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Dear Sisters and Brothers in the Lord:

This past week we all experienced the solar eclipse. I listen to Indiana Public Radio, broadcast from Ball State University in Muncie, nearly every day. This past Monday they had an early morning program (airing at 3:30 AM) allowing persons to ask questions about the solar system.

One caller wanted to know how long it took sunlight to reach the farthest planet in our solar system, since it takes about eight minutes for sunlight to reach the earth. After some speculation about which planet is the farthest one (since Pluto is now considered a “dwarf” planet!) the answer was that it takes sunlight four hours and nine minutes to reach Neptune! Accordingly, it takes that same beam of sunlight four hours and forty minutes to reach the “dwarf” Pluto! That got me thinking about the vastness of space and the wonder of creation.

Earlier in the week that same program has spoken of how the satellite “Voyager One” was the first orb launched from earth to now be in “inter stellar space”; having left our solar system about fourteen months ago. It will, supposedly, [traverse](#) outer space until it is either drawn into orbit around some distant planetary system, or crashes into some asteroid—

hopefully without catastrophic consequences.

The thought crossed my mind of how we human beings are seeking to learn if any other life forms exist in our Universe or if we are the only “intelligent” sensate in creation. I once entered into a debate in the seminary with a classmate about the existence of extraterrestrial life. He claimed that it really made no difference whether or not there were other life forms or not because nothing and no one else really matters! I told him that nothing really matters except Jesus Christ! That’s when he nicknamed me “Thomas”—after St. Thomas Aquinas, since he felt I was mixing theology and scientific fact.

From my perspective—the wonder of creation, the vastness of the solar system and the immensity of space only go to show how magnificent God is! And the fact that He chose to share His Life with us shows how His Love has no boundary and is **everlasting**. May your heart be blessed with the assurance of His Loving Kindness. Peace be with you, Monsignor

Parish Information

	Monday 8/28/2017	Tuesday 8/29/2017	Wednesday 8/30/2017	Thursday 8/31/2017	Friday 9/1/2017	Saturday 9/2/2017
St. Mary	8:00 AM Dr. Mark Stinson	NO MASS	NO MASS	8:10 AM Fred Cameron	NO MASS	2:30-3:30 Confessions
St. Ambrose	8:00 AM Jesse Backous	8:00 AM Pro Populo	8:00 AM Deceased Members of the Hanlon Family	8:00 AM Daniel Duquaine	8:10 AM Paul Learned	8:00 AM Charles Graybill 4:00-5:00 Confessions
Other Locations			St. Vincent Hospital 11:30 Sadie Porcaro		10:30 AM Countryside Martha & Benjamin Batie	

Liturgical Ministers Schedule

Sept. 2nd & 3rd	Sat. 4:00 PM St. Mary	Sat. 5:30 PM St. Ambrose	Sun. 7:30 AM St. Mary	Sun. 9:30 AM St. Ambrose	Sun. 11:30 AM St. Mary
Mass Intentions	Donald Kriner	William Hunter	Larrilee Parry Rich	Kathryn Cole	Pro Populo
Reader	Mary Rhoten	Janice Martin	Marcia Murphy	Rick Pitts	Juan Briones
Eucharistic Ministers	Ron Adams Jan Adams Mike Scott Linda Schipp Starletta Schipp H	Alan Martin H Nancy Bollman Marvin Coryell Donna Pine Renae Scheckelhoff	Carol Cukrowicz Pat Butler Michael Litten Linda Ratliff Amy Sczesny H	Henry Lamper H Mary Lamper H Rosie Graybill Chris Harrold V. Hernandez Stephanie Metz	Mayra Sierra Yolanda St. Clair D. Valenzuela Francisco Cazares Moises Cazares H
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PARISH COMMUNITY NEWS



<u>Stewardship</u>	
St. Ambrose	\$ 7,027
YTD	\$ 306,351
NTD	\$ 442,000
ST. Mary	\$ 7,324
YTD	\$ 344,153
NTD	\$ 612,000

Dates To Remember

- Sept.15—Senior Luncheon at 11:30 in the Holy Cross North school annex.
 Sept.16—Texas Roadhouse Night at St. Ambrose
 Sept. 23—NCYC Prime Rib Fundraiser Dinner
 Sept. 30—"Friends of the Poor" Walk at Highland Middle School. Run @ 10:00 AM; Booths 11:00 AM - 2 PM; Walk @ Noon.

