, leashed or not, on any of the grounds of Holy Cross School, including the building that houses our parish office and food pantry. This also applies to dogs in vehicles. We will not be able to attend to anyone with a dog present unless it is a service animal trained to do work or perform a task for an individual with a disability. Unfortunately, we can not make exceptions. We are sorry for any inconvenience.

Nueva política en Holy Cross School y el anexo de la escuela

Por la seguridad de nuestros alumnos y personal, ya no podemos permitir la presencia de los perros, independientemente de su tamaño, con o sin correa, en los terrenos de la Escuela Holy Cross, incluyendo el edificio que alberga nuestra oficina parroquial y la despensa de alimentos. Esto también se aplica para los perros dentro de los vehículos. No podremos atender a nadie que tenga un perro presente a menos que sea un animal de servicio entrenado para trabajar o realizar una tarea para una persona con una discapacidad. Lamentablemente no podemos hacer excepciones. Nos disculpamos por cualquier inconveniente.





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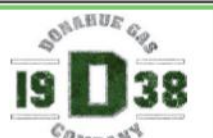


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