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Dear Sisters and Brothers in the Lord:

Something that few may know about Saint Ambrose is that he is the Patron Saint of Milan, Italy. Ambrose lived from 337 until 397. Nearly Eleven Hundred years after his death, a noted Venetian painter, Alvise Vivarini, was chosen to paint an altarpiece for the Chapel of the Milanese in the Franciscan Church of Santa Maria Gloriosa in Venice.

The painting is a representation of the known saints of the time who stand around the seated Saint Ambrose, conversing either about him or contemplating spiritual realities about which he had spoken. All of this acclaims Ambrose for being a scholar, prolific writer and teacher during his lifetime. While Ambrose was noted for his leadership abilities, he was also known for his personal asceticism which is often represented by a whip for scourging that he holds in his hand. The “seal” that is in the terrazzo marble floor of our church shows the beehive—he was a keeper of bees in his lifetime—and the scourging whips that recall his personal penances throughout his life.

In his painting, Vivarini included Saint Augustine and Saint Jerome as being in conversation with Ambrose; no doubt an admission of the latter saint’s scholastic and scriptural acumen. A third saint in the work of art is

Saint Gregory the Great who equaled Ambrose in his composition of musical settings for use in the prayer life of the Church. According to Francis Greene, professor emeritus of fine art at Saint Francis College, “From the diverse figures and objects there emerges a unified view of the saint, first and foremost a bishop, teacher, and liturgical reformer, who stands in a long line of saints... What emerges most strongly is Saint Ambrose, Bishop, who embodies and models the essence of a bishop and the role he is called to fill.”

While most of us may not ever have the opportunity to visit this acclaimed work of art in Milan, all of us can gain a greater understanding of one of the patrons of our local churches who shines forth as a noted Christian worthy of our attention. Saint Ambrose had a deep personal devotion to the Mother of God. He is another who inspires us by his life to model our hearts after her as handmaidens of the Lord; willing vessels through whom His Son may be seen in our world. May she enable each of us to proclaim, “Let it be done unto me according to Thy Word.” (Lk.1:38) May the Lord bless each of us in our effort to follow Him.

Peace be with you, Monsignor

DESDE EL PASTOR

Queridas hermanas y hermanos en el Señor:

Algo que pocos pueden saber sobre San Ambrosio es que es el santo patrón de Milán, Italia. Ambrosio vivió desde 337 hasta 397. Casi oncecientos años después de su muerte, un notable pintor veneciano, Alvise Vivarini, fue elegido para pintar un retablo para la Capilla de los Milanese en la Iglesia franciscana de Santa María Gloriosa en Venecia.

La pintura es una representación de los santos conocidos de la época que se encuentran alrededor del santo Ambrosio, conversando sobre él o contemplando realidades espirituales de las que había hablado. Todo esto aclama a Ambrose por ser un erudito, escritor y profesor prolífico durante su vida. Si bien Ambrose se destacó por sus habilidades de liderazgo, también fue conocido por su ascetismo personal, que a menudo está representado por un látigo por azotar que tiene en la mano. El "sello" que se encuentra en el piso de mármol terrazo de nuestra iglesia muestra la colmena, que fue un guardián de las abejas en su vida, y los azotes que recuerdan sus penitencias personales durante toda su vida.

En su pintura, Vivarini incluyó a San Agustín y San Jerónimo en conversación con Ambrosio; sin duda una admisión de la perspicacia escolástica y bíblica de este último santo. Un tercer santo en la obra de arte es San Gregorio Magno, quien igualó a Ambrosio en su composición de escenarios musicales para usar en la vida de oración de la Iglesia. Según Francis Greene, profesor emérito de bellas artes en el Saint Francis College: "De las diversas figuras y objetos surge una visión unificada del santo, ante todo un obispo, maestro y reformador litúrgico, que se encuentra en una larga línea de santos ... Lo que emerge con más fuerza es San Ambrosio, Obispo, que personifica y modela la esencia de un obispo y el papel que debe desempeñar".

Si bien es posible que la mayoría de nosotros nunca tengamos la oportunidad de visitar esta aclamada obra de arte en Milán, todos podemos obtener una mejor comprensión de uno de los patrocinadores de nuestras iglesias locales que brilla como un cristiano notable que merece nuestra atención. San Ambrosio tenía una profunda devoción personal a la Madre de Dios. Él es otro que nos inspira en su vida para modelar nuestros corazones después de ella como siervas del Señor; vasos dispuestos a través de los cuales Su Hijo puede ser visto en nuestro mundo. Que ella nos permita a cada uno de nosotros proclamar: "Hágase en mí según tu Palabra" (Lucas 1:38). Que el Señor nos bendiga a cada uno de nosotros en nuestro esfuerzo por seguirlo.

