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TO A HIGHER POSITION

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A LA CABECERA

22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
AUGUST 31, 2025
XXII DOMINGO DE TIEMPO ORDINARIO

Joyfully proclaim, lovingly serve. † Proclamar con alegría, servir con amor.

**ANDERSON-
ALEXANDRIA
PASTORATE**

*A Pastorate of the Diocese
of Lafayette in Indiana*

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OFF THE TOP OF MY HEAD...

In 2015, Pope Francis gave the Church—and the whole world—his encyclical *Laudato Si'*, on the care of our common home. The title, which comes from Italian, not Latin, is taken from the first line of St. Francis of Assisi's *Canticle of the Sun*: "Praise be to you, my Lord."

At its heart, *Laudato Si'* is not only about the environment, but about our relationship with God, with one another, and with creation itself. Pope Francis reminds us that everything is connected: when the earth suffers, people—especially the poor—suffer too.

The message is simple and profound: creation is God's gift, entrusted to us not to exploit, but to cherish and pass on to future generations. Caring for the earth is not an optional "extra" for Christians; it is a moral responsibility rooted in faith. From the beginning, Scripture tells us that God placed humanity in the garden "to till it and keep it" (Gen 2:15). That call is ours as well.

In observance of the tenth anniversary of *Laudato Si'*, Pope Leo XIV will soon inaugurate the *Laudato Si' Village*, a place where spirituality, education, and care for creation come together. I encourage you to read more about "*Borgo Laudato Si'*" online. Google "*Vatican News Laudato Si' Village*."

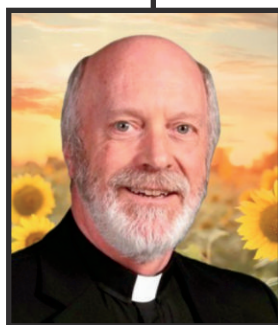
Locally, as part of our Pastorate Vision Plan, we formed the Care for Creation Committee, to put into practice the teachings of *Laudato Si'*. The committee is still young, and its one project so far was last October's recycling drive, which raised a small amount of funds for our schools and committee work. More importantly, it was a first step. Pope Francis himself encourages beginning with small, concrete actions.

Here are some other possibilities our pastorate may consider:

- Including prayer for our common home at Mass and parish events.
- Education on Catholic teaching about creation.
- Reviewing parish energy use and identifying ways to reduce consumption.
- Developing plans for waste reduction, especially around single-use plastics that rarely get recycled.
- Planting native trees, flowers, or even a parish garden to support pollinators, beautify our grounds, and provide food for those in need.

The Care for Creation Committee will continue to discern its next steps, and we welcome anyone who would like to join this important work. If you are interested, please contact me at fr.tmetzger@dol-in.org or 765-644-5956.

Fr. Tom Metzger August 31, 2025



PENSAMIENTOS DEL PADRE TOM...

En 2015, el papa Francisco entregó a la Iglesia —y al mundo entero— su encíclica *Laudato Si'*, sobre el cuidado de nuestra casa común. El título, que proviene del italiano, no del latín, proviene del primer verso del *Cántico del Sol* de San Francisco de Asís: "Alabado seas, mi Señor".

En esencia, *Laudato Si'* no se trata solo del medio ambiente, sino de nuestra relación con Dios, con los demás y con la creación misma. El papa Francisco nos recuerda que todo está conectado: cuando la tierra sufre, las personas —especialmente los pobres— también sufren.

El mensaje es simple y profundo: la creación es un don de Dios, confiado a nosotros no para explotarlo, sino para cuidarlo y transmitirlo a las generaciones futuras. Cuidar la tierra no es una opción para los cristianos; es una responsabilidad moral arraigada en la fe. Desde el principio, la Escritura nos dice que Dios puso a la humanidad en el jardín "para que labrara y cuidara" (Gn 2,15). Ese llamado también es nuestro.

En conmemoración del décimo aniversario de *Laudato Si'*, el Papa León XIV inaugurará próximamente la *Aldea Laudato Si'*, un espacio donde convergen la espiritualidad, la educación y el cuidado de la creación. Les animo a leer más sobre "*Borgo Laudato Si'*" en línea. Busquen en Google "*Vatican News Aldea Laudato Si'*".

