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SEPTEMBER 14TH, 2025 | 14 DE SEPTIEMBRE DEL 2025

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Exaltation OF THE Holy Cross

Exaltación DE LA Santa Cruz

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Dcn. Ricardo Virgilio Rivas
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St. Ambrose Catholic Community welcomes you to find the love of Christ, to strengthen your faith and to enrich our growing family.

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Mon – Sat / Lunes – Sábado 8:00 am (Daily Mass) – English Miércoles y Viernes 7:00 pm – Español Saturday / Sábado 5:00 pm – English Vigil Mass 7:00 pm – Misa de Vigilia en Español Sunday / Domingo 8:30 am – English 10:00 am – English 12:00 pm – Español 4:00 pm – English	713-686-3497 info@stambroshouston.org OFFICE HOURS Monday - Friday 8:30 am - 5:30 pm Closed for Lunch 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm Visit us online! STAMBROSEHOUSTON.ORG
COLLECTION REPORT REPORTE DE COLECCIÓN SEMANAL:	CONFESSIONS / CONFESIONES
No collection report available for this week Reporte de colección para esta semana no está disponible	Mon-Tue-Thu-Fri 8:30 am – 9:00 am Wednesday and First Friday / Miércoles y Primer Viernes 6:00 pm – 6:45 pm Saturday / Sábado 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm <i>Confessions are also offered by appointment</i> <i>La confesiones tambien se ofrecen con cita.</i> 713-686-3497
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	Mon-Tue-Thu-Fri 8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Wednesday/Miércoles 8:30 a.m. – 6:45 p.m. First Friday of the Month / Primer Viernes del Mes 8:30 a.m. – 6:45 p.m.

FEAST OF THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS FIESTA DE LA EXALTACIÓN DE LA SANTA CRUZ

In the fourth century, the Empress St. Helena - mother of Emperor Constantine - found in Jerusalem the stake on which Jesus Christ, the Son of God, died.

The relic would be stolen around the year 614 by the Persians as a 'war trophy'. Years later, Emperor Heraclius (610-641) rescued the holy stake so that it could be sent back to the Holy City, Jerusalem, on September 14, 628. Since then, every September 14, this event is remembered and celebrated, later instituted as a liturgical feast.

To celebrate, Emperor Heraclius ordered that it be carried in a solemn procession. He would personally accompany the cortège, dressed in all his imperial ornaments. Curiously, these became so heavy that it became impossible for him to advance on the road. Then, the Archbishop of Jerusalem, Zechariah, told him: "It is that all that luxury of clothing that he wears is not in accordance with the humble and painful aspect of Christ, when he was carrying the cross through these streets."

The emperor immediately took off his luxurious mantle and his golden crown and, barefoot, began to walk, lighter, through the streets, accompanying the holy procession.

It is said that St. Anthony Abbot (251-356) made the sign of the cross whenever he was attacked by the devil with horrible visions and temptations. Thus, we Christians have the habit of crossing ourselves to ask for God's protection in the presence of evil.

Let us always make the sign of the Cross.
- Father Antonio Ortiz.

En el siglo IV, la emperatriz Santa Elena -madre del emperador Constantino- encontró en Jerusalén el madero en el que murió Jesucristo, el Hijo de Dios. La reliquia sería sustraída hacia el año 614 por los persas en calidad de 'trofeo de guerra'. Años más tarde, el emperador Heraclio (610- 641), rescató el santo madero por lo que pudo ser enviado de retorno a la Ciudad Santa, Jerusalén, el 14 de septiembre de 628. Desde entonces, cada 14 septiembre se recuerda y celebra dicho suceso, instituido luego como festividad litúrgica.

Para celebrar El Emperador Heraclio dispuso que fuese llevada en solemne procesión. Él acompañaría personalmente el cortejo, revestido de todos sus ornamentos imperiales.

Curiosamente, estos llegaron a ser tan pesados que se le hizo imposible avanzar sobre el camino.

Entonces, el Arzobispo de Jerusalén, Zacarías, le dijo: "Es que todo ese lujo de vestidos que lleva no va de acuerdo con el aspecto humilde y doloroso de Cristo, cuando iba cargando la cruz por estas calles".

El emperador de inmediato se despojó de su lujoso manto y su corona de oro y, descalzo, empezó a caminar, más ligero, por las calles, acompañando la santa procesión.

Se cuenta que San Antonio Abad (251-356) hacía la señal de la cruz cada vez que era atacado por el demonio con horribles visiones y tentaciones.

Así, los cristianos tenemos la costumbre de santiguarnos para pedir la protección de Dios ante la presencia del mal.

Hagamos siempre la señal de la Cruz.
- Padre Antonio Ortiz.

MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS | MISAS E INTENCIONES

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

8:00 AM Theodore and Angelina Twardowski†

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

8:00 AM Martin Barro† & Lupita Navarrete†

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

8:00 AM Claudia Llanito (Health) & Souls in Purgatory

7:00 PM Lucila Bernabe† & Oswaldo Ramirez (Birthday)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

8:00 AM Frank Babineck (Birthday) & Souls in Purgatory

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

8:00 AM Mauricio de Jesus Campo† & Maria Campos†

7:00 PM Roberto Castañeda† & Souls in Purgatory

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

8:00 AM Donald Lynch† & Souls in Purgatory

5:00 PM Maria and Hector Hernandez†

7:00 PM Moises Rodriguez† & Josefina Patino†

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

8:30 AM St. Ambrose Community

10:00 AM Juanita Bocanegra† & Patricia Bloch†

12:00 PM Daniela Flores† & Noah Quirino (Birthday)

4:00 PM Harold Wesneski Sr.† & Enrique R. Cruz†

PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED: OREMOS POR LOS FIELES DIFUNTOS:

Vivian Long
Rosa Rodriguez
Lauren Araujo
Souls In Purgatory
Almas del Purgatorio

If you would like to offer a mass for a loved one, or add them to the prayer list, please call or visit the church office.

Si desea ofrecer una misa por un ser querido o agregarlo a la lista de oración, llame o visite nuestra oficina parroquial

PRAY FOR THE HEALTH OF: OREMOS POR LA SALUD DE:

All the sick of our St. Ambrose Community
Todos los enfermos de nuestra comunidad de San Ambrosio
Pearly Nelson
Trinh Nguyen
Ed Jozwiak
Leroy Lopez
Natalie Shumway
Leona Binski
Eva Macak
Janet Segarra
Guadalupe Perez
Lupe Marquart
Carlos Weber
Anthony Ruffino
Ryan Ehlers
Heather Locklear
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Promoting, Preparing and Supporting the Clergy

3
Newly ordained priests

15
Priests at Archbishop
Fiorenza Priest
Retirement Residence

53
Seminarians
from the Archdiocese
of Galveston-Houston

Teaching, Evangelization and Worship

18,280
Catholic school students

1,905
Catholic school
professional staff

20,384
Seafarers from 78
countries served at the
Galveston Seafarers
Center

Ministering to the Poor, the Sick, and Incarcerated

20,764
Prescriptions
distributed at
San José's
pharmacy

31
Hospitals served
by the Catholic
Chaplain Corps

358,834
Food pantry visits by
families in need to
Catholic Charities

150+
More
than
correctional ministry
volunteers

Communion to the Homebound

If you know someone who is in need of communion and cannot attend Mass, please contact us at:

713-686-3497

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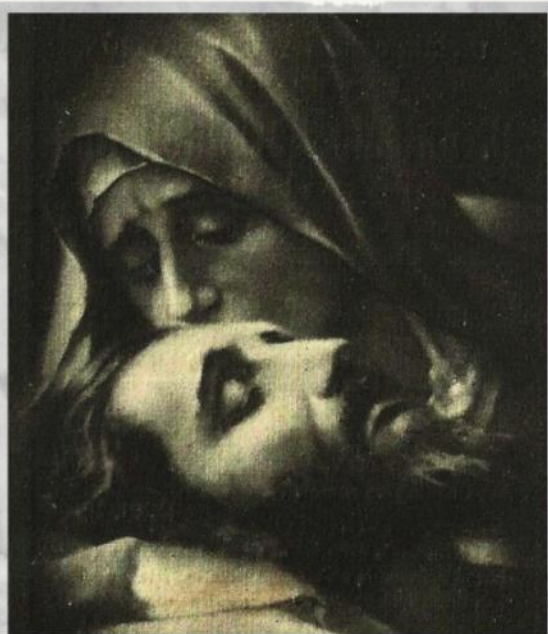
Si conoce a alguien que necesita la comunión y no puede asistir a Misa, comuníquese con nosotros al:

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September is the month dedicated to Our Lady of Sorrows

1. The Prophecy of Simeon
2. The Flight into Egypt
3. The Loss of Jesus for Three Days
4. The Carrying of the Cross
5. The Crucifixion of Jesus
6. Jesus Taken Down from the Cross
7. Jesus Laid in the Tomb



Septiembre es el mes dedicado a Nuestra Señora de la Soledad

1. La Profecía de Simeón
2. La Huida a Egipto
3. La Pérdida de Jesús
4. El Encuentro de Jesús en camino del calvario
5. La Crucifixión de Jesús
6. Jesús Muerto Colocado en los Brazos de María
7. El Entierro de Jesús

