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John the Baptist appeared, preaching in the desert of Judea and saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!" It was of him that the prophet Isaiah had spoken when he said: *A voice of one crying out in the desert, Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths.* John wore clothing made of camel's hair and had a leather belt around his waist. His food was locusts and wild honey. At that time

Jerusalem, all Judea, and the whole region around the Jordan were going out to him and were being baptized by him in the Jordan River as they acknowledged their sins. When he saw many of the Pharisees and

Sadducees coming to his baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath? Produce good fruit as evidence of your repentance. And do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father.' For I tell you, God can raise up children to Abraham from these stones. Even now the ax lies at the root of the trees. Therefore every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire. I am baptizing you with water, for repentance, but the one who is coming after me is mightier than I. I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fan is in his hand. He will clear his threshing floor and gather his wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire." ~Matthew 3:1-12

Sunday Mass Times

10:00 a.m. (also livestreamed) and 5:00 p.m.

Weekday Masses:

Monday - Friday at 6:00 p.m.

**COME SPEND SOME TIME IN
ADORATION OF OUR LORD**

Every Tuesday after the 6pm mass

"Come to me all you who are weary and burdened and I will give you rest." (Matthew 11:28).

First Reading: Isaiah 11: 1-10

Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 72: 1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17

Second Reading: Romans 15: 4-9

Alleluia: Luke 3: 4, 6

Gospel: Matthew 3: 1-12



*Welcome to
St. Ambrose Church*

Confessions: Saturday 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. or by Appointment

Baptisms: By Appointment

Marriages: Arrangements six months in advance

Anointing of the Sick: Contact the Parish Office

Funerals: Contact the Parish Office

Rev. Dennis Marrell, Pastor

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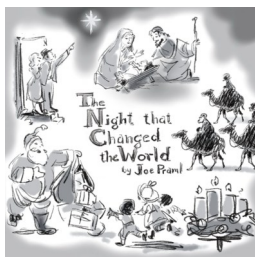
Myla Halili, Administrative Assistant

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Brendan Coyle, Music Director

Joe Praml's 'Christmas Story'

Celebrate "The Night That Changed the World, a Christmas Story" written by long-time St Ambrose Lector, parishioner and playwright Joe Praml.



Sunday, Dec. 7 after the 10am mass.

Presented by Joe Praml Readers followed by a carol sing-a-long as a fundraiser, it starts with Matthew and Luke, and described its origins, opposition and acceptance by the church and how it became the holiday practiced today.

The Joe Praml Readers was formed in memory of the late Joe Praml.

Donations appreciated.

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Sunday, December 7, 2025 |

Second Sunday of Advent | [Matthew 3:1-12](#)

Friends, today St. Matthew compels us to come to grips with the great Advent figure of John the Baptist. It's really impossible to grasp the significance of Jesus without passing through the cleansing bath of John the Baptist. He provides a lens through which Jesus is properly interpreted.

John, Matthew tells us, made his appearance as a preacher in the desert of Judea. Deserts are places of simplicity and poverty, places where distractions and attachments are eliminated—and hence where the voice of God can be heard. Wealth, pleasure, power, honor—and all of their avatars and priests—are shouting at us, luring us, tempting us. But what is God saying? We have to go to these silent and deserted places in order to hear.

What is the first thing that the prophet says? "Repent!" This word cuts to the heart of every one of us, precisely because we all know that our lives are not where they are supposed to be. We have all fallen short of the glory of God; we have all fallen into patterns of self-absorption and addiction. So let us hear John's word today: "Repent!" ~Bishop Robert Barron

Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace for ever.

[Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17](#)

OFFERTORY

11/30/25	Offertory:	\$	849.00
11/30/25	Online:		2,448.00
	Total:	\$	3,297.00

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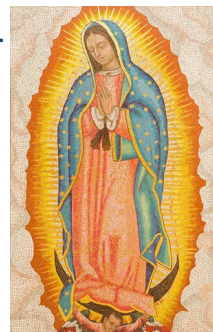
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Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church
cordially invites our community to Our
Lady of Guadalupe Feast



Novena

December 3 - 11 at 7:00 p.m.

(Except on December 8 it will take place at 6:00 p.m.)

December 12

Procession & Rosary 4:00 a.m.

Mañanitas 4:30 a.m.

Mass in Spanish: 5:00 a.m.

Mass in English: 12:05 p.m.

Mass in Spanish: 7:00 p.m.

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**Christmas & New Year Schedule**

Christmas Eve/December 24	Christmas Day/December 25
Mass: 6:00 p.m. & 12 Midnight	Mass: 10:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.

New Year's Eve

Mass: 6:00 p.m.

New Year's Day

Mass: 6:00 p.m.

**HAPPY ADVENT
SEASON**



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2025



**Holy Day of Obligation
December 8**