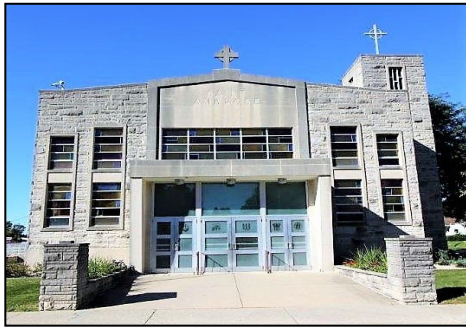




St. Ambrose Church
2801 Lincoln St.
Anderson, IN 46016
765-644-5956

March 7, 2021

Third Sunday of Lent



St. Mary Church
1115 Pearl St.
Anderson, IN 46016
765-644-8467



St. Mary Church
820 W. Madison St.
Alexandria, IN 46001
765-724-2483

7 de marzo 2021

Tercer Domingo de Cuaresma

Off the Top of My Head...

Recently the U.S. Catholic Bishops made a public statement discouraging Catholics from using the Covid-19 vaccine produced by Johnson and Johnson.

This statement arose from the ethical concern that some vaccines at least partially result from the use of abortion-derived stem cell lines. The Catholic Church teaches that abortion is “intrinsically evil,” which means that abortion always causes the termination of a human life, and so can never be morally justified. But the Church does NOT teach that the use of abortion-derived stem cell lines is intrinsically evil.

This does not justify the development of these stem cell lines. It does not mean that a good end (outcome) justifies an immoral means (the process for achieving that outcome).

Traditionally, Catholic moral theology considers three aspects of any moral decision: the action, the intention(s), and other circumstances. When an action is not considered “intrinsically evil” (always wrong with no exceptions), the other two aspects become very important. So this particular moral question cannot be answered simply “Yes” or “No.”

Most of us prefer definite, definitive answers but many moral judgments are not so well-defined. We all know of situations where a particular behavior may be virtuous in one circumstance and sinful in another. This is true both for everyday decisions and for sophisticated issues of medical ethics.

The creation and development of stem cell lines from aborted fetuses is morally wrong. But the use of vaccines developed from these lines may be justified, especially when there are no other options. However, according to the Bishops’ statement, “if one can choose,...the vaccine with the least connection to abortion-derived cell lines should be chosen.” The Bishops single out (and discourage, but do not forbid) the use of the Johnson and Johnson vaccine, and not those of Moderna and Pfizer, because Johnson and Johnson used these stem-cell lines to produce the vaccine, while Pfizer and Moderna used them in testing only.

In any case, Catholics are not forbidden from receiving any vaccine.

To fit all this information into a brief column, I have had to oversimplify. Please read the statement on the U.S. Bishops’ website, uscbb.org. Also, an article by American Catholic medical ethicist Father Tadeusz Pacholczyk, Ph.D., which was published in the Catholic Moment a few weeks ago, is available on Fr. Tad’s website, father-tad.com, under the title “Vaccines and Other Entanglements with Abortion.”

Pastor: Father Tom Metzger– fr.tmetzger@dol-in.org, Father Dave Hellmann –fr.dhellmann@dol-in.org, Father Marty Sandhage –fr.msandhage@dol-in.org, Deacon Mike Burns

Business Manager: Harriett Russel -St. Ambrose and St. Mary Anderson
 Parish Secretaries: Anita Myers & Jan Adams M-W-F
 Madison King St. Mary Alexandria
 Holy Cross School Principal: Tina Neal
 St. Mary School Principal: Rachel Duckworth

Reflexión Del Padre Tom....

Recientemente, los obispos católicos de Estados Unidos. Hicieron una declaración pública en la que desanimaban a los católicos de usar la vacuna Covid-19 producida por Johnson y Johnson.

Esta declaración surgió de la preocupación ética de que algunas vacunas resultan, al menos parcialmente, del uso de líneas de células madres derivadas del aborto. La Iglesia Católica enseña que el aborto es "intrínsecamente malo", lo que significa que el aborto siempre provoca la terminación de una vida humana y, por lo tanto, nunca puede justificarse moralmente. Pero la Iglesia NO enseña que el uso de líneas de células madre derivadas del aborto nunca pueden ser justificadas moralmente. Pero la Iglesia NO enseña que el uso de líneas de células madre derivadas del aborto es intrínsecamente maligno.

