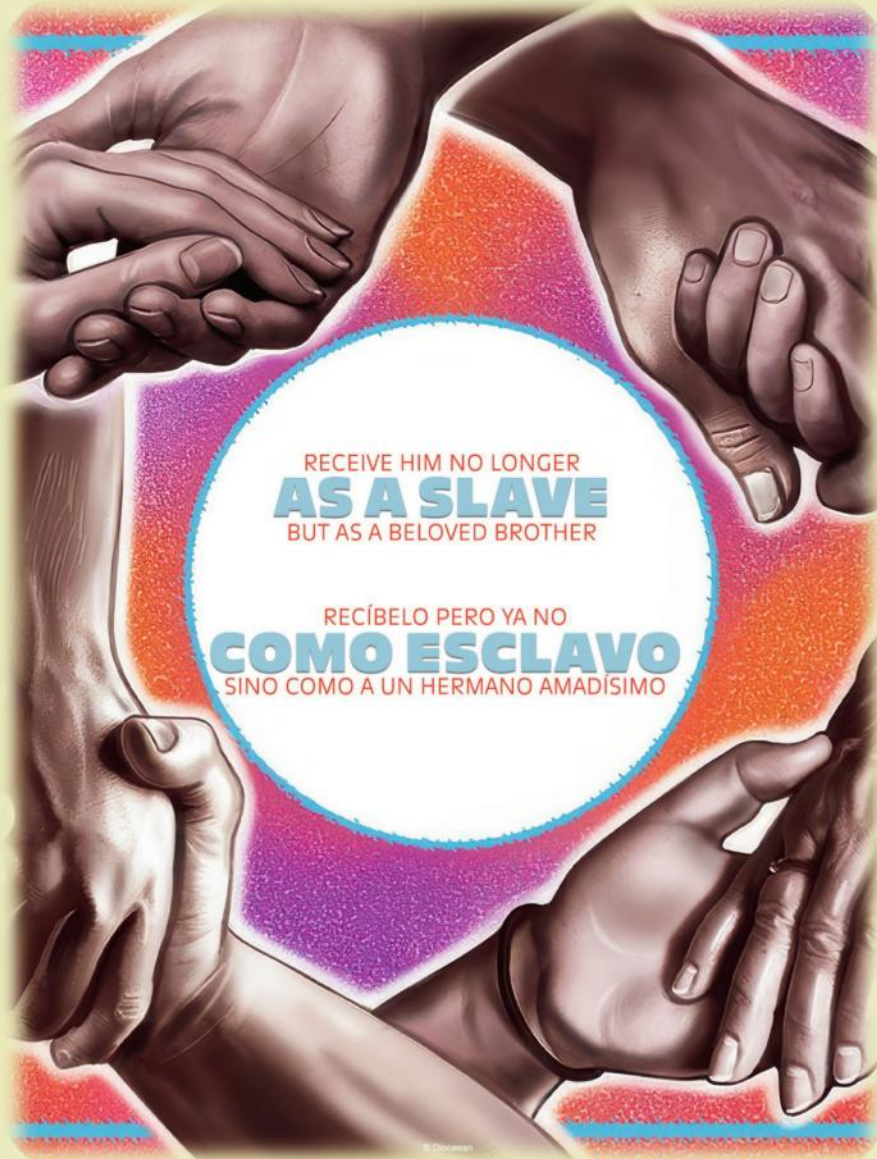




RECEIVE HIM NO LONGER
AS A SLAVE
BUT AS A BELOVED BROTHER

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23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
SEPTEMBER 7, 2025
XXIII DOMINGO DE TIEMPO ORDINARIO

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

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OFF THE TOP OF MY HEAD...

To put it mildly, the topic of immigration has been in the news recently. Since Inauguration Day in January, it's been a near-constant headline.

While there is room—and need—for criticism of current federal immigration policies and practices, this column will focus on the Catholic perspective rather than political analysis.