Eucharistic Ministers Needed For Homebound

If you feel you are being called to serve the homebound and the nursing homes as a eucharistic minister, please give Barb Kemp a call at 765-643-3977. If you only have a small amount of time to spare you can server at a substitute.

FIRST CHOICE FOR WOMEN OF ANDERSON AND MADISON COUNTY

Please come at 7 PM to Room #1 in the cafeteria of St. Vincent Anderson Regional Hospital this coming Monday, Aug. 28th, to hear all about First Choice for Women that has just opened its doors to women in crisis pregnancies here in Anderson. It's development director, Char Lavelle, will be here to tell us all about it and to answer any questions you might have. You can enter by the side door which is located at the bottom of the steps behind the gate north of the main entrance to the hospital.

Wouldn't it be great if our Bibles were our cell phones?



SPIRITUAL LIFE

Eucharistic Adoration

St. Mary Adoration is on Thursdays from 2:00 PM to 7:00 PM

Santa Maria Adoración es el jueves de 14:00-19:00 PM

St. Ambrose Adoration is on Sunday, Sept. 3rd. It will begin after the 9:30 AM Mass. It will close with the Rosary and Benediction at 4:00 PM.

Need Prayer Intentions

Parishioners of St. Ambrose and St. Mary will pray for you and your special intentions.

Call Betty Worden (642-0824). You do not have to give your name. Call Betty if you can help with the Prayer line.

RCIA—The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults has as its beginning a time of no fixed duration or structure for inquiry - for asking questions. If you are a spouse or friend of a Catholic, and you wonder what the Catholic Church is about, this is a place to find out. We meet on Tuesdays from 6:30-8:00 PM in the Holy Cross North school annex. There is no pressure at all. For more information, call Mary Pat @ 617-2523, Lawson @ 642-5339, or Janice @ 644-8467.

Catholic Radio Station

Please tune into our new Anderson Catholic Radio Station **98.3** on your **FM** dial. You can also access it by calling 641-552-5881 on your cellular. **THIS IS A FREE CALL (24/7/365)** if you have unlimited talk or minutes from your cellular carrier. Mark it as a speed dial or put it head-out on your contact list! As long as you are in the Anderson area you can listen as often as you like—just put your phone on speaker and hear all about what's happening in the world of Catholic Radio.

Weekly Scriptures:

Sun. Is 22:19-23, Rom 11:33-36, Mt 16:13-20; **Mon.** 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10, Mt 23:13-22;

Tues. 1 Thes 2:1-8, Mk 6:17-29; **Wed.** 1 Thes 2:9-13, Mt 23:27-32; **Thurs.** 1 Thes 3:7-13, Mt 24:42-51; **Fri.** 1 Thes 4:1-8, Mt 25:1-13; **Sat.** 1 Thes 4:9-11, Mt 25:14-30

Please Pray For

Please remember in your prayers all those who are ill or injured, especially the sick and elderly in our parishes:

The Military in the Middle East: Major Paul Muething, son of Paul and Nancy; Josh Fisher, son of Gary and Kathy; Pfc. Cole Gillespie Army Infantry, son of David & Samantha Gillespie; Pvt. Jalen Lewis US Army, son of Stephanie Akin; Specialist Mark Schulten, Sargent Joseph Schulten, and Seaman Rct. Matthew Schulten HM3, grandsons of Cathy Thompson; Michael Shane Carter Air Force, grandson of Marllon and Emily Carter; Pvt. Caitlyn Ferndandez Duarte, granddaughter of Rhonda Cox. Lance Corporal Brock Acra stationed in Okinawa Japan US Marine Corp, son of Greg and Sonia Acra. Specialist Clayton Keogh, US Army, grandson of Tim and Maryfrances Kincaid. YN3 Tyler Brock, son of Karen (O'Connor) Brock.