La paz sea con usted, Monseñor

Parish Information

	Monday 12/9/2019	Tuesday 12/10/2019	Wednesday 12/11/2019	Thursday 12/12/2019	Friday 12/13/2019	Saturday 12/14/2019
St. Mary	8:00 AM Beata Kincaid Broovich	NO MASS	NO MASS	8:10 AM JoAnn Gardner	NO MASS	2:30-3:30 Confessions
St. Ambrose	8:00 AM George Mehling	8:00 AM Poor Souls	8:00 AM Grant Lierman	8:00 AM John Sokol	8:10 AM Pro Populo	4:00-5:00 Confessions
Other Locations			11:30 St. Vincent Hospital Betty Brownfield		10:30 AM Keystone Woods Richard Glaser	

Liturgical Ministers Schedule

December 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	Eleanor Scott	Larry Rudolf	Dr. William Kopp	Harold Joy	Los Esposos Baldomera Jaramillo y Francisca Hernandez
Reader	Lawson Hunsicker	Janice Martin	Josh Noll	Rick Pitts	D. Valenzuela
Eucharistic Ministers	Cheryl McKinney Joyce Stoner Joan Sauter Carol Cukrowicz Paul McKinney H	Marvin Coryell H Nancy Bollman Mark Loose	Ron Buckner Carol Buckner M. Kincaid Linda Ratliff Tim Kincaid H	Barb Pittsford H Gerald Pittsford H Mary Lavelle Pat Backous Hannah Brownell Stephanie Metz	F. Cazares R. Maldonado Juan Sanjuan Mayra Sierra M. Cazares H
Servers	Katie Greene Brent Layton Corey Layton	Tony Martin Kenny Davenport Jorge Lopez	Carolyn Pitts Irv Noll	Karina Gonzalez Jonathan Gonzalez Leila Hensley	Emiliano Arciga Estefy Martinez Jennifer Soriano Sandra Velasco

PARISH COMMUNITY NEWS



Stewardship

St. Ambrose	\$ 10,824
YTD	\$ 379,313
NTD	\$ 624,000
Roofs Matching Fund	\$ 90,901 (Remaining \$21,058.)

St. Mary	\$ 11,841
YTD	\$ 448,656
NTD	\$ 864,000
Renovation Fund	\$ 2,991 (\$206,429 of \$330 K)

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

Dates to Remember:

December 16th— Cleaning St. Ambrose Church for the Holidays (details on pg. 6)

Welcome To Our Faith Family:

Lyla Sophia, infant daughter of Miguel and Deyda Valenzuela Cazares, baptized November 29th, 2019. May God bless her and her family with years of health and happiness amongst us!

Fifth Annual Cassock Classic Basketball Game

Fellow parishes of the Diocese of Lafayette, on Friday, January 3, 2020, the Frassati Society presents the Fifth Annual Cassock Classic Basketball game where priests from our diocese will play against the seminarians from our diocese at Guerin Catholic High School in Noblesville. Doors open at 5:00 PM and tip off is at 6:15 PM. The cost is \$5 per person or \$20 per family. Tickets can be purchased at the door. This is a family friendly event for all our diocese to attend and have fun.



**“Justice shall flourish in His time, and fullness of peace forever.”
(Psalm 72:7)**

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.

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; Sergeant Joseph Schulten, Matthew Schulten HM3, grandsons of Cathy Thompson; Michael Shane Carter Air Force, grandson of Marllon and Emily Carter; Sgt. Brock Acra stationed in California US Marine Corp. son of Greg and Sonia Acra. First Lt. Sean Scally, 82nd Airborne, grandson of Tom Chezem, United Arab Emirates; Lt. Daniel Perrine, son of Kimberly Lyle-Ippolito and Dan Ippolito.

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! And be thankful for their service.

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).

