## SAINT AMBROSE CATHOLIC CHURCH

September 18, 2022 | 18 de Septiembre de 2022

#### **CLERGY**

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# XXV Domingo Ordinario

#### Mass Times/Misas

Mon - Tue - Thu - Friday:

8:00 am

Wednesday:

9:00 am (School Mass)

7:00 pm (Español)

Saturday:

8:00 am (Daily)

5:00 pm (Vigil)

7:00 pm (Vigilia-Español)

Sunday:

8:30 am, 10:00 am, 4:00 pm

12:00 pm (Español)

#### Reconciliation/Reconciliación

Mon - Tue - Thu - Fri:

8:30 am - 9:00 am

Wednesday:

6:00 pm - 6:45 pm

Saturday:

3:30 pm - 4:30 pm

\*To make an appointment for other days/times please call the office.

#### Eucharistic Adoration/Adoración

Mon - Tue - Thu - Fri:

8:30 am - 9:00 am

Wednesday (All day)

9:45 am - 6:45 pm

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## "The Earthen Containers"

This coming October 11 will mark my one year as a parochial vicar at St. Ambrose. I am so glad and honor to work and meet with many new faces of the parishioners, SAS students, teachers and staffs. Being a parochial vicar, my ministries vary from officiating baptisms to celebrating weddings and funerals. From time to time, I was called to anoint the sicks and visit the homebound. While visiting and anointing the sicks, I came to realize that we, as human beings, are weak and fragile. We, in the words of St. Paul, are "earthen containers" which are easy to break and crumple (cf. 2 Cor 4:7). From the day we had our first cry as newborn infants to the time we lay on our death beds; we all experienced many tribulations and sufferings in life. With that in mind, we need to ask ourselves the question of have we used God's given time, money and talents in the right and meaningful way so that we are prepared for the last moment of our lives? Reflecting on the Gospel of this coming Sunday, the Lord says in his parable that "No servant can serve two masters. He will either hate one and despise the other or be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and mammon" (Lk 16: 11-13). So, who do you serve?

Alexander the Great, after conquering many kingdoms, he felt ill and was on the verge of his death. The mighty conqueror lay helplessly waiting for his last breath. He called his generals and said, "I will depart from this world soon, I have three wishes: My first desire is that my physicians alone must carry my coffin. Secondly, I desire that when my coffin is being carried to the grave, the path leading to the graveyard will be paved with gold, silver and precious stones. And my third and last wish is that both my hands be kept dangling out of my coffin." The people who had gathered there wondered at the king's strange wishes, but no one dared to ask the King. Alexander's favorite general kissed his hand and pressed them to his heart and said, "O king, we assure you that all your wishes will be fulfilled. But tell us why you made such strange wishes?" At this Alexander took a deep breath and said: "I would like the world to know of the three lessons I have learned from years of ruling the kingdom. On my first wish, I want my physicians to carry my coffin because people should realize that no doctor on this earth can really cure anybody. They are powerless and cannot save a person from the clutches of death. So let not people take life for granted. The second wish of strewing gold, silver and other riches on the path to the graveyard is to tell People that not even a fraction of gold will come with me. I spent all my life Greed of Power, earning riches but cannot take anything with me. Let people realize that it is a sheer waste of time to chase wealth. About my third wish of having my hands dangling out of the coffin, I wish people to know that I came empty handed into this world and empty handed I go out of this world". With these words, the king closed his eyes. Soon he let death conquer him and breathed his last.

King Alexander's last three wishes gave us a great example of how we ought to see and use our money and the wealth of this world. We use them in such ways that they will help us get to our destination, that is, Heaven and not being enslaved by them. My brothers and sisters, worship God and not mammon. Do not let yourself be controlled and blinded by the perishable things of this world but always be vigilant and faithful in your faith and love for God.