If you have a family member who is in the service and called to active duty and would like to add their name to a list for special prayers, please call the rectory and give us this information. Let us pray for **PEACE World Wide**. God Bless us all!

OUTREACH

ENL— The English Now and Later Class meets from 9:30-11:30, every Tuesday, in the Holy Cross North school annex. If you have questions, please contact Mary Rhoten @ 765-387-0138.

Scholarship Grant Organization (SGO)

Holy Cross School is an accredited agency for donations through the Institute for Quality Education (IQE) operates a Scholarship Granting Organization (SGO). The SGO awards scholarships to students from Indiana households that meet the income eligibility guidelines. The funds for the scholarships are raised through private donation. Individuals or businesses that donate to the SGO receive tax credits equal to fifty-percent (50%) of the amount donated on the Indiana tax return and can be included on your schedule A with the IRS. Visit the website <http://www.i4qed.org/sgo/donors> to donate online. Forms will be available in the schools and in the rectories.

Prison Ministry

We are called to share our faith with others helping to spread the Kingdom of God as we are able. One way to do this is by volunteering in the Prison Ministry. A group of 4-8 parishioners go to the Community Justice Center on Broadway every second Sunday of the month at 6:30 PM. We hold a Liturgy of the Word service for the inmates and provide a light snack. Prison Team members take turns reading Sacred Scripture and prayers. Please join us! Contact Becky Hull at rahull@anderson.edu or call 765-642-9871 if interested.

Save Your Change For The Gabriel Project

The St. Mary & St. Ambrose Gabriel Project is going on now through **Sept. 9th**. Fill the baby bottles and remember to return them on the weekend of the **9th**. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Soup Kitchen

The “Poor and Hungry will always be among us.” The **Catholic Community of Anderson Soup Kitchen Ministry** is in need of men and women willing to serve soup, crackers, fruit and cheese at the Christian Center Shelter for Men.

Service time at the Christian Center is 4:15-6:15 PM. Two meals are served at the Christian Center: One for the men, and the second for the community who walks off the streets.

Please call Ron Cole at 779-4302 for information.

Guerin Catholic High School News

Ready, Set, Apply!

Now accepting applications for 2018-19. **Apply online at GuerinCatholic.org.**

Golden Eagle for a Day

Spend the day experiencing high school life at Guerin Catholic through our Golden Eagle for a Day shadow program. Select dates available from September—January. Register at **GuerinCatholic.org**

Fall 2017 High School Placement Test Dates: Saturday, October 14th, 8:30 AM—Noon, Saturday, November 11th, 8:30 AM-Noon, Saturday, December 2nd, 8:30 AM– Noon. **Register at GuerinCatholic.org**



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Pre-3 thru Grade 1
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765-642-8428

North Campus
Grades 2 thru 8
325 E. 11th St.
765-642-1848

Dates To Remember

Sept. 4th- Labor Day No School
 Sept. 18th-E Learning Day No School

Applications being accepted

Holy Cross School is currently accepting applications for substitute teachers. If you are interested, please contact the school office or email Tina Neal at tneal@holycrossschool-anderson.org.

Grades 6,7, and 8 will begin a band this school year under the direction of Mrs. Jenny Davis. Do you have instruments stored in your closet that you would like to donate to the school? We are in Need of woodwinds (flutes, clarinets, saxophones) and brass (trumpets, trombones, french horns) instruments. The students and school would be very appreciative!

Sunday Religious Education
Clases de catecismo dominical
Youth Faith Formation

Registration for Sunday Religious Education, First Holy Communion and Confirmation is under way. Please bring a copy of your Baptismal Certificate if you were not baptized in Anderson. Registration packets are available at St Mary rectory. Contact Janice Storey or Lawson Hunsicker with any questions at 644-8467 or 642-5339.

