



# SAINT AMBROSE PARISH COMMUNITY

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Rev. William P. Wolfe  
*Pastor*

Rev. Brian Doran  
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Salvador Trujillo  
*Business Manager*

**Office Hours**  
9:00 am to 5:00 pm  
Monday through Thursday

### Masses

Saturday Evening 5:30 pm  
Sunday 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 Noon  
Weekdays 7:00 am Monday – Friday

### Confessions

Saturday 4:30 pm – 5:00 pm

### Marriages

Arrangements at least 6 months in advance

### Baptisms

By appointment

## PARISH MINISTRIES

*Unless otherwise indicated call (323) 656-4433*

### Parish Nurse

Sunday 9:30 am - 1:30 pm  
Joe Martinson, R.N., Chair  
(323) 656-8390 (Office)  
(323) 650-7603

### Bereavement Ministry

### Legion of Mary

Wednesdays - 7:30 pm  
Elnora Campos  
(323) 876-5209

### Respect Life

1st Tuesday - 7:30 pm  
Elnora Campos, Chair

### Safeguard the Children

2nd Sunday - 9:00 am  
Judi Levin, Chair

### Home Ministry

Jo Iannello, Co-Chair  
(323) 656-1349

### St. Ambrose Theater Group

1st & 3rd Saturdays - 3:00 pm  
Ann Gagan, Chair  
(323) 466-1084

### Social Committee

Teri Dartez, July Mercado,  
Judi Levin, Madeline  
O'Donnell

- Parish Council** Michael Morgan, Chair  
(310) 659-3075
- Finance Council** Kirk Grissom, Chair  
(323) 810-8109
- Liturgy Committee** Sunday
- Music Ministries** William Wunsch, D.M.A.  
(323) 296-0859
- Vocations Coordinator** Michael Morgan  
(310) 659-3075
- Adult Faith Initiation** Sunday 12 Noon  
Glenn Waggner  
(323) 848-2954
- Youth Faith Initiation** Sunday 11:00 am  
Judi Levin, Moderator  
(323) 851-9393
- St. Jude Mass & Rosary** Thursdays 7:00 pm

Interested in the Catholic faith? Interested in joining our community? Need more information? Tear off and drop in the collection basket, mail to the Parish Office or email the following information to us.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

**SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION**

As he blessed them, he was taken up to heaven

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK****Sunday May 16, 2010-Saturday, May 22, 2010**

Sunday	8:00 AM	John Parker--†
	10:00 AM	Helen S. Gagnon--† Danny Aiello, Jr--†
	12:00 Noon	Mothers Day Novena
Monday	7:00 AM	Mothers Day Novena
Tuesday	7:00 AM	Men & Women of our Armed Forces
Wednesday,	7:00 AM	Maria & Charles Bolster (31 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary)
Thursday	7:00 AM	Damian Danielski
Friday	7:00 AM	James Minelli
Saturday	5:30 PM	Jo Martinson Gerry Day

**THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES****Sunday, May 16, 2010-Saturday, May 22, 2010**

Sunday	9:00 AM-1:00 PM	Nurse's Office OPEN
	9:15 AM	Choir Practice
	10:15 AM	Adult Initiation
	11:00 AM	Youth Religious Instruc.
Monday	--	--
Tuesday	--	--
Wednesday	8:00-8:30 AM	Gospel Reflection and Sharing
Thursday	7:00-8:30 PM	St Jude Mass & Rosary
Friday	--	--
Saturday	3:30-5:30 PM	St. Ambrose Theater Grp
	4:30-5:00 PM	Confessions
	5:30 PM	Vigil Mass

**TO EVERYTHING THERE IS A SEASON, AND A TIME TO EVERY PURPOSE UNDER THE HEAVEN****A time to heal—Pray for those who are ill:**

Barbara Chapman, Lou Bowab, Joyce Bowab, John Bowab, Russell Brown, John Cusick, Becky Davis, Gerry Day, Anna DeLucia, Amanda DeMarino, Sasha DeMarino, Mary Gonsalves, Carl Higgins, Louis Iannello, Phyllis Iannello, Helen Lemanski, Jessica Leoni, Marie Lopez, Kate McLaughlin, Jo Martinson, Jere Morgan, Sr. Jere Morgan, Jr., Donald O'Connell, Mary Petroff, Dorothy Petroff, John Petroff, Mike Posey, Walter Ruczynski, Sean Sweeney, Glenn Waggner, Phyllis Waggner, Evelyn White

**Readings for next Sunday, May 23, 2010****Pentecost Sunday****First Reading: Acts of Apostles 2: 1-11****Responsorial Psalm 104****Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12: 3b-7, 12-13****Gospel: John 20: 19-23****Have you remembered your Parish in your will?**

For further information please contact the rectory or H. Richard Classon, Director, Trust & Estate Programs, LA Archdiocese, 213-637-7472, e-mail HRC10@la-archdiocese.org or estateplanning.com/trustacct. Our legal title is: The Roman Catholic Archbishop of Los Angeles, A Corporation Sole for the benefit of St. Ambrose Parish.

**STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE FY 2009-2010**

A summary of parish ordinary income –

(Sunday envelopes and Sunday loose money)

Weekly Amount to meet Budget	\$5,784
<b>Amount Received Sunday, May 9: \$2,216</b>	<b>(\$3 568,)</b>

**Thank you for your generosity**

Thank you for your faithful support that helps to  
Keep our parish alive.

**ST AMBROSE CHURCH****Celebrates****FATHER WILLIAM P. WOLFE****Pastor****On the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary****Of his Ordination into the Priesthood****SUNDAY, MAY 23, 2010****At the 12 Noon Mass****Please join us.**

If you wish to make a contribution to defray expenses for the celebration of Fr. Bill's anniversary please write on your envelope "celebration" and place it in the collection basket. Thank you.

