

MAY 1, 2022



3rd Sunday of Easter

3º Domingo de Pascua

**ANDERSON
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of Lafayette in Indiana*

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OFF THE TOP OF MY HEAD...

Alleluia! Christ is risen! Risen indeed! Alleluia!

I usually ignore anonymous letters, either because they are hateful, or, if not hateful, because they provide no opportunity for dialogue and conversation.

But I recently received an anonymous letter that got my attention, and was thoughtful, not hateful. The first line of the letter said, "Please reconsider the idea of a mask-burning party."

By the way, my repeated references to such a party probably expressed more rhetoric than actual intention, but the anonymous writer made several great points:

1. You don't burn your umbrella after the storm. (Although we hate to say it, we may need masks again!)
2. Burning the masks treats them as some sort of evil entity rather than the very helpful tool that they have been.
3. The use of masks by those who continue to need them, as Covid goes from pandemic to endemic, should be respected and promoted. A mask-burning party does just the opposite, and can be (unintentionally) disrespectful to those persons.
4. Most surgical masks contain a type of plastic, that, when burned (but not when simply being worn!), release toxins into the air.

So: Let's NOT have a mask-burning party. We will need to find other ways to acknowledge and celebrate the transition out of the Pandemic. (And if you have an idea – besides a mask-burning party – I want to hear it!)

Speaking of which, I hope I will soon hear from "A Parishioner," the anonymous author of this very insightful letter. I would like to thank you and benefit more from your wisdom!

And now speaking of the transition, we will soon have several formation sessions for current and new Communion Ministers.

We will be modifying our procedures for Communion Ministers at all three parishes, and we want to give more parishioners the opportunity to serve in this ministry. Elsewhere in this bulletin you will find information on these sessions, for all continuing and incoming Communion Ministers.

We also need Communion Ministers for people who cannot come to Mass, of whom there are over sixty in the Pastorate! If you would like to participate in this ministry but not serve during Mass, you do not need to attend one of the formation sessions mentioned above. BUT we need to hear from you soon! Please call your parish office to let us know of your interest.

Alleluia! Christ is Risen! Risen indeed! Alleluia!

Fr. Tom Metzger
May 1, 2022

MENSAJE DEL PADRE TOM...

¡Aleluya! ¡Cristo ha resucitado! ¡Ciertamente resucitado!
¡Aleluya!

Normalmente ignoro las cartas anónimas, ya sea porque son odiosas o, si no odiosas, porque no brindan oportunidad para el diálogo y la conversación.

Pero hace poco recibí una carta anónima que me llamó la atención y que era considerada, no llena de odio. La primera línea de la carta decía: "Reconsidere la idea de una fiesta para quemar máscaras".

Por cierto, mis repetidas referencias a tal cosa, probablemente expresaron más retórica que intención real, pero el escritor anónimo hizo varios puntos importantes:

1. No quemas tu paraguas después de la tormenta. (¡Aunque odiamos decirlo, es posible que necesitemos máscaras nuevamente!)
2. Quemar las máscaras las trata como una especie de entidad malvada en lugar de la herramienta muy útil que han sido.
3. Se debe respetar y promover el uso de mascarillas por parte de quienes continúan necesitando las, ya que el Covid pasa de pandemia a endemia. Una fiesta de quema de máscaras hace exactamente lo contrario y puede ser (sin querer) una falta de respeto a esas personas.
4. La mayoría de las mascarillas quirúrgicas contienen un tipo de plástico que, cuando se quema (¡pero no cuando simplemente se usa!), libera toxinas en el aire.

Entonces: NO hagamos una fiesta de quema de máscaras. Tendremos que encontrar otras formas de reconocer y celebrar la transición para salir de la pandemia. (Y si tienes una idea, además de una fiesta para quemar máscaras, ¡quiero escucharla!)

Hablando de eso, espero tener pronto noticias de "Un feligrés", el autor anónimo de esta carta tan perspicaz. ¡Me gustaría agradecerle y beneficiarme más de su sabiduría!

