

# Divine Mercy Sunday April 8, 2018 Domingo de la Divina Misericordia 8 de abril



# St. Ambrose and

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Dear Sisters and Brothers in the Lord:

In a recent address, Pope Francis spoke of three legacies which Faith imparts to us: Prayer; Humility; and Charity. In explaining them, the Holy Father stated: "Praying for Jesus was spontaneous; it was not optional. He would frequently go to lonely places to pray (Mk.1:35); to dialogue with the Father came first. In this way, the disciples naturally saw the importance of prayer...If we wish to imitate Jesus, let us too begin from where He started, that is, from prayer.

...One does not know the Father without opening one-self to praise, without devoting time to Him alone, without adoration....It is personal contact, face to face, staying in silence before the Lord, the secret to entering ever more into communion with Him....in free and trustful dialogue, prayer takes on the burden of life and places it before God....Prayer is an act of love, of staying with God and laying the life of the world before Him; it is an indispensable work of spiritual mercy Thus, if we do not entrust our brothers and sisters, or situations to the Lord, who will?

...The second word: smallness...Little ones are those who are in need of the great, who are not self-sufficient, who do not think they can rely on themselves alone. The little are those who have a humble and open heart, poor and needy, who

are aware of the need to pray, to entrust themselves and to let themselves be accompanied....Those who make themselves great create enormous disturbances, and God's intention does not arrive when one is full of oneself, there is no room for God. This is why He prefers the little ones; He reveals Himself to them, and the way to encounter Him is by becoming inwardly smaller, acknowledging oneself as in need.

...Finally, the third word....Those who show themselves to be strong are not wise and those who respond to evil with evil are not strong. The only wise and invincible weapon is charity inspired by faith, because it has the power to disarm the forces of evil....Life is scented when it is offered as a gift; it is tasteless when it is kept to oneself,...A wise life begins and starts afresh, loved and forgiven; there begins the healing of the heart."

Perhaps, on this Diving Mercy Sunday, we might take time to reflect on the words of Pope Francis and allow the Spirit of the Lord to guide us in the ways of prayer, humility and charity. If we make the effort to open ourselves to God, we will not be disappointed for He will certainly enter the heart that seeks Him and will guide us to His Kingdom. May the Lord bless your effort to do just that.

Peace be with you, Monsignor

# **Parish Information**

	Monday 4/9/2018	Tuesday 4/10/2018	Wednesday 4/11/2018	Thursday 4/12/2018	Friday 4/13/2018	Saturday 4/14/2018
St. Mary	8:00 AM Jonathan Norris	NO MASS	NO MASS	8:10 AM Intentions of Betty Brownfield	NO MASS	2:30-3:30 Confessions
St. Ambrose	8:00 AM Fr. Edward Dhondt	8:00 AM Eugene Zagorski	8:00 AM Jonathan Norris	8:00 AM Paul Backous	8:10 AM Poor Souls	4:00-5:00 Confessions
Other Locations			11:30 AM St. Vincent Hospital Gerald Fredericks		10:30 AM Keystone Woods Jonathan Norris	

# **Liturgical Ministers Schedule**

April 14th & 15th	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	Veniero Ippolito	Phillip Sample	Pro Populo	Oleksy and St. Clair Families	Rosalie Salazar
Reader	Pam Farman	Carol Fite	Amy Sczesny	Rebecca Degitz	Nancy Flores
Eucharistic Ministers	Jan Adams H Ron Adams Pam Wickens Paul McKinney C. McKinney	C. Thompson H Regina Albrecht Nancy Bollman Mark Loose	Irv Noll Kitty Zink George Zink Lea Papai David Papai H	Mary Lavelle H Greg Kalisz H Pat Backous Chris Harrold V. Hernandez Stephanie Metz	Daniel Flores Rosa Fisher Virginia Ramirez David Kroll Maria Arreola H
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#### PARISH COMMUNITY NEWS

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**ST. Mary** \$ 13,895 YTD \$ 143,163 NTD \$ 234,000

Renovation Fund \$ 1,766 (\$100,133 of \$330K)

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**Dates To Remember-April 11th** will be the planning meeting for Msgr.'s 40th Anniversary Celebration, At 6:30 PM in the St. Ambrose Assembly Hall.

**April 20th** will be the Senior Luncheon at Holy Cross North School Annex. It will begin at 11:30 AM. Bring your favorite dish to share and a friend to play Bingo.

**April 28th** St. Vincent de Paul will host a Fazoli's Night at St. Mary cafeteria after the 4:00 PM Mass.

Thank you to all who donated the 90 towels on Holy Thursday.

Thanks to you, the shelves at

St. Vincent de Paul have been restocked.

#### **College Scholarship Information**

For first year freshman, there are four different scholarships available. The Herman and Anne Leaf Educational Scholarship, and St. Ambrose and St. Mary Scholarships are due at the rectories on **May 1st**. The Dioceses of Lafayette Scholarships are due **April 20th**. Please pick up scholarship applications at either rectory.

