



Third Sunday of Advent
December 16, 2018
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Dear Sisters and Brothers in the Lord:

This week I received the following letter from the Piarist Fathers whose Order visited us for the annual Mission Appeal of the Diocese. The letter reads:

“Dear Msgr. Sell and the Parishioners of St. Ambrose and St. Mary Parish: We have just received a letter and a check in the amount of \$21,184.25 (a joint amount shared by your parish and St. Maria Goretti parish in Westfield, IN) from the Society for the Propagation of the Faith reflecting in part the results of our appeal at your parish in connection with the 2018 Missionary Cooperative Plan.

“I want to express my thanks for your generosity which we are sure manifests a true spirit of sacrifice on your part. Your offerings are not only essential for accomplishing the work that God has called us to do but are also necessary for your very survival.

“Neither you nor I may ever see the results of our work and the end of poverty in our country but we have to make the effort to bring it about and at the same time to spread our faith. Whatever success we may have is also your success and God will reward you for your part in it.

“I am also grateful for the hospitality shown to me while I was with you. Thanks again for your help and may God bless you. Your Brother in Christ, Fr. Thomas R. Carroll, Sch.P. Mission Director”

Each of us who contributed to the Missionary Appeal this past year ought to be grateful for the opportunity God provided to reach out to others so that His grace reaches into their life. Every year I am amazed at the charity that is shared with others through our Faith Family. This past year we joined St. Mary Goretti Church in Westfield for this particular appeal. In addition, each year we join Our Lady of Mount Carmel in the Community Care Day that is sponsored here in Anderson for the needy of our home city.

The outreach and abundance of blessings that are given to both efforts are a certain sign of the Spirit of Loving Kindness that pervades this particular time of year and enriches us throughout the coming months. May God continue to bless us so that we may continue to bless others.

Peace be with you, Monsignor

Parish Information

	Monday 12/17/2018	Tuesday 12/18/2018	Wednesday 12/19/2018	Thursday 12/20/2018	Friday 12/21/2018	Saturday 12/22/2018
St. Mary	NO MASS	8:00 AM Teresa Wulle Nattabaugh	NO MASS	8:10 AM Clarence Reynolds	NO MASS	2:30-3:30 Confessions
St. Ambrose	8:00 AM The Smith Family	8:00 AM Ronald Kemper	8:00 AM Harold Joy	NO MASS	8:10 AM Kathryn Cole	4:00 –5:00 Confessions
Other Locations			11:30 AM St. Vincent Hospital Susan McCallister		10:30 AM Bethany Pointe Poor Souls	

Liturgical Ministers Schedule

December 22nd & 23rd	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	Ron Rhoten	Susan McCallister	Pro Populo	Zachary Novak	Poor Souls
Reader	Lawson Hunsicker	Janice Martin	Becky Hull	Greg Kalisz	Francisco Cazares
Eucharistic Ministers	Joyce Stoner Joan Sauter Joetta Alison C. Cukrowicz Mike Scott H	Donna Pine H Cathy Thompson Nate Bell	M. Lambert Lora Mueller M. Kincaid Linda Ratliff Tim Kincaid H	Barb Pittsford H Gerald Pittsford H Rebecca Degitz Dan Novak Chris Harrold Bacilio Montes	Maria Arreola Miguel Cazares David Kroll Evelyn Reyes R. Rodriguez H
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PARISH COMMUNITY NEWS



Stewardship

St. Ambrose	\$ 12,441
YTD	\$ 410,811
NTD	\$ 637,000

St. Mary	\$ 10,483
YTD	\$ 482,591
NTD	\$ 882,000
Renovation Fund	\$ 927 (\$147,730 of \$330 K)

Visit our website - [www.https://stambrosestmary.org](https://stambrosestmary.org)

On Line Giving— visit us at the following:

St. Ambrose—[https:// www.osvonlinegiving.com/272](https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/272)

St. Mary—<https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/13>

Cassock Classic – Priests vs Seminarians is a basketball game where priests from our diocese compete against our seminarians at Guerin Catholic High School in Noblesville, on December 27th. Doors open at 5:30 PM and tip off is at 6:30 PM. Cost is \$5 per person and \$20 per family. Tickets may be purchased at the door.