A nivel local, como parte de nuestro Plan de Visión Pastoral, formamos el Comité de Cuidado de la Creación para poner en práctica las enseñanzas de *Laudato Si'*. El comité aún es joven, y su único proyecto hasta la fecha fue la campaña de reciclaje del pasado octubre, que recaudó una pequeña cantidad de fondos para nuestras escuelas y el trabajo del comité. Y lo que es más importante, fue un primer paso. El propio Papa Francisco anima a comenzar con acciones pequeñas y concretas.

Aquí hay otras posibilidades que nuestro pastorado podría considerar:

- Incluir la oración por nuestra casa común en la misa y en los eventos parroquiales.
- Educación sobre la enseñanza católica sobre la creación.
- Revisar el uso de energía de la parroquia e identificar maneras de reducirlo.
- Desarrollar planes para la reducción de residuos, especialmente en lo que respecta a los plásticos de un solo uso que rara vez se reciclan.
- Plantar árboles, flores o incluso un jardín parroquial nativos para apoyar a los polinizadores, embellecer nuestros terrenos y proporcionar alimentos a quienes los necesitan.

El Comité de Cuidado de la Creación seguirá evaluando sus próximos pasos y damos la bienvenida a todos los que deseen unirse a esta importante labor. Si les interesa, contáctenme en fr.tmetzger@dol-in.org o al 765-644-5956.

Padre Tom Metzger 31 de agosto 2025

Our Mission: We, the Anderson-Alexandria Catholic Pastorate, united in Jesus Christ through His Word, the Sacraments, and the Eucharist, are called to joyfully proclaim His Gospel and lovingly serve His people.

Nuestra misión: Nosotros, el Pastorado Católico de Anderson-Alexandria, unidos en Jesucristo a través de su Palabra, los Sacramentos y la Eucaristía, estamos llamados a proclamar con alegría su Evangelio y servir con amor a su pueblo.

ORDINARY TIME — TIEMPO ORDINARIO INTENTIONS & READINGS FOR THE WEEK INTENCIONES Y LECTURAS DE LAS MISAS

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 1 / LUNES, 1 DE SEPTIEMBRE

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 / Luke 4:16-30

8:00 AM St. Mary, Anderson +Martha Lou Laughlin

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2 / MARTES, 2 DE SEPTIEMBRE

1 Thessalonians 5:1-6, 9-11 / Luke 4:31-37

8:00 AM St. Ambrose, Anderson +James Backous

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3 / MIÉRCOLES, 3 DE SEPTIEMBRE

Memorial of St. Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

Colossians 1: 1-8 / Luke 4:38-44

8:00 AM St. Mary, Alexandria* +Jean Ann Flecker

11:30 AM St. Vincent Hospital, Anderson +Paul Porcaro

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 4 / JUEVES, 4 DE SEPTIEMBRE

Colossians 1:9-14 / Luke 5:1-11

8:15 AM St. Mary, Anderson +Ron Rhoten

7:00 PM St. Mary Anderson (Spanish) *All Souls' Day intentions*

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5 / VIERNES, 5 DE SEPTIEMBRE

Memorial of St. Teresa of Kolkata (Mother Teresa)

Colossians 1:15-20 / Luke 5:33-39

8:00 AM St. Mary, Alexandria* *All Souls' Day intentions*

8:10 AM St. Ambrose, Anderson +John & Ann Yacko

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6 / SÁBADO, 6 DE SEPTIEMBRE

Colossians 1:21-23 / Luke 6:1-5

4:00 PM St. Ambrose, Anderson +Rosemarie Novak

4:30 PM St. Mary, Alexandria* +Bill Fisher

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7 / DOMINGO, 7 DE SEPTIEMBRE

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wisdom 9:13-18b / Philemon 9-10, 12-17 / Luke 14:25-33

7:30 AM St. Mary Anderson +Matthew Solid

8:30 AM St. Mary, Alexandria* *People of the Pastorate*

9:30 AM St. Ambrose, Anderson *Int. of the Delgado family*

11:30 AM St. Mary, Anderson (Spanish) +Gabriel Llamas Pacheco



Dios da libertad y riqueza
a los cautivos.