Esto no justifica el desarrollo de estas líneas de células madre. No significa que un buen fin (resultado) justifique un medio inmoral (el proceso para lograr ese resultado).

Tradicionalmente, la teología moral católica considera tres aspectos de cualquier decisión moral: la acción, la (s) intención (es) y otras circunstancias. Cuando una acción no se considera "intrínsecamente mala" (siempre equivocada sin excepciones), los otros dos aspectos se vuelven muy importantes. Así que esta pregunta moral en particular no puede responderse simplemente con un "Sí" o un "No".

La mayoría de nosotros preferimos respuestas definidas y definitivas, pero muchos juicios morales no están tan bien definidos. Todos conocemos situaciones en las que un comportamiento en particular puede ser virtuoso en una circunstancia y pecaminoso en otra. Esto es cierto tanto para las decisiones cotidianas como para cuestiones sofisticadas de ética médica.

La creación y el desarrollo de líneas de células madre de fetos abortados es moralmente incorrecto. Pero el uso de vacunas desarrolladas a partir de estas líneas puede estar justificado, especialmente cuando no existen otras opciones. Sin embargo, según la declaración de los obispos, "si se puede elegir, ... se debe elegir la vacuna con la menor conexión con las líneas celulares derivadas del aborto". Los obispos destacan (y desalientan, pero no prohíben) el uso de la vacuna Johnson y Johnson, y no las de Moderna y Pfizer, porque Johnson y Johnson usaron estas líneas de células madre para producir la vacuna, mientras que Pfizer y Moderna usaron ellos solo en las pruebas. En cualquier caso, a los católicos no se les prohíbe recibir ninguna vacuna.

Para encajar toda esta información en una breve columna, he tenido que simplificar demasiado. Por favor lea la declaración en el sitio web de los obispos de Estados Unidos., [Uscbb.org](https://uscbb.org). También, un artículo del doctor en ética médica católica estadounidense, el padre Tadeusz Pacholczyk, Ph.D., que se publicó en Catholic Moment hace unas semanas, está disponible en el sitio web de Tad, fathertad.com, bajo el título "Vacunas y otros enredos con el aborto".

Fr. Tom Metzger
March 7, 2021

CONFESSION TIMES on Saturdays-St. Mary Anderson will be 1:00-2:00 PM until further notice, to enable social distancing, Confessions will take place in the sacristy.
St. Ambrose will be 4:00-5:00 PM.
St. Mary Alexandria will be 3:30-4:00 PM

HORARIO DE CONFESIÓN los sábados-St. Mary Anderson será de 1: 00-2: 00 PM hasta nuevo aviso, para permitir el distanciamiento social, las Confesiones se llevarán a cabo en la sacristía.
St. Ambrose será de 4: 00-5: 00 PM.

STEWARDSHIP

3



St. Ambrose

YTD Giving \$ 73,931 YTD Expenses \$ 57,186

St. Mary

YTD Giving \$ 77,124 YTD Expenses \$ 65,024

Renovation Fund \$ 281,617 of \$330,000 Phase 1

St. Mary Alexandria

YTD Giving \$ 83,333 YTD Expenses \$ 97,259

visit our website - [www.https://stambrosetmary.org](https://stambrosetmary.org)

On Line Giving— visit us at the following:

St. Ambrose—<https://osvhub.com/st-ambrose-church-anderson/funds>

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

St. Mary Alexandria—<https://membership.faithdirect.net/enroll/choosegifts/>

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	8-Mar.	8:00 AM 8:00 AM	St. Ambrose St. Mary And.	Poor Souls Rosemary Abel
Tuesday	9-Mar.	8:00 AM	St. Ambrose	Betty Brownfield
Wednesday	10-Mar.	8:00 AM 8:00 AM 11:30 AM	St. Ambrose St. Mary Alex. St. Vincent Hosp.	Dec'd of George Mehling Family Liv. & dec'd of Mehling & Stephens Fam. Betty Brownfield
Thursday	11-Mar.	8:00 AM 8:30 AM	St. Ambrose St. Mary And	Raymond Novak Albert Stoner
Friday	12-Mar.	8:10 AM 8:00 AM	St. Ambrose St. Mary Alex.	Grant Lierman Everett Duffy
Saturday	13-Mar.	4:00 PM 4:30 PM 5:30 PM	St. Mary And St. Mary Alex. St. Ambrose	JasonFrazier George Dewey Mehling Poor Souls
Sunday	14-Mar.	7:30 AM 8:30 AM 9:30 AM 11:30 AM	St. Mary And. St. Mary Alex. St. Ambrose St. Mary And.	Teresa Lyle Bill Clabaugh Healing Intentions for Jennifer Wilken Pro Populo

Spiritual Life

Stations of the Cross are conducted every Friday at 7:00 PM at all three parishes. There will not be any on Good Friday.