Weekly Scriptures:

Sun. Is 11:1-10, Rom 15:4-9, Mt 3:1-12; **Mon.** Gn 3:9-15, 20, Eph 1:3-6, 11-12, Lk 1:26-38; **Tues.** Is 40:1-11, Mt 18:12-14; **Wed.** Is 40:25-31, Mt 11:28-30; **Thurs.** Zec 2:14-17, Lk 1:26-38; **Fri.** Is 48:17-19, Mt 11:16-19; **Sat.** Sir 48:1-4, 9-11, Mt 17:9a, 10-13

OUTREACH

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY FOOD COLLECTION FOR THE SOUP KITCHEN MINISTRY ON THE WEEKEND OF DECEMBER 21ST & 22ND

SOUP KITCHEN MENU *"For I was Hungry and you gave me Food."* (Mt 25:35) The Catholic Community of Anderson 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 of December 21st & 22nd: 15 oz. or 28.5 oz. cans of diced potatoes, diced tomatoes, or Chili Hot beans; box of spaghetti, packages of American cheese; box of saltine crackers; 28 oz. or gallon size can of fruit.

The measure of the greatness of a society is found in the way it treats those most in need, those who have nothing apart from their poverty. Pope Francis

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 wish you all a very happy and faith filled Christmas and a Happy New Year.

'Tis the Season of Giving

You will notice in both churches, the Jesse tree at St. Mary and the St. Vincent de Paul "Giving Tree" at St. Ambrose. Please take a tag off the tree and bring that item back unwrapped, place it under the tree by December 15th or drop it off at the rectory. These items will help others less fortunate to celebrate this special time of the year.

St. Vincent de Paul Society is in desperate need of furniture such as dressers, small tables, and chairs among other pieces. You can drop these items off at the warehouse during their hours of Tues. 12:00-3:00, Thurs. 12:00-3:00 and Sat. 10:30-12:00. or call 642-5401 and schedule an appointment for them to pick up.

Cleaning St. Ambrose Church For the Holidays

If any of you are interested in cleaning St. Ambrose Church please plan on coming to the church after the morning Mass on December 16th, starting around 8:45 AM. Cleaning supplies will be furnished. If you have a little bucket and some cleaning towels or rags, please bring them along; otherwise, we will be in need of them. Hope to see you then!

Knights of Columbus

Saturday, Dec. 14, 5-7:30 PM—Chicken Fry. Adults - \$10 and children \$5

Saturday, Dec. 21—Breakfast with Santa from 9 AM till Noon. Adults \$8 and children \$4.

There will be crafts and more to keep the children busy as well as them being able to talk to Santa. All kids will receive a goody bag. Menu includes: Eggs, bacon, sausage, pancakes, potatoes, assorted fruit, milk, coffee, and juice. HOHOHO, come and have a good time!



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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.

Middle School Christmas Program on Tuesday, December 10th, at 7:00 PM in the HCS North gym.

The South Campus now has a new video entry system & a new key fob (keyless) entry for staff members. The North Campus had new doors & entry installed at the Rectory/alley entrance on Monday. These two projects were made possible by the Homeland Security School Grant!

Would you like to donate to Holy Cross School using the SGO 50% state tax deduction program? Please see notes below.

- Donations must occur in the tax year for which donors would like to claim it. To make a last minute credit card donation visit www.i4qed.org.
- If donors mail donations (either directly to the Institute for Quality Education or to the school), they must take it to the post office during business hours by December 31.
- Mailed donations must be postmarked no later than December 31st. NOTE: If it is dropped in a mail collection box on the last day of the year, it may not get postmarked until the first business day of the following year.
- If a donor drops donations off at a school or at IQE's office, be sure that staff is available to accept the donation.
- Stock/Mutual Fund Gifts transfers should be initiated by December 20th with transferring broker to ensure completion before year-end. The transfer must arrive in National Christian Foundation's brokerage account by 12/29/2019. Please note that shares held with a transfer agent (like Vanguard or Computer-share) take 2-4 weeks, so the transfer should be initiated as soon as possible.

Young Church

Sunday Religious Ed. Classes for December:

8th- SRE/ All classes 10:35 AM-11:20 AM Holy Cross School North Campus

15th-SRE/ All classes 10:35 AM-11:20 AM Holy Cross School North Campus

Ed. Religiosa Dominical Clases para diciembre:

12-8- SRE / Todas las clases 10:35 AM-11: 20 AM Holy Cross School North Campus

12-15-SRE / Todas las clases 10:35 AM-11: 20 AM Holy Cross School North Campus



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