

Prayer Chain

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

January 28

Joel Masters

Carmine Quatrano

January 29

Mary Hoeffel

Mark Sowards

Elaine Spiller

January 31

Phillip J. Kennedy

February 2

Peggy Miller

February 3

Nicholas Forte

This Week at St. Ambrose

Sunday 1/29

10:00 AM - 2:00 PM – Brunch - Hall

Monday 1/30

Tuesday 1/31

7:00 AM - 9:00 AM - Meals for Migrant Workers - Hall

10:30 AM - 12:00 PM - Religious Library - School

10:30 AM - 12:00 PM - Legion Of Mary – School

Wednesday 2/1

6:00 PM - 7:15 PM - Religious Ed Classes – School

7:15 PM - 8:30 PM – RCIA - School

Thursday 2/2

6:30 PM - 7:30 PM – Renov. Finance Comm Mtg - Office

Friday 2/3

7:00 PM Blessing of Throats - Church

7:30 PM - 8:30 PM - 1st Friday Devotion - Church

Saturday 2/4

PARISH OFFERTORY

Total Offertory Needed \$235,568.00

Received Year to Date: \$100,981.96

Offertory 1/21 – 1/22/2012

Sat \$1,434.00

Sun 9 \$1,044.00

Sun 11 \$ 840.00

\$3,318.00

Sol. of Mary \$5.00

Respect Life 463.00

ST. AMBROSE RENOVATION FUND

Renovation Goal: \$200,000.00

Received: \$ 84,968.26

January 29, 2012 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time False Prophets, True Prophets

In Deuteronomy today we hear that God's very words will fill the mouth of a true prophet, but a false prophet will, in a manner of speaking, put mere mortal words into God's mouth. In Mark's Gospel, we see Jesus teaching and healing as a true prophet, one filled with the authority of God's own voice, the Holy One of God.

The whole history of our church is filled with both true and false prophets. But in today's Gospel we learn that Jesus' fame spread because he taught with authority; he wasn't an authority because he was popular or famous. We also learn from him, in his desert temptation confrontations with Satan, that anyone can quote scripture, even against God's purposes. And today we hear that his authority was not like that of the scribes, who held the official positions of religious authority in his day. Our work is to do our best to discern the true prophets in our midst, and to be true prophets as well. The psalmist tells us how to do this: by not hardening our hearts when God speaks. If we truly listen to God, it will be God's very words filling our mouths.

Prayer List

Mary Ballinger, Randy Bowlen, Betty Brubaker, Elizabeth Buck, Barbara and Tom Bush, Maimu Cadigan, Ms. Cain, Brenda Cantello, John Carlsen & Family, Kathleen Delzell, Judy Ferguson, Richard & Joyce Ferguson, Patricia Flight, Vincenza Gill, Jack Golden, Jerry Griffen, Roger Haggemiller, Mildred Hankemyer, Evey Kennedy, Christine Kerr, Sydney Lister, Therese Masters & children, Margary Nelson, Chuck Nusbaum, Mary Petterson, Kara Reiniche, Grace Roebuck, Marianne Rogero, Noble Rogero, Charles Sagginario, Jeff Spencer, Al & Frankie Varner, Stacie Wilson, Cheryl Woodland, John Zander.

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MASS INTENTIONS

1-29 9a

Carmen Laraine Ashton +

1-29 11a

People's Mass

1-30 8a

Ralph Beaudin +

2-4 5p

Helen Kucharski +



**Welcome
New parishioners,
John and Donna Gianotti!!!**

NEWS

Blessing of Throats

February 3rd is the feast of St. Blaise. The blessing of throats will take place during the regularly scheduled First Friday devotion which begins at 7 p.m.

Anointing of the Sick

Saturday February 11th is the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes. We will celebrate with a 10 a.m. Mass during which we will offer the anointing of the sick.

Men's Club

St. Ambrose Men's Club is seeking all male members of the Parish to attend our next meeting on February 6, 2012 at 7:00 PM. Please join us and share the activities and assist us in the events such as the Brunches and dinners. LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU!!!!

