



# SAINT AMBROSE PARISH COMMUNITY

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**Rev. William P. Wolfe**  
*Pastor*

**Rev. Brian Doran**  
*in Residence*

**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: \_\_\_\_\_

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

*Let the one among you who is without sin be the  
First to throw a stone at her.*

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK****Sunday March 21, 2010-Saturday, March 27, 2010**

Sunday	8:00 AM	George Palacios
	10:00 AM	People of St. Ambrose
	12:00 Noon	Gerry Day
		Tressa Perry
Monday	7:00 AM	Alfred Gonsalves--†
Tuesday	7:00 AM	Salvador Trujillo
		Wilson Couri †
Wednesday,	7:00 AM	Josefina Calderon
Thursday	7:00 AM	Lydia Danielski
Friday	7:00 AM	Rafaela Trujillo
Saturday	5:30 PM	Peter Cunje--†

**THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES****Sunday March 21, 2010-Saturday, March 27, 2010**

Sunday	9:00 AM-1:00 PM	<b>Nurse's Office <u>OPEN</u></b>
	9:15: AM	<b>Choir Practice</b>
	11:00 AM	<b>Youth Religious Instruction</b>
Monday	--	--
Tuesday	--	--
Wednesday	8:00-8:30 AM	<b>Gospel Reflection and Sharing</b>
Thursday	7:00-8:30 PM	<b>St Jude Mass &amp; Rosary</b>
Friday	<b>6:00-7:30 PM</b>	<b>Lenten Meal</b>
	<b>7:30 PM</b>	<b>STATIONS OF CROSS</b>
Saturday	5:00-5:30 PM	<b>Confessions</b>
	5:30 PM	<b>Vigil Mass</b>

**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, Becky Davis, Gerry Day, Anna DeLucia, Amanda DeMarino, Sasha DeMarino, Mary Gonsalves, Carl Higgins, Phyllis Iannello, Helen Lemanski, Jessica Leoni, Kate McLaughlin, Jo Martinson, Jere Morgan, Daniel Moriarity, Donald O'Connell, Vicky Palestra, Mary Petroff, Dorothy Petroff, John Petroff, Mike Posey, Walter Ruczynski, Sean Sweeney, Glenn Waggoner, Phyllis Waggoner, Evelyn White, Anita Wilson

**Readings for next Sunday, March 28, 2010  
PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION****First Reading: Isaiah 50: 4-7****Responsorial Psalm 22****Second Reading: Philippians 2: 6-11****Gospel: Luke 14-23: 56****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  
**Amount Rcvd<sup>3rd</sup> Sun. of March. \$2,363 (\$3,421)**

**Thank you for your generosity.**

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

**CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES COLLECTION**

Your donations totaled \$362. Thank you for your generosity.

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**Each Friday of Lent:** Lenten Meal at 6:00 PM, Parish Center; Stations of the Cross at 7:30 PM,

**Three-Day Journey to Triumph, March 28, Palm Sunday):**  
**Chrim Mass, Monday, March 29,** at Our Lady of the Angels Cathedral, 7:00 PM.

**Easter Egg Hunt – Sunday, April 4 11:00-12 Noon—**  
"Judi's Kids" and all kids are invited to join in the annual Easter egg hunt on Easter Sunday morning.

**TRIDUUM:**

**Holy Thursday, April 1, Mass 5:30 PM.** Adoration 'til 9 PM  
**Good Friday, April 2, 3:00 PM----**Passion. Veneration,  
Communion

**Holy Saturday, April 3, Mass at 8:00 PM****Easter Sunday, April 4, Masses 8:00 AM 10:00 AM, 12 Noon****Confessions--each Saturday 4:30-5:00 PM.****No confessions will be heard during the Triduum.****TRIDUUM, A THREE-DAY JOURNEY TO TRIUMPH**

An invitation to all St. Ambrose parishioners, RCIA catechumens and sponsors, and anyone interested in acquiring a deeper understanding of the Catholic feast of Easter.

TRIDUUM, A THREE-DAY JOURNEY TO TRIUMPH captures the meaning, the liturgy, the history, and the spirit of the Triduum or the three days of Easter – Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil. TRIDUUM has been presented at a growing number of Los Angeles parishes and RCIA classes, including the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels.