**RETIREMENT FUND FOR ARCHDIOCESAN PRIESTS**

Collection for the Retirement Fund for Archdiocesan Priests will be taken up at all the masses this weekend. The *primary* source of income for a retired priest is the Priest Pension Plan, which was formally established in 1993. Like the Religious Orders of men and women, so little was put into Social Security, very little is received each month by way of a Social Security Check. Please be as generous as you can.

**FIRST COMMUNION**

This Sunday, May 16, at the 10 AM Mass, eight young people will be receiving their First Holy Communion. Please join us in celebrating this very important event in their lives. They are:

Anna Ang, Christopher Darandica, John Alves  
Bianca Gonzalez, Andrea Canizales, Marcelo  
Mayz Rylie Chavez, Alex Vanderhoot

**CHANGE OF ENVIRONMENT**

Help will be needed to change the environment of the church in preparation of Pentecost. If you can help, please be at the church Saturday, May 22, at 9:30 AM. The color for Pentecost is red.

**NEW!!****ST. AMBROSE ADULT GROUP**

St. Ambrose is forming a new adult group to meet beginning June 13, 2010. Our mission is to meet for social activities, discuss our faith, involve ourselves with local parishes for various activities, and to get to know one another. We welcome all parishioners ages 25-39. For more information and to sign up for the first meeting, please contact Elizabeth Santiago, 805-358-8896, or email [esantiago76@yahoo.com](mailto:esantiago76@yahoo.com).

**SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION**

“The meaning of Christ’s Ascension,” writes Pope Benedict XVI, “expresses our belief that in Christ the humanity that we all share has entered into the inner life of God in a new and hitherto unheard of way. It means that man has found an everlasting place in God.” It would be a mistake to interpret the Ascension as “the temporary absence of Christ from the world.” Rather, “we go to heaven to the extent that we go to Jesus Christ and enter into him.” Heaven is a person: “Jesus himself is what we call heaven.” (Magnificat)

**TODAYS READINGS (Year C)**

**First Reading:** After Jesus spoke to his disciples of the gift of the Holy Spirit, he is taken up into the heavens. The disciples’ vacant gaze is challenged by a proclamation of Jesus’ imminent return. The Holy Spirit will be showered upon them in order to preach his Good News to the ends of the earth.

**Responsorial Psalm:** In Psalm 47 the Church proclaims her faith in the divinity of Christ who ascends into heaven and reigns over us as king.

**Second Reading:** Paul proclaims to the Ephesians that God calls them to share in the sovereignty of Christ, whom God has established as the king of creation and head of the Church. The Resurrection of Christ reveals God’s promise and power at work in those who believe. The Resurrection and Ascension of Christ are our hope of glory.

**Gospel:** At the center of Luke’s account of the Ascension, Jesus promises his followers an ongoing share in his mission. He promises the power of the Holy Spirit in their proclamation of repentance to the ends of the earth. In response, the disciples do not weep or despair, but they worship him and rejoice as they return to Jerusalem to await the Holy Spirit’s gift and the commencement of their mission.

(Sourcebook)

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**First Holy Communion** -8 children- May 16, 10 AM

**International Food Festival**, August 8, 1-3 PM

**St. Ambrose Parish Pot Luck**, September 19, 1-3 PM

**St. Ambrose Christmas Dinner**, Dec. 5, 6-9:30 PM

**MEMORIAL MASSES THIS WEEK**

**Tuesday, May 18. Memorial of Saint John I (+526) pope, martyr.** Pope John I was a native of Tuscany and was elected Pope when quite elderly. Despite his protests, he was sent by the Arian King Theodoric to Constantinople, where he was to convince Emperor Justin to moderate his decree against the Arians. Theodoric threatened reprisals against orthodox Christians in the West if he failed. When John returned, Theodoric had him arrested on suspicion of conspiring with the emperor. He died in prison of ill treatment.

**Thursday, May 20, Memorial of Saint Bernardine of Siena (+1444), priest.** Saint Bernardine was an Italian Franciscan, a priest, and preacher. He was orphaned young and was raised by a pious aunt. While still a student, he helped care for the sick during an outbreak of bubonic plague, caught it, and almost died. Bernardine joined a strict branch of the Franciscans, called the Observants, around 1402. Known as the “Apostle of Italy,” he preached devotion to the Holy Name of Jesus, popularizing the use of the monogram I.H.S. (*Jesus Hominum Salvator*) meaning, “Jesus the Savior of Humanity”) and encouraging luxuries in “bonfires of vanities.”

**Friday, May 21, Memorial of Saint Christopher Magallanes (+1937), priest, martyr, and his companions, martyrs.** Christopher Magallanes was a Mexican priest whose years of ministry coincided with an extreme anticlerical era in Mexico. He was falsely accused of promoting rebellion and arrested on his way to celebrate Mass. Christopher was killed without trial after absolving his executioners, saying, “I die innocent, and ask God that my blood may serve to unite my Mexican brethren.” He was canonized by Pope John Paul II on May 21, 2000, along with 21 priests and three laymen, also martyred for resisting the anti-Catholic Mexican government of the 1920’s.

**Saturday, May 22, Memorial of Saint Rita of Cascia (+11457) religious.** Rita lived in Italy from 1381 to 1457. Against her wishes, her parents arranged for her to marry a man who ended up abusing her. She had two sons with him; both followed their father’s bad example. Rita’s husband converted toward the end of his life, but was murdered by an old enemy. Her sons died soon after. Rita was refused entrance to an Augustinian monastery several times because she was a widow, but eventually she was admitted and lived there until her death. She is depicted with a wound in her forehead because she asked to suffer in union with Jesus and was given a wound from a thorn in his crown.

(Sourcebook)