



SAINT AMBROSE CATHOLIC CHURCH



RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday & Wednesday
9:00am-1:00pm

Tuesday & Thursday
2:00pm-6:00pm

CLOSED Friday-Sunday

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THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JANUARY 23, 2022

THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD IS UPON ME,

because he has anointed me
to bring glad tidings to the poor.

LUKE 4:18

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BAPTISM

Arrangements to be made at least
two month in advance.

RECONCILIATION

By appointment, Please contact the priest

WEDDING

Appointments should be made at least six months in
advance. Church dates should be confirmed with a
priest before making other arrangements.

FUNERAL

Should be arranged by family
with the Parish office and the mortuary.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call for home or hospital visit.

CATHOLIC FUNERAL AND CEMETERY SERVICES

St. Joseph Cemetery • San Pablo
(510) 223-1265

St. Mary Cemetery • Oakland
(510) 654-0936

LITURGY

Sunday Masses
(English) 10:30am

(Spanish) 12:15 pm

Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday
Mass 8:30 am - English

Monday, Wednesday, & Friday
Liturgy of the Word
8:30am - English

Rosary
Monday - Saturday
7:45 am, Church

Holy Day Masses
To be Announced by Parish Office

Eucharistic Adoration
Fridays 9:00 - 9:30 am

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

**ALL CLASSES ARE HELD AT
THE CHURCH HALL**

First Communion
Grades 2-8
Sunday
11:00am-12:00pm

Confirmation
Wednesday
6:00pm-8:00pm

Baptism Class
(English & Spanish)
Please Come to
Parish Office for Dates

THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE IS FROM THE OFFICE OF WORSHIP AT THE DIOCESE OF OAKLAND

ATTENDANCE AT MASS

Please be aware that the obligation to attend Sunday Mass does not apply to those who are ill, especially those who suffer from contagious disease. Long before this pandemic, the Church has always recognized that there are “serious” or “grave” reasons that prevent Catholics from attending Mass. For example, if a person is sick or homebound, or living/visiting areas of the world where access to the Mass is limited, or a situation arises that prevents travel (snowstorm or flat tire), such persons would not be bound by the obligation.

In the case of this pandemic, serious or grave reasons would include:

- Anyone who is sick, symptomatic, or has been recently exposed to the coronavirus. Protecting the health of others is an act of Christian charity and our moral duty to one another.
- Anyone with significant health risk factors that requires them to avoid public spaces, or if you care for someone with significant risk factors.
- Anyone who cannot attend Mass through no fault of their own, for example, a parent caring for a sick child, or if the priest is sick.

As always, you are reminded to use common good sense in the reception of Holy Communion during the annual cold and flu season as well.

GENERAL PRECAUTIONS

- Wearing masks and social distancing remain two of the most effective means of preventing and spreading disease.
- At this time, there is no government restriction on capacity for indoor service, but social distancing and adequate ventilation are still required.
- The Sign of Peace should still be exchanged without physical contact.

Nehemiah 8: 2-4a, 5-6, 8-10

Ezra the priest brought the law before the assembly, which consisted of men, women, and those children old enough to understand. Standing at one end of the open place that was before the Water Gate, he read out of the book from daybreak till midday, in the presence of the men, the women, and those children old enough to understand; and all the people listened attentively to the book of the law. Ezra the scribe stood on a wooden platform that had been made for the occasion. He opened the scroll so that all the people might see it — for he was standing higher up than any of the people —; and, as he opened it, all the people rose. Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God, and all the people, their hands raised high, answered, “Amen, amen!” Then they bowed down and prostrated themselves before the LORD, their faces to the ground. Ezra read plainly from the book of the law of God, interpreting it so that all could understand what was read. Then Nehemiah, that is, His Excellency, and Ezra the priest-scribe and the Levites who were instructing the people said to all the people: “Today is holy to the LORD your God. Do not be sad, and do not weep”— for all the people were weeping as they heard the words of the law. He said further: “Go, eat rich foods and drink sweet drinks, and allot portions to those who had nothing prepared; for today is holy to our LORD. Do not be saddened this day, for rejoicing in the LORD must be your strength!”

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Nehemías 8: 2-4a, 5-6, 8-10

En aquellos días, Esdras, el sacerdote, trajo el libro de la ley ante la asamblea, formada por los hombres, las mujeres y todos los que tenían uso de razón. Era el día primero del mes séptimo, y Esdras leyó desde el amanecer hasta el mediodía, en la plaza que está frente a la puerta del Agua, en presencia de los hombres, las mujeres y todos los que tenían uso de razón. Todo el pueblo estaba atento a la lectura del libro de la ley. Esdras estaba de pie sobre un estrado de madera, levantado para esta ocasión. Esdras abrió el libro a la vista del pueblo, pues estaba en un sitio más alto que todos, y cuando lo abrió, el pueblo entero se puso de pie. Esdras bendijo entonces al Señor, el gran Dios, y todo el pueblo, levantando las manos, respondió: “¡Amén!”, e inclinándose, se postraron rostro en tierra. Los levitas leían el libro de la ley de Dios con claridad y explicaban el sentido, de suerte que el pueblo comprendía la lectura. Entonces Nehemías, el gobernador, Esdras, el sacerdote y escriba, y los levitas que instruían a la gente, dijeron a todo el pueblo: “Éste es un día consagrado al Señor, nuestro Dios. No estén ustedes tristes ni lloren (porque todos lloraban al escuchar las palabras de la ley). Vayan a comer espléndidamente, tomen bebidas dulces y manden algo a los que nada tienen, pues hoy es un día consagrado al Señor, nuestro Dios. No estén tristes, porque celebrar al Señor es nuestra fuerza”.