Cleaning of St. Ambrose Church - Volunteers are needed for the annual washing of the Church pews and deep cleaning of the Church for Christmas on Monday, December 17th, after the 8:00 AM Mass. All Supplies furnished, just bring a small bucket if you can. We will start about 8:45. If you can spare an hour or two that would make the job go more quickly. Any questions call Marilyn or Dan Sager at 765-642-6368.

Quiet The Worries – If you are recovering from surgery, holding a small pillow close to your chest is peaceful, calming and comforting. It also reduces the discomfort from a seat belt while riding in a car. Please feel free to take one from either parish. These have been made by a very caring person to give to those in need.

English Now and Later (ENL) classes will end on December 18th for this year. Classes will resume on February 5, 2019 at 9:30 AM in the Holy Cross North school annex. If there are any questions, please contact Mary Rhoten at 765-387-0138 or 765-617-1791.

What is a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend? It is a positive, renewing experience for couples that have a good marriage, but want to make it even better! This is a time for you and your spouse to spend time together and learn about the tools to nourish your Sacrament in a new way. Future Marriage Encounter Weekends will be at Our Lady of Fatima Retreat House, Indianapolis, from 26-28 April and from 1-3 November 2019, and at Mount Saint Francis Centre for Spirituality, New Albany, from 1-3 February and from 16-18 August 2019. Visit www.whme.org for further information.

SPIRITUAL LIFE

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Children's Choir for St Mary's 4:00 PM Christmas Eve Mass Coro de niños para la misa de Nochebuena 4:00 PM de Santa María

Our practices will be on Saturday, Dec 22 from 1:30-2:30 and Sunday, Dec 23 from 12:45-1:45
Las prácticas serán en sábado 22 de diciembre de 1:30-2:30 y domingo 23 de diciembre de 12:45-1:45.

We will practice in the St Mary Church annex. Please contact Janice with any questions. 644-8467
Practicaremos en el anexo de la iglesia de Santa María. Por favor, póngase en contacto con Gaby con cualquier pregunta. 635-6348

Eucharistic Adoration

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

Santa Maria la Adoración de Santa Maria es los jueves de 2:00 a 7:00 PM.

RCIA—Faith journeys begin at all times of the year. If you have questions about becoming Catholic, this is the place for you! Sessions meet Tuesday evenings from 6:30-8:00 in the school annex at Holy Cross North. You are welcome to learn more in a non-judgmental environment.

Weekly Scriptures:

Sun. Zep 3:14-18a, Phil 4:4-7, Lk 3:10-18; **Mon.** Gn 49:2, 8-10, Mt 1:1-17; **Tues.** Jer 23:5-8, Mt 1:18-25; **Wed.** Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a, Lk 1:5-25; **Thurs.** Is 7:10-14, Lk 1:26-38; **Fri.** Sg 2:8-14, Lk 1:39-45;
Sat. Sm 1:24-28, Lk 1:46-56

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: Josh Fisher, son of Gary and Kathy; Pvt. Jalen Lewis US Army, son of Stephanie Akin; Special 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. YN3 Tyler Brock, son of Karen (O'Connor) Brock. First Lt. Sean Scally, 82nd Airborne, grandson of Tom Chezem, deployed to United Arab Emirates in December 2018.

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!

Parish	<u>St. Ambrose</u>	<u>St. Mary</u>
Fruitful Harvest 2018 Goal	\$121,461.76	\$182,465.24
Total Pledged thru Nov. 2018	\$ 63,195.00	\$ 85,710.00
Total Amount Paid thru Nov. 2018	\$ 16,695.00	\$ 20,955.00



OUTREACH

Lighthouse Catholic Media books are once again available for \$2 on a table in the back of the Church. Special prices include 3 new books for your Advent reading. Gather some friends and read them together as you prepare for a Blessed Christmas season. CD's are also available.