Lenten Reconciliation Schedule

Tuesday, March 9th	St. Mary Alexandria	7:00 - 9:00 PM
Wednesday, March 10th	St. Mary Anderson	7:00 - 8:00 PM
Thursday, March 11th	St. Ambrose	7:00 - 8:00 PM
Monday, March 15th	St. Mary Anderson	8:30-10:00 AM
Tuesday, March 16th	St. Ambrose	8:30-10:00 AM
Friday, March 19th	St. Mary Alexandria	8:30-10:00 AM
Thursday, March 25th	St. Ambrose	4:00 - 5:00 PM
Thursday, March 25th	St. Mary Alexandria	4:00 - 5:00 PM
Friday, March 26th	St. Mary Anderson	4:00 - 5:00 PM



40 DAYS FOR LIFE

Since Wednesday, Feb. 17th, when the 2021 Spring Campaign of 40 days for Life began, 101 babies have been known to have been spared from abortion! This campaign will continue until Sunday, March 28th. Please continue to pray and fast during this time for an end of abortion and for the safety of the vigil participants who will be praying at abortion centers during these 40 days. More information can be found at www.40daysforlife.com/INDIANAPOLIS

Important D of I Meeting at St. Mary, Alexandria

The Daughters of Isabella (D of I) St. Elizabeth Seton circle will be meeting on **Tuesday, March 16** at 6:00PM in Zimmer Hall. All current members are encouraged to attend. Discussions will focus on the next steps in the formation of the new parish women's ministry. Topics will include (but not limited to) the scope of the new ministry, the review of proposed bylaws, and more. **Materials about the new proposed ministry will be available in the narthex of the church for current D of I members to review prior to this meeting.** If attending the meeting in person, please be sure to wear a mask and plan to follow the current COVID guidelines followed by the church.

As a reminder to all current members and as a general notification to the parish: the Daughters of Isabella (D of I) St. Elizabeth Seton circle is sadly being disbanded after nearly 100 years at the parish. This decision was made due to ongoing expenses required by the international and state levels of the D of I organization coupled by the inability to raise enough funds to address the goals of the group. Members present at a meeting held late in 2020 voted unanimously to disband the local D of I circle. Also unanimously agreed upon was the need to create a new women's ministry or group.

If anyone has questions or is unable to attend the meeting, please contact Fran Crist at (765) 639-2107 (voice/text) or Karen Gilson (765) 610-1315 (voice/text).

“Anxious hearts are very heavy, but a word of encouragement does wonders”

Proverbs 12:25

Knights of Columbus

Our Lenten fish fries are on Fridays of Lent from 5-7:30 PM. The cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children. Greg Acra will once again be grilling when the weather is permitted, either salmon or trout with sides for \$15. These dinners are limited to 15 per week, so reserve yours by calling Joe Lambert at (765) 606-8711, between 11:00 AM on Mondays and 1:00 PM on Wednesdays to reserve yours. You must call each week to set your order. Masks are required when you come into the hall and while you are in line. We will have seating for 50 people at a time, and while you are seated (eating/drinking) you may remove your mask. If you get up to get a drink, or go to the restroom, etc. you must put your mask back on.

St. Mary (Anderson) food pantry is in need of toilet paper and paper towels. The next trip to the grocery remember the needy in our community.

Holy Cross School News

During Lent, Holy Cross School students are collecting canned vegetables to donate to the Soup Kitchen in the St. Mary Annex. We are also saying our prayers, going to Confession and making our individual sacrifices on a daily basis.

We would like to thank all who participated in The Day of Giving on February 2nd. The donations totaled \$2,135.00. Donations will go towards Field Day and a few other surprises for the students that are currently in the works! We thank you for your generous support for Holy Cross School.

Re-enrollment is due on April 2, 2021. After this date, open enrollment will be offered to new students. Many classes are at capacity. Make sure your student is enrolled for next year in order to save his/her seat!