Sincerely Yours in Christ,

Rev. Joseph Dihns C.Ss.R



#### MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS

#### SUNDAY'S READING

Monday,		Dry 2.27 24. Do 15.2 20 2bo 4ob 5.11, 0.16 10	
September 19		Prv 3:27-34; Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5; Lk 8:16-18	
St. Januarius	8:00 am	Enrique R. Cruz † & Gracia S. Evans †	
Tuesday,			
September 20			
St. Andrew Kim Tae-gon & St. Paul		Prv 21:1-6, 10-13; Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44; Lk 8:19-21	
Chong Ha-sang	8:00 am	Alice Hernandez † & Juan Marcos Ramos †	
		Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5; Mt 9:9-13	
Wednesday,	9:00 am	Toni Cali † & Jose Valencia †	
September 21		Guadalupe Esquivel (Acción de Gracias) †	
St. Matthew	7:00 pm	y las Almas del Purgatorio	
		Eccl 1:2-11; Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 & 17bc; Lk 9:7-9	
Thursday,		Francisca Guerrero Hernandez †	
September 22	8:00 am	& Souls of Purgatory	
Friday,			
September 23		Eccl 3:1-11; Ps144:1b & 2abc, 3-4; Mk 10:45; LK9:18-22	
St. Pius of Pietrelcina	8:00 am	Maria Concepcion Garcia † & Salvador Salcedo †	
		Eccl 11:9-12:8; Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13,14 & 17; 2 Tm 1:10; Lk 9:43B-45	
	8:00 am	La Familia Guerrero-Hernandez	
	5:00 pm	Michael Vu Tuong & Harold Wesneski (Birthday)	
Saturday, September 24	7:00 pm	Josefina Altamirano (Cumpleaños) y J. Angel Rivera (Salud)	
		Am 6:1a, 4-7; Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10; 1 Tm 6:11-16; Lk 16:19-31	
	8:30 am	Danna McDaniel † & Bertha Michel †	
Sunday, September 25 26th Sunday in	10:00 am	Mary Grace Martino Dragna † & Juan Carlos Rodriguez Valenzuela (Health)	
	12:00 pm	Ambrosia Enriquez de Ayala † y Herman Ayala †	
Ordinary Time	4:00 pm	Salvador Salcedo † & Antonio G. Garcia †	



#### First Reading

Unfair business and injustice to the poor will be judged by God.

#### Responsorial Psalm

Praise be to God, who raises up the poor.

#### **Second Reading**

Paul tells Timothy that prayer for those in authority is pleasing to God because God wills the salvation of all.

#### **Gospel Reading**

Jesus tells a parable about a dishonest steward who is commended for his prudence; one cannot serve both God and money.

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#### PRAYER LIST | LISTA DE ORACIÓN



Glenda Abreo †
Bill Bartlett,
Gina Chappa
Lydia Clifton †
Alpha Cruz
Lilia Cruz †
Cristela Flores

Juan Pablo Mares
Josue Mares
Kirk Kenmani Mayen †
Octavia Sanchez †

\*To schedule a Mass intention or add a name to the prayer list stop by/call the church office. Para programar una intención de Misa o agregar un nombre a nuestra lista de oración, pase a la o llame a la oficina. 713-686-3497

#### COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND

If you or someone you know is in need of Holy Communion contact the group leader in charge of your/the specific zip code you/they live in. If you are unable to contact the group leader of your zip code, you may contact either of the other two group leaders. They will forward your information.

Paul Brown (281) 687-0875 77041 • 77040 • 77088

Tim Feehery (713) 907-0959 77008 • 77055 • 77080

Frank Babineck (713) 869-5252 77091 • 77092 • 77018

#### COMUNIÓN A LOS ENFERMOS

Si usted, o conoce a alguien que necesita recibir la Sagrada Comunión, y no puede asistir a Misa en persona, comuníquese con Alonso Martínez al (713) 303-8991.



#### ANOINTING OF THE SICK UNCIÓN DE LOS ENFERMOS

This sacrament is offered to those who are in immediate danger of death, face major surgery, suffering from physical, mental, or spiritual sickness.

Este Sacramento se ofrece a aquellos que están en peligro inmediato de muerte, tendrán una cirugía mayor, sufren de enfermedades físicas, mentales o espirituales.

Contact the church office / Comuniquese con la oficina al: 713-686-3497



## INFANT BAPTISM BAUTIZO INFANTIL

#### Next Available Class:

English Class: 10:00 am -12:00 pm (Room A)

Dates: October 08 & November 12

\*Registration is done in-person, for questions please contact the church office 713-686-3497.