# **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

#### Life Changing Pilgrimage Trip To The Holy Land With Fr. Shine

There are still spaces available for following the footsteps of our Lord in Jerusalem, Nazareth, Sea Of Galilee, Dead Sea, Jericho, Jordan River, Cana of Galilee, Haifa, Mount Carmel, Mount of Olive, Then Bethlehem and the shepherd's field and much more. The trip will be May 21st to May 30th of this year. The package price for such trips (all inclusive) is normally \$4,000 per person, but Goodshepherd Travel is making a special prices which is \$3,390 per person, covering round trip flight from Indianapolis, and 3 meals a day at 5 star hotels. If interested please contact Mr. Alfred Salsa the tour coordinator by phone at (810) 874-1771 or email him at alfredasalsa@yahoo.com for any questions.

Please Pray For all those who are ill or injured, especially the sick and elderly in our parishes.

The Military in the Middle East: 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, Sergeant Joseph Schulten, Matthew Schulten HM3, grandsons of Cathy Thompson; Michael Shane Carter Air Force, grandson of Marllon and Emily Carter; 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!

**Eucharistic Ministers** are needed for the Nursing Homes and the Homebound for both St. Ambrose and St. Mary. If you feel you are called to help with this ministry please call St. Ambrose 644-5956, St. Mary 644-8467 or Barb Kemp at 643-3977.

#### **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.

#### **Grief Support Group**

Meets at St. Mary Rectory from 6:30-8:00 PM on Thursdays. If you have any question please call Patricia Farran at (765) 623-4080.

#### **Weekly Scriptures:**

**Sun.** Acts 4:32-35, 1 Jn 5:1-6, Jn 20:19-31; **Mon.** Is 7:10-14; 8:10, Heb 10:4-10, Lk 1:26-38; **Tues.** Acts 4:32-37, Jn 3:7b-15; **Wed.** Acts 5:17-26, Jn 3:16-21; **Thurs.** Acts 5:27-33, Jn 3:31-36; **Fri.** Acts 5:34-42, Jn 6:1-15; **Sat.** Acts 6:1-7, Jn 6:16-21

### **OUTREACH**

St. Vincent de Paul will be at the Church doors next weekend to collect your donations.

Please remember those that are less fortunate than you are.

**"We Can Care"** - Is a Collaborative Ministry of St. Ambrose and St. Mary Churches in Anderson for St. Vincent de Paul. The boxes will be at the entrances of both Churches to receive your donations. Monetary donations can be placed in the orange boxes.

The collection on April 14th & 15th will be Dry/Canned Soup beans. Your participation will be greatly appreciated by the hungry families of Madison County.

<u>Soup Kitchen Menu</u> "For I was Hungry and you gave me food." (Mt 25:35) The Catholic Community of Anderson will be serving Cream of Potato Beef Soup, Cheese and Crackers, and fruit at Alternative Shelter for Women and Children and the Christian Center Shelter on Wednesday, April 25th.

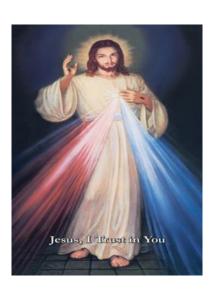
To Support the Volunteer soup preparers, food servers, and kitchen teams, everyone is encouraged to bring any of the following food items to Church and place them in the baskets at the doors during the weekend Masses on April 21st & 22nd: 15 ox cans of diced potatoes; Stick of "I Can't Believe its Butter" or a stick of butter; Onions; Bunch of celery; 1 lb. package of frozen ground beef; Package of American cheese; Box of saltine crackers; 29 oz. or gallon size can of fruit.

#### Fruitful Harvest - We Need YOU To Help!

**2016-** Please continue to make your payments so we reach our goals.

**2018**— Will be starting in August. This is a campaign for stewardship at the Diocesan level. Can you give your time and talent to help with this year's campaign? Please call either rectory to volunteer. WE NEED YOUR HELP to make this campaign a success for both parishes and for the Diocese.

Knights of Columbus - If you would like to go to any of the dinners at the Knight of Columbus, they are now pre-selling tickets at a discounted price. Please call the hall @ (765) 642-7946 in advance and leave your name and how many tickets you would like to order. There is no expiration date, so you can order tickets in advance and use them at any dinner. Pre-sale tickets for adults will be \$8 (payable when you come in) and regular tickets will remain at \$10 if purchased at the door. The Pre-sale price applies only to adult tickets. If you have any questions please call the hall or Joe Lambert @ (765) 606-8711. Hope to see you there!



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Kindergarten and PreK round-up is Thursday, April 12th from 5-7 PM at the South Campus. All are welcome to meet the teachers, tour the school and begin registration for the 2018-2019 school year.

Scholarships are available. Hope to see you there!

Grandparents' Day is Thursday, April 12th at the North Campus. Grandparents are invited to Mass at 8:10 AM, a light breakfast, pictures, and a tour of the school. 8th graders will be playing their guitars for all grandparents after Mass!