Y ahora hablando de la transición, pronto tendremos varias sesiones de formación para los Ministros de Comunión actuales y nuevos.

Estaremos modificando nuestros procedimientos para los Ministros de Comunión en las tres parroquias, y queremos dar a más feligreses la oportunidad de servir en este ministerio. En otra parte de este boletín encontrará información sobre estas sesiones, para todos los Ministros de Comunión entrantes y actuales.

También necesitamos Ministros de Comunión para las personas que no pueden venir a Misa, ¡de los cuales hay más de sesenta en la Pastoral! Si desea participar en este ministerio pero no servir durante la Misa, no necesita asistir a una de las sesiones de formación mencionadas anteriormente. ¡PERO necesitamos saber de usted pronto! Por favor llame a la oficina de su parroquia para dejarnos saber de su interés.

¡Aleluya! ¡Cristo ha resucitado! ¡Ciertamente resucitado!
¡Aleluya!

P. Tom Metzger
1 de Mayo 2022

MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS FOR THE WEEK / INTENCIONES & LECTURAS DE LAS MISAS

MONDAY, MAY 2 / LUNES, 2 DE MAYO

*St. Athanasius, Bishop & Doctor of the Church /
Acts/Hechos 6:8-15 | John/Juan 6:22-29*

8:00 AM St. Mary, Anderson +*Poor Souls*

TUESDAY, MAY 3 / MARTES, 3 DE MAYO

*Ss. Philip and James, Apostles
1 Corinthians 15:1-8 | John/Juan 14:6-14*

8:00 AM St. Ambrose, Anderson +*Zachary Novak*

WEDNESDAY, MAY 4 / MIÉRCOLES, 4 DE MAYO

*Wednesday, 3rd Week of Easter / Miércoles de la 3^a Semana de Pascua
Acts/Hechos 8:1b-8 | John/Juan 6:35-40*

8:00 AM St. Mary, Alexandria +*Frank Hellmann*

8:00 AM St. Ambrose, Anderson +*Betty Brownfield*

11:30 AM St. Vincent Hospital, Anderson +*Mark MacWilliams*

THURSDAY, MAY 5 / JUEVES, 5 DE MAYO

*Thursday, 3rd Week of Easter / Jueves de la 3^a Semana de Pascua
Acts/Hechos 8:26-40 | John/Juan 6:44-51*

8:30 AM St. Mary, Anderson +*Rebecca Zagorski*

FRIDAY, MAY 6 / VIERNES, 6 DE MAYO

*Friday, 3rd Week of Easter / Viernes de la 3^a Semana de Pascua
Acts/Hechos 9:1-20 | John/Juan 6:52-59*

8:00 AM St. Mary, Alexandria +*Janet Rastetter*

8:10 AM St. Ambrose, Anderson +*Vivian Alexander*

SATURDAY, MAY 7 / SÁBADO, 7 DE MAYO

*Saturday, 3rd Week of Easter / Sábado de la 3^a Semana de Pascua
Acts/Hechos 9:31-42 | John/Juan 6:60-69*

4:00 PM St. Mary, Anderson *For the People of the Pastorate*

4:30 PM St. Mary, Alexandria +*Diana Boyer*

5:30 PM St. Ambrose, Anderson +*William Hall*

SUNDAY, MAY 8 / DOMINGO, 8 DE MAYO

*Fourth Sunday of Easter / Cuarto Domingo de Pascua
Acts/Hechos 13:14, 43-52 | Rev/Apoc 7:9, 14b-17 | John/Juan 10:27-30*

7:30 AM St. Mary, Anderson +*Jeff Huffman*

8:30 AM St. Mary, Alexandria +*Betty Duffy*

9:30 AM St. Ambrose, Anderson +*Betty Brownfield*

11:30 AM St. Mary, Anderson +*Cesilio Rodriguez Lopez*

Find the daily & Sunday readings
at [https://bible.usccb.org/readings/
calendar](https://bible.usccb.org/readings/calendar)

Encuentra las lecturas diarias y
dominicales en Español en [https://
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..... Tina Neal

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DIRECTORA DE LA ESCUELA STA. MARIA

..... Rachel Duckworth

PARISH SECRETARIES /

SECRETARIAS DE LAS PARROQUIA:

St. Ambrose Anita Myers

St. Mary, Anderson Jan Adams

(M, Th, F) / (Lun., Jue., Vie.)