#### Próximas Clases:

Clases en Español: 7:00 am – 9:00 pm (Cuarto A)

Se requiere tomar dos clases bautismales.

Fecha: 04 y 11 de Octubre

\*La registración se hace en persona; llame a la oficina si tiene alguna pregunta 713-686-3497.

# Retiro de ACTS para Hombres

Jueves, 27 de Octubre hasta el Domingo, 30 de Octubre

Señores de San Ambrosio, los invitamos a un fin de semana extraordinario! Sera una oportunidad para renovar su espíritu y crear nuevas amistades.

## Costo Total: \$220.00 Deposito: \$50.00

Se puede dar en pagos.
Los coordinadores estarán cada Domingo después de la Misa de las 12:00 pm.
También podrán registrarse en la oficina de Lunes a Viernes.

Amanda



The Golden Youth invites anyone who is over 55 years or older to their meeting. We will meet this Sunday and every Third Sunday of the month at 2:00 pm in the Cafeteria. Join us for some fun, food, and fellowship! If you have any questions, contact Josie Farek at (713) 443-5213

Amanda Villanueva, Billie Feehery, Cindy Palacios, Diane St. Germaine, Aiden León, Dolores Evaristo, Delfina Martínez, Humberto Perdones. **Emelia** Perdones. Jennifer Perdones, Laura Obispo, Tim Feehery, Alicia Escondon, Luz Yanez, María Álvarez, Viriduna Garcia, Iris Lazo, Ana Nawara, Veronica Tovar, Rosalía Evaristo, Paul Brown, Lety León, Richard Franco, Sylvia Ávila, Melissa Franco, María Angelica García, Rosalio (Pictures of our catechists/Fotos de nuestros categuistas: Left to Right.Top to Bottom/ de izquierda a derecha, de arriba hacia abajo)

Those not pictured: (No incluidos en las fotos): Cristina Tiburcio, Pedro Rangel, Diana Sanchez, Maricela Alvarez, Jose Ixchop, Karina Garcia, Terry Macias, Marco Macias.







Meet our Faith Formation Catechists! ¡Nuestros Catequistas este nuevo año!



A big thank you for your commitment! ¡Muchísimas gracias por su compromiso!

#### Diocesan Services Fund (DSF)

Goal/ Meta \$75,000.00

Paid/ Pagado \$35,580.00

Balance Remaining/ \$38,420.00

Saldo Restante

Percentage Paid/

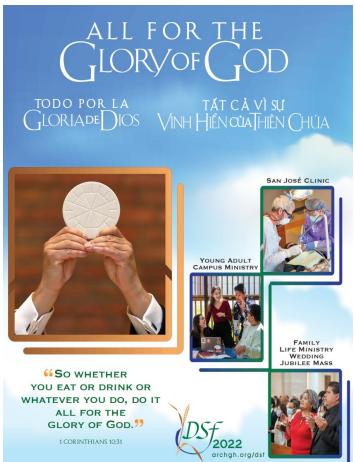
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#### **Weekly Contributions**

September 10th & 11th

September 10" & 11"			
Saturday 5:00 pm	\$1,421.00		
Sábado 7:00 pm	\$723.00		
Sunday 8:30 am	\$1157.00		
Sunday 10:00 am	\$1936.00		
Domingo 12:00 pm	\$3077.00		
Sunday 4:00 pm	\$1156.00		
Mail-in	\$610.00		
Drop-off	\$955.00		
Online	\$2,893.00		
Weekend Total	<b>\$</b> 13, 928.00		
Second Collection: SVDP	\$3,051.00		

### NEED WINE AND LIQUOR DONATIONS FOR GALA WINE TOSS

Bottles Value: \$25 & Up



For Questions please contact Theresa Harring-Pickett, trharring@hotmail.com



#### **COMMUNITY MASS**

St. Ambrose Church & School

Sunday, September 25, 2022 10:00 am





Join our Cub Scouts
Cub Scout Pack 540
K-5th Grade: Girls & Boys

Contact: Nguyen Phouangsavanh; Geraldine Phuoangsavanh nguyen@pmfresidential.com geraldine@parkerperridesigns.com





Any questions please email gala@sashornets.org