Weekly Offering

Weekly Goal: \$5,000 Monthly Goal: \$20,000

Date/Fecha	1st Collection Donations	2nd Collection
January 9, 2022	\$1,332	Diocesan Seminary \$1,202
January 2, 2022	\$1,811	-----
January 1, 2022	\$1,277	-----
December 31, 2021	\$112	-----
December 26, 2021	\$1,414	-----

Mass Intentions For The Week

January 23-29, 2022

Sun 10:30 12:15	Jonny Nagel † Sandra Garcia Velazquez †	Familia Garcia
Mon 8:30	Liturgy of the Word	-----
Tues 8:30	Pope Francis	-----
Wed 8:30	Liturgy of the Word	-----
Thurs 8:30	Bishop Michael Barber	-----
Fri 8:30	Liturgy of the Word	-----
Sat 8:30	Victims of The Pandemic	-----

January 23, 2022

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our liturgical calendar separates different Gospel scenes, which can sometimes do them a bit of a disservice. The liturgical year, of course, has its own rhythm and purpose, into which the stories of the life of Jesus are placed. However, when Luke was organizing his Gospel (for "Theophilus" the lover of God whom we encounter in today's Gospel introduction), today's scene was part of a three-fold structure: the baptism of Jesus; the temptation in the desert; the announcement of the public mission in the synagogue at Nazareth. Linking these is the Holy Spirit, who descended on the body of Jesus at his baptism, who filled his body as he endured his forty-day trial, and who is upon his body to announce and to bring about God's reign, a mission he fulfills with his body on the cross. The incarnation (the "in-fleshing") of Jesus, which we think of in connection with his birth, remains central to his story.

ONE CHRIST, ONE BODY

Last week's reading from Corinthians concerned the one Spirit who gives many gifts, yet is the source of our unity. Paul continues this theme today using the image of the body, whose different members each have an important and distinct role to play. The Spirit of baptism forms that one mystical Body of Christ. The Spirit of baptism fills the many members, but unites them always as one. The Spirit of baptism is on each member, as it was for Jesus in the synagogue at Nazareth. That Spirit of our baptism anoints each of us as a member of Christ's Body to be glad tidings, proclaim liberty, bring clearer vision, lift the oppressed, to announce God's reign to all. As different members of Christ's Body, we are each called upon to do this in our own way. We may face opposition or rejection, as Jesus did, but we can always turn again in faith to the Spirit of our baptism who is still with us.

Today's Readings: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10, Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15; 1 Cor 12:12-30 [12-14, 27]; Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

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23 de enero de 2022

Tercer Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Nuestro calendario litúrgico separa las diferentes escenas del Evangelio, lo que a veces puede hacerles un flaco favor. El año litúrgico, por supuesto, tiene su propio ritmo y finalidad, en el que insertan los relatos de la vida de Jesús. Sin embargo, cuando Lucas organizaba su Evangelio (para "Teófilo", el amigo de Dios que encontramos en la introducción del Evangelio de hoy), la escena de hoy formaba parte de una estructura triple: el bautismo de Jesús, las tentaciones en el desierto, el anuncio de la misión pública en la sinagoga de Nazaret. El vínculo es el Espíritu Santo, que descendió sobre el cuerpo de Jesús en su bautismo, que llenó su cuerpo mientras soportaba su prueba de cuarenta días, y que está sobre su cuerpo para anunciar y realizar el reino de Dios, misión que cumple con su cuerpo en la cruz. La encarnación (el "encarnarse") de Jesús, que pensamos en relación con su nacimiento, sigue siendo el centro de su historia.

UN CRISTO, UN CUERPO

La lectura de Corintios de la semana pasada se refería al único Espíritu que otorga muchos dones, pero que es la fuente de nuestra unidad. Pablo continúa hoy este tema utilizando la imagen del cuerpo, cuyos diferentes miembros tienen cada uno una función importante y distinta. El Espíritu del bautismo forma ese único Cuerpo místico de Cristo. El Espíritu del bautismo llena los numerosos miembros, pero los une siempre como uno solo. El Espíritu del bautismo está en cada miembro, como lo estuvo para Jesús en la sinagoga de Nazaret. Ese Espíritu de nuestro bautismo nos unge a cada uno de nosotros como miembros del Cuerpo de Cristo para ser alegres, proclamar la libertad, traer una visión más clara, levantar a los oprimidos, anunciar el reino de Dios a todos. Como miembros diferentes del Cuerpo de Cristo, cada uno está llamado a hacer esto a su manera. Podemos enfrentarnos a la oposición o al rechazo, como hizo Jesús, pero siempre podemos volver a acudir con fe al Espíritu de nuestro bautismo, que sigue estando con nosotros.

Lecturas de hoy: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10, Sal 19 (18):8, 9, 10, 15; 1 Cor 12:12-30 [12-14, 27]; Lc 1:1-4; 4:14-21

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