St. Mary, Alexandria Traci Gates

(M, T, Th) / (Lun., Mar., Jue.,)

CONFESSION TIMES / HORARIO DE CONFESIÓN

✠ St. Mary, Anderson
Saturdays/Sábados 1:00-2:00 PM
*Until further notice in the sacristy.
Hasta nuevo aviso en la sacristía.*

✠ St. Mary, Alexandria
Saturdays/Sábados 3:30-4:00 PM

✠ St. Ambrose
Saturdays/Sábados 4:00-5:00 PM

PASTORATE NEWS / NOTICIAS DEL PASTORADO

STEWARDSHIP / FINANZAS

St. Ambrose

YTD Giving/Donaciones \$146,844

YTD Expenses/Gastos \$146,053

St. Mary, Anderson

YTD Giving/Donaciones \$163,748

YTD Expenses/Gastos \$260,049

St. Mary Alexandria*

YTD Giving/Donaciones \$229,295

YTD Expenses/Gastos \$225,687

*Includes school tuition and expenses



On Line Giving / Donaciones En Línea

St. Ambrose -

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

St. Mary Anderson - <https://osvhub.com/stmaryanderson/funds>



St. Ambrose

Goal/Meta = \$67,430

Pledged/Prometido = \$71,783 (106% of Goal)

of Pledges/# de Prometidos = 123



St. Mary, Anderson

Goal/Meta = \$72,780

Pledged/Prometido = \$92,881 (127% of Goal)

of Pledges/# de Prometidos = 142



St. Mary Alexandria

Goal/Meta = \$33,628

Pledged/Prometido = \$41,635 (124% of Goal)

of Pledges/# de Prometidos = 68

Anderson-Alexandria Pastorate

Goal/Meta = \$173,837

Pledged/Prometido = \$206,298 (119% of Goal)

of Pledges/# de Prometidos = 333



Come & celebrate Fr. Dave's

Retirement!

06. 12. 22
SUNDAY
5PM - APETIZERS
6PM - DINNER

ZIMMER HALL
ST. MARY'S ALEXANDRIA
820 W. MADISON ST.
ALEXANDRIA, IN 46001

Please RSVP by May 30th
by calling any of the parish offices
or <https://stambroestmary.org/>



Ven & celebra la

Jubilación

de Padre Dave!

12. JUNIO. 22
DOMINGO
5PM - APERITIVOS
6PM - CENA

ZIMMER HALL
ST. MARY'S, ALEXANDRIA
820 W. MADISON ST.
ALEXANDRIA, IN 46001

Por favor confirme su asistencia
antes 30 de Mayo
llamando a cualquiera de las oficinas
parroquiales o <https://stambroestmary.org/>



Adoration

OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

This Sunday, May 1
10:30am—4:00pm
at St. Ambrose



Adoración

DEL SANTÍSIMO SACRAMENTO

Este domingo, 1 de Mayo
10:30am—4:00 pm
en St. Ambrose, Anderson

PASTORATE NEWS / NOTICIAS DEL PASTORADO

COMMUNION MINISTERS—FORMATION

Each year Bishop Doherty commissions those who will serve as Communion ministers in throughout the diocese. These include Communion ministers for Mass as well as those who take Holy Communion to the sick or homebound. If you are interested in becoming a Communion minister or you have previously served as a minister, please plan to attend one of the formation sessions listed below. The formation at each session will be the same, so you may choose to attend the session that is most convenient for your schedule even if it is not at the parish where you plan to serve as a Communion ministers. ALL Communion ministers are expected to attend one of the formation sessions, if you would like to serve as Communion minister at Mass for July 2022—June 2023.