*St. Mary Alexandria Masses are livestreamed. Access them at stambroestmary.org. (Masses are transmitted live, but not recorded.)

*Las misas en St. Mary Alexandria se transmiten en vivo. Se pueden acceder el video en stambroestmary.org. (Las misas están disponibles en vivo, mas no se graban.)

God,
in your goodness, you
have made a home for
the poor.



Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament will take place next Sunday, September 7th, from 10:30am to 3:00pm at St. Ambrose Church.

Habrará Adoración al Santísimo Sacramento el próximo domingo 7 de septiembre de las 10:30am hasta las 3:00pm en la iglesia de St. Ambrose.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

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

CONFESSIONS

- ✠ Thursdays/Jueves 6:00-6:45 PM
St. Mary, Anderson
- ✠ Saturdays/Sábados 2:30-3:30 PM
St. Ambrose
- ✠ Saturdays/Sábados 3:30-4:00 PM
St. Mary, Alexandria

Read and/or listen to each day's scripture—and see a video with a short reflection about it—at the USCCB website: bible.usccb.org

Ud. encontrará las lecturas diarias en español en la página web de los obispos de los Estados Unidos: bible.usccb.org/es

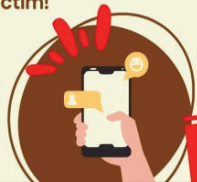


Don't get taken...

Please remember that neither our priests nor anyone else from our pastorate or diocese will ever email or text you a message requesting confidential and/or urgent financial assistance (such as buying gift cards or sending money through a payment app).

Even if Father's name is on the message and the email looks real (and it very well may, as the fraudsters are becoming more sophisticated every day), it is not a legitimate request. It is a SCAM created to con you out of as much of your hard-earned money as possible.

If you are ever in doubt, find a way to speak directly to the person—ideally, face to face—before you take any action. Don't become the next victim!



SCAM ALERT

No se deje engañar...

Recuerde que ni nuestros sacerdotes ni ningún otro miembro de nuestro pastorado ni diócesis le enviará jamás un correo electrónico o un mensaje de texto solicitando asistencia financiera confidencial y/o urgente (como la compra de tarjetas de regalo o el envío de dinero a través de una aplicación de pago).

Aunque el nombre del padre aparezca en el mensaje y el correo electrónico parezca real (y muy bien podría suceder así, ya que los estafadores son cada vez más sofisticados), no es una solicitud legítima. Es una ESTAFA creada para robarle la mayor cantidad posible del dinero que tanto le ha costado ganar.

Si usted tuviera duda, busque la manera de hablar directamente con la persona, idealmente cara a cara, antes de tomar cualquier medida. ¡No se convierta en la próxima víctima!

New day!

Prayer and Stitches

When: Mondays from 7 to 9pm, beginning September 8

Where: Ambrosian Hall
(basement of St. Ambrose Church)

More info: Angie Pitts (your parish secretary can help you contact her)

¡Nuevo día!

Oración y puntadas

Cuándo: los lunes de 7 a 9pm, a partir del 8 de septiembre

Dónde: Ambrosian Hall
(sótano de la Iglesia de St. Ambrose)

Más información: Angie Pitts
(la secretaria de su parroquia le puede indicar cómo contactarla)

FORMED

FORMED CONTENT ABOUT THIS WEEK'S SAINTS

CONTENIDO DE FORMED ACERCA DE LOS SANTOS DE ESTA SEMANA



Mother Teresa (movie)

La Madre Teresa
(película)
5 de sept.



Pope St. Gregory the Great
September 3

Mother Teresa: Seeing
the Face of Jesus
Sept. 5



Have you signed up for FORMED?

FORMED is the leading Catholic online streaming service. Our pastorate offers the service **FREE** too all individuals and families in all three parishes and both pastorate schools. For information on how to get access to this great content, visit the FORMED page on our pastorate web site: stambrosestmary.org/formed

¿Ya se inscribió usted a FORMED?

