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Dear Sisters and Brothers in the Lord:

Once again I turn to my favorite author, anonymous, to share with you some insights into prayer. I will quote the unnamed author, who happens to be a woman. All that is known of her is that she is a female hermit of our faith. Her reflections were printed in a recent issue of "The Vatican" magazine. I share them because of the depth of insight and commitment that they portray.

"Being aware of the Presence of God, being able to contemplate His beauty, His mercy, all the divine attributes, and especially in order to possess Him, we must be willing to let go of all other possessions. We must give Him our very wills. This is love of God.

"...There is complete happiness and freedom in being able to turn toward God with the help, with the will, in prayer....Prayer must bring one out of darkness and into Him Who is Light Himself. Sin and vice shut out the Light. There can be no real union with the Light if one is not willing to forego the darkness. But when one is willing to forego the darkness and throw oneself in God's lap, as it were, resting in His Trinitarian bosom, God inundates the soul with His love and power, and draws it more into Himself....The soul then craves more and more purification, and so, deeper and deeper union.

"When one kneels or sits to pray, one must persevere through all the distractions of attachments to this world. It takes time. But the distractions themselves can reveal what one's attachments are. One must be willing to let go of all this and turn towards God as He is in Himself...One might say that we have to 'work through something' with God. But the trick is that the intent must be to struggle to let go, not to struggle to hang on, to control...Each time there is a victory the soul become stronger and stronger....We are helpless without God but He invites us into that eternal embrace....There must be a movement of the heart in response to this invitation. An entry into prayer...a real person of prayer knows how to turn to God, clinging to Him and relinquishing all that is not Him."

May the wisdom of this guidance lead each of us to seek within ourselves that space in which we can encounter the living God. May the loving invitation of Our Lord to spend a moment of time with Him in prayer not be lost in the cacophony of everyday life. May His peace find a welcome home within our hearts and His love continue to guide us to His Presence.

Peace be with you, Monsignor

DESDE EL PASTOR

Queridas hermanas y hermanos en el Señor:

Una vez más me dirijo a mi autor favorito, anónimo, para compartir con ustedes algunas ideas sobre la oración. Citaré al autor sin nombre, que resulta ser una mujer. Todo lo que se sabe de ella es que es una mujer ermitaña de nuestra fe. Sus reflexiones fueron impresas en un número reciente de la revista "El Vaticano". Los comparto por la profundidad de la comprensión y el compromiso que representan.

“Siendo conscientes de la Presencia de Dios, pudiendo contemplar Su belleza, Su misericordia, todos los atributos divinos, y especialmente para poseerlo, debemos estar dispuestos a abandonar todas las demás posesiones. Debemos darle nuestras mismas voluntades. Este es el amor de Dios.

"... Hay completa felicidad y libertad en poder volverse hacia Dios con el ayuda con la voluntad, en la oración La oración debe sacar a uno de la oscuridad y a Aquel que es la luz misma. El pecado y el vicio apagan la Luz. No puede haber una verdadera unión con la Luz si uno no está dispuesto a renunciar a la oscuridad. Pero cuando uno está dispuesto a renunciar a la oscuridad y arrojarle en el regazo de Dios, por así decirlo, descansando en Su seno trinitario, Dios inunda el alma con Su amor y poder, y la atrae más hacia Él ... Entonces el alma anhela más y más purificación y, por lo tanto, una unión cada vez más profunda.

“Cuando uno se arrodilla o se sienta a rezar, uno debe perseverar a través de todas las distracciones de los apegos a este mundo. Toma tiempo. Pero las distracciones en sí mismas pueden revelar cuáles son los apegos de uno. Uno debe estar dispuesto a dejar todo esto y volverse hacia Dios como Él está en sí mismo ... Se podría decir que tenemos que "trabajar en algo" con Dios. Pero el truco es que la intención debe ser luchar para dejar ir, no luchar para colgar, controlar ... Cada vez que hay una victoria, el alma se vuelve más y más fuerte ... Estamos indefensos sin Dios, pero Él nos invita a eso. abrazo eterno ... Debe haber un movimiento del corazón en respuesta a esta invitación. Una entrada a la oración ... una persona real de oración sabe cómo recurrir a Dios, aferrándose a Él y renunciando a todo lo que no es Él ".