- Thursday, May 5th @ 7pm—St. Mary, Alexandria
- Saturday, May 7 @ 10:30 am—St. Mary, Alexandria
- Tuesday, May 10 @ 7pm—St. Mary Anderson
- Friday, May 13 @ 7pm —St. Mary Anderson in Spanish
- Wednesday, May 18 @ 7pm—St. Ambrose

If you would like to server as a Communion minister, taking Holy Communion to the sick or homebound we need you as well. Please email Christine at cvincent-rodas@parish.dol-in.org or call 765-644-8467 before May 20th. There will be a separate formation for this.

MINISTROS DE LA COMUNIÓN—FORMACIÓN

Cada año, el obispo Doherty comisiona a quienes servirán como ministros de la Comunión en toda la diócesis. Estos incluyen ministros de la Comunión para la Misa, así como aquellos que llevan la Sagrada Comunión a los enfermos o confinados en casa. Si está interesado en convertirse en ministro de Comunión o si ha servido anteriormente como ministro, planea asistir a una de las sesiones de formación que se enumeran a continuación. La formación en cada sesión será la misma, por lo que puede optar por asistir a la sesión que sea más conveniente para su horario, incluso si no es en la parroquia donde planea servir como ministro de Comunión. Se espera que TODOS los ministros de la Comunión asistan a una de las sesiones de formación, si desea servir como ministro de la Comunión en la Misa de julio de 2022 a junio de 2023.

- Jueves, 5 de mayo @ 7pm—St. María, Alejandría
- Sábado, 7 de mayo a las 10:30 am—St. María, Alejandría
- Martes 10 de mayo a las 7 p. m.—St. maría anderson
- Viernes 13 de mayo a las 7 p. m. —St. María Anderson en español
- Miércoles 18 de mayo a las 7 p. m.—St. ambrosio

Si desea servir como ministro de la Comunión, llevar la Sagrada Comunión a los enfermos o confinados en el hogar, también lo necesitamos. Envíe un correo electrónico a Christine a cvincent-rodas@parish.dol-in.org o llame al 765-644-8467 antes del 20 de mayo. Habrá una formación separada para esto.

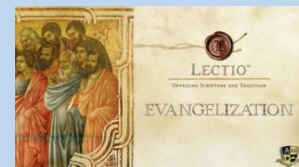
BIBLE STUDY—ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

It's not too late to join us on our journey through the Acts of the Apostles. The bible study looks at topics such as the call of Jesus to evangelize, the power of the Sacraments, the role of charisms for building up the Body of Christ, techniques from St. Paul for reaching a secular culture, and more.

Please bring a Bible with you. Study guides are available to download for free at <https://watch.formed.org/lectio-evangelization-with-dr-mary-healy> or study guides will be available for purchase at the gatherings.

This week and next week's topics:

- May 4/5 Week 2: *Clothed with Power*
May 11/12 Week 3: *Proclaiming the Kerygma*



WEDNESDAYS | NOON-2PM
ST. AMBROSE—ASSEMBLY HALL

THURSDAYS | 6PM-8PM
ST. MARY, ALEXANDRIA—
SS. PETER & PAUL ROOM (RCIA)

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PIZZA PARTY!

Your Knights of Columbus (Anderson) will be hosting a Pizza Party on Saturday, May 7th. Pizzas will be made in-house by Francis Robinson. Full pizzas may be ordered for carry-out. Orders must be received by Thurs., May 5th, by 12 noon. Carry out orders will be made to pick-up between 12 noon and 3pm on Saturday (let us know what time you prefer when ordering. Then there will be a pizza buffet between 5-7:30pm. It will be an all you can eat, but eat all you take. There will be NO doggy bags or carry outs during this time).