Los libros de la Editorial Lighthouse Catholic Media en inglés y español están nuevamente disponibles por solo \$ 2.00 en la mesa al fondo de la Iglesia. Los precios especiales incluyen 3 libros nuevos para su lectura en tiempo de Adviento. Reúna a algunos amigos y léalos juntos mientras se prepara para la temporada de Navidad. CD's también estarán disponibles.

Community Care Day January 12th, 2019- Our Lady of Mt. Carmel's Merciful H.E.L.P. Center is partnering with St. Ambrose & St. Mary Churches and Holy Cross School again this year, to provide a "Community Care Day" that assists Anderson Families with new shoes, socks, underwear, book-bags, coats, hats, gloves, shirts, and sweatshirts to finish the school year. If you would like to volunteer please register at www.mercifulHELPcenter.org. Then follow the tab for volunteering. We sure could use the help because this is a very substantial undertaking, it takes many people to make this work.

From all of us who prepare the soup, stuff the sacks with soup ingredients, deliver the soup to the Christian Center and Alternatives, and serve the soup, cheese and crackers, Thank you for your generosity throughout the year and we wish you all a very Happy and Faith filled Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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.

2019 Retreats at the Saint Joseph Retreat & Conference Center 1440 W. Division Rd. Tipton, IN 46072

To register, contact Samir Azer at sazer@dol-in.org or call (765) 551-9570.

For more information, visit www.stjosephretreat.org

All retreats are available for adults age 19 and older.

Women's Silent Retreat	January 11-13, 2019	\$170
Get Away for a Day	January 15, 2019	\$20
Married Couples Retreat	January 25-26, 2019	\$210 per couple
Crafter's Retreat	February 1-3, 2019	\$180; \$135 double
Men's Silent Retreat	February 8-10, 2019	\$170
Get Away for a Day	February 12, 2019	\$20
Get Away for a Day	March 12, 2019	\$20
Lenten Day of Reflection	March 26, 2019	\$20
Get Away for a Day	April 9, 2019	\$20
St. Joseph the Worker Day of Reflection	May 1, 2019	\$20
Get Away for a Day	May 14, 2019	\$20
Women's Silent Retreat	June 21-23, 2019	\$170
Get Away for a Day	July 9, 2019	\$20
Men's Five Day Silent Retreat	June 8-12, 2019	\$315
Soulcore Retreat with Marian Mass	July 20, 2019	\$30
Women's Five Day Silent Retreat	July 20-24, 2019	\$315
Mother Daughter Overnight	July 26-27, 2019	\$80 per couple



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United in faith and rooted in Catholic identity, Holy Cross School encourages students to achieve their personal best in academics and model Christ in service and faith.

Christmas Break begins after school on December 21st. We want to wish all the students and staff a very Merry Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year. The students return on Monday, January 7th.

Texas Roadhouse packages are being sold for Holy Cross School. You can purchase them after the Masses, at north or south school campuses and in either Church Rectory. For \$30.00 you will receive a \$25.00 Gift card and 10 free appetizer cards. This is an \$84.00 value. These would make nice gifts. Thank You for your support.

SGO DONATIONS can be made online by visiting: www.i4qed.org/donate to make a contribution. Make certain you select Holy Cross School Anderson for the school to receive your donation.

Young Church

Destination Jesus XXIV will be February 15th-17th. Plan now to set aside some time for Jesus. Contact Janice Storey for details and registration. This High School Retreat will be held at Guerin Catholic High School.

Sunday Religious Education

SRE class on Sunday, Dec. 6th from 10:35-11:25 AM @ Holy Cross North

Clases de Catecismo Dominical

Clases de catecismo dominical 16 de diciembre – 10:35-11:25 AM @ Holy Cross North

Guerin Catholic High School News

Please visit GuerinCatholic.org for information about our upcoming Winter Athletic Camps. Online registration is open through Friday, December 21st.