Immigration and prejudice against immigrants are not new in our country or in human history. Though immigration has long been part of human experience, specific Catholic teaching on it began developing in earnest in the late 19th century alongside other parts of Catholic Social Doctrine.

Summarizing any Church teaching in a few hundred words is risky, but here is my attempt at a concise overview, drawing from the U.S. Catholic Bishops' website:

In the Old Testament, God reminded His people, who had once been aliens in Egypt, to treat immigrants with love and justice: "...treat the alien who resides with you no differently than the natives born among you...for you too were once aliens in the land of Egypt" (Lv 19:33-34).

In the New Testament, Jesus, himself a refugee in Egypt as an infant—makes care for the stranger a measure of our discipleship: "For I was...a stranger and you welcomed me" (Mt 25:35).

While Catholic theology has always upheld human rights based on natural law and revelation, a systematic approach to immigration began with Pope Leo XIII's 1891 encyclical *Rerum Novarum*. That document, and those that followed, laid the foundation for three basic principles on immigration:

- People have the right to migrate to sustain their lives and the lives of their families.
- A country has the right to regulate its borders and to control immigration.
- A country must regulate its borders with justice and mercy.

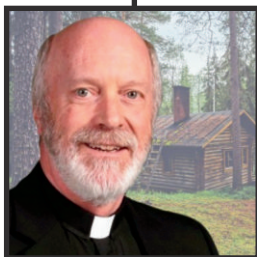
Grounded in this teaching, the American Catholic Bishops have developed six guidelines for immigration reform:

- Enforcement efforts should be targeted, proportional, and humane.
- Humanitarian protections and due process should be ensured.
- Long-time residents should have an earned pathway to citizenship.
- Family unity should remain a cornerstone of the U.S. system.
- Legal pathways should be expanded, reliable, and efficient.
- The root causes of forced migration should be addressed.

The Church's teaching is clear but challenging. Before reform can happen, these values must be embraced. Pray for our legislators, our President, and all who shape immigration policy. Pray for a conversion of hearts - including ours.

Fr. Tom Metzger
September 7, 2025

<https://www.usccb.org/committees/migration/>



PENSAMIENTOS DEL PADRE TOM...

Para decirlo suavemente, el tema de la inmigración ha estado en las noticias recientemente. Desde el día de la toma de posesión en enero, ha sido un encabezado casi constante.

Si bien hay espacio —y necesidad— para criticar las políticas y prácticas federales de inmigración actuales, esta columna se centrará en la perspectiva católica más que en el análisis político.

La inmigración y los prejuicios contra los inmigrantes no son nuevos en nuestro país ni en la historia de la humanidad. Si bien la inmigración ha formado parte de la experiencia humana desde hace mucho tiempo, la enseñanza católica específica sobre ella comenzó a desarrollarse con seriedad a finales del siglo XIX, junto con otras partes de la Doctrina Social Católica.

Resumir cualquier enseñanza de la Iglesia en pocas palabras es arriesgado, pero aquí presento mi intento de ofrecer una visión general concisa, basada en el sitio web de la Conferencia de Obispos Católicos de Estados Unidos:

En el Antiguo Testamento, Dios recordó a su pueblo, que una vez fue extranjero en Egipto, que tratara a los inmigrantes con amor y justicia: "...no traten al extranjero que reside con ustedes de manera diferente que a los nativos nacidos entre ustedes... porque también ustedes fueron extranjeros en la tierra de Egipto," (Lv 19:33-34).

En el Nuevo Testamento, Jesús, refugiado en Egipto durante su infancia, hace del cuidado del extranjero una medida de nuestro discipulado: "Porque fui... extranjero, y me acogieron," (Mt 25:35).