Que la sabiduría de esta guía nos lleve a cada uno de nosotros a buscar dentro de nosotros mismos ese espacio en el que podamos encontrarnos con el Dios vivo. Que la invitación amorosa de Nuestro Señor a pasar un momento con Él en oración no se pierda en la cacofonía de la vida cotidiana. Que Su paz encuentre un hogar bienvenido en nuestros corazones y Su amor continúe guiándonos a Su Presencia.

La paz sea con ustedes, Monseñor

Parish Information

	Monday 11/18/2019	Tuesday 11/19/2019	Wednesday 11/20/2019	Thursday 11/21/2019	Friday 11/22/2019	Saturday 11/23/2019
St. Mary	8:00 AM Joann Gardner	NO MASS	NO MASS	8:10 AM Agnes Amrine	NO MASS	2:30-3:30 Confessions
St. Ambrose	8:00 AM John Buckman	8:00 AM C. Michael Weis	8:00 AM Patricia Hensley	8:00 AM John Sokol	8:10 AM Thomas & Maryann Chezem	4:00-5:00 Confessions
Other Locations			11:30 St. Vincent Hospital Samantha Cazares		10:30 AM Providence Almas del Purgatorio	

Liturgical Ministers Schedule

November 23rd & 24th	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	Pro Populo	George Gibson	Deceased of Legion of Mary	Grant Lierman	Laura Velez Brito
Reader	Pat Pitcher	Carol Fite	Ron Buckner	Ron Bollman	Alfredo Contreras
Eucharistic Ministers	Joanna Greene Joetta Allison Pam Wickens K. Bailey-Evans Mike Scott H	Marvin Coryell H Janice Martin Marian Dykes	Pat Short Lora Mueller Becky Hull Carol Cukrowicz Michael Litten H	Martin Russel H Harriett Russel H Nancy Bollman Pat Backous Hannah Brownell Rosie Graybill	Juana Cervantes Nancy Flores Jose Ibarra Leonel Sierra C. Sanjuan H
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PARISH COMMUNITY NEWS



Stewardship

St. Ambrose \$ 7,425
 YTD \$ 354,888
 NTD \$ 585,000
 Roofs Matching Fund \$ 65,361

St. Mary \$ 7,070
 YTD \$ 421,416
 NTD \$ 810,000
 Renovation Fund \$ 1,148 (\$202,795 of \$330 K)

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

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

Dates to Remember:

November 28th- **Thanksgiving Day 8:00 AM Mass at St. Mary**

December 3rd- Navigating The Holidays While Grieving The Death Of A Loved One.
 (see information on page 5)

Catholic Campaign For Human Development

Next week the second collection will be given to the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. More than 46 million people in the United States live in Poverty today. This collection supports programs that empower people to identify and address obstacles as they work to make permanent and positive changes for their communities. Learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at www.usccb.org/cchd/collection.

That Man Is You

Come Join the men of That Man is You! Come be a part of breakfast, presentations, discussions, and prayer. We meet together on Saturday Mornings, from 6:00 to 7:15, at the Columbian Hall (K of C) behind the Toast Diner, and across from the library on Main street.

Be there; you'll be glad you were with us, and so will your family. Contact Mike Evans at (765) 602-0306 for more information.

November 23 Week 11 – The Battle Against the Flesh. The World and the Devil

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Speaker: Paul George • The Four B's • Where The Devil Shows His Face • No Amount Of Gain Is Worth Your Life | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A Truly Abundant Life The Reworking Of Your Soul No Spoiled Clay |
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**“Lord, when Your Glory appears, my joy will be full.”
(Psalm 17:15)**

St. Vincent Hospice (a part of Ascension at Home) invites you to a grief workshop, *Navigating The Holidays While Grieving The Death Of A Loved One*. Tuesday, December 3rd, from 3:00-5:00 PM in the Holy Cross School Annex, Meeting Room. The Presenter will be Margie Vandergraff, Certified Grief Counselor. **Please RSVP to Patty Farran at 765-623-4080 by November 27th.** Having a count will help insure that we have adequate materials for everyone.