Sunday Religious Education Clases de catecismo dominical

SRE is April 15th & 22nd - 10:35 – 11:25 for Kind – 12 grade children La Clase de SRE es el domingo 15 y 22 de abril - 10:35-11:25 estudiantes First Communion Retreat is Saturday, April 28th – 9:00–12:00 for parent and child. Retiro de la primera comunión es sábado abril 28 – 9:00-12:00 padres y estudiantes

#### **Young Church**

Youth Group meets on Sunday, April 8th Divine Mercy Sunday
Meet at St Ambrose Church at 2:45 in Assembly Hall
We will participate in the Divine Mercy Celebration followed by a cookout at 4:30!

All high school youth are invited.

#### **Vacation Bible School**

It's time to register for Vacation Bible School!

We will meet from 10 - 1 Tuesday - Friday, June 26th-29th at Holy Cross North
Children from 4 years - 4th grade are invited to register.

Fee is \$10 per child or \$25 family rate. Scholarships are available.

To register call your parish office.

#### Escuela Bíblica En Vacaciones

¡ es hora de registrarse para la escuela bíblica de vacaciones!
nos encontraremos de 10-1 de martes a viernes, 26-29 de junio en la Santa Cruz del norte
los niños de 4 años-4to grado están invitados a registrarse.
la tarifa de es de \$10 por niño o \$25 de familia. Becas disponibles.

Para registrarse, llame a la oficina de la parroquia.

#### **DESDE EL PASTOR**

Queridas Hermanas y Hermanos en el Señor:

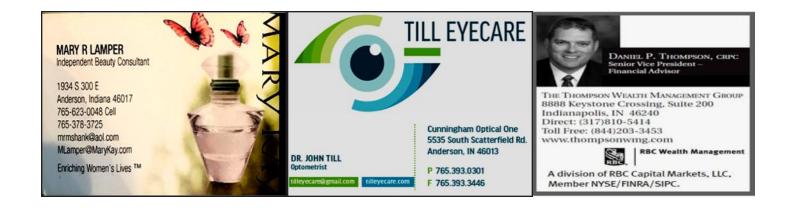
En un discurso reciente, el Papa Francisco habló de tres legados que Faith nos imparte: Oración; Humildad; y Caridad. Al explicarlos, el Santo Padre declaró: "Orar por Jesús fue espontáneo; no fue opcional Frecuentemente iba a lugares solitarios para orar (Mc 1,15); dialogar con el Padre fue lo primero. De esta manera, los discípulos naturalmente vieron la importancia de la oración ... Si deseamos imitar a Jesús, comencemos también desde donde Él comenzó, es decir, desde la oración.

... Uno no conoce al Padre sin abrirse a la alabanza, sin dedicarle tiempo solo a Él, sin adoración ... Es un contacto personal, cara a cara, permanecer en silencio ante el Señor, el secreto para entrar cada vez más en comunión con Él ... en un diálogo libre y confiado, la oración toma la carga de la vida y la pone ante Dios .... La oración es un acto de amor, de permanecer con Dios y de poner la vida del mundo ante Él; es una obra indispensable de misericordia espiritual. Por lo tanto, si no confiamos nuestros hermanos y hermanas o situaciones al Señor, ¿quién lo hará?

... La segunda palabra: pequeñez ... .Los pequeños son aquellos que necesitan a los grandes, que no son autosuficientes, que no creen que puedan confiar en sí mismos solos. Los pequeños son los que tienen un corazón humilde y abierto, pobres y necesitados, que son conscientes de la necesidad de orar, de confiarse y de dejarse acompañar .... Los que se hacen grandes crean enormes perturbaciones, y la intención de Dios no llega cuando uno está lleno de uno mismo, no hay lugar para Dios. Es por eso que prefiere a los pequeños; Él se revela a ellos, y la manera de encontrarlo es haciéndose interiormente más pequeño, reconociéndose como necesitado.

... Finalmente, la tercera palabra ... .Los que se muestran fuertes no son sabios y los que responden al mal con mal no son fuertes. El único arma sabia e invencible es la caridad inspirada por la fe, porque tiene el poder de desarmar a las fuerzas del mal .... La vida es perfumada cuando se ofrece como un regalo; es insípido cuando se lo guarda a uno mismo ... Una vida sabia comienza y comienza de nuevo, amada y perdonada; allí comienza la curación del corazón ".

Tal vez, en este Diving Mercy Sunday, podamos tomarnos un tiempo para reflexionar sobre las palabras del Papa Francisco y permitir que el Espíritu del Señor nos guíe en los caminos de la oración, la humildad y la caridad. Si hacemos el esfuerzo de abrirnos a Dios, no nos decepcionará porque ciertamente entrará en el corazón que lo busca y nos guiará a su Reino. Que el Señor bendiga tu esfuerzo para hacer justamente eso. La paz sea contigo, Monseñor





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