PARISH NEWS / NOTICIAS PARROQUIALES—ST. AMBROSE & ST. MARY - ANDERSON



The food pantry at St. Mary, Anderson is in need of the following items:

- ◆ Pasta Sauce
- ◆ Soup beans (dry)
- ◆ Black beans (dry)
- ◆ Canned Diced Tomatoes
- ◆ 1 lb. rolls of ground sausage, turkey, or beef

Donations may be dropped off at either of the parish offices in Anderson— St. Ambrose (M-F 8:30-4pm) or St. Mary's Anderson (Mon, Thurs, Fri 8:30-4pm). Thank you for your help!

NECESIDADES DE LA DESPENSA DE ALIMENTOS

La despensa de alimentos en St. Mary, Anderson necesita los siguientes artículos:

- ◆ Salsa para pasta
- ◆ Sopa de frijoles (secos)
- ◆ Frijoles negros (secos)
- ◆ Tomates en cubitos enlatados
- ◆ 1 libra de rollos de salchicha molida, pavo molida o carne molida

Las donaciones se pueden dejar en cualquiera de las oficinas parroquiales en Anderson—St. Ambrose (lunes a viernes de 8:30-4pm) o St. Mary's Anderson (lunes, jueves y viernes de 8:30-4pm). ¡Gracias por tu ayuda!

PARISH NEWS / NOTICIAS PARROQUIALES—ST. MARY - ALEXANDRIA

ROSARIES BEFORE MASSES IN MAY



All are welcome to join in the recitation of the rosary before all weekend Masses at St. Mary, Alexandria. The rosary recitations will begin 30 minutes prior to the start of each Saturday and Sunday Masses during the month of May. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us! St. Joseph, pray for us!

CONGRATULATIONS FIRST COMMUNICANTS!

Please pray for the following children who are receiving Jesus in the Eucharist for the first time on May 1st.

*Gave Blanton
Gage Davis
Connor Dockrey
Ryan Duffly
Grayson Granger*

*Asher Haynie
Kaleb Kistler
Corbin Shuter
Tucker Summers
Jessie Waller*

DAUGHTERS OF MARY

Mother's Day Bake Sale



Proceeds will support updates for
our outside Marian Grotto

**MAY 7 & 8
AFTER THE MASSES**

Reminder to Bakers: Drop off your contributions at least one hour before the start of each Mass. Be sure to price each item and package any smaller items (i.e., cookies or brownies or snack mixes) as desired. All contributions greatly appreciated!



Prayer for a Child's First Communion

Lord Jesus,

Bless the children coming forward to receive Holy Communion for the first time.

May this day be an initial step into a life-long love of the Eucharist.

Give them a hunger for this sacred food so that they turn to you for comfort, guidance, and wisdom as they grow into full discipleship.



Thank you for their innocence and goodness.

May their hands, extended in anticipation of your Body and Blood, inspire all of us to cherish this sacred sacrament.

HAPPY RETIREMENT MRS. TOCCI!

On behalf of St. Mary School and Parish we would like to congratulate Mrs. Tocci on her retirement and take the opportunity to thank her for almost 40 years of service to our parish and Catholic School. Mrs. Tocci's impact on the education and faith formation of students has been tremendous. Mary has been a friend and colleague to many of us helping us to grow as teachers and in faith. We will miss Mrs. Tocci next school year, but we are so happy she will be able to relax and enjoy new adventures! In lieu of a retirement party, cards of thanks and celebration may be sent to the school addressed to Mrs. Tocci. May God Bless Mrs. Tocci in her retirement!!



SCHOOL NEWS / NOTICIAS DE LA ESCUELA



TEACHER SPOTLIGHT

MS. JENEVA MOORE, GRADES 6,7,8

YEARS TEACHING/EXPERIENCE: I have taught full time for a total of 37 years. I began my career by subbing for Anderson Community Schools for one year. I moved to Michigan where I taught fifth grade and 8th Grade US History. for 14 years at St. Stephen Catholic School in inner city Detroit. I then taught 6th Grade reading and social studies one year and 7th and 8th Grade US History for one year in Livonia, MI, at St. Michael Catholic School. Upon returning to Indiana in 2000, I began working at St. Mary's School teaching grades 2 and 6. When St. Mary and St. Ambrose became Holy Cross School, I began to teach grades 6, 7, and 8. I have 60 hours of graduate classes, over 30 of which are in the area of counseling. I hold a Certificate of Proficiency in the Spanish Language which I received while at Purdue University.