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

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

REFLECTION—MEMBERS OF ST. AMBROSE AND ST. MARY PARISHES MEET TO REFLECT ON THE COMING SUNDAY’S MASS READINGS each Tuesday from 9:30 AM until 10:30 AM at Primrose Retirement Communities, 1118 W Cross St. on the 2nd floor in the first meeting room to the left as you get off the elevator. It is handicapped accessible.

Something to ponder

Don't look back, your not going that way.



Weekly Scriptures:

Sun. Mal 3:19-20a, Thes 3:7-12, Lk 21:5-19; **Mon.** 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63, Lk 18:35-43, Acts 28:11-16, 30-31, Mt 14:22-33; **Tues.** 2 Mc 6:18-31, Lk 19:1-10; **Wed.** 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31, Lk 19:11-28; **Thurs.** 1 Mc 2:15-29, Lk 19:41-44; **Fri.** 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59, 1 Chr 29: 10b-12, Lk 19:45-48; **Sat.** 1 Mc 6:1-13, Lk 20:27-40

OUTREACH

A very special thank you to all who supported the youth at St. Mary and St. Ambrose parishes at the prime rib dinner. Their goal was \$4000 and they raised \$3,586!

This would not have been possible without Paul and Cheryl McKinney, David and Marcia Murphy, and Nathan, Suzanne, and Quinton Bell. Paul McKinney cooked an incredible prime rib dinner and it would never have come together without Cheryl's experience and organization. It was a pleasure to be part of this evening and especially joyful to be with the community again.

I miss you and pray for you often in peace and with love, Janice Storey

Legion of Mary

The Legion is about bringing the heart of Mary ("to Jesus through Mary") to our homebound and ill parishioners through prayer and SPIRITUAL Works of Mercy. (St. Vincent de Paul Society members focus on the CORPORAL works of mercy). If you are interested in joining them please contact Allen Raver (765-615-1939), Ruth Strittmatter (765-642-6944) or Jeanné Papai (541-908-1032).

SOUP KITCHEN MENU *"For I was hungry and you gave me food." (Mt 25:35)* The Catholic Community of Anderson will be serving Chili soup, cheese, and crackers, and fruit at the Christian Center Shelter on **Wednesday, November 27th.**

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 **November 23/24:**

14.5 oz. can, diced tomatoes; 15.5 or 30.5 oz. cans of Chili Hot Beans; Onions; 8oz. box of spaghetti; 3 oz. cans of Chili powder; 30 oz. or six pound cans of fruit; Packages of American cheese; Quart or gallon size cans of fruit; Boxes of saltine crackers.

Help the Hungry

Since the weather is changing there is a need to help feed the hungry from the food pantry. We are in urgent need of hearty soups and chili. If you can help with this need, you may leave it in church or drop it off at the rectories.





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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.

Thank you to all Guerin Catholic High School students who participated in Service Day at Holy Cross School! Many projects were completed and talents were shared in our Catholic community.

Way to go top trash bags sellers!

25+ bags (earned \$20 gift card, pizza party & limo ride): Emma T., Abby R., John N., Luke M., and Leo M.

15 bags (earned pizza party & limo ride): Sebastian M., Jacob A., Aleece K., Mason K., Luis L., Charlie N., Patrick N., Rylee T., and Kira R.

12 bags (earned limo ride): Kalem W., Chloe W., Olivia W., Isabella B., Brooks B., Elias & Victor I., Lyla T., and Efren C.

Monday, November 25th, Holy Cross School will hold a Family Movie Night showing *A Charlie Brown Christmas* at 6:00 PM in the North Campus Gym. We will also have Activity Stations at 6:45 PM, which will include ornament making, cookie icing, and Advent Calendar assembling.

Wednesday, November 27th, is an early release day. NO CLUBS either!

NO SCHOOL on Thanksgiving Day, the 28th, or on Friday the 29th.

Young Church

We have 7 youth from the parishes who will be attending the National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC) later this month: Simon Bell, Sydney Bowers, Mariela Gonzalez, Jonathan Limon, Estefania Martinez, Betsy McKinney and Evelin Reyes, chaperoned by Rebecca Degitz. They will be joining with the teens from Our Lady of Grace parish in Noblesville. Please pray for them as they will be praying for us.



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