FORMED es el principal servicio católico de transmisión en línea (streaming). Nuestro pastorado 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



ST. JOSEPH'S HELPERS

ANNUAL

Raffle

PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT
THE PASTORATE

JUST
\$10 A
TICKET

THIS YEAR:
**CASH
PRIZES**

ONLY 300 TICKETS WILL
BE SOLD, SO HURRY
TO GET YOURS!

**3 LUCKY
WINNERS
OF \$500
EACH!**

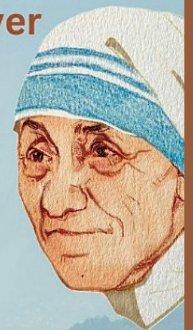
DRAWING:
SUNDAY,
SEPT. 28
AFTER 8:30
MASS IN
ALEXANDRIA

TICKETS ON SALE AFTER
MASS FROM SEPT. 6 - 28

"I used to pray that God would feed the hungry, or do this or that, but now I pray that he will guide me to do whatever I'm supposed to do, what I can do.

I used to pray for answers, but now I'm praying for strength.

I used to believe that prayer changes things, but now I know that prayer changes us and we change things."



~Mother Teresa

Feast Day: Sept. 5

Did you miss the Glenmary missionary collection on August 16 & 17? If you'd still like to contribute to this wonderful work, you can donate directly on their website, glenmary.org. You may also pick up a Glenmary magazine from the table at the entrance of your parish; it contains an envelope that you can use to send them your donation by postal mail.



¿Usted se perdió de la colecta para los misioneros Glenmary del 16 y 17 de agosto? Si aún quiere contribuir a esta maravillosa labor, puede donar directamente en su sitio web: glenmary.org. También puede recoger una revista Glenmary de la mesa en la entrada de su parroquia, misma que contiene un sobre para enviar su donativo por correo postal.



 **GLENMARY**
HOME MISSIONERS

DEADLINE

Need to announce something in this bulletin?

Email the info to the address below, preferably in the exact format in which you'd like it to appear (though we may edit for clarity/length). Don't wait until the last minute! Send it at least two weeks before you'd like it to be published. Please note that we are unable to print personal phone numbers or emails.

¿Quiere anunciar algo en este boletín?

Envíe la información—de preferencia exactamente como quiere que aparezca, (aunque puede que editemos su anuncio para mayor claridad) al correo electrónico que aparece abajo. Mándelo un mínimo de dos semanas antes de que desee que se publique; ¡no espere hasta el último momento! No nos es posible publicar los números de teléfonos particulares ni los correos personales.

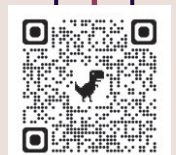
rgrose@parish.dol-in.org

Action Plan Update

One of the seven PVP Action Plans we are implementing this year is the Social Justice Committee. Rather than being a brand-new initiative, this initiative will formally renew our commitment to social issues addressed by a previous parish committee which focused on social justice. Please refer to Father Tom's August 3rd bulletin column for more information about each of the seven Action Plans for 2025-2026.

If you are interested in learning more about any of the Action Plans, please reach out to the Staff Contact for each Action Plan, or call your parish office. (By the way, expressing an interest in one of the plans doesn't mean you are joining up, rather, you are simply learning about the initiative(s).)

**You can access Fr. Tom's August 3rd column by searching for that bulletin on our pastorate website or by scanning this QR code with your phone.*



Actualización del Plan de Acción

Uno de los siete Planes de Acción de PVP que estamos implementando este año es el Comité de Justicia Social. Más que una iniciativa completamente nueva, esta renovará formalmente nuestro compromiso con los problemas sociales abordados por un comité parroquial anterior, centrado en la justicia social. Para más información sobre cada uno de los siete Planes de Acción para 2025-2026, consulte la columna del boletín del Padre Tom del 3 de agosto.