Si bien la teología católica siempre ha defendido los derechos humanos basados en la ley natural y la revelación, un enfoque sistemático de la inmigración comenzó con la encíclica *Rerum Novarum* del Papa León XIII de 1891. Ese documento, y los que le siguieron, sentaron las bases de tres principios básicos sobre inmigración:

- Las personas tienen derecho a migrar para sustentar sus vidas y las de sus familias.
- Un país tiene derecho a regular sus fronteras y a controlar la inmigración.
- Un país debe regular sus fronteras con justicia y misericordia.

Basados en esta enseñanza, los obispos católicos estadounidenses han desarrollado seis directrices para la reforma migratoria:

- Las medidas de control deben ser específicas, proporcionales y humanas.
- Se deben garantizar las protecciones humanitarias y el debido proceso.
- Los residentes de larga data deben tener una vía de acceso a la ciudadanía.
- La unidad familiar debe seguir siendo una piedra angular del sistema estadounidense.
- Las vías legales deben ampliarse, ser fiables y eficientes.
 - Se deben abordar las causas profundas de la migración forzada.

La enseñanza de la Iglesia es clara, pero desafiante. Antes de que la reforma pueda llevarse a cabo, estos valores deben ser adoptados. Oremos por nuestros legisladores, nuestro presidente y todos los que definen la política migratoria. Oremos por una conversión de corazones, incluyendo la nuestra.

P. Tom Metzger
A 7 de septiembre de 2025

<https://www.usccb.org/committees/migration/immigration>

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 8 / LUNES, 8 DE SEPTIEMBRE

Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary *Micah*

5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30 / Matthew 1:1-16, 18-23

8:00 AM St. Mary, Anderson +*Jerry Gorman*

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9 / MARTES, 9 DE SEPTIEMBRE

Memorial of Saint Peter Claver, Priest

Colossians 2:6-15 / Luke 6:12-19

8:00 AM St. Ambrose, Anderson +*Patricia Shaffer*

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10 / MIÉRCOLES, 10 DE SEPTIEMBRE

Colossians 3:1-11 / Luke 6:20-26

8:00 AM St. Mary, Alexandria* +*Suzanna Profumo*

11:30 AM St. Vincent Hospital, Anderson +*Deceased of the Platt, Netti, & Rowe families*

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11 / JUEVES, 11 DE SEPTIEMBRE

Colossians 3:12-17 / Luke 6:27-38

8:15 AM St. Mary, Anderson +*Jeremiah Armington*

7:00 PM St. Mary Anderson (Spanish) +*Victorio Valentín*

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 / VIERNES, 12 DE SEPTIEMBRE

1 Timothy 1:1-2, 12-14 / Luke 6:39-42

8:00 AM St. Mary, Alexandria* *Int. of Ed Valdizán*

8:10 AM St. Ambrose, Anderson +*Patricia Shaffer*

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13 / SÁBADO, 13 DE SEPTIEMBRE

Memorial of Saint John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

1 Timothy 1:15-17 / Luke 6:43-49

4:00 PM St. Ambrose, Anderson +*Walter & Nancy Sheeler*

4:30 PM St. Mary, Alexandria* +*Francis Flecker*

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 / DOMINGO, 14 DE SEPTIEMBRE

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Feast of the Exaltation of Holy Cross

Numbers 21:4b-9 / Philippians 2: 6-11 / John 3: 13-17

7:30 AM St. Mary Anderson *People of the Pastorate*

8:30AM St. Mary, Alexandria* *Int. of the Villegas fam.*

9:30 AM St. Ambrose, Anderson +*Bill Chafin*

11:30 AM St. Mary, Anderson (Spanish) +*Lidia Pacheco Padilla*

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

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



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

Habrà Adoración al Santísimo Sacramento este domingo 7 de septiembre desde 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



Two New Young Saints + Dos nuevos santos jóvenes

Say hello to these two young Italian laymen who will be the canonized—the very first people canonized by Pope Leo—on September 7.

Born in 1991 and raised in Milan, **Blessed Carlo Acutis** used his tech skills to evangelize and was noted for his joyful faith and compassion for others before dying of leukemia in 2006 at age 15.

Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati, born in 1901 into a prominent family in Turin, was admired for his deep spirituality, love for the poor and enthusiasm for life. A member of the Dominican Third Order, he served the sick through the St. Vincent de Paul Society. He died at age 24 after contracting polio, possibly from one of the people he assisted.

Conozcan a estos dos jóvenes laicos italianos que serán canonizados—los primeritos canonizados por el Papa León—en una ceremonia el 7 de septiembre.

Nacido en 1991 y criado en Milán, el **beato Carlo Acutis** utilizó sus habilidades tecnológicas para evangelizar y se destacó por su fe alegre y compasión por los demás antes de morir de leucemia en 2006 a la edad de 15 años.

El **beato Pier Giorgio Frassati**, nacido en 1901 en el seno de una familia prominente de Turín, fue admirado por su profunda espiritualidad, amor a los pobres y entusiasmo por la vida. Miembro de la Tercera Orden Dominicana, sirvió a los enfermos a través de la Sociedad de San Vicente de Paúl. Murió a los 24 años tras contraer polio, posiblemente a causa de una de las personas a las que ayudó.



Blessed Acutis
Blessed Frassati



All ye holy men and women of God, pray for us! + Todos los santos y santas de Dios, ¡rueguen por nosotros!

5th Diocesan
Congress on the
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*The Family, Sign of
Hope for Today's
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Saturday,
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8am to 5pm

St. Paul Catholic
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**Sábado 18 de
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\$40 por familia
(los que viven en una misma casa)
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REGISTRATE AQUI

Formacion para toda la familia

My friend has been the Monday helper in the food pantry for two years. He has to stop now. We are both so sad about that. He has been a kind, quiet helper to people who need kindness and a quiet spirit, but he couldn't be run over by anyone either! He has been fair and patient, and has done all that he could. It is a wise thing to know when your chapter has ended. I am so grateful for him. His name is Michael Litten.

If you think you might like to be a person who helps our pantry neighbors like Michael did, please ask him what it's like - pros, cons, all of it. He has graciously agreed to tell you the unvarnished truth! I hope that there is someone who has been wondering if this might be a new chapter for you. If that is you, we can help you learn what it takes so you can begin that adventure. Thank you for thinking about it! And thank you, Michael, for having run this race so faithfully.



FOOD MINISTRIES

If it weren't for our volunteers, we 100% could not do this ministry - the Soup Kitchen, Panera Bread, Food Pantry, or Second Harvest Drive-Thru— none of it. There are so many different jobs for different personalities! Some

are solitary, like making or delivering soup, some are communal like bagging and distributing the Second Harvest foods, and some are interpersonal like talking with our neighbors who come to the pantry. We need all of you!! Thank you and God bless the heck out of you!! If you want to be a part of it, please call me!!

~Lawson Hunsicker, Food Ministries Coordinator

Mi amigo lleva dos años ayudando los lunes a los vecinos de la despensa. Ahora tiene que dejarlo. Ambos estamos muy tristes por eso. Ha sido un ayudante amable y tranquilo para quienes necesitan amabilidad y un espíritu sereno, ¡pero tampoco se dejaba arrollar por nadie! Ha sido justo y paciente, y ha hecho todo lo posible. Es importante saber cuándo termina la etapa de uno. Estoy muy agradecido por él. Se llama Michael Litten.

Si usted cree que le gustaría ser una persona que ayude a nuestros vecinos de la despensa como lo hacía Michael, pregúntele cómo es: pros, contras, todo. ¡Ha accedido amablemente a contarle la verdad sin tapujos! Espero que alguien se haya preguntado si este podría ser un nuevo capítulo para sí. Si ese es su caso, podemos ayudarlo a aprender lo necesario para que pueda comenzar esa aventura. ¡Gracias por pensarlo! Y gracias, Michael, por haber corrido esta carrera con tanta fidelidad.