FAVORITE AUTHOR: Agatha Christie

HOBBIES: Dogs/Animal Rescue/Foster/Adoption. I have been taking my eighth graders to our local city animal shelter, The Animal Protection League, one afternoon per week for several years. I have other staff members who give of their time as well. We volunteer for two hours doing whatever is needed. We put in a few hundred hours per year among all of us. I hope this teaches the students compassion for all of God's creatures and the importance of service.

FAVORITE BIBLE VERSE: 23rd psalm

IF YOU COULD GO ANYWHERE IN THE WORLD, WHERE WOULD YOU GO? England, Ireland, Scotland

WHAT DO YOU LOVE ABOUT HOLY CROSS SCHOOL?

St. Mary's/Holy Cross School has been my home, my family, my support system, and my heart for the past 22 years. I have been blessed beyond words by the students, families, and staff throughout my time here. This is place of deep connections and lasting friendships.

WHAT IS SOMETHING THAT MIGHT SURPRISE US ABOUT YOU? I met my fiancé on Facebook Dating in October, 2020. We will be getting married in a wedding chapel in Las Vegas on July 4, 2022.

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE QUOTE?
"This too shall pass."

MAESTRA DESTACADA

MS. JENEVA MOORE, GRADOS 6,7,8

AÑOS DE ENSEÑANZA/EXPERIENCIA: He enseñado a tiempo completo durante un total de 37 años. Comencé mi carrera como suplente aquí en Anderson Community Schools durante un año. Me mudé a Michigan donde enseñé durante 14 años en el centro de la ciudad de Detroit en la Escuela Católica St. Stephen, enseñé Historia de los Estados Unidos de quinto y octavo grado. Luego enseñé lectura y estudios sociales de sexto grado un año e historia de EE. UU. de séptimo y octavo grado durante un año en la Escuela Católica St. Michael. en Livonia, MI, Al regresar a Indiana, comencé a trabajar en St. Mary 's School en 2000 y enseñé los grados 2 y 6. Cuando St. Mary y St. Ambrose se convirtieron en Holy Cross School, comencé a enseñar en los grados 6, 7 y 8. Tengo 60 horas de clases de posgrado, más de 30 de los cuales están enfocados en el área de consejería. También tengo un Certificado de Dominio del Idioma Español que recibí en mi último año en la Universidad de Purdue.

AUTOR FAVORITO: Agatha Christie

AFICIONES: Perros/Rescate de animales/Foster/Adopción. He estado llevando a mis alumnos de octavo grado al refugio de animales de nuestra ciudad local, The Animal Protection League, una tarde por semana durante varios años. Tengo otros miembros del personal que también dan su tiempo. Somos voluntarios durante dos horas haciendo lo que sea necesario. Dedicamos unos cientos de horas al año entre todos nosotros. Espero que esto enseñe a los estudiantes la compasión por todas las criaturas de Dios y la importancia del servicio".

VERSÍCULO BÍBLICO FAVORITO: salmo 23

SI PUDIERAS IR A CUALQUIER PARTE DEL MUNDO, ¿A DÓNDE IRÍAS? Inglaterra, Irlanda, Escocia

¿QUÉ TE GUSTA DE LA ESCUELA HOLY CROSS? "St. Mary 's/Holy Cross School ha sido mi hogar, mi familia, mi sistema de apoyo y mi corazón durante los últimos 22 años. Los estudiantes, las familias y el personal me han bendecido más allá de las palabras durante mi tiempo aquí. Esto es lugar de conexiones profundas y amistades duraderas".