**Para acceder a la columna del Padre Tom del 3 de agosto, busque ese boletín en el sitio web de nuestro pastorado o escanee con su teléfono este código QR.*

Si le interesa obtener más información sobre alguno de los Planes de Acción, comuníquese con el contacto del personal de cada Plan de Acción o llame a su oficina parroquial. (Por cierto, expresar interés en uno de los planes no significa que se esté apuntando sino que simplemente está aprendiendo sobre la(s) iniciativa(s)).

Action Plan #4 - Social Justice Committee

OBJECTIVE: Establish a standing Anderson-Alexandria Pastorate social justice committee for the purpose of educating parishioners and others about Catholic social doctrine and facilitating their active response. Father Tom Metzger, Pastor, is the Staff Contact for this Committee.

PROGRESS: Thus far, nearly a dozen people have indicated an interest in learning more about the Social Justice Action Plan. Outreach to those who have expressed an interest will begin soon to learn about their interest and answer questions about the work of this committee.

GOALS: Work as a Pastorate team to identify issues in the local communities, learn about resources, develop process for educating parishioners and others about Catholic social doctrine and facilitating their active response. Perform evaluation and provide progress reports to the Pastorate through the Pastorate bulletin.

MEETING DATES: A meeting schedule and agenda will be set at the first committee meeting when all members can be present.



Plan de acción #4 - Comité del Justicia Social

OBJETIVO: Establecer un comité permanente de justicia social en el Pastorado de Anderson-Alexandria con el fin de educar a los feligreses y a otras personas sobre la doctrina social católica y facilitar su respuesta activa. El Padre Tom Metzger, párroco, es el contacto del personal para este comité.

PROGRESO: Hasta la fecha, casi una docena de personas han mostrado interés en conocer más sobre el Plan de Acción para la Justicia Social. Próximamente se iniciará un proceso de contacto con quienes han expresado interés para conocer su interés y responder a las preguntas sobre el trabajo de este comité.

METAS: Trabajar en equipo en el Pastorado para identificar problemas en las comunidades locales, conocer recursos y desarrollar un proceso para educar a los feligreses y a otras personas sobre la doctrina social católica y facilitar su respuesta activa. Realizar evaluaciones y presentar informes de progreso al Pastorado a través del boletín del Pastorado.

FECHAS DE LAS REUNIONES: El calendario y la agenda de las reuniones se establecerán en la primera reunión del comité, cuando todos los miembros puedan estar presentes.

Golden Anniversary

Longtime St. Mary Anderson parishioners Pat and Jim Keogh, celebrating 50 years of married life, received a special blessing at Mass from Deacon Mike Burns at St. Ambrose Church on Saturday, August 16th.



Many congratulations, Jim and Pat!

May the Lord continue to bless you and others through your example of faithful Catholic married life.



**Anderson-Alexandria
Pastorate Schools**



Holy Cross School

Anderson

South Campus (St. Ambrose) will be open to explore following the 4:00pm Mass on Saturday, September 13, and after the 9:30am Mass on September 14.

Holy Cross North

(St. Mary Anderson) will be open following the 7:30am and 11:30am Masses on September 14.

St. Mary School

Alexandria

will host its Open House following the 8:30am Mass on Sunday, September 21 at St. Mary Church, Alexandria.



Divine Mercy



The Divine Mercy Chaplet is recited every Wednesday evening at 6:30pm in the church at St. Mary in Alex.

Everyone is invited to come and join in prayer. If you are unfamiliar with this devotion, no worries! Prayer cards are available to help you learn how to pray this short but powerful prayer.

**The Anderson High School
Class of 1975 will celebrate its 50th
anniversary with a reunion at
The Edge on Saturday, October 25th
at 5pm. Cost: \$60.**

**For more information:
anderson.high.1975@gmail.com**



Mail for Sr. Eileen

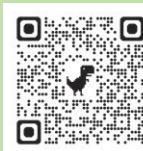
You may have heard that Sr. Eileen Flavin, a member of the Sisters of the Holy Cross, recently retired. She had been at Ascension St. Vincent Hospital in Anderson for many years. She has now moved to South Bend and is dealing with the challenges of adapting to life in assisted living.



Sr. Eileen has indicated that she would welcome cards and letters in the mail. Why not drop her a line?