Si no fuera por nuestros voluntarios, no podríamos llevar a cabo este ministerio: el Comedor Popular, Panera Bread, la Despensa de Alimentos o la distribución de Second Harvest; nada de esto. ¡Hay tantos trabajos diferentes para diferentes personalidades! Algunos son solitarios, como preparar o repartir sopa; otros son comunitarios, como empaquetar y distribuir los alimentos de Second Harvest; y otros son interpersonales, como hablar con nuestros vecinos que vienen a la despensa. ¡Los necesitamos a todos! ¡Gracias y que Dios los bendiga muchísimo! Si quieren formar parte, ¡llámenme!

~Lawson Hunsicker,
Coordinadora de los Ministerios de Alimentos



MINISTERIOS DE ALIMENTOS

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.



Where was Sister?

In last week's photo, Sr. Mary Mary Ambrose was resting on her pew/chair in the parish office at St. Mary Anderson, where she often hangs out during her down time.



¿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.

Dónde Andaba?

En la foto de la semana pasada, Sor Mary Mary Ambrose descansaba sobre su banca en la oficina parroquial de St. Mary Anderson, donde con frecuencia pasa el tiempo cuando no está trabajando.



Anderson-Alexandria
Pastorate Schools



OPEN HOUSE

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.

Divorce Recovery & New Beginnings 6-Week Program



Led by Deacon Bob Angelich

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ALEXANDRIA

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MASS FROM SEPT. 6 - 28

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.

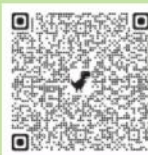


Sr. Eileen has indicated that she would welcome cards and letters in the mail. Why not drop her a line?

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



Action Plan Update

This week, we provide information about the PVP Communication Plan Action Plan. This initiative will develop and implement a comprehensive communication strategy for the Anderson-Alexandria Pastorate to improve communication with parishioners, school families, staff, our local communities, and others to foster unity, engagement, and collaboration.

Each week for seven consecutive weeks, an update on one Action Plan is being posted here. Progress updates will then continue on an on-going basis. Please refer to Father Tom's August 3rd bulletin column for more information about each of the seven Action Plans for 2025-2026.



**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.*



**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.*

Action Plan #5 COMMUNICATION PLAN

OBJECTIVE: By October 1, 2025, establish a communication strategy team composed of parish staff, school representatives, and advisory members to assess existing communication channels, identify gaps, and recommend new solutions.

STAFF CONTACT: Kathy Tardy, Pastorate Director of Operations (D.O.O.)

PROGRESS: Thus far, eleven pastorate members have expressed an interest in learning more about this Action Plan. The COO, Kathy Tardy, will contact prospective members of the committee within the next few weeks.

GOALS – This plan will include key communication platforms, target audiences, messaging frequency, and specific implementation roles. Stakeholder feedback will be collected, and at least one new communication method will be introduced by January 2026. Individual ministry input and participation is not only requested but necessary to make this strategy successful in serving all communities in the Pastorate.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS: To be announced

MEETING DATES: – The team will meet monthly from October 2025 through January 2026 to begin the work of this committee.



Actualización del Plan de Acción

Esta semana les informamos sobre el Plan de Acción del Plan de Comunicación de PVP. Esta iniciativa desarrollará e implementará una estrategia de comunicación integral para la Pastoral de Anderson-Alexandria con el fin de mejorar la comunicación con los feligreses, las familias de la escuela, el personal, las comunidades locales y otros, fomentando así la unidad, la participación y la colaboración.

Cada semana, durante siete semanas consecutivas, se publicará aquí una actualización de un Plan de Acción. Posteriormente, se seguirán actualizando los avances. Para más información sobre cada uno de los siete Planes de Acción para 2025-2026, consulten la columna del boletín del Padre Tom del 3 de agosto.