Eucharistic Congress

Bishop Felipe J. Estévez has called for an annual Eucharistic Congress beginning Lent 2012: March 9-10. Beginning Friday at 7 p.m. at St. Joseph Parish, Jacksonville, a concert of sacred music ending with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. English and Spanish: *The Fruits of Holy Communion and Eucharist in the Gospels*, featuring Bishop Robert Baker from Birmingham, Ala For details, visit: www.dosafl.com.

Lenten Appeal for Vocations:

God has answered our prayers and blessed the Diocese of St. Augustine with 18 men who are studying for the priesthood. In February, you will be asked to give thanks to God and to support the education and formation of our seminarians. Materials have been sent to each Catholic household that includes a letter from Bishop Estévez for this year's Lenten Appeal for Vocations. Please take time to read the brochure and respond generously by supporting our future priests. For more information, visit: www.dosafl.com/vocations.

Luncheon & Fashion Show

4th Annual Our Lady of Good Counsel (OLGC) Parish Luncheon & Fashion Show: Let Me Take You on a Sea Cruise! – Feb. 18 from noon to 2 p.m. \$30 in advance, \$35 at the door. Music by Brett DeVoe with an exciting show of the latest fashions and tropical food and drink! To order tickets call (904) 829-1168.

St. Patrick's Day with Msgr. John Lenihan

Saturday, Mar. 17, 5 p.m - 8 p.m. at the Marywood Retreat Center call 904-287-2525. Cost: \$25 adult, \$15 child Join us for our annual tradition in honor of the Patron Saint of Ireland and Celtic Christianity. This year's celebrant and speaker is Msgr. John Lenihan. After dinner Msgr. Lenihan will share his experiences of growing up and living in Ireland.

Are you married to a stranger?

Do you feel alone? Do you argue - or have you just stopped talking to each other? Do you dread the drive home? Does talking about it only make it worse? This program has helped countless couples experiencing marital difficulty at all levels including disillusionment and deep misery. For confidential information or to register for the program call 904 662-8604

Youth Rallies

The annual Youth Rallies will be held on the weekend of Feb. 11 and 12 at Bishop John J. Snyder High School. ValLimar Jansen, recent emcee at the National Youth Conference, will be the keynote presenter. There will be breakout sessions each day with topics of interest to each level. Saturday, will be the senior high day and Sunday, will be the junior high day. Bishop Estévez will celebrate Mass each day at 5 p.m. For more information and registration forms, see the www.dosaformation.org website, Registration forms are also available at St. Ambrose church office.

Bring Your Palms

Next weekend through February 19th, a box will be available in the cry room to receive your palm fronds that were distributed last year on Palm Sunday. Father Tim will use the ashes from these palms on Ash Wednesday.

Lasagna Dinner

On Saturday, Feb 25th directly following the 5pm mass, there will be a Lasagna Dinner in the hall. For \$7 per person, enjoy lasagna, a tossed green salad, garlic bread and dessert. There will be a cash bar for beer, wine & soda.

St. Ambrose Needs Your Stuff!

We are in need of donations for the spring fair yard sale. Please clean out those closets and garages, and bring any gently used items to the church as soon as possible!!

Spiritual Adoption Month 1

Thank you to all those who have spiritually adopted an unborn child and their family. Please continue to pray for them. This is Month 1 of our journey. From the moment of conception your baby has its own unique set of DNA and gender is already determined. Your baby's heart has started beating and eyes, ears and lungs have begun to form. For more information on Respect Life and Spiritual Adoption contact Anna Martin (904) 692- 4927

Word of Life

HHS's new mandate for contraception/sterilization coverage ... includes an incredibly narrow exemption for "religious employers" that protects almost no one. For example, a Catholic institution serving the poor and needy would have to fire its non-Catholic staff, refuse life-affirming care to non-Catholic people in need, and devote itself instead to "the inculcation of religious values" to qualify for the exemption. Individuals, insurers, and the sponsors of non-employee health plans (e.g., student health plans in Catholic schools) would have no exemption at all. This effort to corral religion exclusively into the sanctuaries of houses of worship betrays a complete ignorance of the role of religion in American life, and of Congress's long tradition of far more helpful laws on religious freedom.

~Cardinal Daniel DiNardo, Archbishop of Galveston-Houston and Chair of the USCCB Committee on Pro-Life Activities, Letter to Congress, September 7, 2011, in support of the "Respect for Rights of Conscience Act"