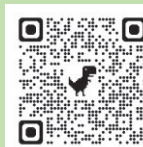
**Sr. Eileen Flavin
100 Rosary Hall
Notre Dame IN 46556**

Read a blog post about one of Sr. Eileen's projects when she was at Ascension St. Vincent.



Read an article about the ceremony that took place on July 31, when Sr. Eileen retired.

Visit the Sisters of the Holy Cross website





Madison County Medical Mission Event

September 27th, 2025 | 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Ascension St. Vincent Anderson, 2015 Jackson Street, Anderson, IN 46016

Event will be located in north parking lot. North Parking lot is located at 19th and Jackson Street across from Barber Manufacturing. Parking is available in the main lot east of the front entrance to the hospital.

Services provided FREE (while supplies last).

- Medical screenings (high blood pressure, diabetes, A1C testing, stroke care, weight), Vision / Hearing screenings, Mental health screenings, Child development screenings
- Flu shots
- Foot care
- Mammograms / Pap Smear (To pre register and find out if you're eligible, call 765-646-8653 or 765-646-8720.)
- Breathing evaluations
- FREE OB information
- FREE cardiac health information
- Health insurance assistance
- Car seat safety
- Bike safety. FREE helmets while supplies last.
- FREE haircuts & FREE food bag/personal care products while supplies last.
- FREE cookout lunch will be provided
- Lots of giveaways!
- **And many more health related screenings and information!**

Interpreting services will be available during the event.

Thank you to all of our community partners who will be in attendance at this event. For more information about this event, please contact Elizabeth Hart via email at elizabeth.hart@ascension.org

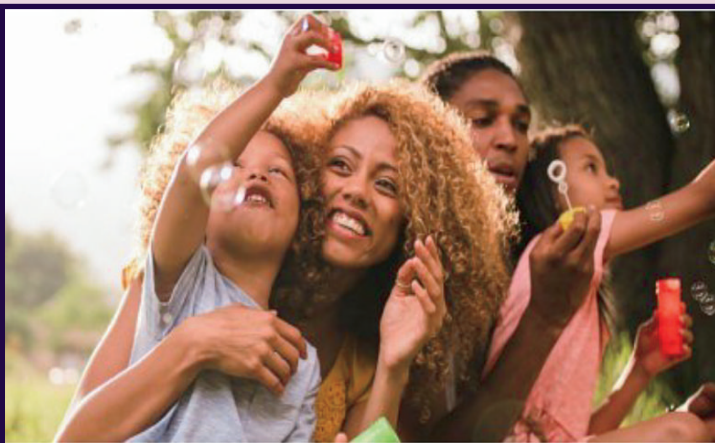
Medical Mission
at Home



Ascension St. Vincent



vitality



Misión Médica del Condado de Madison

Septiembre 27, 2025 | 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Ascension St. Vincent Anderson, 2015 Jackson Street, Anderson, IN 46016

El evento se llevará a cabo en el estacionamiento norte. Este estacionamiento se encuentra en la esquina de la calles 19 y Jackson, frente a Barber Manufacturing. Hay estacionamiento disponible en el estacionamiento principal, al este de la entrada principal del hospital.

Servicios GRATUITOS (hasta agotar existencias).

- Exámenes médicos (hipertensión, diabetes, prueba de A1C, atención para accidentes cerebrovasculares, control de peso), Exámenes de visión y audición, exámenes de salud mental y evaluaciones de desarrollo infantil
- Vacunas contra la gripe
- Cuidado de los pies
- Mamografías (Para preinscribirse y saber si es elegible, llame al 765-646-8653 o al 765-646-8720).
- Evaluaciones respiratorias
- Información GRATUITA sobre obstetricia
- Información GRATUITA sobre salud cardíaca
- Asistencia con el seguro médico
- Seguridad con el asiento de seguridad
- Seguridad del ciclista. Cascos GRATIS hasta agotar existencias.
- Cortes de pelo y bolsas de comida/productos de cuidado personal GRATIS hasta agotar existencias.
- Se ofrecerá almuerzo al aire libre GRATIS
- ¡Muchos regalos!
- **¡Y muchos más exámenes e información relacionados con la salud!**

Habrán servicios de interpretación disponibles durante el evento.