Inscripciones para Educación Religiosa en Domingo (SRE), Primera Comunión y Confirmación serán en la oficina. Por favor traiga una copia del certificado de bautismo de su hijo/a. Las inscripciones también pueden ser llenadas en la oficina de Santa María durante la semana. Para cualquier pregunta puede contactar a Janice Storey y Lawson Hunsicker a los teléfonos 644- 8467 o 642-5339.

Young Church
Youth Faith Formation
National Catholic Youth Conference

We have one more week to add to our NCYC group. If you have registered and want to invite a friend, do so now. If you have not yet registered there's still time. Event is Nov. 16-19, at Lucas Oil Stadium and the Convention Center. Contact Janice for more information or register online at dol-in.org/NCYC.

NCYC Fundraiser

September 23rd. Paul McKinney's famous **Prime Rib Dinner**. Tickets go on sale following Masses this weekend! Youth will be at the Church doors.

Sunday Religious Education and Confirmation Formation begin Sept. 10th.

DESDE EL PASTOR

Queridas Hermanas y Hermanos en el Señor:

La semana pasada todos experimentamos el eclipse solar. Escucho la radio pública de Indiana, transmitida desde Ball State University en Muncie, casi todos los días. El lunes pasado tuvieron un programa temprano por la mañana (ventilación a las 3:30 AM) permitiendo a las personas hacer preguntas sobre el sistema solar.

Una persona que llamó quiso saber cuánto tiempo tomó la luz del sol alcanzar el planeta más lejano en nuestro sistema solar, puesto que tarda cerca de ocho minutos para que la luz del sol alcance la tierra. Después de algunas especulaciones acerca de qué planeta es el más lejano (ya que Plutón es ahora considerado un planeta "enano") La respuesta fue que toma la luz solar cuatro horas y nueve minutos para llegar a Neptuno! En consecuencia, se necesita ese mismo rayo de luz solar cuatro horas y cuarenta minutos para llegar a la "enana" Plutón! Eso me hizo pensar en la inmensidad del espacio y la maravilla de la creación.

A principios de la semana, ese mismo programa ha hablado de cómo el satélite "Voyager One" fue el primer orbe lanzado desde la Tierra hasta ahora en "espacio inter estelar"; Habiendo salido de nuestro sistema solar hace catorce meses. Supondrá, supuestamente, atravesar el espacio exterior hasta que sea estirado en órbita alrededor de algún sistema planetario lejano, o se estrella en algún asteroide -esperando que no tenga consecuencias catastróficas.

El pensamiento cruzó mi mente de cómo los seres humanos estamos tratando de aprender si existen otras formas de vida en nuestro Universo o si somos la única sensación "inteligente" en la creación. Una vez entré en un debate en el seminario con un compañero de clase sobre la existencia de la vida extraterrestre. Afirmó que realmente no importaba si había o no otras formas de vida o no porque nada y nadie más realmente importa! ¡Le dije que nada importa más que a Jesucristo! Fue entonces cuando me apodó "Thomas" - después de Santo Tomás de Aquino, ya que sentía que estaba mezclando teología y hechos científicos.

Desde mi punto de vista, ¡la maravilla de la creación, la inmensidad del sistema solar y la inmensidad del espacio sólo van a mostrar cuán magnífico es Dios! Y el hecho de que El eligió compartir Su Vida con nosotros muestra cómo Su Amor no tiene límite y es eterno. Que su corazón sea bendecido con la seguridad de Su bondad amorosa.

La paz sea contigo, monseñor

Retiro Pre-Matrimonial

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish gustaría invitar a las parejas hispanas que están en el proceso en su parroquia a recibir el sacramento del matrimonio para ser parte de este gran retiro espiritual para el 7 de octubre 2017 da 0800 a 1900 en Nuestra Señora del Monte Carmelo .

Seis parejas hispanas dedicadas han preparado momentos espirituales para reunirse con nuestro Salvador Jesucristo y experimentar Su gracia. El contenido de este retiro incluye información importante de nuestro Papa Francisco a través de su Exhortación Apostólica "Amoris Laetitia".



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