Plan de acción #5 PLAN DE COMUNICACIÓN

OBJETIVO: Para el 1 de octubre de 2025, establecer un equipo de estrategia de comunicación compuesto por personal parroquial, representantes escolares y asesores para evaluar los canales de comunicación existentes, identificar deficiencias y recomendar nuevas soluciones.

CONTACTO DEL PERSONAL: Kathy Tardy, Directora de Operaciones del Pastorado (D.O.O.)

PROGRESO: Hasta la fecha, once miembros del pastorado han expresado interés en conocer más sobre este Plan de Acción. La Directora de Operaciones, Kathy Tardy, se pondrá en contacto con los posibles miembros del comité en las próximas semanas.

METAS: Este plan incluirá plataformas de comunicación clave, público objetivo, frecuencia de los mensajes y roles específicos de implementación. Se recopilarán las opiniones de las partes interesadas y se implementará al menos un nuevo método de comunicación para enero de 2026. La participación y las aportaciones de cada ministerio son necesarias para que esta estrategia tenga éxito y sirva a todas las comunidades del Pastorado.

MIEMBROS DEL COMITÉ: Por anunciar

FECHAS DE LAS REUNIONES: El equipo se reunirá mensualmente desde octubre de 2025 hasta enero de 2026 para iniciar el trabajo de este comité.



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



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 las 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 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.



A Corporal Act of Mercy: Burying the Dead



Our Deacon Mike Burns and other local clergy and area funeral home personnel participated in a graveside observance at Maplewood Cemetery in Anderson on August 23rd. The committal service was organized by the cemetery for the interment of a number of cremated remains that had long gone unclaimed.

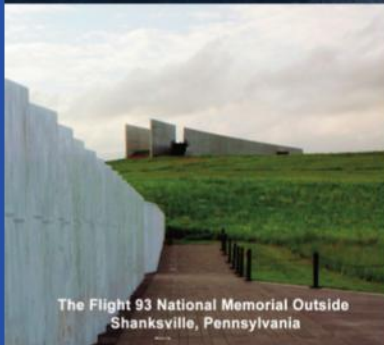
Obra de misericordia corporal: Enterrar a los muertos



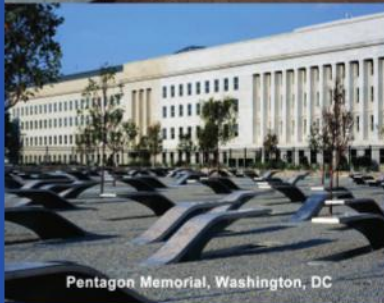
Nuestro Diácono Mike Burns y otros clérigos locales y personal de las funerarias de la zona participaron en una ceremonia en el cementerio de Maplewood en Anderson el pasado 23 de agosto. Este servicio de sepelio fue organizado por el cementerio para el entierro de varios restos cremados que habían permanecido durante mucho tiempo sin ser reclamados.



South Pool of the National September 11 Memorial in New York City



The Flight 93 National Memorial Outside Shanksville, Pennsylvania



Pentagon Memorial, Washington, DC

Patriot Day

Here, in this place of remembrance, I would ask everyone together, each in his or her own way, to spend a moment in silence and prayer. Let us implore from on high the gift of commitment to the cause of peace. Peace in our homes, our families, our schools and our communities. Peace in all those places where war never seems to end. Peace for those faces which have known nothing but pain. Peace throughout this world which God has given us as the home of all and a home for all.

Simply PEACE.

Excerpt from prayer by Pope Francis, at an interreligious prayer service at Ground Zero.

we will never forget

Consider praying with the beatitudes on the occasion of September 11th:

Blessed are they who mourn,
for they will be comforted....

Blessed are they who hunger and
thirst for righteousness,
for they will be satisfied.

Blessed are the merciful,
for they will be shown mercy....

Blessed are the peacemakers,
For they will be called children of God.