DESDE EL PASTOR

Queridas Hermanas y Hermanos en el Señor:

Esta semana recibí la siguiente carta de los Padres Escolapios cuya Orden nos visitó para la Campaña Anual de Misiones de la Diócesis. La carta dice:

“Querida Msgr. Sell y los feligreses de St. Ambrose y St. Mary Parish: Acabamos de recibir una carta y un cheque por la cantidad de \$ 21,184.25 (un monto conjunto compartido por su parroquia y la parroquia de St. Maria Goretti en Westfield, IN) de la Sociedad para la Propagación de la Fe que refleja en parte los resultados de nuestra apelación en su parroquia en relación con el Plan Cooperativo Misionero 2018.

“Quiero expresar mi agradecimiento por su generosidad, la cual estamos seguros que manifiesta un verdadero espíritu de sacrificio por su parte. Sus ofrendas no solo son esenciales para realizar el trabajo que Dios nos ha llamado a hacer, sino que también son necesarios para su propia supervivencia.

“Ni usted ni yo podemos ver los resultados de nuestro trabajo y el fin de la pobreza en nuestro país, pero tenemos que hacer un esfuerzo para lograrlo y al mismo tiempo para difundir nuestra fe. Cualquiera que sea el éxito que podamos tener es también su éxito y Dios lo recompensará por su parte en él.

“También estoy agradecido por la hospitalidad que me mostraron mientras estaba con ustedes. Gracias de nuevo por tu ayuda y que Dios te bendiga. Su hermano en cristo, p. Thomas R. Carroll, Sch.P. Director de la Misión ”

Cada uno de los que contribuimos a la Campaña Misionera el año pasado deberíamos estar agradecidos por la oportunidad que Dios nos brindó para ayudar a otros a que su gracia llegue a sus vidas. Cada año me sorprende la caridad que se comparte con los demás a través de nuestra Familia de Fe. El año pasado nos unimos a la iglesia St. Mary Goretti en Westfield para este llamado en particular. Además, cada año nos unimos a Nuestra Señora del Monte Carmelo en el Día del Cuidado Comunitario que se patrocina aquí en Anderson para los necesitados de nuestra ciudad natal.

El alcance y la abundancia de bendiciones que se otorgan a ambos esfuerzos son una cierta señal del Espíritu de Amabilidad Cariñosa que impregna esta época particular del año y nos enriquece a lo largo de los próximos meses. Que Dios continúe bendiciéndonos para que podamos continuar bendiciendo a otros.

La paz sea contigo Monseñor

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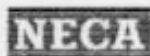
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St. Ambrose Christmas Schedule

Christmas Eve Vigil

Monday, December 24th - 6:00 pm Mass

Christmas-Nativity of the Lord

Tuesday, December 25th
12:00 am Midnight Mass
9:30 am Mass

Solemnity of Mary

Monday, December 31st - 6:00 pm
Tuesday, January 1st - 9:30 am Mass



St. Mary Christmas Schedule DE NOVIDAD

Advent Light Service

December 2, 9, 16 & 23-6:00 PM
Servicio ligero
diciembre 2, 9, 16 & 23-6:00 PM

Christmas Eve Vigil

Monday, December 24th
4:00 PM Children's Choir

Vispera De Vigilia

lunes, 24, diciembre
4:00 PM coro de niños

Christmas-Nativity of the Lord Navidad-Natividad Del Senor Solemnity of Mary Solemnidad De Maria

Tuesday, December 25th
12:00 am Midnight Mass
11:30 am Mass Spanish

lunes, 25 diciembre
12:00 am Misa de Medianoche
11:30 Español

Monday, Dec 31st
6:00 pm Mass
Monday, January 1st
11:30 AM Mass Bilingual

lunes, 31 diciembre
6:00 pm Masa
lunes, 1 de enero
11:30 AM misa bilingue