Durante la Cuaresma, los estudiantes de Holy Cross School están recolectando vegetales enlatados para donarlos al comedor social en el anexo St. Mary. También decimos nuestras oraciones, nos confesamos y hacemos nuestros sacrificios individuales a diario.

Nos gustaría agradecer a todos los que participaron en el Día de la Donación el 2 de febrero. Las donaciones sumaron \$2,135.00. ¡Las donaciones se destinarán al Día de Campo y algunas otras sorpresas para los estudiantes que están actualmente en proceso! Le agradecemos su generoso apoyo a Holy Cross School.

La inscripción vence el 2 de abril de 2021. Después de esta fecha, se ofrecerá inscripción abierta a los nuevos estudiantes. Muchas clases están completas. ¡Asegúrese de que su estudiante esté inscrito para el próximo año para poder guardar su asiento!

Pete's Pantry in Alexandria

Pete's Pantry needs a variety of food and non-food items. Special request was made for egg cartons. Plastic bags are always appreciated. Cereals, canned meats, pasta, canned fruits and vegetables, and personal hygiene items are frequently needed. Donated items can be dropped off in the Narthex of St. Mary Church, Alexandria.

Monetary donations are especially appreciated to help buy items in bulk. Checks can be made out to "Pete's Pantry" and mailed directly to Pete's Pantry at the address noted below.

Reminder: Pete's Pantry--located in the Lutheran Church, 309 West Washington St., Alexandria--is open to residents of Alexandria, Summitville, and Orestes. Residents of these communities can visit the pantry up to 3 times each month. Current hours of operation: Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays 9:30am - 11:00am. Call Pete's Pantry at (765) 724-7566 for more information.

CUNNINGHAM
PLUMBING, INC.



Members of St. Joseph

DUNNICHAY
FUNERAL HOMES

Two Generations of our Family Serving your Family

JERRY & NED DUNNICHAY and JORDAN CANNON, DIRECTORS
ELWOOD & FRANKTON • 765-552-2501

F Neal Johnson Agency
Doug Johnson
Agent

121 W. Church St., Alexandria
765-724-4425
fnjohnsonagency@yahoo.cc

RICK WOOD dba
EarthWorks
Land Services



Call or Text 765-208-1515
www.earthworksin.com
rweathworks@gmail.com

Serving East Central Indiana

- Sewer/Septic/Storm/Water
- Erosion Control/Waterways
- Grading & Seeding
- Laser Controlled Grades
- Surveying: Boundary/Location Reports/Topo
- Clearing & Site Development
- High Water Table/Drainage
- FIREWOOD
- Residential & Commercial



Ascension St. Vincent

St. Vincent Mercy
(765) 552-4600



Greg Fettig Family
Members of St. Joseph
552-6235

ACTION
COOLING
HEATING

David Bir
President

765-724-2228
765-644-2330

610 S. Park Ave., Alexandria
Authorized  Service Agent

ADAMS & MEHLING, Inc.
A C C O U N T I N G

Tax Prep • e-Filing • Farms
Small Bus. Svcs. • Corporations

Margaret B. Adams
765-724-4290
112 W. Washington St., Alexandria

ELWOOD TIRE & AUTO SERVICE

1620 South A St.
765-552-5037
Firestone



The House of Glass, Inc.
Craftsman of Fine Art Glass

7900 E. St. Rd. 28
765-552-6841
www.thehouseofglassinc.com



NOTRE DAME BOOK SHELF
Quality Catholic Books & Gifts
Est. 1955

Joanne & Anthony Smith
1219 Fletcher St., Anderson
www.notredamebookshelf.com
765-642-9774



114 S. Park Ave., Alexandria 765-724-2722

Floors & More
DESIGNS

Theresa Clymer
Owner

7074 W. SR 28
765-552-3830

Compliments of
Kadet Products Inc.