Gracias a todos nuestros colaboradores comunitarios que asistirán a este evento. Para obtener más información, por favor comuníquese con Elizabeth Hart por correo electrónico a elizabeth.hart@ascension.org

Medical Mission
at Home



Ascension St. Vincent



Ascension St. Vincent
Anderson Foundation

Ascension St. Vincent Anderson will host a Medical Mission at Home event on Saturday, September 27th, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the north (associate) parking lot. **This free event is open to the public**, offering family-friendly medical services, safety education, and community engagement activities. The event is designed to serve the healthcare needs of the local community while creating a fun, informative atmosphere for families. **Attendees can take advantage of free medical services, learn about health and safety initiatives, and explore interactive displays.**

Highlights of the event include:

- Stat Flight Helicopter: Get up close to a medical helicopter and learn about emergency air transport.
- Ascension St. Vincent Ambulance: Meet the paramedics and discover how these life-saving services operate.
- City of Anderson Fire Truck: An opportunity for children to interact with local firefighters and learn fire safety tips.
- Anderson Speedway Race Car: Check out a real race car and meet a driver, all while learning about speedway safety.
- Refreshments: Enjoy complimentary food and drinks while engaging with neighbors and healthcare professionals.

This event is a unique opportunity to bring healthcare, safety, and community resources together in a welcoming and educational setting.





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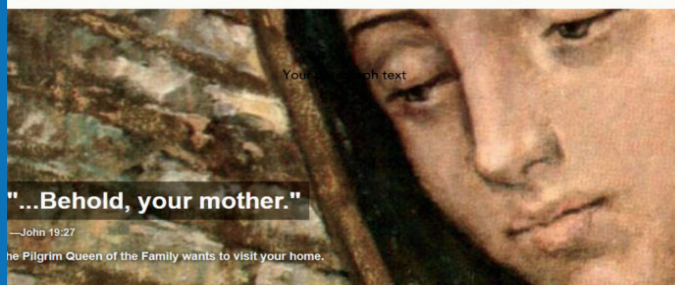
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"...Behold, your mother."

—John 19:27

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- Get Away for a Day - Sept. 16
- St. Therese of Lisieux Day of Reflection - Oct. 1, 2025
- Get Away for a Day - Oct. 14
- Silent Day Away - Oct. 22
- Men's Weekend Silent Retreat-Oct.31-Nov. 2

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On August 20, Holy Cross School collected 143 jars of peanut butter as a part of our monthly Day of Service. This food was donated to the St. Mary Food Pantry.



Weekly Stewardship Report

Fiscal Year
July 1- June 30

Aug. 17,
2025

Year to Date
Año hasta la fecha

St. Mary Alexandria	Budgeted / Presupuestado	\$4,808	\$33,656
	Received/ Recibido	\$3,823	\$30,876
	Over/Short Sobre/Corto	(\$985)	(\$2,780)
St. Mary Anderson	Budgeted / Presupuestado	\$11,110	\$77,770
	Received/ Recibido	\$7,085	\$58,821
	Over/Short Sobre/Corto	(\$4,025)	(\$18,949)
St. Ambrose Anderson	Budgeted / Presupuestado	\$8,805	\$61,635
	Received/ Recibido	\$6,305	\$50,111
	Over/Short Sobre/Corto	(\$2,500)	(\$11,524)

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WHERE'S SISTER?

Can you identify exactly where in the pastorate this photo of Sister Mary Mary Ambrose was taken? Look for the answer here next week.

¿DÓNDE ANDA?

¿Logra usted identificar exactamente en qué parte de nuestro pastorado se tomó esta foto de Sor Mary Mary Ambrose? Busque la respuesta aquí la semana entrante.

WHERE WAS SISTER?

Last week, Sr. Mary Mary Ambrose posed on the baptism font at St. Mary Anderson.

DÓNDE ANDABA?

La semana pasada, Sor Mary Mary Ambrose posó sobre la fuente bautismal en la iglesia de St. Mary Anderson.





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