~Matthew 5:4,6,7,9

Se sugiere orar con las bienaventuranzas el día 11 de septiembre:

Bienaventurados los que lloran,
porque ellos recibirán consuelo...

Bienaventurados los que tienen hambre y
sed de justicia, porque ellos serán saciados.

Bienaventurados los misericordiosos,
porque ellos alcanzarán misericordia...

Bienaventurados los pacificadores,
porque ellos serán llamados hijos de Dios.

~Mateo 5:4,6,7,9

Aquí, en este lugar de conmemoración, les pido a todos, cada uno a su manera, que dediquemos un momento de silencio y oración. Imploramos desde lo alto el don del compromiso con la causa de la paz. Paz en nuestros hogares, familias, escuelas y comunidades. Paz en todos aquellos lugares donde la guerra parece no tener fin. Paz para aquellos rostros que solo han conocido el dolor. Paz en este mundo que Dios nos ha dado como hogar de todos y hogar para todos. Simplemente PAZ.

-Fragmento de la oración del Papa Francisco en un servicio interreligioso de oración en el sitio de los Torres Gemelos en el 2015

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Funeral Dinners

Did you know?

Our parishes have an organized **Funeral Dinner Minsistry** that offers a meal so that grieving families can fellowship peacefully after a funeral that takes place in one of the churches in our pastorate. Feel free to request this service from the priest at the time of making funeral arrangements with him; Father will let the dinner volunteers know, and they will take it from there.



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When: **Mondays** from 7 to 9pm,
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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)





Remember! Our Saturday confessions and vigil Mass in Anderson will be celebrated at St. Mary Church beginning the first weekend in **October**.

*¡Recuerden! Las confesiones y misa de vigilia del sábado en Anderson se celebrarán en la iglesia de St. Mary a partir del primer fin de semana de **octubre**.*

Weekly Stewardship Report

Fiscal Year
July 1- June 30

Aug. 24,
2025

Year to Date
Año hasta la fecha

St. Mary Alexandria	Budgeted / Presupuestado	\$4,808	\$38,464
	Received/ Recibido	\$4,893	\$35,769
	Over/Short Sobre/Corto	\$85	(\$2,695)
St. Mary Anderson	Budgeted / Presupuestado	\$11,110	\$88,880
	Received/ Recibido	\$10,558	\$69,379
	Over/Short Sobre/Corto	(\$552)	(\$19,501)
St. Ambrose Anderson	Budgeted / Presupuestado	\$8,805	\$70,440
	Received/ Recibido	\$5,596	\$55,707
	Over/Short Sobre/Corto	(\$3,209)	(\$14,733)

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Wisdom from the Saints

“Do you wish to honor the body of Christ? Do not ignore him when he is naked. Do not pay him homage in the temple clad in silk, only then to neglect him outside where he is cold and ill-clad. He who said: "This is my body," is the same who said: "You saw me hungry and you gave me no food," and "Whatever you did to the least of my brothers you did also to me." What good is it if the Eucharistic table is overloaded with golden chalices when your brother is dying of hunger? Start by satisfying his hunger and then with what is left you may adorn the altar as well.”

~St. John Chrysostom (347-407 A.D.)
Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Feast Day: Sept. 13



Sabiduría de los santos

¿Deseas honrar el cuerpo de Cristo? No lo ignores cuando esté desnudo. No le rindas homenaje en el templo vestido de seda, para luego descuidarlo afuera, donde tiene frío y está mal vestido. Quien dijo: “Este es mi cuerpo,” es el mismo que dijo: “Me viste hambriento y no me diste de comer,” y “Todo lo que hiciste con el más pequeño de mis hermanos, también me lo hiciste a mí.” ¿De qué sirve que la mesa eucarística esté repleta de cálices de oro cuando tu hermano se muere de hambre? Empieza por saciar su hambre y luego, con lo que sobre, podrás adornar también el altar.

~San Juan Crisóstomo (347-407 d.C.)
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Fiesta: 13 de septiembre

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