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Monday, September 15th :	4:00 p.m. - St. Ambrose School Volleyball Practice 7:00 p.m. - Men's Club Meeting 7:00 p.m. - Junta del Grupo de Apoyo para ACTS Mujeres 7:00 p.m. - Preparación para el Retiro de ACTS para Hombres
Tuesday, September 16th :	10:00 a.m. - Taller de Oración y Vida 4:00 p.m. - St. Ambrose School Volleyball Practice 4:40 p.m. - St. Ambrose School Soccer Match 6:30 p.m. - Choir Practice / Práctica del Coro 7:00 p.m. - Sacramental Prep Classes 7:00 p.m. - Youth First Communion Preparation 7:00 p.m. - Junta del MFCC
Wednesday, September 17th :	<u>Adoration / Adoración: 8:45 a.m. - 6:45 p.m.</u> 9:00 a.m. - Rosario por los Sacerdotes 2:00 p.m. - Rosario en honor a la Virgen, Alabanza, y Coronilla de la Divina Misericordia 4:00 p.m.- St. Ambrose Volleyball Practice 6:00 p.m. - CDA Meeting <u>Confessions / Confesiones: 6:00 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.</u> 7:00 p.m - OCIA Classes 7:00 p.m. - Catechism Classes / Clases de Catecismo
Thursday, September 18th :	4:00 p.m. - St. Ambrose School Volleyball Practice 4:00 p.m. - Mum Making for 8 th Grade 6:00 p.m. - Core Team Bible Study 7:00 p.m. - Taller de oración y vida
Friday September 19th :	5:00 p.m. - Meet the Hornets Pep Rally 6:00 p.m. - MFCC Rosario 7:00 p.m. - Meet the Hornets Dance 7:00 p.m. - Danza Practice
Saturday September 20th :	8:00 a.m. - Guadalupanas Meeting 8:00 a.m. - Retiro para servidores de ACTS 9:00 a.m. - Altar Society Church Cleaning <u>After Mass / Despues de Misa:</u> Bake Sale Hosted by CCE Offices / Venta de Reposteria por Oficina de Catecismo
Sunday September 21st :	10:00 a.m. - CCE Classes / Clases de Catecismo 2:30 p.m - Life Teen & EDGE Classes 1:00 p.m - Spanish Baptisms / Bautismos en Espanol 2:00 p.m. - Golden Youth Meeting <u>After Mass / Despues de Misa:</u> Bake Sale Hosted by CCE Offices / Venta de Reposteria por Oficina de Catecismo

Men's Club Meeting HUDDLE UP

All men are invited to join us for our monthly Men's Club meeting this **Monday, September 15 in the auditorium at 7:00 pm**
Meal provided

Come for the meeting,
stay for the game

For more information please contact
Travis Staudt at: tstaudt56@yahoo.com



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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Faith Formation Registration for Elementary School Kids

Baptism / 1st communion | 1st - 5th GRADE ONLY

Registration fee for 1st year: \$70

Registration fee for 2nd year: \$80

Please bring the child's baptism certificate to be able to register, if the child does not have the sacrament of baptism, please bring the child's birth certificate

Without these certificates, you CANNOT register

THE LAST DAY FOR CHILDREN 1ST - 5TH GRADE TO REGISTER IS SEPTEMBER 18TH

Inscripciones para Formación de Fe para niños de Primaria

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Cuota de inscripción para el primer año: \$70

Cuota de inscripción para el segundo año: \$80

Favor de traer el certificado de bautismo del niño para poder registrarse, si el niño no tiene el sacramento del bautismo, favor de traer el acta de nacimiento

Sin estos certificados, NO SE PUEDE registrar

EL ÚLTIMO DÍA PARA INSCRIBIR UN NIÑO DE 1º A 5º GRADO ES EL 18 DE SEPTIEMBRE

FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATIONS FOR MIDDLE / HIGH SCHOOL KIDS

Baptism / 1st communion / Confirmation

EDGE : 6th-8th GRADE | LIFE TEEN: 9th-12th GRADE

Registration fee for 1st year: \$80

Registration fee for 2nd year: \$90

Please bring the child's baptism certificate to be able to register, if the child does not have the sacrament of baptism, please bring the child's birth certificate - **Without these certificates, you CANNOT register**

THE LAST DAY FOR KIDS 6TH - 12TH GRADE TO REGISTER IS SEPTEMBER 14TH

INSCRIPCIONES PARA FORMACIÓN DE FE PARA NIÑOS EN LA SECUNDARIA Y PREPARATORIA

Bautizo / Primera Comunión / Confirmación

EDGE : GRADOS 6-8 | LIFE TEEN: GRADOS 9-12

Cuota de inscripción para el primer año: \$80

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EL ÚLTIMO DÍA PARA INSCRIBIR UN NIÑO DE 6º A 12º GRADO ES EL 14 DE SEPTIEMBRE

Faith Formation for Adults (18+):

Baptism, 1st Communion, and Confirmation

Registration fee for adults: \$80

Please bring your baptism certificate to be able to register, if you do not have the sacrament of baptism, please bring your birth certificate

Without these certificates, you CANNOT register

THE LAST DAY FOR AN ADULT TO REGISTER IS SEPTEMBER 18TH

Formación de Fe para Adultos (18+):

Bautismo, Primera Comunión y Confirmación

Cuota de inscripción para adultos: \$80

Favor de traer su acta de bautismo para poder registrarse, si no tiene el sacramento del bautismo, favor de traer su acta de nacimiento

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EL ÚLTIMO DÍA PARA QUE UN ADULTO SE INSCRIBA ES EL 18 DE SEPTIEMBRE

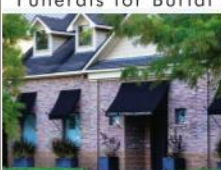
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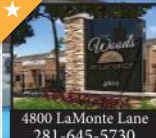
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