TRIDUUM is written, researched, and compiled by St. Ambrose parishioner Joe Praml, and consists of scripture, hymns, ancient homilies, poetry, and prose. It will be sung and read by Joe and his wife, Lynne. TRIDUUM will take place in the church following the 12 o'clock mass on March 28, Palm Sunday, and lasts 30 minutes.

**ITEMS AVAILABLE**

Over a long period of time walkers, canes, crutches, and commodes have been donated to St. Ambrose. We have an abundance of these items. If you know of anyone who has a need for one of them, please contact our nurse, JoE Martinson. Her number is on the front of the Newsletter.

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

We are moving closer and closer to Holy Week, and this intensity is felt in the prayers and prefaces of the day.

On this final Lenten Sunday before Palm Sunday, Christ looks at us as he looks at the woman caught in adultery. Her sin, our sin is patent and undeniable. The question is: How do we look back at Christ? With self-righteous yet guilty eyes of the scribes and Pharisees who drop their stones but not their murderous intentions (which they now transfer to Jesus)? Or like the adulteress who remains alone before Jesus and who accepts with humble confidence the sentence of Christ: "I do not condemn you"? The woman gains "the supreme good of knowing Christ Jesus" as her Lord. Thanks to that event, we accept the loss of all things, considering them as so much rubbish... especially our willful assertion, and our pride. She and we "remember not the events of the past" but instead enter upon the path that the Event who is Christ opens in "the mighty waters": the accumulation of all the tears shed throughout history. The Father opens a way, not in the sea, but in his Son's side. (Magnificat)

**TODAYS READINGS (Year C)**

**First Reading:** Through the words of Isaiah, God called his people to turn their gaze from the past to the future, where he will do something new. God provides abundant water in the desert to satisfy the people that he himself will make his own. In our desert wandering and exile, the Lord calls us not to memory of glories past, but to the vision of our lives made new.

**Responsorial Psalm:** In proclaiming Psalm 126, the Church expresses her hope in the marvelous deeds God has prepared for those who trust in him. The Church will go forth sowing the seed of God's word and will return blessed in abundance.

**Second Reading:** Paul's proclamation that Christ is now the sole focus and meaning of his life is accompanied by another powerful claim. He will no longer rely on his own efforts for salvation. Christ is not only the beginning and end for Paul; he is also the way itself, both as the model and means of the way to salvation. The victory of the Resurrection is Christ's gift to be bestowed on all who believe.

**Gospel:** The adulterous woman's execution was thwarted by the dropping of stones, and not by her protestations of repentance. Her accusers laid down their stones and their hearts of stone as Jesus' penetrating challenge enabled them to make an honest assessment of their own lives. The woman herself made no protestation of a repentant life, but acknowledged that her accusers had departed. Jesus, while siding with those who refuse to stone her, challenges her to a new life free from this sin.

(Sourcebook)

**MEMORIAL MASSES THIS WEEK**

**Tuesday, March 23, memorial of Saint Toribio de Mongrovejo. Bishop. (+1606)** Toribio de Mongrovejo was born into the Spanish nobility and dedicated his life to bringing Christianity to the native peoples of Peru as the missionary Archbishop of Lima. He traveled the whole of his enormous diocese, usually on foot, evangelizing and baptizing as he went. Among those he baptized or confirmed were Saint Rose of Lima and Saint Martin de Porres. Saint Toribio also founded the first seminary in the Western Hemisphere and built roads, schools, chapels, hospitals, and convents. He is remembered for his defense of the native peoples against the injustices of the Spanish government.

**Thursday, March 25, The Annunciation of the Lord, Solemnity.** The Annunciation, the appearance of Gabriel to Mary, is the very beginning of the Paschal Mystery. In her book *The Reed of God*, Caryl Houselander points out that at the Annunciation, God's entire plan of salvation depended on the answer of an adolescent. How remarkable it truly was when Mary was able to say confidently, "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word." Her "yes" set in motion the great mystery of the Incarnation. This solemnity, exactly nine months before the birth of Christ, celebrates the conception of Jesus.

(Sourcebook)

**PASCHAL TRIDUUM**

The Paschal Triduum (the "Three Days" is the heart of our liturgical year and celebrates the heart of our faith, the Paschal Mystery of Jesus Christ: his life, Passion, death, and Resurrection. *One long feast, it goes from sundown, beginning with the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, through Good Friday, reaching its high point in the Easter Vigil, and closing on Easter Sunday.*

**“COME BACK TO ME  
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