2635 South J St.
552-7341

Main Street Auto & Tire Service, Inc.
Complete Auto Repair & Service

ANDY ALFREY, Owner
765-552-7806
1410 Main Street



CLARK INSURANCE GROUP
INTEGRITY - KNOWLEDGE - SERVICE
765-724-2637

Copher - Fesler - May
FUNERAL HOME
"Serving the Families of St. Joseph Since 1923"
765-552-6612

catholicmatch
Indiana



CatholicMatch.com/goIN

The Historic
Elwood Opera House
Built in 1891
by Cluskey & Hammer

Wedding Receptions or any Elegant Party
For Info Call: 765-552-7777

WHETSEL FUNERAL SERVICE

- Advanced Funeral Planning
- Monuments & Markers •

Alexandria's New Tradition
in Funeral Service

Bud & Susan Whetsel

1503 S. Park Ave., Alexandria, IN 46
765-724-9388

FIRST FARMERS BANK & TRUST
FFBT.COM

Elwood Branch
10077 N State Road 37
(765) 552-3326

Darlene Posey | Elwood Branch Manager Member FDIC



MARTINEZ DENTISTRY

2204 S. Park Ave.
Alexandria
765-724-7729

Now Accepting New Patients!

WSQM 90.9 FM



EWTN Global Catholic Radio
TUNE IN

YOUR AD HERE
CONTACT DIOCESAN
AT 1-800-282-5106

Please patronize
the sponsors
of our bulletin.



Loose

Funeral Homes & Crematory

Everything You Need In One Location

200 West 53rd Street, Anderson, IN 46013
765-649-5255 LooseCares.com



Loyal and True

Pet Cremation Services
by Loose Funeral Homes

200 West 53rd Street, Anderson, IN 46013
765-643-7387 LoyalAndTrue.com



Established 1946

LICENSED BONDED INSURED

1320 East 60th Street
Anderson, Indiana 46013

Ph: (765) 643-6444 • Fax: (765) 644-6786
www.westelectricinc.com

NOTRE DAME BOOK SHELF

Anderson's Only Quality Catholic
Gift and Bookstore

Bibles—Nativities—Rosaries
Baptism Gifts
Sterling Silver Medals &
Cross Pendants
1st Communion & Confirmation Gifts
Wall Crosses—Statues—Framed Artwork
1219 Fletcher Street
Anderson, IN 46016
765-642-9774 1-800-773-2220
notredamebookshelf.com



mybestwaycleaners.com
643.8082
706 S. Scatterfield Rd.
2716 Nichol Ave.
7017 S. St. Rd. 67



Rozelle Johnson

FUNERAL SERVICE

229 South Rangeline Road
Anderson, Indiana

(765) 643-7474

www.rozelle-johnson.com

James O. Anderson
Attorney at Law
Practice Concentration:
Estate Settlements* Wills* Trusts
Real Estate & Business Transactions
One Citizens Plaza, Suite 210
800 Main Street, Anderson
(765) 643-3100
Email
j.o.anderson.c.mitchell@gmail.com



515 East 53rd Street
Anderson, IN 46013
765-644-6658
www.brownbutzdiedring.com

Thompson GYN, LLC

DR. DENISE THOMPSON
Board Certified Gynecologist
drdenisethompson.com

Comprehensive and Compassionate
Care for Women

(765) 534-3840
fax (765) 534-3838

299 E. Pendleton Ave
Lapel, IN 46081

GREGORY R. BUSING, D.D.S.
1700 Broadway
Anderson, IN 46012
765-644-4765



Daniel P. Thompson, CRPC
Senior Vice President—Financial Advisor

The Thompson Wealth Management Group
8888 Keystone Crossing, Suite 200
Indianapolis, IN 46240
(317) 810-5414 / (844) 203-3453
dan.thompson@rbc.com
www.thompsonwmg.com



RBC Wealth Management

Adviser of RBC Capital Markets, LLC, Member NYSE/FINRA

Martin Russel,
Broker/REALTOR®
Property Manager

Martin.realtor@comcast.net

317-408-9951 cell/text

Serving Anderson and
Central Indiana

REMAX REALTY SERVICES



"TOMORROW'S PRINTING
DELIVERED TODAY"

1027 MERIDIAN ST.
ANDERSON, IN 46016
765.649.3716
FAX 765.649.2787

HOOSIERPRESS@SBCGLOBAL.NET

- DESIGN
- MAILINGS
- COLOR COPIES
- BUSINESS CARDS
- LETTERHEAD
- FLYERS
- INVITATIONS
- ENVELOPES
- LAMINATIONS
- BROCHURES
- BUSINESS FORMS
- POST CARDS



DR. JOHN TILL
Optometrist

tillyecare@gmail.com

tillyecare.com

Cunningham Optical One
5535 South Scatterfield Rd.
Anderson, IN 46013

P 765.393.0301
F 765.393.3446